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# Program of the 60<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Entomological Society of Alberta

## **SATURDAY NOVEMBER 3**

8:30-17:00	ESC GOVERNING BOARD MEETING	ACADIA
9:30-17:00	UA ENTOMOLOGY ALUMNI SYMPOSIUM	ESB327, UA
17:30-19:30	UA ENTOMOLOGY ALUMNI MIXER	UA FACULTY CLUB
SUNDAY NOVEMBER	<u>R 4</u>	
9:00-12:00	PUBLICATION WORKSHOP	DAYTON/TURNER
9:00-17:00	REGISTRATION/INFORMATION DESK OPEN Silent Auction Items on Display	FOYER
9:00-17:30	AV ROOM OPEN	LAKELAND
10:00-20:00	UA ENTOMOLOGY ALUMNI	CRAIG RESIDENCE
10:30-11:00	REFRESHMENT BREAK	FOYER
13:00-13:30	OPENING CEREMONIES	DRAYTON/TURNER
13:30-14:00	GOLD MEDAL ADDRESS  Dr. Felix Sperling "Nuturing entomological enthusiasm"	DRAYTON/TURNER
14:00-17:00	PLENARY SYMPOSIUM "Arthropod Biodiversity"	DRAYTON/TURNER
14:00 Dr. Daniel Rubinoff The Evolution of extraordinary biodiversity in Hawaii's endemic insects.		
14 :45	REFRESHMENT BREAK	FOYER
15:30 Dr. Jeremy Kerr  Detecting and predicting global change impacts on butterflies in Canada.		
16:15 Dr. Wayne Maddison		

Jumping spider melodies.

19:00-23:00	WELCOME RECEPTION	GLENORA BALLROOM
19:00-21:00	CUTWORM WORKSHOP	ACADIA
MONDAY NOVEMBE	ER 5 (AM)	
8:00-17:00	REGISTRATION/INFORMATION DESK OPEN Silent Auction Items on Display	FOYER
8:00-17:00	AV ROOM OPEN	LAKELAND
8:00-9:00	POSTER SET UP	GLENORA BALLROOM
8:30-12:00	PRESIDENT'S PRIZE 1-BEHAVIOUR & ECOLOGY	DRAYTON
8:30-11:30	PRESIDENT'S PRIZE 2-BIODIVERSITY	TURNER
8:30-11:30	PRESIDENT'S PRIZE 3-FORESTRY	ACADIA
8:30-12:00	SYMPOSIUM 1-INSECTS ON THE WEB	WOOD BUFFALO
9:30-10:30	PRESIDENT'S PRIZE POSTER SESSION	GLENORA BALLROOM
10:00-10:30	REFRESHMENT BREAK	GLENORA BALLROOM
12:00-13:00	LUNCH	
MONDAY NOVEMBE	ER 5 (PM)	
12:00-14:00	TCE EDITORIAL BOARD MEETING VANI	BEERSCHOTEN (CLUB)
12:00-13:00	ESAB EXECUTIVE MEETING	WOOD BUFFALO
13:00-16:15	PRESIDENT'S PRIZE 4-AGRICULTURE	DRAYTON
13:00-16:15	PRESIDENT'S PRIZE 5-HOST-PARASITE/ PHYSIOL.	WOOD BUFFALO
13:00-16:30	CONTRIBUTED PAPERS-BIODIVERSITY	TURNER
13:00-16:30	CONTRIBUTED PAPERS-FORESTRY	ACADIA
14:30-15:00	REFERESHMENT BREAK	GLENORA BALLROOM

17:00-19:00	ESAB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING	WOOD BUFFALO
19:00-23:00	STUDENT MIXER	GLENORA BALLROOM
19:00-23:00	ESC PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION-INVITE ONLY	ACADIA
20:00-22:30	BSC CURATION BLITZ	ROYAL ALBERTA MUSEUM
TUESDAY NOVE	MBER 6 (AM)	
8:00-17:00	REGISTRATION/INFORMATION DESK OPEN	FOYER
10:00-13:00	FINAL BIDS SILENT AUCTION	FOYER
8:00-17:00	AV ROOM OPEN	LAKELAND
8:30-12:00	GRADUATE STUDENT SYMPOSIUM	DRAYTON
8:30-12:15	SYMPOSIUM 2-INSECTS IN AGRICULTURE	TURNER
8:30-12:00	SYMPOSIUM 3-BEHAVIOUR & BIODIVERSITY	ACADIA
8:25-11:45	SYMPOSIUM 4-BUDWORM GENOMICS	WOOD BUFFALO
9:30-10:30	CONTRIBUTED POSTER SESSION	GLENORA BALLROOM
10:00-10:30	REFRESHMENT BREAK	GLENORA BALLROOM
12:00-13:00	LUNCH	
TUESDAY NOVEMBER 6 (PM)		
13:00-15:45	CONTRIBUTED PAPERS-ECOLOGY	DRAYTON
13:00-16:00	CONTRIBUTED PAPERS-AGRICULTURE	TURNER
13:00-16:00	CONTRIBUTED PAPERS-BEHAVIOUR	ACADIA
14:30-15:00	REFERESHMENT BREAK	GLENORA BALLROOM
14:30-15:45	SILENT AUCTION ITEM PICK-UP	FOYER

16:00-17:00	HERITAGE LECTURE Dr. John Spence	GLENORA BALLROOM
	"Understanding and managing Canadian fo made a difference."	rests: Entomologists
17:00-18:00	ESC AGM/ESC INCOMING BOARD MEETING	GLENORA BALLROOM
18:00-19:00	COCKTAILS	DRAYTON
19:00-20:30	BANQUET	DRAYTON
20:30-21:00	AWARDS	DRAYTON
21:30-22:30	Lymantria Bug Band and "JAM" SESSION	DRAYTON
WEDNESDAY NOVEN	MBER 7 (AM)	
8:00-12:00	REGISTRATION/INFO DESK OPEN	FOYER
8:00-10:30	AV ROOM OPEN	LAKELAND
8:30-11:30	POSTER TAKE-DOWN	GLENORA BALLROOM
8:30-12:00	SYMPOSIUM 5-BIOLOGICAL SURVEY OF CANADA	DRAYTON
8:30-11:00	CONTRIBUTED PAPERS-BIOLOGICAL CONTROL	TURNER
8:30-11:30	CONTRIBUTED PAPERS-PHYSIOLOGY	ACADIA
10:00-10:30	REFRESHMENT BREAK	GLENORA BALLROOM
12:00-14:00	BIOLOGICAL SURVEY OF CANADA MEETING	DRAYTON

# Greetings from the President, Entomological Society of Canada

It gives me great pleasure to welcome you all to Edmonton for the 2012 Joint Annual Meeting (JAM) of the Entomological Society of Canada (ESC) and the Entomological Society of Alberta (ESAB). The Local Organizing Committee has spared no effort to put together an intellectually and socially exciting program. The theme of this year's meeting, "arthropod diversity", will be the thread connecting the various plenary lectures and symposia, which feature several distinguished invited speakers. The program also includes a wide variety of oral and poster presentations, with many excellent contributions by students. This year's Heritage Lecture, given by John Spence, "Understanding and managing Canadian forests: Entomologists made a difference", promises to be both informative and entertaining. If you're in town early, don't miss Sunday morning's special workshop entitled "*Perspectives on the Publishing Process*", where you will learn "tricks of the trade" that will help you navigate through the scientific publication system.

Organizing and staging a national meeting requires very significant effort on the part of many dedicated volunteers. On behalf of the ESC, I would like to thank them all for the countless hours they invested in preparing this meeting. Special thanks go to Greg Pohl (Meeting Chair), Lloyd Dosdall (ESAB President), Maya Evenden and Felix Sperling (Scientific Program), Daryl Williams and Caroline Whitehouse (Treasurers), Andy Keddie and Mike Dolinski (Local Arrangements), Heather Proctor and Adam Blake (Registration), and Alec McClay (Webmaster) for their dedication to making this JAM a success.

I wish you all a productive, stimulating and enjoyable meeting in Edmonton.

Michel Cusson, ESC President/Président de la SEC

## **Greetings from the Entomological Society of Alberta**

On behalf of the Entomological Society of Alberta, we are delighted to welcome you to the Joint Annual Meeting of the Entomological Societies of Canada and Alberta. We have had a rich, unbroken tradition of entomological research and outreach in Alberta dating back to the late 1800's. The North West Entomological Society was founded in 1898 by pioneers like Percy Gregson and A.D. Gregson near Red Deer, F.H. Wolley Dod at Priddis, and Norman Sanson in Banff. That society was soon amalgamated with a territorial natural history society but the spirit of entomological enthusiasm remained intact, soon to be bolstered by the arrival in 1913 of E.H. Strickland at the Dominion Agricultural Station in Lethbridge. Strickland went on to found the Department of Entomology in 1922 at the University of Alberta, and alumni of that department are celebrating the 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its formation this year in conjunction with our ESC JAM. The department itself was formally merged with others in 1993, but entomological education continues to thrive in multiple departments and faculties at the University of Alberta, as well as at venerable educational institutions like Olds College, newer ones like the University of Calgary, the University of Lethbridge and most recently MacEwan University. Just as prominently, new generations of entomologists remain active at numerous levels of government and industry across Alberta. We all hope that you will join us in appreciating entomology and Arthropod Diversity at the 2012 ESC JAM in Edmonton!

Lloyd Dosdall, ESAB President and Felix Sperling, ESAB Vice President

# **Greetings from the Local Organizing Committee Chair**

On behalf of the Local Organising Committee, I welcome you to Edmonton and the 2012 JAM. Our committee has been busy for over two years, putting together the conference for you. I won't thank everyone here, as they're mentioned elsewhere in the program; we hope you find the meeting interesting and enjoyable.

Edmonton is a city on the margin of the Boreal Forest and Aspen Parkland, with the beautiful North Saskatchewan River Valley running right through the middle. If you find time for a stroll outside, or need a few minutes of peace to contemplate your upcoming presentation, I encourage you to take a walk in the river valley; the web of trails will accomodate a short stroll or a long hike, and in some spots it's so peaceful you could forget you're in the middle of a bustling city of one million. If you're like me, a little dose of nature will remind you why you entered the field of Entomology in the first place.

Greg Pohl - Conference Chair

# Oral Presentations (Alphabetically by presenting author)

### 1. Abdelghany, A., D. Suthisut, and P.G. Fields

Cold tolerance of the warehouse beetle, *Trogoderma variabile*.

# 2. Abram, P.K., T. Haye, P.G. Mason, N. Cappuccino, G. Boivin, and U. Kuhlmann

The biology of Synopeas myles, a parasitoid of the swede midge, Contarinia nasturtii.

### 3. Adams, E.M., B. Roitberg, and R.S. Vernon

Permeability of mesh exclusion fencing to ground beetle (Coleoptera: Carabidae) predators.

## 4. Alzahrani, S., A. Ajlan, and J. Hajjar

Susceptibility and resistance of *Musca domestica* in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.

#### 5. Ashfaq, M., M. Ali, M. Noor ul Ane, S. Ahmad, P. Fields and S. Whyard

Heavy metal in insect food web: Transportation of chromium (VI) to *Bombyx mori* L. from mulberry plant (*Morus alba* L.) grown at soil irrigated with chromium (VI) containing effluents.

#### 6. Atwood, T.B., E. Hammill, D.S. Srivastava and J.S. Richardson

Predator-predator intimidation alters top-down effects on CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from an experimental bromeliad ecosystem.

#### 7. Ayyanath, M-M., C. Scott-Dupree, C. Cutler

Gene regulation in green peach aphid during chemical hormesis.

### 8. Bahar, M.H., J. Soroka, D. Hegedus, and L. Dosdall

Thermal tolerance and HSP70 gene expression in DBM and *Diadegma insulare*.

#### 9. Barrie, C. and T. A. Wheeler

Effect of urbanization on ground beetle diversity (Coleoptera: Carabidae) in Montreal green spaces.

#### 10. Belland, R.J.

Patterns in the diversity of mosses in Canada.

#### 11. Beres, B.L.

Manipulating agronomic factors for sustainable control of the wheat stem sawfly.

### 12. Bergeron, C.

Fire history, arthropod diversity, and indicators of sustainable forest management.

#### 13. Bird, H., B. Brunet, and F.A.H. Sperling

Jack pine budworm phylogenomics.

#### 14. Blair, M.S. and T.A. Wheeler

Spatial and temporal diversity of Scathophagidae (Diptera) in northern Canada.

### 15. Blake, A.J., L.M. Dosdall and J.A. Tansey

Nutritional effects on the glucosinolate composition of canola and its olfactory attractiveness to the cabbage seedpod weevil.

# 16. Boone, C.K., G. Samarasekerara, N.V. Bartell, B.S. Lindgren, J.E. Cooke, C.S. Davis, P.M. James, D.W. Coltman, K.E. Mock, and B.W. Murray

Spatial genetic structure of the mountain pine beetle (*Dendroctonus ponderosae*) in western North America.

### 17. Boquel, S., M.A. Giguère, C. Clark, C., J. Zhang, and Y. Pelletier

New insights into the effect of mineral oil on the acquisition of PVY.

#### 18. Bourassa, S. and J.R. Spence

Changing climate associated with homogenization of forest assemblages of boreal ground beetles (Coleoptera: Carabidae).

### 19. Bourchier, R.S., K.D. Floate and L. Lesage

Assessment of the diversity of biocontrol agents at historic leafy spurge release sites in Southern Alberta.

# 20. Brandao , M., A. Nisole, J. Laroche, B. Boyle, L. Lumley, D. Doucet, F.A.H. Sperling, M. Cusson, and R. Levesque

The *Choristoneura fumiferana* transcriptomic profile.

#### 21. Brodie, B.S., R. Gries, S. VanLaerhoven, and G. Gries

Semiochemical and visual cues attract blowflies to recently deceased rats.

# 22. Brunet, B., H. Bird, L. Lumley, M. Cusson, B. Boyle, R. Levesque, and F. Sperling

A Genotyping-By-Sequencing approach to the *Choristoneura fumiferana* species complex.

#### 23. Buddle, C.M.

Canada's spider fauna: Benchmarks and opportunities for assessing the biota of Canada.

#### 24. Buddle, C.M.

Everyone's Ivory Tower: perspectives on how social media is changing academia.

#### 25. Byers, K. and H. Proctor

Sexual selection and genitalia in *Trouessartia* feather mites.

#### 26. Cannings, S.G.

The status of *Germaria angustata*, a dune-restricted tachinid fly, in North America.

#### 27. Cárcamo, H.A.

The pea leaf weevil (*Sitona lineatus* L.) - an overview of recent research and knowledge gaps.

#### 28. Chahil, G.S. and G.C. Cutler

Consumption of weed seeds by *Harpalus rufipes*, a common beetle in lowbush blueberry in Atlantic Canada.

#### 29. Chen, X.

Population level effects of the Azatin, on the *Ceriodaphnia dubia*.

### 30. Cigan, P., J. Karst, J. Cahill, and N. Erbilgin

Influence of mountain pine beetle infestation on litter and soil nutrient status in western Alberta, Canada.

#### 31. Cory, J.S., D.T. Woodward, T. David, E.M. Kemp

Mixed infections in the eastern spruce budworm, *Choristoneura fumiferana*.

#### 32. Costamagna, A.C.

Comparison of predation in annual versus perennial agroecosystems: aphid predation in soybean versus alfalfa in Manitoba.

### 33. Courtney, G.W. and J.K. VanDyk

BugGuide: the community behind half a million submitted "specimens".

#### 34. Cumming, J. M., S.E. Brooks and T. Saigusa

Systematics of the *Hesperempis* genus group (Diptera: Empididae).

#### 35. Currie, D.C.

Canada's black fly fauna: opportunities and challenges for a well-known family of biting flies.

#### 36. Currie, R., D. Suresh, S. Jiang and J. Deonarine

Impact of honey bee comb on the phenology and impact viruses on honey bee colonies.

# 37. Cusson, M., H. Maaroufi, A. Nisole, B. Boyle, J. Laroche, C. Béliveau, I. Kukavica-Ibrulj, D. Doucet, C. Lucarotti, F. Sperling, L. Lumley, B. Brunet, H. Bird, M. Brandão, R.C. Levesque

Unique features of the spruce budworm genome.

#### 38. Cutler, G.C.

Insects and hormesis: evidence and considerations for study.

#### 39. Danci, A., M. Hrabar, S. Ikoma, P. Schaefer, and G. Gries

Even males can learn- male parasitoids memorize locations of host pupae.

#### **40. Delisle, J. and J.** Régnière

Vertical distribution and seasonal changes of SBW mating success.

#### 41. De Silva, E.C.A., P. J. Silk, N.K. Hillier, and G.C. Cutler

Chemical ecology of female blueberry spanworm, *Itame argillacearia*, (Lepidoptera: Geometridae).

#### 42. Dupuis, J.R. and F.A.H. Sperling

Molecular analysis of putative hybridization in the *Papilio machaon* species group in North America.

#### 43. Dupont, J.M., R. Westwood and C. Hamel

Determination of key habitat and best management practices for the conservation of Poweshiek Skipperling, *Oarisma poweshiek* (Parker).

#### 44. Dury, G.J., D.M. Windsor, M. Hersh, and J.C. Bede

Multiple origins of "Cycloalexy" in neotropical leaf beetles inferred from a molecular phylogeny.

#### 45. Ernst, C.M.

Why I spend so much time on the internet: social media as a tool for doing science.

#### 46. Ernst, C.M., B. Hanelt and C.M. Buddle

Parasitism of Arctic ground beetles (Coleoptera: Carabidae) by hairworms (Nematomorpha: Gordiida).

#### 47. Evans, B.G., K.S. Jordan, M. Brownbridge, and R.H. Hallett

Potential soil biological control agents of the swede midge, *Contarinia nasturtii*, in organic agricultural systems.

#### 48. Evans, M.M., R.V. Cartar, and M. Wonneck

Responses of grassland bees and flowers to grazing and landscape.

#### 49. Evenden, M.L., B.A. Mori, and C.M. Whitehouse

Semiochemical-based management of agricultural pests in Alberta: current research and future needs.

#### 50. Fagua, G., J. Duran, E. Gil, J. Robles, N. Ruiz

Resource use of *Mapeta xanthomelas* (Lepidoptera: Pyralidae): an aposematic herbivore of *Aristolochia*.

#### 51. Farhan, J. and J.N. McNeil

The effects of abiotic factors on the number of male western bean cutworms (WBC), *Striacosta albicosta*, captured in pheromone traps.

#### 52. Fields, P.G., A. Abdelghany, W. Taylor and R. Hynes

Small bin trial of pea extract to control stored-product insects.

## 53. Floate, K., W. Blanckenhorn, J-P Lumaret, T. Tixier, J. Lahr, J. Römbke

An international multi-species ring test to assess the non-target effects of residues in dung of cattle treated with veterinary pharmaceuticals.

### 54. Franklin, M.T., J.H. Myers, and J.S. Cory

Population structure of the Western Tent Caterpillar and its relation to population cycles.

## 55. Fuentealba, A. and É. Bauce

Soil drainage class, host tree species and thinning influence host tree resistance to the spruce budworm.

#### 56. Galloway, T.D.

Phthiraptera in Canada: current status, prospects and challenges.

### 57. Gariepy, T.D. and H. Fraser

Occurrence of brown marmorated stink bug in Ontario and potential for biological control.

### 58. Gibson, G.A.P., G. Marco, B. Umberto

Cryptic species of the *Necremnus tidius* complex (Hym.: Eulophidae) revealed through molecules.

### 59. Gibson, J.F., S. Shokralla, I.W. King, and M. Hajibabaei

Assessing terrestrial insect biodiversity using next-generation sequencing.

#### 60. Grégoire, D., D. Quiring, and L. Royer

Host mediated interactions with an exotic homopteran phloem feeder alter the performance and preference of a native hymenopteran defoliator.

#### 61. Grossi, A.

Quantitative analysis of *Anatoecus* spp. (Phthiraptera) on Canada Geese and Mallards in Manitoba.

# 62. Hammond, H.E.J., D. Williams, D. Langor, S. Laplante, Y. Bousquet, and D. McCorquodale

The Cerambycidae of Canada and Alaska Project (Coleoptera: Cerambycidae).

### 63. Haye, T., L. Hohman, J. Zhang, D. Gillespie, P. Mason, and T. Gariepy

Egg parasitism of brown marmorated stink bug, *Halyomorpha halys*, in China and Europe and implications for biological control.

#### 64. Hébert, R.

Wild Species 2010: The General Status of Species in Canada.

# **65.** Hillier, N.K., S.B. Olsson, E. Grosse-Wilde, A. Reinecke, and B.S. Hansson Olfactory physiology of coeloconic sensilla in *Manduca sexta*.

# 66. Hock, V., G. Chouinard, E. Lucas, D. Cormier, T. Leskey, A. Zhang, and S. Wright

Olfactometric responses of Plum curculio to natural and synthetic volatiles.

# 67. Holliday N.J., A.E. Holliday, T.M. Mattingly, E.A. Williams, and K.M. Naccarato

Chemical parsimony in *Chlaenius cordicollis* (Coleoptera: Carabidae).

#### 68. Hrabar, M., A. Danci, S. McCann, P. Schaefer, and G. Gries

Contributions to the life-history of *Xenos peckii* (Strepsiptera: Stylopidae).

# 69. Huber, D.P.W., C.I. Keeling, J.A. Robert, M. Yuen, T. Bonnet, C. Pitt, S.J.M. Jones, and J. Bohlmann

Glutathione S-transferases in the mountain pine beetle, *Dendroctonus ponderosae* Hopkins (Coleoptera: Curculionidae).

#### 70. Illerbrun, K. and J. Roland

Spatial variation in an alpine plant-herbivore interaction: behaviour, host attributes, and encroaching habitat edge.

#### 71. Jackson, M.D.

The Community Ecology and Phylogeny of the Insect Blogosphere.

#### 72. Jackson, M.D. and S.A. Marshall

Unlocking insect identifications online.

#### 73. James, P., F.A.H. Sperling, and D. Coltman

Spatial and temporal variation in mountain pine beetle sex ratio in response to forest condition and outbreak stage.

#### 74. Janes, J.K. and F.A.H. Sperling

SNP selective sweeps in the mountain pine beetle (*Dendroctonus ponderosae*).

# **75.** Judge, K.A., P.A. De Luca, J.E. Van Eindhoven, A.C. Mason, G.K. Morris Evidence for hunger-driven hybridization in *Cyphoderris* spp.

