

“Key to the Genus Penstemon” now on APS Website

For the first time, **Key to the Genus Penstemon**, the manual written by Kenneth and Robin Lodewick in 1999, is posted on the APS website! You will find the longer Descriptive Key there, but not the Quick Key. This is currently the **only complete key** in print for *Generas Penstemon, Keckiella, Chelone, Chionophila, Nothechelone and Pennelianthus* up to 1999. There certainly have been more species determined since then, particularly in Genus Penstemon, either newly discovered or as varieties or subspecies separated from a species. This handy key can really give you an overview of the six Subgenera and how the members of each are broken down by physical characteristics, beginning on page 11.

An up-to-date key has been written by Craig Freeman, PhD, but it is still waiting for funding to be posted on the Flora of North America website. APS has donated funding for that project and you can also by going to their website. You'll note that you can purchase the complete edition of Lodewick's key to use in the field from the list below. The APS had complete permission from the Lodewicks to use the book for reprinting in any fashion. Please enjoy Ken's and Robin's biographies listed on the APS website at <http://penstemons.org/index.php/library/23-aps-documents>.

A side-note is that the scanning from text of the key was made possible by a \$100,000 machine owned by the UPS Office Store in my town of Sherwood, Oregon and was completed in less than an hour for under \$25.00. Ginny Maffitt

Penstemon Notes 1991. Miscellaneous notes on the genus (in short supply) US\$3.00

Penstemon Field Identifier. A sketchbook, illustrated by Robin, of about 260 species. Originally reproduced and distributed loose-leaf as a series for APS members, this is currently out-of-print. However I have the masters and can make copies. US\$12.00

Penstemon Nomenclature 3rd Edition 2002. Lists all known botanical names applied to the genus. Price reduced to US\$ 3.00.

Key to the Genus Penstemon. Covers 271 penstemon species and 15 related species in 5 other genera US\$ 9.00 APS Lodewick Publications
APS members may obtain the Nomenclature and Key at the same time for US\$ 12.00, plus mailing costs for one publication.

Northwest Penstemons, by Dee Strickler, PhD, covers 80 species native to the Pacific Northwest, but maps extend into any adjoining states with that species. Full color photos, line drawings, maps, key, full descriptions, glossary. US\$15.00, plus mailing costs for hardcover book,

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