**Schotia brachypetala**

Drunken Parrot tree, Tree fuschia, Hottentot bean, Boer bean,

**Palatability to Livestock:**
Unknown.

**Toxicity to Goats:**
Unknown.

**Toxicity to Other Species:**
Cattle, probably other livestock.

**Poisonous Principle:**
Unknown.

**Effects:**
*Signs and Symptoms:*
. Loss of weight,
. Crusty nasal exudate,
. Pale mucous membranes,
. Tarry faeces.
. At autopsy, dehydration, haemorrhages through the alimentary tract, swollen liver, congested lungs.

**Health and Production Problems:**
. Be aware of potential stock problems.

**Treatment:**
. Unknown.

**Integrated Control Strategy:**
. Be aware of potential stock problems.

**Comments:**
. Cultivated as a street and garden tree in Australia,
. Native to S. Africa.
. A semi-evergreen spreading tree, with substantial, pinnate leaves.
. Most leaves drop in mid spring when flowering begins.
. Dense clusters of deep crimson flowers with protruding red stamens, in spring to summer.
. Large pods form in autumn.
. No record of toxicity for domestic animals.
. Bark, wood and root contain tannins.
. A decoction of the bark is emetic.
. Wood dust is irritant to the eyes.
. Seeds are said to be edible, and high in protein.

Pictures: Schotia brachypetala

Pictures: Beryl Collins and Helen Simmonds Calga. NSW.

**Further Reading:**
. RA McKenzie, GJ Storie and IR Frazer. Unpublished data Qld DPI.