# 76. Keeling, C. I., M. Yuen, A. Nguyen, H. Henderson, M. Li, C. Chiu, D.P.W. Huber, I. Birol, S.J.M. Jones, and J. Bohlmann

Genome sequence of *Dendroctonus ponderosae* Hopkins and new insights into mountain pine beetle biology.

#### 77. Kerr, J.T.

Detecting and predicting global change impacts on butterflies in Canada.

#### 78. Kher, S. V., H.A. Cárcamo, L.M. Dosdall, M. Goettel.

Laboratory bioassay of *Beauveria bassiana* strain GHA (BotaniGardTM) efficacy on cereal leaf beetle (*Oulema melanopus*) and non-target effects on its parasitoid *Tetrastichus julis*.

#### 79. Kher, S. V. L.M. Dosdall, and H.A. Cárcamo

Host-plant nutrients and plant vigor effects on spatio-temporal distribution patterns of cereal leaf beetle, *Oulema melanopus* (Coleoptera: Chrysomelidae).

#### 80. Kher, S. V., L.M. Dosdall, H.A. Cárcamo

Understanding host-finding behaviour of cereal leaf beetle, *Oulema melanopus* (Coleoptera: Chrysomelidae) and its principal parasitoid *Tetrastichus julis* (Hymenoptera: Eulophidae) using olfactory bioassays.

#### 81. Klutsch, J., S. Taft, and N. Erbilgin

Effect of woodboring beetle activity on mountain pine beetle in jack pine mediated by tree pathogen.

### 82. Knysh, K.M., D.J. Giberson, and M.R. vanden Heuvel

Relationship between nutrient concentrations and aquatic insect diversity and abundance in Prince Edward Island cold springs.

#### 83. Konopka, J.

Effect of cadmium on insect herbivores with different feeding strategies.

# **84.** Kulkarni, S. S., L.M. Dosdall, C. Willenborg, K.N. Harker and J.R. Spence Spatio-temporal distribution patterns of carabid species in canola agroecosystems.

#### 85. Kwon, J.J., G.J.R. Judd and M.L. Evenden

Development of a combined semiochemical-based attracticide to target the apple clearwing moth (*Synanthedon myopaeformis*) (Lepidoptera: Sesiidae) and the codling moth (*Cydia pomonella*) (Lepidoptera: Tortricidae) in apple orchards in British Columbia.

#### 86. Lachowsky, L.E., and M.R. Reid

Effect of maternal state on investment in daughters and sons by mountain pine beetles.

#### 87. Lamb, B., P. MacKay, and B. Alyokhin

Seasonal dynamics of three coexisting aphid species: implications for estimating population variability.

#### 88. Langor, D.L.

Future direction of the biological survey of Canada.

#### 89. Larrivée, M. and J.T. Kerr

Eastern Canadian butterflies range expansions.

#### 90. Lee, S.-I., J.R. Spence, and D.W. Langor

Threshold living tree retention patch size to maintain saproxylic beetle diversity in boreal white spruce stands.

#### 91. Lemmen, J. and M.L. Evenden

Plasticity of response to semiochemical cues in a long-lived moth, *Caloptilia fraxinella* (Lepidoptera: Gracillariidae).

# 92. Levesque, R.C., H. Maaroufi, A. Nisole, B. Boyle, J. Laroche, C. Béliveau, I. Kukavica-Ibrulj, D. Doucet, C. Lucarotti, F. Sperling, L. Lumley, B. Brunet, H. Bird, V. Nealis, and M. Cusson

The Budworm Genomics Consortium: sequencing the spruce budworm genome.

## 93. Li, Y., K.D. Floate, P. Fields, and P. Baoping

Methods to cure symbiotic bacteria in insects.

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### Minutes of the Entomological Society of Alberta Executive/Board of Directors Fall Meeting Edmonton, November 5, 2012

Meeting called to order at 12:17

Chair: Felix Sperling (Vice-President)

In Attendance: Rob Longair (Past-President), Ken Fry (Secretary), Stephane Bourassa (Northern Director), Caroline Whitehouse (Treasurer), Megan Evans (Proceedings Editor), Alec McClay (Webmaster)

Regrets: Lloyd Dosdall, Tonya Mousseau (Central Director), Vincent Hervet (Southern Director), Kevin Floate (Regional Director to ESC)

1. Additions to Agenda and approval

**MOVED** by Rob, Seconded by Alec that the agenda, as amended be approved; Carried

2. Approval of April Executive Meeting Minutes

**MOVED** by Ken, Seconded by Caroline that the minutes as amended be approved; Carried

- 3. Introductions
- 4. Report from the Treasurer (Caroline Whitehouse)
  - a) Increase in student members
  - b) Use Paypal
  - c) Send out reminders
  - d) Charges will increase but offset by more members
  - e) Awards included in meeting budget, not out of general revenue, therefore appears meeting has a loss (potentially)
    - I. Need to get revenue to keep society solvent to support awards
    - II. Formally note that awards to be included in meeting budget

**MOVED** by Caroline, Seconded by Rob that the Treasurer's report be received; Carried

- 5. Report from Secretary (Ken Fry)
  - See attached report

MOVED by Ken, Seconded by Alec that the Secretary's report be accepted; Carried

- 6. Report from Northern Director (Stephane Bourassa)
  - Grande Prairie bee research focusing on CCD
  - Kevin Judge at Grant MacEwan is developing a first year course in entomology
  - See attached report

- 7. Report from Central Director (Tonya Mousseau, delivered by Megan)
  - Insect collection still growing
  - Mount Royal becoming more active
  - See attached report
- 8. Report from Southern Director (Vincent Hervet, delivered by Felix)
  - Staff relocations
  - Discovery day at bird of prey centre
  - See attached report
- 9. Regional Director to the ESC (Kevin Floate)
  - ESC contacted royal Canadian mint about coins and inaccuracies
  - Blog has been successful

MOVED by Ken, seconded by Caroline, to accept the reports as submitted; Carried

- 10. Report from Webmaster (Alec McClay)
  - Developing website for JAM
  - Action item is to update and reconcile awards form and notification
  - Action item update travel awards recipients Action item (Felix) update honorary member biographies
  - See attached report

MOVED by Rob, Seconded by Mary to accept the Webmaster's report; Carried

- 11. Update from Proceedings Editor (Megan Evans) Only 20 printed
  - New policy to not print material, instead just electronic version available
- 12. JAM update 13. Nominations
  - Meeting doing well
  - Heather proctor asked to serve on committee Have two potential candidates for northern director
- 14. Travel grant criteria Leave it to the discretion of the awards committee
  - Ensure awards prioritize first time recipients

Adjournment **MOVED** by Megan, Adjourn the meeting at 12:58

## DRAFT Minutes of the Entomological Society of Alberta 60<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting

Coast Edmonton Plaza, Edmonton, Alberta November 5, 2012

Minutes prepared by Ken Fry, ESA Secretary

Attendees:

Adam Blake Scott Meers
Stephane Bourassa Heather Proctor
Hector Carcamo Mary Reid

Michael Dolinski Alexander Smith
Nadir Erbilgin Felix Sperling
Meghan Evans John Swann
Kevin Floate Adrian Thysse
Ken Fry Meghan Vankosky
Vincent Hervet David Walter

Kevin Judge Caroline Whitehouse

Jennifer Klutsch Tyler Wist Jessica Kwan Lindsay Zink

Rob Longair

Meeting called to order at 5:12 by Felix Sperling (Vice President)

Approval of agenda

MOVED to accept, Leanna Lachowski; seconded, Adam Blake: Carried

Approval of minutes from the 2011 AGM

MOVED to accept, Mary Reid; seconded, Rob Longair; Carried

Webmaster's Report (Ken Fry for Alec McClay)

