

SEMINARS - ANCON CONFERENCE ROOM

There is no luncheon talk scheduled for Tuesday, August 4. Please check your bulletin boards for further information.

The luncheon seminar on Tuesday, August 11, will be given by MARIE DOMINIQUE IRVINE from Stanford University. Her subject:

A Regional Look at Resource Management by the Runa Indians of the Ecuadorian Amazon.

ARRIVALS & DEPARTURES

August 1 - Arriving, ROBERT STAMPER, to work with Steve Hubbell on the Hubbell-Foster Plot.

August 1 - Arriving, HENRY HOWE, from the University of Iowa, to work on seedling maps of Virola surinamensis. DAVID WESTMORELAND will also be arriving to work with Dr. Howe for one week.

August 2 - Arriving, J. SEVENSTER and VAN ALPEN to work with K. Bakker from the Netherlands on the role of competition in parasitoids of Drosophila on BCI.

August 3 - Arriving, HAL BLACK, C. JORGENSEN, and three students from Brigham Young University. They will be working on the role of extra-floral nectaries in the population dynamics of the giant ant (Paraponera clavita). They will be at Gamboa and BCI until Aug 24.

August 4 - Arriving, JANE ARNOLD, to work as a research assistant with Ross Robertson in San Blas.

August 5 - Arriving, CATHERINE CRAIG, from Yale University, with assistant LUCY BERNARD to study the influence of insect visual capabilities on the evolution of araneid foraging strategies for one month.

August 6 - Departing, ALAN SMITH, on official business to Minneapolis, MN, and Columbus, OH, to attend meetings of the Association for Tropical Biology. He will be returning on August 16. Also attending the meetings will be JAMES KARR (Aug. 7-13) and JOSEPH WRIGHT (Aug. 9-16).

1987 PUBLICATIONS BY STRI STAFF, FELLOWS & RESEARCH ASSOCIATES

Herre, E. A., D. M. Windsor and R. Foster. 1987. Nesting associations of wasps and ants in lowland Peruvian ant-plants. *Psyche* 93: 321-330.

CALENDAR

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August 7 - Declaration of the Darien National Park in 1980.

August 15 - Anniversary of the Opening of the Panama Canal in 1914.

August 15 - Panama City's Foundation Day. Banks will be closed.

August 18 - STRI monthly scientific staff meeting.

FROM FACILITIES MANAGEMENTKiller Hydrilla

In the last three weeks six outboard motors have suffered almost fatal deaths due to strangulation by the water plant Hydrilla. Hydrilla has clogged the water intake on all six motors, and three will have to be totally disassembled and rebuilt. There is still the possibility that the tree survivors may suffer from the extreme overheating due to water pump failure.

In total, \$700 and 27 working days (seven weeks) will be lost since back-up motors are nonexistent. The problem stems in that users insist on not observing simple operating rules. You must observe the stream of water out the side of the motor as an indicator that the pump is working. Users should steer around Hydrilla when at all possible.

In an effort to help users, we will have Rene Barham discuss this problem during the BCI lunch break.

Emergency Calls After Hours

For any facilities management emergencies, dial (2)52-2233 and give message for beeper 586. Leave phone number for return call.

LIBRARY NEWS - CORRECTION

For the months of June, July and August, KIRSTY SMYTHE, who works mornings in the STRI library, will be offering photocopy and library search services for \$2.20/hour.

PHOTO CONTEST

The STRI Brochure is being revised and color slides of marine and terrestrial plants and animales are urgently needed for illustrations. You will be credited in the brochure if your entry is used. Please send your contributions to Roxana Duran at the Director's Office by August 7.

FROM THE PHOTO LAB

CARL HANSEN will be on leave from August 1 - 26. In order to ensure that the Photo Department continues to function effectively the following work schedule will be observed during his absence.

MARCOS GUERRA will shoot photos on Mondays or Tuesdays. Wednesday through Friday will be reserved for the processing of film and printing. Following this schedule, color film brought in for processing by Wednesday afternoon can be returned by the following Monday.

<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
8 a.m.	8 a.m.	8 a.m.	8 a.m.	8 a.m.
Shoot film.	Shoot film.	Process B&W.	Process color.	Print B&W.
12:00	12:00	12:00	12:00	12:00
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Shoot film.	Shoot film.	Process B&W.	Print B&W.	Clean machines.
4:30	4:30	4:30	4:30	4:30

FROM THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Lately STRI personnel and visitors have been using the telephones for personal calls, particularly to the interior of Panama. This is to remind you that STRI is a Federal Agency and it is illegal to make long distance personal calls without reporting it to the Facility's Secretary. All overseas calls and those to the interior of Panama must be placed through that person or, if not available, personally reported on the appropriate form which you can get at each facility.

Nos hemos percatado que algunas personas del personal y visitantes de STRI han estado usando los telefonos para hacer llamadas personales, especialmente al interior de Panama. Debo recordarles que STRI es una Agencia Federal, y como tal es ilegal hacer llamadas personales de larga distancia sin reportarlas a la secretaria de cada instalacion. Todas las llamadas al exterior y aquellas al interior de Panama deben ser hechas por medio de la secretaria o, si esa persona no se encuentra disponible, deben ser reportadas en el formulario correspondiente, que pueden conseguir en cada instalacion.



