

ROSS-ON- WYE ANGLING CLUB
SAFETY BULLETIN #1
GIANT HOGWEED

IDENTIFICATION



- **Stem:** up to 5 metres high. 10cm in diameter. Purple blotches covered with sharp bristles.
- **Leaves:** Large spikey sharply divided leaves
- **Flowers:** White. Large round flat clusters up to 80cm in diameter

DANGER!

AVOID CONTACT WITH ANY PART OF THIS PLANT AS EVEN TINY AMOUNTS OF THE SAP CAN CAUSE BLISTERING OF THE SKIN FOLLOWING EXPOSURE TO SUNLIGHT.



IF YOU COME IN CONTACT WITH THIS PLANT, PROTECT FROM SUNLIGHT, WASH IMMEDIATELY WITH SOAP AND WATER AND SEEK MEDICAL ATTENTION AS IT CAN RESULT IN SEVERE BURNS, BLISTERING AND EVEN BLINDNESS.

PLEASE REPORT ANY SIGHTINGS OF GIANT HOGWEED TO THE ROWAC COMMITTEE AT THE EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY