

SEMINARS - ANCON CONFERENCE ROOM

The noon seminar on Tuesday, March 22, will be given by ALEJANDRO FARJI B., Universidad de Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Estrategias Forrajeras de Dos Especies Simpatridas de Hormigas Cortadoras de Hojas en un Bosque Subtropical Semiárido.

ABSTRACT: Se estudiaron dos especies de hormigas, Acromyrmex striatus y Acromyrmex hispidus. Ambas poseen preferencias por un número limitado de especies vegetales leñosas. El consumo de A. striatus coincide con los picos de oferta estacional, mientras que A. hispidus no acompaña esa oferta y selecciona hojas jóvenes, flores y frutos. Estas estrategias parecen relacionarse con la concentración de compuestos secundarios en las hojas. Ni la abundancia de las especies vegetales ni su cercanía al nido son factores determinantes que aumenten la frecuencia en que éstas son consumidas.

NEXT WEEK

There is no seminar scheduled for Tuesday, March 29. If interested in giving a talk, please call Stanley Rand or Vielka Vergel at 62-2009/2008.

ARRIVALS & DEPARTURES

Arrived last week, DAVID SENN, University of Basel, Switzerland, to visit the Iguana Management Project for one week.

March 25 - Arriving, JULIO ARIAS R., Universidad Nacional de Costa Rica, to work as statistician for one year on the Iguana Management Project.

1987 PUBLICATIONS BY STRI STAFF, FELLOWS & RESEARCH ASSOCIATES

Eberhard, W. G. 1986. Maternal behavior in Apollophanes punctipes (O.P. Cambridge) (Araneae, Thomisidae). J. Arachnol. 14(3): 398.

Eberhard, W. G. 1987. How spiders initiate airborne lines. J. Arachnol. 15(1): 1-9.

FROM THE MAIL ROOM

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DONATIONS REQUESTED

The association CARITAS is requesting donations of canned and dry foods for poor neighborhoods. Please deposit in box at Tivoli (see M. Morello).

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ASSISTANTS/VOLUNTEERS AVAILABLE

MELISSA HOLLOWAY (4212 River Rd, NW, Washington, DC 20016) has a BA in Environmental Studies from the University of California at Santa Barbara. She is interested in working as a research assistant or volunteer, either in terrestrial or marine habitats. Skills include NAUI SCUBA certification, and knowledge of DBASE and Wordperfect.

FRIEDER MAYER (6309 45th Place, Riverdale, MD 20737) is a Fulbright scholar at the University of Maryland. He is offering his services as a research assistant during the 1988 summer vacation.

DAVID PAYNE (Hedgerley, Duffield Lane, Stoke Poges, Bucks, England) is offering his services as a volunteer from July - October 1988. He is 22 years old, with experience in commercial forestry, and is in a two-year forestry and wildlife program at the London Polytechnic. He will provide his own funding.

PRESUPUESTO FY 88

Este año STRI recibió fondos para equipo y personal para el nuevo Centro Tupper. También fueron asignados fondos para nuevo equipo y personal en BCI y Gamboa.

SYMPOSIUM ANNOUNCEMENT

The I Zoology Symposium and the II Botany Symposium will be held at the Havana International Conference Center, June 14 - 17, 1988. The 1st Meeting of the Latin American Society of Mycorrhiza will take place at the same time. Previous to this (June 8-10) the 5th Coordination Meeting of MAB Socialist Countries will take place.

LIBRARY NEWS

New books:

NEWS ABOUT THE ON-LINE CATALOGUE

THE SIBIS SYSTEM HAS SEVERAL NEW WRINKLES(COMMANDS) TO ASSIST THE NEW USERS AND GUIDE THEM THROUGH THE SYSTEM. THE COMMAND IS CALLED NEW USER AND THE FOLLOWING PRINT-OUT WILL APPEAR ON THE SCREEN.

The online catalogue will help you find descriptions of library books and other items. You will have to choose from lists and do a little typing. If you get stuck, you can press HELP for directions, or ask the library staff for help.

This example describes how to find items written by a particular author, but other types of searches are similar.

To start the search, select AUT to go to the AUTHOR SEARCH screen. Then enter as much of the author's name as you are sure of. For example, enter 'COOK' to find items written by Mr. Cook. What the catalogue does next depends on how many authors' names begin with 'COOK' and how many items they wrote.

1. If there is only one author named 'COOK' and he wrote only one item, the catalogue shows a brief description of the item right away. If you wish, you can then ask for a fuller description.
2. If there is only one author named 'COOK' but he wrote more than one item, the catalogue lists the items and asks you to select one. This will take you to a brief description.
3. If there is more than one author named 'COOK', the catalogue lists the authors and asks you to select one. (For example, select 'Cook, Cathy', 'Cook, Ken I.', or 'Cookson, B.'). This will take you to a brief description or to a list of items by the author.
4. If there is not even one author named 'COOK', the catalogue lists the ones that are nearby in the index and asks you to select one. This will take you to a brief description or to a list of items by the author.

This is only a basic description of how to search for items. As you use the catalogue, you will learn new details - such as how to go back and forth between item descriptions and item lists and index lists.

COMMAND CHAINING. FOR USERS FAMILIAR WITH THE SYSTEM.

Throughout this system you may use a time-saving feature known as command chaining which allows you to enter several commands at once, instead of one at a time. Only the screen corresponding to the last command in the chain will be displayed.

To chain commands together, separate them with the / character.

You may use command chaining in all types of searches.

To save time you may omit the CAT command, as shown below:

Ex:
Ex: AUT/BROWN, SUSAN
Ex: SUB/MUSIC
Ex: KEY/TILK/ORCHESTRA

