



## STRI NEWSLETTER

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JANUARY 13, 1984

### SEMINAR

The luncheon seminar at Ancon on Tuesday, January 17 will be given by JAMES SIMMONS, University of Oregon, who will speak on:

Interception of insects by bats

### ARRIVALS & DEPARTURES

Arriving January 15 are:

KATHERINE TROYER, University of California at Berkeley, to study maternal investment in a lizard: intraspecific variation and adaptive significance. She will be at BCI until June 30th.

DIANE DESTEVEN, Duke University, to study the demography of a clonal palm. She will be at BCI until March 15.

KEVIN HOGAN, University of Illinois, to study the comparative ecology of growth form in two palm species. He will be at BCI.

ROBERT G. READ, Visiting Scholar from San Jose State University, who will be giving two short courses at STRI in Tropical Meteorology and Applied Oceanography. He will be in Panama until April 15 and will have an office in the STRI Library.

Also arriving this week-end are:

STEPHEN TOWEY, SI Libraries, to visit the STRI Library and consult with C. Jopling.

LOURDES FERNANDEZ, SI Office of Design and Construction, to attend the STRI Master Plan Meeting.

### LIBRARY NEWS

New Books received January 6, 1984

- IUCN Amphibia-Reptilia Red Data Book (1982).
- IUCN Plant Red Data Book (1978)
- Red Deer (T. H. Clutton-Brock et al., 1982).
- Survival in the Cold; Hibernation and other adaptation (X.J. Musacchia and L. Jansky, eds. 1981).
- The Thick-billed Murres of Prince Leopold Island (A.J. Gaston and D. N. Nettleship, 1981).
- The Transition to Statehood in the New World (G. D. Jones and R.R. Kautz, eds., 1981).

### AVAILABLE

Hydrogen Peroxide (technical grade, 50%) for laboratory work. Daniel Suman purchased 65g of this reagent which is much more than what he needs. (He can be reached at Ancon or Naos.)

### MASTER PLAN MEETING

STRI scientists and invited staff are reminded that the Master Plan Meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 17 at 9:30 a.m. in the Ancon Conference Room. Please make every effort to attend this important meeting.

### TO THOSE WORKING ON PIPELINE ROAD

A lock has been installed at the entrance of the Pipeline Road. Investigators having a RENARE permit to conduct research in the National Park can request a key to this lock from the secretary at their facility or from Maria Morello at the Tivoli.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM PROCUREMENT

-Office supplies will be distributed only on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings. Requests for the supplies should be made in writing two days in advance of when you wish to receive them. Your cooperation with this policy will be greatly appreciated.

-The Panama postal system has announced the new increased rates that will go into effect on January 17 (It will now cost .30 to mail a letter to anywhere in the Americas.) For further information please check the manual on the rates at the Procurement Office.

### DATES & TIMES FOR COURSES BY R. READ

As previously announced, ROBERT G. READ, will be giving two courses during his stay at STRI, and a course outline is posted on STRI bulletin boards. The Tropical Meteorology Course will be given from January 31 - February 14th and the one on Applied Oceanography from February 16 - March 1st. Both will consist of 5 sessions on Tuesdays and Thursdays, beginning at 4 pm, in the Ancon Conference Room. Members of the STRI staff, visiting researchers and students interested in participating can still contact G. de Alba at Ancon.

### NEW FEDERAL TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS

Several persons who were previously employed as contractors were recently given temporary federal appointments: EFRAIN DOMINGUEZ as Automotive Mechanic, ANTONIO GARRIDO, Air Conditioning Equipment Mechanic, and VIRGILIO SANCHEZ as Woodcraftman.