- see attached report
- Solicited members to submit errors or omissions observed on website

MOVED to accept, Adam Blake; seconded, Caroline Whitehouse; Carried

Secretary's Report (Ken Fry)

- see attached report

MOVED to accept, Kevin Floate; seconded, Heather Proctor; Carried

Report from Regional Director to Entomological Society of Canada (Kevin Floate)

- ESC provides \$600 over three years for public education
- Not many students applying for awards
- ESAmerica approached ESC to hold 2016 in Fort Lauderdale Florida
- ESAmerica will hold their meeting in Vancouver in 2018 and 2022
- Ontario, Saskatoon, Quebec, Florida is the proposed order
- Rose De Clerck-Floate to be new national president

MOVED to accept, Kevin Floate; seconded, Rob Longair; Carried

Treasurer's Report (Caroline Whitehouse)

Discussion around future funding of student awards, needs to be added to executive to deal with

Ask regional directors to include leaving grad student names to treasurer to take off email roll

See attached report

MOVED to accept, Mary Reid; seconded, Adam Blake; Carried

Nominations (Felix Sperling): nominations were presented as follows:

President - Felix Sperling

Past President - Lloyd Dosdall

Vice President - Mike Dolinski

Treasurer - Caroline Whitehouse

Secretary – Ken Fry

Southern Director – Vincent Hervet

Central Director – Tonya Mousseau

Northern Director - Kevin Judge

Proceedings Editor – Meghan Evans

Webmaster – Alec McClay

MOVED that all nominations for Secretary, Web Master, and Treasurer cease, Alexander Smith: seconded. Heather Proctor: Carried.

MOVED that nominations cease, Tyler Wist; seconded, David Walters; Carried.

Nominated slate Acclaimed. Kevin Judge won by election conducted by secret ballot

MOVED that ballots be destroyed, Adam Blake; seconded, Tyler Wist; Carried.

Ballots destroyed.

Appointment of society financial auditors

- David Walter and Jennifer Klutsch accepted.

Resolutions: the following resolution was prepared and read by Megan Evans;

Be it resolved that we would like to thank everyone for attending as well as the providers of great food, drink, and merriment. The Edmonton Coast Plaza Hotel has provided an excellent venue for our meetings, mingling, and meals, and the free Internet. Additionally, we'd particularly like to thank the planning committee including Greg, Maya, Chandra, Megan, Haydee, Tonya, and Adam.

### Old Business

### 10.1. Archiving (Felix Sperling)

- Ken to follow-up with ERA at U of A for possible storage
- Hector Carcamo appointed Archivist for the society
- Archivist position to be debated for inclusion on executive

### **New Business**

11.1 2013 meeting: 100th anniversary of arrival of Strickland at Lethbridge and 100th anniversary of Olds College

- If hosted at Olds, have a Strickland Symposium and make it all about Strickland

MOVED Kevin Floate, seconded by Stephane Bourassa, that the 2013 meeting be in Olds and that Hector be the scientific programme committee chair

### 11.2 Website

- Site needs updating and Kevin Floate has agreed to provide input and all other members are encouraged to provide input
- Secretary to send out note (email and Facebook) to encourage members to provide input to webmaster

### 11.3 Proceedings

- Megan to continue with proceedings

### 12. President's Address

- To be provided by Felix as acting President
- Felix said a few words about what Lloyd has done and wished him well
- Thanks to Ken to host the spring meeting, to the membership for its gracious dealing with the new meeting selection
- Thanks to the local organizing committee, especially Greg Pohl, Maya Evenden, Heather Proctor, Mike Dolinski, Daryl Williams, Andy Keddie, and others

### Adjournment

MOVED to adjourn, Heather Proctor

- meeting adjourned at 6:50PM

### 2012

### Entomological Society of Alberta Regional Director's Report to the Entomological Society of Canada

1. <u>Current Membership of the ESC</u>. The total membership for 2012 is 479, slightly up from the 440 total memberships for 2011. As of November, membership of the ESC is as follows: Regular (328), Student (85), Emeritus (62). ESC regular members are encouraged to have their students and colleagues become members of the Society. Applications forms are available online at http://www.esc-sec.ca/ee/index.php/members/registration/. Membership dues are \$80-100 (Regular) and \$25-55 (Student).

Membership includes free access to current and past issues of *The Canadian Entomologist* and reduced registration fees at ESC Joint Annual Meetings. Student members can apply for numerous scholarships and awards, stay current on job and research postings, and become part of an active national entomological community (http://www.esc-sec.ca/studenthome.php).

- 2. <u>ESC Executive (2013)</u>. President Rosemarie De Clerck-Floate; Vice President Rebecca Hallett; Past President Michel Cusson; Second-Vice President Staffan Lindgren. The Student Representative is Chandra Moffat. The ESC Web master is Rick West. The ESC Secretary is Alec McClay. A complete list of Governing Board and Trustee members is available on the ESC website.
- 3. <u>Joint Annual Meetings</u>. The JAM of the Entomological Societies of Canada and Ontario will be held in Guelph in 2013. This will mark the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the ESC. Closer to the meeting date, further details will be posted on the internet at http://www.entsocont.ca/index.php. The tentative location of future JAMS is as follows: 2014 (Saskatchewan), 2015 (Quebec), 2017 (Manitoba).

The ESC has been approached by the Entomological Society of America to hold joint meetings in 2016 (in conjunction with the International Congress of Entomology, Orlando, FL – September 25-30), in 2018 (Vancouver, BC) and in 2022 (Vancouver, BC). No decisions have yet been made.

### 4. Other.

• The Canadian Entomologist. Starting in January of this year, TCE is being printed and distributed by Cambridge University Press. Submission to the journal is online, there are no page charges for text or colour plates, and copy-edited papers are now posted as 'First View' prior to publication. Submissions to TCE have increased significantly with rapid turnaround times. Details are available at http://journals.cambridge.org/action/displayJournal?jid=tce .

Also new this year is the TCE Twitter account (http://twitter.com/CanEntomologist).

- *ESC Website*. The ESC website has been redesigned to improve navigation and content. Members are encouraged to view the new site at http://www.esc-sec.ca/.
- New this year is the ESC Blog, which is enjoying tremendous success and provides enhanced online visibility to the ESC. ESC bloggers can share results of recent research and stay abreast of current events in the entomosphere. Members are encouraged to view the blog at (http://escsecblog.com/).
- Student members of the ESC are reminded to apply for ESC travel awards and scholarships, which occasionally are undersubscribed. Information on student awards is online at http://www.esc-sec.ca/studentawards.php
- The ESC reminds provincial societies that \$200 is available yearly from the ESC to promote regional entomological activities. Requests for this funding are rarely received.
- A reminder that the *Canadian Journal of Arthropod Identification* is now a core journal of the ESC. Initiated and maintained as a project of the Biological Survey of Canada, *CJAI* is a fully refereed journal dedicated to the publication of expertauthored taxonomic reviews and associated digital identification tools. Current and past issues can be freely accessed online at <a href="http://www.biology.ualberta.ca/bsc/ejournal/ejournal.html">http://www.biology.ualberta.ca/bsc/ejournal/ejournal.html</a>.

Respectfully submitted,

November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2012 Kevin Floate Regional Director to the ESC

### 2012

### Northern Director's Report Stephane Bourassa Edmonton 5, November 2012

### **Entomological Events:**

National Bee Diagnostic Center opened September 5 in Beaverlodge. This facility "will address the current crisis in bee health, as well as offer comprehensive honeybee diagnostic services and surveillance data to industry and government/regulatory bodies" New intro to entomology course taught by Kevin Judge at MacEwan University. On March 15<sup>th</sup>, Nadir Erbilgin presented on the invasion dynamics of the Mountain pine beetle in the Renewable Resources Seminar Series

On March 23, Adam Chippendale from Queen's University talked about the "The evolutionary battle of the sexes: arms race or tug-of-war?" during the annual Strickland Lecture hosted this year by Heather Proctor.

