

Chapter 10

Biosynthetic Pathways and Chemical Communication Systems: XVIII International Congress of Entomology, Vancouver, 3–9 July 1988

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The XVIII International Congress of Entomology (XVIII ICE) was held at the University of British Columbia (UBC) in Vancouver, Canada, on July 3–9, 1988, at the invitation of the Entomological Society of Canada (ESC). The initial invitation was presented to the Council for the International Congresses of Entomology at the XVII Congress in Hamburg in 1984 by George Ball (Chapter 9), the Canadian representative on the Council. This was the second ICE to be held in Canada, the first being X ICE, held in Montreal, Quebec, in 1956 (Chapter 3).

Organizing the Congress

The ESC appointed a Local Organizing Committee (LOC) of six ESC members (George Ball, Ken Davey, Sam Loschiavo, Jeremy N. McNeil, Geoff Scudder, and Ian Smith); Scudder was named as chairman. The ESC provided some initial seed money for the congress. The society also appointed a three-person National Fund-Raising Committee, G. B. Kinoshita (chair), Jean Hollebhone, and Alan Tomlin.

An additional 10-person LOC, consisting of Peter Belton, Robert Cannings, Sydney Cannings, J. M. Gosline, Murray Isman, Judith Myers, John McLean, David Raworth, Richard Ring, and Geoff Scudder (chair), was responsible for all of the UBC congress daily operations. Geoff Scudder, then head of the Department of Zoology at UBC, not only acted as chair of the committee, but was also president and secretary general of the congress (Fig. 10.1).

Venue West Ltd., a well-known Vancouver Conference Organizer, was appointed as the congress Secretariat, having organized several previous successful meetings at UBC. Hence, the company was familiar with UBC campus facilities, had worked with the UBC Conference Centre personnel,