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Dear Trichopterologist,

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Earlier in the year than usual, in January, we had our traditional Trichoptera Symposium in Chiangmai, Thailand. At the last symposium we had agreed that January was a suitable month, because at our usual symposium time of July/August the weather in Thailand is hot and damp. Nevertheless, some of our participants had problems with what they called heat. It is true that, coming from the icy northern winter, one needs some days of adaptation, but in fact during our symposia in Minneapolis, Perugia and particularly Clemson it was much hotter than in Chiangmai! Returning home, many of us, including myself, caught viral and other infections, but these were not introduced from Thailand !

I cannot comment on the symposium organization since I was one of the conveners, but I think the colleagues and students of Chiangmai University have well worked. For the information of those who were not able to attend, I give here lists of the lectures and posters presented, a list of participants and some pages from the Chiangmai programme. Photographs are scattered through the pages of this number. If you have any more good photos from the symposium, please send them to me for the next number. For those who have collected specimens I give the coordinates of the localities, including those from the post-symposium excursion on page 19.

Now a few words about the mailing of BRAUERIA. More and more copies are increasingly coming back because of unknown addresses, so I hope I can now eliminate a number of them. If I have had no news from colleagues for years; no letters, no reprints, no payment (see the conditions on page 2), you will find HERE () a red mark, in this event please reply, otherwise your address will be cancelled. It is also possible that a copy may be lost in the post. This may even happen in countries with a good postal service. BRAUERIA is not mailed at the same time every year, so it is difficult to say at which time in the next year you can expect it, but if you have not got your copy of BRAUERIA by about September, please let me know.

I was pleased to get some more donations for BRAUERIA during the symposium this year. Those colleagues who have no money (yes, this may happen in some countries !) will get it free, but the others must either send their reprints or pay 100 ATS or 10 \$ (which is the price of 2 1/2 cups of coffee at Vienna Airport !) per number. Some are claiming that reprints are now so expensive that they cannot be sent to everyone who wants them. Please remember that reprints sent to me are not only for my own use; production and mailing of one number of BRAUERIA costs 2000 \$ of which less than half is covered by the donations. Reprints are also needed for the reference list in each number. You may find a similar reference list in the ZOOLOGICAL RECORD, but one annual copy of this covering General Insecta and smaller orders costs 240 \$!

At the final session of the Chiangmai symposium, an invitation from Wolfram Mey to held our next symposium near Potsdam, Germany, in 2000 or 2001, was accepted. Wolfram tells me that all information will be issued in time, but so far there are no details.

With best wishes.

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