### Students currently enrolled in Entomology at U of A:

### Maya Evenden: 6 students

Tyler Wist, PhD. Chemically-mediated tritrophic interactions among *Caloptilia fraxinella* its ash hosts (*Fraxinus*) and parasitoid *Apanteles polychrosidis*.

Joelle Lemmen, PhD. Mechanisms of pheromone response plasticity in the long-lived moth *Caloptilia fraxinella* (Lepidoptera: Gracillariidae).

Boyd Mori, PhD. Pheromone-based management of the red clover casebearer (*Coleophora deauratella*).

Chaminda De Silva, PhD. Oviposition behaviour of the bertha armyworm, *Mamestra configurata*.

Jessica Kwon, MSc. Development of a semiochemical-based attracticide to attract and kill two invasive pests of apple in British Columbia.

Ronald Batallas, MSc. Preference and performance of generalist cutworms on prairie crops.

### Jens Roland: 3 students

Kurt Illerbrun, PhD. Effect of herbivory by alpine *Parnassius* butterfly larvae on the spatial dynamics of its host plant, *Sedum lanceolatum* the lance-leaved stonecrop.

Jennifer Waller, MSc. dynamics of the parasitoid community of the forest tent caterpillar at the front of a host population 'traveling wave'.

Kristine Teichman, MSc. Trophic cascades in the Aspen Parkland: Effects of ungulate density on shrub-dependent bird and butterfly species

### **Heather Proctor**: 4 students

Jeffrey Newton, PhD. Effects of climate change and grazing intensity on diversity and food-web structure of rangeland microarthropods.

Kaylee Byers, MSc. Sexual coevolution of feather mite genitalia.

Lindsey Wilson, MSc. Effects of iron treatment for eutrophication on freshwater invertebrates.

Qi Liu, M.Sc. Diversity of Chironomidae in Alberta and their potential as indicators of anthropogenic impacts.

### Graduated:

Bronwyn Willams, PhD. Population genetic to determine the points of origin of both the crayfish Orconectes virilis and its symbiotic branchiobdellidan worms.

### **Felix Sperling**: 6 students and 3 postdoctoral fellow

Jasmine Janes, postdoctoral fellow. Population genomic of mountain pine beetle.

Karina da Silva Brandao, postdoc/ academic visitor. Population genetics and molecular diagnotics of tortricid moths and ticks.

Marcelo Brandao, postdoctoral fellow. Bioinformatics of the spruce budworm transcriptome.

Julien Dupius, PhD. Speciation and hybridization in swallowtail butterfly species complexes.

Marla Schwarzfeld, PhD. Diversity and taxonomy of parasitic ichneumon wasps in Alberta (Hymenoptera: Ichneumonidae), with special reference to *Ophion* species.

Bryan Brunet, PhD. Genomic architecture of species differences between spruce budworm of the *Chorisitoneura fumiferana* group in western Canada (Lepidoptera: Tortricidae).

Giovanny Fagua, PhD: Speciation in western spruce budworms.

Heather Bird, MSc. Genetic relationships between the species of the *Choristoneura* complex.

### Graduated:

Sarah Leo, MSc. Population genetics of winter ticks (Dermacentor albipictus) in Alberta.

### Andrew Keddie: 2 students

Jennifer Biliske, PhD. Investigating the role of insulin signalling in *Wolbachia* insect host interactions.

Philip Batista, PhD. Investigating the association of *Wolbachia* with cabbage seedpod weevil and its parasitoids.

### **Lloyd Dosdall**: 6 students

Sharavari Kulkarni, PhD. The role of seed-feeding carabid beetles in canola agroecoystems.

Sadia Munir, PhD. The biology of natural enemies of the diamondback moth.

Lynae Vandervalk MSc. Integrated management of Varroa mite parasites of honeybees.

Dan Stanton The genetics and mechanism of resistance to root maggots in resistant canola germplasm.

Swaroop Kher: The biology and control of the cereal leaf beetle.

### John Spence: 5 students, 1 PDF

Seung-II Lee, PhD. Saproxylic beetle conservation in relation to partial harvest and retention patch size.

Jared Amos, MSc. Impact of forestry on insect pollinators.

### Graduated:

Colin Bergeron, PhD. Boreal forest ecology and biodiversity of carabid beetles in relation with forest history revealed by dendrochronology.

Esther Kamunya, PhD. Insect ecology, biological diversity and conservation of moth in relation to partial harvest in the boreal forest (Lepidoptera).

Charlene Wood, MSc. Investigation of saproxylic beetle habitat associations from dead trembling aspen (*Populus tremuloides*) snags (standing deadwood) and logs (fallen deadwood).

Evan Esch, MSc. Investigation of the life history traits of the mountain pine beetle, *Dendroctonus ponderosae* (MPB), in whitebark pines, *Pinus albicaulis*.

### John Acorn: 1 student

Christianne McDonald, MSc. Systematics and cognitive taxonomy of anglewing butterflies.

### Graduated:

James Glassier: MSc, 2<sup>nd</sup> year. Ecology of ants in jackpine sandhill ecosystems. Co-supervised with Scott Neilsen. Has ACA Biodiversity Grant.

### Nadir Erbilgin: 7 students

Devin Goodsman, PhD. Reducing mountain pine beetle (*Dendroctonus ponderosae*) impact by managing stand vigor to increase tree defenses and resistance.

Ashley-Anne Wick, MSc. Conservation of the metalmark butterfly (Apodemia mormo).

Jessica Klutsh, PhD. Dynamic of the interaction between Moutaine Pine Beelte and Jackpine.

Crisia Tabacaru, PhD. Reproductive success of mountain pine beetle (*Dendroctonus ponderosea*) in burned and unburned stands to determine whether beetles preferentially locate and breed in fire-injured trees.

Paul Cigan, MSc. Conifer seedling regeneration in mountain pine beetle-killed forests: The role of ectomycorrizal fungi.

Guncha Ishangulyyeva, MSc. How host tree fatty acid contents affect fat content of Mountain Pine Beetle?

Ahmed Najarr, PhD. Interaction between hybrid poplar trees and Septoria musiva canker.

### Graduated:

Janet Ariss, MSc. Effects of interactions between bacteria and fungi on mountain pine beetle (*Dendroctonus ponderosae*) reproduction in three host tree species.

Ahmed Najar, MSc. Role of plant growth and biomass intolerance and resistance of aspen to forest tent caterpillar (*Malacosoma disstria*) in western Canada.

Jenny Lazebnik, MSc. Importance of plant volatiles for the induction of resistance to mountain pine beetle (*Dendroctonus ponderosae*) in neighbouring trees.

### Jocelyn Hall: 1 student

Monica Higuera, MSc. Pollination ecology and pollination genetics in *Cleome serrulata* and *Polanisia dodecandra*.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephane Bourassa

### 2012 Central Director's Report Tonya Mousseau Edmonton, 5 November 2012

### I. University of Calgary

### Insect Collection

The University of Calgary Insect Collection is still growing at 5-7% year under the care of John Swann. There have been four new donations of collections this year (similar to previous years). The collection is still sending out between 12-18 loans/year. They have started to send out all their BC spiders to Robb Bennett and Claudia Copley for their work on BC spider fauna. John Swann will be presenting a poster at the 2012 ESC/ESA JAM to promote the collection.

### Courses

British Virgin Islands Field Course (R. Longair)

"Ecology and Biogeography of the Carribean" field course (with major insect components). This is a proposed course expected to run May-June 2012.

