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Annual TCS Meetings in Vancouver

Bob Elner, TCS Program Officer, provides the following news about the upcoming TCS meeting:

This year's TCS meetings will be held with ASZ at the Hyatt Regency and Four Seasons Hotels, Vancouver, British Columbia, December 27-30, 1992. The Crustacean Society symposium on terrestrial isopods, organized M.A. Alikhan, T. Carefoot, and M. Warburg will take place on Dec. 27; proceedings will be published in "Crustacean Issues." In addition, there will be contributed paper and poster sessions on a diverse array of crustacean topics. The Crustacean Society Board Meeting and Business Meeting will take place on Dec. 27 and Dec. 29, respectively. There are a variety of excursions planned both during and after the meeting. Bob Elner (address given below) can supply more information on tourist activities (especially skiing) for this magnificent area. **REMEMBER:** If you are not an ASZ member, you will probably NOT have received abstract and registration forms for the Vancouver meeting. Abstracts were due by July 27. Write or call the ASZ offices for membership forms and/or meeting information (**NOTE:** The ASZ offices have changed location. The new address is: 401 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago, Illinois, 60611; tel. 312-527-6697; fax 312-527-6640). Bob Elner also has a supply of forms/information for distribution to TCS members. Contact Bob by phone (604-946-8546), fax (604-946-7022), bitnet (USERCRAB@UBCMTSG) or even regular mail (Canadian Wildlife Service, P.O. Box 340, Delta, British Columbia, V4K 3Y3, Canada).

TCS Symposium at Vancouver Meetings

Prof. M.A. Alikhan has sent details of the symposium "The Evolution of Structural and Eco-Physiological Adaptation of Isopods to Life on Land" which will be held on Sunday, Dec. 27. Presentations will be given on morphology and evolution (B. Hoese, F. Erhard, H.H. Janssen, H. Schmalfluss), behavior and ecology (E. Heinzelmann et al., K. Szlavccz, E. Hornung, M.R. Warburg & D. Weinstein), structure and physiology (M.A. Alikhan, J.C. Wright & M.J. O'Donnell, H. Kallel & M. Rezig) and ecology and films (A. Chentoufi, P. Schneider). This international symposium should be a good one; be sure to attend.

Treasury Notes

Treasurer Denton Belk submits news of a **NEW TCS BUSINESS OFFICE** as of June 1, 1992. "Since 1985 I have managed the business office needs of TCS out of my study in San Antonio, Texas. My services, along with use of computer and office equipment, were donated in the interest of building a strong and financially sound society. A substantial part of the dues increase from \$40 to \$50 will be used to pay Allen Press Association Management Services to take over the day to day operations of our business office functions and journal fulfillment services. After 1 June please address your request for missing issues and other business items to: Karen Hickey, The Crustacean Society, P.O. Box 1897, Lawrence, Kansas 66044, U.S.A. (tel: 918-843-1221).

International Association of Astacology News

The Ninth Symposium of Astacology was held 5-10 April 1992 in Reading, England. This represented the 20th Anniversary for the IAA. Over 110 crayfish biologists and culturists were present for 65 paper or poster presentations on crayfish biology and culture. Culture potential of dwarf Mexican species and giant Australian species was discussed. Important commercial species the USA, red swamp, white river, and signal crayfishes, in Europe, noble, narrow-clawed, and white-clawed crayfishes, and in Australia, yabbie, red claw and marron crayfishes were widely discussed.

IAA honored two outstanding astacologists with Honorary Life Membership (Prof. Jakov Cukerzis, Ecology Institute, Vilnius, Lithuania; Dr. Walter Momot, Lakehead University, Ontario). New IAA Officers for 1992-94 include Jay Huner, President; Jostein Skurdal, President-Elect; Paula Henttonen, Secretary-Treasurer. Immediate Past-President David Holdich was organizer and host for the Reading meeting. Abstracts for the reports presented at the Reading symposium are being printed by IAA for distribution to members. Papers will be published in "Freshwater Crayfish, A Journal of Astacology" in the coming year. The IAA meets every 2-3 years with the next international symposium scheduled for 10-15 April 1994 in Adelaide, