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SUBJECT
Royal Show 1974

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SIZE OF NEG. Date

PRINTS AVAILABLE

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HOW IT SPREADS

Spread of the fungus by natural means within the soil is very slow in comparison to its distribution by the transport of infected soil. Man, with his ability to carry soil over great distances in a very short time, is the most efficient carrier of this disease into healthy areas.

Prevention of this artificial spread is the greatest single step which can be taken to reduce the serious threat to our forests.

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WHAT IT AFFECTS

Apart from the obvious effects jarrah dieback will have on the timber, furniture and building industries, it will also have varying—often drastic—effects on water catchments, recreation, wild-flowers and understorey vegetation, animals and birds.

The chain reaction through the ecosystem will affect most animal species—including many not directly dependant on plants and trees killed by the disease.