Graduate and other research

### Ralph Cartar Lab

Megan Evans, MSc. Cattle grazing and pollination communities in the rough fescue grassland.(co-supervisor: Mark Wonneck, Agriculture Canada)

Alexandria Farmer, MSc. Logging and invasive plant-pollinator interactions in foothills forest. (co-supervisor: Robin Owen, Mount Royal University)

Lindsay Zink, MSc. Pollination of canola by wild bees (co-supervisor: Mark Wonneck)

Greg Earle (UVic): The influence of wing-wear on foraging in a bumblebee community.

### <u>Jeremy Fox Lab</u> (community ecology)

Colin Olito, MSc. Alpine plant-pollinator networks

### Lee Jackson Lab (aquatic ecosystems)

Madison Kobryn, MSc, Macroinvertebrate response to nutrient enrichment in rivers.

### Mary Reid Lab (behavioural ecology of bark beetles and others)

Leanna Lachowsky, PhD. Sex ratio variation in mountain pine beetles. Haydee Peralta-Vazquez, PhD candidate. Ecology of mite parasitism on bark beetles

Mathias Kaiser, MSc Candidate. Acoustic ecology of mountain pine beetles.

### Jana Vamosi Lab (plant-pollinator interactions)

Some of the members of Canpolin (Canadian Pollen Initiative) recently published a meta-analysis and review of whether increased pollinator diversity affects the pollination of plant species and found there was little effect:

Davila YC\*, E Elle, JC Vamosi, L Hermanutz, JT Kerr, CJ Lortie, AR

Westwood, TS Woodcock, & A Worley. 2012. Ecosystem services of pollinator

diversity: a review of the relationship with pollen limitation of plant reproduction, Botany 90:535-543.

Jennifer Muir, MSc. Plant invasions, pollinators, and phylogenetic community structure

Jennifer has found that the presence of an invasive broom, *Cytisus scoparius*, has idiosyncratic effects on the pollination of native species, seemingly facilitating the pollination of some and hindering the pollination of others.

Ezgi Ogutcen, PhD candidate. Pollinator change over altitudinal gradients in Alberta. Ezgi is in the beginning of her program and does not have results to report yet. She is currently reconstructing the evolution of bird pollination in the family Plantaginaceae.

### Steven Vamosi Lab (evolutionary biology)

Stephen Hausch (MSc student, co-supervised with J. Fox). Trait evolution and species coexistence in bruchine seed beetles

Chandra Venables (PhD student). Phylogenetics and phylogeography of predaceous diving beetles in the Tribe Agabini

### Rob Longair

Rob Longair will be supervising an undergraduate research project (student: Patrick Peikarski) on the molecular phylogeny of vespid wasps.

### II. Mount Royal University

The Evolutionary Biology course (Biol-3106) is running this term (Fall 2012) with 18 students. Robin Owen has been developing research projects for undergraduate students. This term he has two students doing Independent Studies courses (Biol-5201) and will have four next semester. They are and will be working on various aspect of hymenopteran biology, mainly bumble bees, including using geometric morphometrics of wing shape to examine various problems such as allometry and fluctuating asymmetry. Mount Royal University now has dedicated research space for faculty and their students and has provided funding for a dissecting microscope, camera and computer dedicated for entomological research.

### III. Olds College

Ken Fry continues to work with SToPDED (Society to Prevent Dutch Elm Disease) on elm bark beetle monitoring and processing trap residues for the alien invasive species surveillance e-program with SToPDED and the CFIA (Canadian Food Inspection Agency).

### IV. Education and Outreach

Mary Reid, Ralph Carter, Ken Fry, and others participated in the Bug Jamboree at the Ellis Bird Farm in Lacombe in August 2012

Respectfully submitted, Tonya Mousseau Central Director

### 2012 Southern Director's Report Vincent Hervet Edmonton, 5 November 2012

### People

Dr. Shelley Hoover, a "bee" research scientist, started her new position on October 1<sup>st</sup> 2012 at the Lethbridge Research Centre with Alberta Agriculture and Rural Development. Dr. Hoover is currently working on pollination of canola.

### **Event**

Members of Entomological the Society of Alberta in Lethbridge, in collaboration with the Birds of Prey Centre in Coaldale, AB, and volunteers, worked together to set up a second Insect Discovery Day that took place on August 25<sup>th</sup> 2012 at the Birds of Prey Centre. Luckily, nice weather lasted throughout the day. The children caught many insects with sweep nets, hoop nets or sometimes bare hands and asked numerous questions, which kept them, as well as us, busy and happy. The public attendance was higher than last year's event, with roughly twice the number of visitors. Participating entomologists and the Birds of Prey Centre's Director Colin Weir are keen to continue the Insect Discovery Day as yearly event. The Birds of Prey Centre is considering purchasing its own entomological equipment.



such as glass jars and nets. A few days before the event, Kevin Floate and Colin Weir (and a male Madagascar hissing cockroach) were interviewed by a reporter from Global News. Unfortunately, due to a technical problem the interview was not aired on TV but was available online. Colin Weir is considering hiring a professional to better advertise this event for next year. Following the Insect Discovery Day, an article was published in the Lethbridge Herald (see page 2).

Respectfully submitted, Vincent Hervet



Herald photo by David Rossiter

Lethbridge Research Centre bug specialist Kevin Floate instructs Kennedy Jones, 10, on catching bugs during Insect Discovery Day at the Alberta Birds of Prey Centre in Coaldale.

# Kids go bug-eyed over insects

CUTWORM RESEARCHER SAYS KNOWLEDGE KEY TO CONTROLLING DAMAGE

> Conor Beagan Lethbridge Herald

Whether it swam, crawled or flew, kids and adults alike learned about all of their favourite insect on Saturday afternoon at Insect Discovery Day.

Members of the Entomological Society of Alberta invited the public to the Alberta Birds of Prey Centre in Coaldale to learn about resident insects and have upclose encounters with insects used in scientific research.

Three stations were open where patrons could look, learn and participate.

At the pond station, kids caught insects in the water, later examining their finds in a terrarium and learning about them. The field station attracted those keen on butterflies, dragonflies and other flying insects. The indoor station provided a showcase of preserved

insects from all over the world.

Jeremy Hummel, an Agriculture instructor at Lethbridge College said that he and his fellow volunteers enjoy donating their time to help people of all ages learn about insects. Hummel was manning the field exhibit, coaching kids with butterfly nets and answering all of their questions. Hummel's exhibit included several specimens of an insect synonymous with crop damage, the cutworm.

Cutworms are moth larvae that live under the soil and emerge at night to feed on plants. Previously thought of as three different species that only affected cereal crops, these insects are quickly becoming a farmer's worst nightmare as they move onto canola, peas, lentils and others.

Hummel said researching and learning about insects is not only interesting, but integral in solving modern pest-control problems. "There are about a dozen different species (of cutworms) that all do slightly different things. They are becoming a bigger concern, and we don't know enough about them to have really targeted controls," said Hummel. "If we can target

controls, we can save farmers money and save the environment."

Vice President of the Entomological Society of Alberta, Rosemarie De Clerck-Floate Ph.D., said there are some studies going on examining possible cutworm controls at the Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada Research Centre, where she works as a research scientist. De Clerck-Floate hosted the indoor exhibit, and emphasized how important specimens, both live and preserved, are to learning about the insect world.

Members of the Entomological Society began Insect Discovery Day last year after meeting with Alberta Birds of Prey Centre Director Colin Weir at a conference. After realizing there were so many experts available to lend their knowledge, Insect Discovery Day became a reality in 2011.

