

NEWS FROM AUSTRALIA

The Australian Entomological Society held its annual meeting at Tanunda, in the wine growing area outside Adelaide in late May this year.

This was attended by 132 delegates and is reported in detail in the Society's August News Bulletin (Vol 22, part 3). Fifty eight papers were given, including a special 12-paper symposium devoted to arachnology. The papers are to be published as an Occasional Publication of the Society. This will give a useful overview of the current status of arachnology studies in Australia and will be available soon.

New Zealanders who would like to attend a future conference of the Society should mark their calendars for September 1987 (Perth in Western Australia to coincide with the famous wildflower season) and May 1988 (Brisbane in Queensland to coincide with World Expo 88 being held in that city.)

The 3rd annual listing of post graduate projects in entomology being undertaken at Australian Universities appeared in the May bulletin of the AES (Vol 22 part 2). This year we managed to locate 231 individual projects working with insects at 17 universities. New Zealanders interested in this list may obtain a copy from me at Queensland museum.

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NEW SOUTHERN LEPIDOPTERA RECORDS

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This article records the presence in Southern New Zealand of several species of moths previously thought to be restricted to areas from Arthurs Pass northwards. Most are at present known from very few Southern localities but do show the richness of the moth fauna in Otago and Southland compared to other parts of New Zealand.

SPECIES	TYPE LOCALITY	SOUTHERN RECORDS
<u>Epichorista speciosa</u> Philpott	Arthurs Pass MC	Maungatua DN bred from <u>Hebe odora</u> at 800m.
<u>Harmologa pontifica</u> Meyrick	Mt Arthur Tableland NN	Maungatua DN bred from <u>H.odorata</u> at 800m also Mt Luxmore FD (Dugdale PC)
<u>Pyrgotis eudorana</u> Meyrick	nr New Plymouth TK	Dunedin
<u>P. chrysomela</u> (Meyrick)	Kaeo ND	Dunedin

<u>Carposina sanctimonea</u> Clarke	Arthurs Pass MC:WD	Longwood Range SL Homer FD Takitimu Mts SL & Blue Mts.SL
(<u>C. maculosa</u> Philpott not known been found in Dunedin.)	south of the Port Hills MC.	has recently
<u>Orthenches dictyarcha</u> Meyrick	Arthurs Pass MC	Mt Cargill DN and the Blue Mts. & Slopedown Rng. both SI
<u>Calicotis crucifera</u> Meyrick	Taranaki but recorded south to Wgtn.	Dunedin & Invercargill.
<u>Graphania brunneosa</u> Fox	Mt Egmont TK (also recorded FN)	Deep Cove FD
<u>Pasiphila cotinaea</u> (Meyrick)	Masterton MA	Alexandra CO & bred from <u>Olearia</u> aff. <u>odorata</u> from Jordan Creek, Umbrella Mts. CO 600m.
<u>Dasyuris micropolis</u> Meyrick	Arthurs Pass WD:MC	Ben Lomond OL Hump FD Homer area FD
<u>D. catadees</u> Prout	Mt Peel NN	Homer area, Hump Hunter Mts Murchison Mts. All FD and the Takitimu Mts. SL
<u>Notoreas arcuata</u> Philpott	St.Arnaud Ra. MB:NN (Also Arthurs Pass)	Mt.Pisgah, Kakanui Mts CO and from Grampian Mts MK.
<u>N. regilla</u> (Philpott)	Dun Mt. NN	Remarkables, Rock & Pillars Lammermoors, Maungatuas, Rough Ridge, Danseys Pass and the Nevis Road above Garston, all CO except Mangatuas DN.

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