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Dear Trichopterologist,

We have all been shocked to hear of the death of Fernand Schmid last November. He was one of the most prominent trichopterists, and his death is a heavy loss for all of us. It will be hard for any one person to replace him because of his broad knowledge and competence in caddis systematics.

The Proceedings of our Chiangmai Symposium have been published in May this year. An order form is enclosed for additional copies or for persons or institutions not attending the Symposium. Participants get one copy free. I will return soon original drawings and photographs to those authors who asked for them. If you have not got your drawings back in a reasonable time (they will be sent by surface mail to reduce cost), please remind me.

Symposium No. 10 will be in July – August next year in Potsdam, Germany. Please find the invitation from Wolfram Mey and the application forms with this number.

Some participants collected specimens during their stay in Thailand. I had offered help with identification, but only two persons had accepted it, and, not surprisingly for me, – this material included several new species! No wonder, because northern Thailand is one of the richest regions of the world for caddis. So, if you have not yet studied your material, don't hesitate to send it to me for identification.

Please remember that Braueria is firstly informative. If you have anything which might be of interest to others, please send it to me. Sometimes I have the impression that the supply of information has dwindled as compared with the "old times" twenty years ago. Of course, we now have the TRICH-L Internet discussion list operated by John Morse for fast communication, for those who have internet access, but when I look at the messages included, I notice that it is not overloaded with news.

The 4th edition of the International Code of Zoological Nomenclature has been promised for several years, and you may know that there was a broad discussion about possible changes in the rules. It is now due to be published this year, and the new regulations will be in force in January 2000. The major changes sound reasonable, but let us wait to see what the commission will produce, and hope that there will not be confusing details.

Since the last number of Braueria I have little new to report. I have worked on several publications, and in September last year I went again to the granitic Seychelles with my son Michael. We found one more new leptocerid and also more material of known species, but no additional exciting relict species. – In May this year I found in Greece the unknown larva of *Limnephilus graecus* which is remarkable in that it lives in brackish water streams, like *Limnephilus minos* in Crete.

Sincerely yours,

Hans Malicky

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