

In Memory of Henny Wiering

(5 December 1931–13 October 2001)

The passing of Henny Wiering means a big loss for everyone involved in the study of the aculeate Hymenoptera, in both The Netherlands and abroad. Not only did he play an important role as a mentor for beginning amateur hymenopterologists, he was also a specialist in the field of palearctic aculeate taxonomy, especially in that of the Apidae. Until the last day of his life, he was deeply involved in work for the Dutch Entomology Organization (N.E.V.), and for the entomology department of the Zoological Museum Amsterdam.

As a biology student at the University of the City of Amsterdam, his entomological interest surfaced in a research study of the head musculature of *Hylaeus pectoralis*. Unfortunately, this research has never been published. In his spare time he collected aculeates, mostly in The Netherlands, and particularly in the dune area near his residence in Bergen (NH). After graduation he had little time for the study of aculeates, due to his busy work schedule at the University of Amsterdam, first as a genetic scientist, and later as the director of the Hortus Botanicus. He collected mostly during vacations in France. The whole family — his wife, two daughters and three sons — would collect with him. In the eighties, Henny went on four expeditions to Turkey. This resulted in a lot of material, which has been identified for the biggest part, but still awaits publication. During these hectic years he also

served two terms as the treasurer of the N.E.V.

After his retirement in 1988 he was able to recommit himself passionately to the aculeates. His collecting trips within and outside The Netherlands intensified. He returned to work on a regular basis at the aculeate collection of the Zoological Museum, first as a volunteer, and later as an honorary collaborator. He identified a lot of material. At the same time, he initiated many new activities within the N.E.V. It needs to be mentioned that he was at the cradle of the Hymenoptera section of this organization. For this section he led no less than three identification days: one day about the subgenus *Micrandrena*, one about the genera *Lasioglossum* and *Halicus* and one about *Hylaeus*. In this period of his life, he also started writing again for the Entomologische Berichten (Entomological Messages) and for Bzzz, the bulletin of the Hymenoptera section.

His work on an article about *Lasioglossum sexstrigatum* and *Lasioglossum sabulosum* in The Netherlands, and another about five new *Hylaeus* species to the Netherlands, was ended prematurely by his sudden death on October 13th.

Many of those who stay behind keep warm memories of this extraordinary entomologist.

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Wildbienenatlas Niedersachsen/ Bremen

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Berichtigung zu Chrysididae – Verzeichnis der Hautflügler Deutschlands

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Im Rahmen der redaktionellen Bearbeitung des Verzeichnisses der Goldwespen Deutschlands wurde versehentlich die Art *Hedychridium purpurascens* (Dahlbom, 1854) gelöscht. Das Taxon ist Bestandteil der deutschen Fauna und in dem oben zitierten Verzeichnis auf Seite 121 hinter der Art *Hedychridium monochroum* einzufügen. *Hedychridium purpurascens* ist aktuell (also nach 1979, Stand 2001) in den Bundesländern Brandenburg (Br), Mecklenburg-Vorpommern (MV) und Sachsen (Sn) nachgewiesen. Aus Bayern (By) sind glaubwürdige Funde für den Zeitraum 1900–1979 publiziert.

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Fundmeldung von *Andrena bimaculata* (Kirby, 1802)

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Um zur Klärung des Verbreitungsgebietes von *Andrena bimaculata* beizutragen, melde ich den Fund dieser Art aus den Beobachtungsjahren 2001 und 2002