"We wanted to expose people to all parts of nature, not just birds of prey," said Weir. "We are absolutely thrilled that they are here because the Centre is not just about hawks, eagles and owls. These people bring in a whole area of expertise that we don't have, and we are very grateful."

### 2012 Webmaster's Report Alec McClay Fall 2012

The main activity in 2012, and a time-consuming one, has been the development of the website for the Joint Annual Meeting with the Entomological Society of Canada in Edmonton in November. The site was developed using the 2011 Halifax JAM site as a template, with assistance from Rick West (ESC Webmaster), who developed the Halifax site, and Véronique Martel, Chair of the ESC Bilingualism Committee, who provided French translations. The site at http://www.entsocalberta.ca/JAM2012/ went live on May 23. Thanks to all the members of the Local Organizing Committee who provided information for the site. The purchase of Dreamweaver by the Society has greatly facilitated the development and maintenance of the site.

The main Society pages have been updated with details of the 2012 Board of Directors and other minor edits and updates have been made as they were pointed out by members.

I appreciate the help of Board members who from time to time have pointed out information on the site that needs to be updated. As always, please let me know if there are any questions or concerns about the site.

Respectfully submitted

Alec McClay Webmaster

November 1, 2012

### 2012 Secretary's Report Ken Fry

Report for the Period May 16 – October 31 2012

I received/tracked four (4) items in my capacity as ESA Secretary:

- 1. JAM Committee Actions (48 documents, 131 emails)
- 2. University of Alberta Entomology Department Reunion (8 documents, 12 emails)
- 3. Travel Grant Award Applications
- 4. Undergraduate Award Applications

I retained discussions and correspondence conducted via email totaling one hundred three (103) messages.

As Secretary I issued eight (8) email notices to the membership (all member notices also posted to the ESA FaceBook group):

1.	ESC/ESA JAM Announcement	May 23 2012
2.	Petition Request (Executive only)	May 25 2012
3.	JAM Hotel Notice	Sep 10 2012
4.	ESA Awards Notice	Sep 14 2012
5.	M.Sc. Opportunity	Sep 14 2012
6.	COSEWIC Notice	Sep 20 2012
7.	ESC/ESA JAM Program	Sep 26 2012
8.	ESA AGM Announcement	Oct 6 2012

### Letters/items retained

- 1. First Data Account Statements (5)
- 2. Society's Annual Return to the Province
- 3. Entomology Outreach Newspaper Articles (2)

### Caretaking items:

The FaceBook has 71 members on FaceBook.

The Membership email list was updated based on the 2011/12 membership list

### 2012 Treasurer's Report Caroline Whitehouse Edmonton, 5 November 2012

### **Memberships:**

Total Memberships (on the books / in good standing)

Regular 98 / 36 Student 50 / 23 Honourary 6 Free Library 20 Subscription Library 3 / 2

### **Opening Balance January 2011**

### <u>Assets</u>

Cash (bank account)	\$4,753.33
Term deposits	\$15,000.00
Common shares (Credit Union shares)	\$628.52

Total Assets \$20,356.40

### **Liabilities & Equity**

Total Liabilities \$0.00

Equity \$20,356.40

Liabilities plus Equity \$20,356.40

### Kananaskis Field Station, AB -- ESA Annual Meeting 2011

Costs	\$4,722.60	Kananaskis Field Station
	\$1,500.00	Student Awards
	\$ 225.07	Abstracts Printing
	\$ 235.11	Misc. Expenses
	\$ 250.00	Speaker Gift

Total Meeting Costs - \$6932.78

Registration Revenues

Total <u>- \$1457.78</u>

### **Other Transactions**

+ \$5475.00

### Credits:

Investment Interest	\$	206.70
Balance from 2010 Joint Meeting	\$	340.32
Membership renewals	\$	865.46
AB Canola Prod. Comm. JAM Contrib.	\$1.	500.00

### Debits:

Proceedings & Mailout	\$ 59.02
Dreamweaver Purchase	\$ 446.85
Exec. Mtg. Food – Brian VanHezewik	\$ 61.20
Bank Fees	\$ 31.00
MC/VISA Transaction Charges	\$ 6.00
Misc	\$ 14.00

### **Closing Balance December 31, 2011:**

### <u>Assets</u>

Cash (bank account)	\$5814.96
Term deposits	\$15,000.00
Common shares (Credit Union shares)	\$628.53

Total Assets \$21,443.11

### **Liabilities & Equity**

Total Liabilities	\$0.00
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Equity \$21,443.11

Liabilities plus Equity \$21,443.11

# **Photos** 3

1. Rose De Clerck-Floate and Robb Bennett. 2. Rose and Neil Holliday. 3. Rose and Felix Sperling. 4. Rose and Gary Gibson. 5. Robb Bennett, Gary Gibson and Neil Holliday who were made Fellows of the Entomological Society of Canada and Felix Sperling received the Entomological Society of Canada Gold Medal.



6. Charles Bird being awarded the Norman Criddle Award and Kevin Floate. 7. Rose De Clerck-Floate and Brent Sinclair who received the ESC C. Gordon Hewitt Award. 8. Rose and Michael Cusson receiving an ESC Service Award. 9. Ann Bird, Charles Bird and Heather Bird. 10. Felix Sperling.

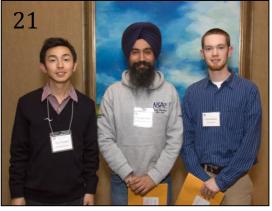


11. Jeremy Kerr. 12. Dan Rubinoff. 13. John Acorn. 14. Dan Rubinoff, Jeremy Kerr and Wayne Maddison. 15. Wayne Maddison. 16. John Spence. 17. Greg Pohl.











18. Crystal Ernst and Anna Solecki who received ESC Scholarships. 19. Julia Mlynarek who received an ESC Travel Award. 20. Swaroop Kher who received the John Borden award. 21. Ikkei Shikano, Gurminder Singh Chahil and Colin MacKay who received Ed Becker Travel Awards. 22. Krisztina Modossy, Yan-Yan Li, Vincent Hervet, Leanna Lachowsky and Haydee-Peralta-Vazquez who received ESC Travel Grants.







23. President's Prize Winners: Paul Abram, Crystal Ernst, Julian Dupuis, Kurt Illerbrun, Ashley Wick and Leanna Lachowsky. 24. Graduate Student Symposium Speakers: Sara Semmler, Colin Bergeron, Kurt Illerbrun, Tyler Wist, Lukas Seehausen and Krisztina Modossy. 25. Banquet music featuring John Acorn, Julian Dupuis, Lisa Lumley, Colin Bergeron and Stephane Bourassa.

### Entomological Society of Alberta List of Members

Last	First	Organizatio	n/Address	City
Honorary Mei	mbers			
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### The Entomological Society of Alberta

The Entomological Society of Alberta was organized November 27, 1952, at a meeting held in Lethbridge, Alberta, as an affiliate of the Entomological Society of Canada. A certificate of incorporation was obtained under the Societies Act of Alberta on February 19, 1953.

The membership of about 70 paid-up members at that time consisted mainly of Dominion (Federal) entomologists at the Science Service Labratories in Lethbridge (now an Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada Research Station), the Suffield Research Station, the Forest Zoology Laboratory in Calgary, and students and staff from the University of Alberta.

The objective of the Entomological Society of Alberta (ESAB) shall be to foster the advancement, exchange, and dissemination of the knowledge of insects in relation to their importance in agriculture, horticulture, forestry, public health, industry, the environment, and for its own sake, among the people of the province of Alberta.

Membership is open to anyone interested in Entomology. Annual dues are \$20.00 (\$10.00 for students). Contact the Treasurer via the society website:

http://www.entsocalberta.ca/esa.htm

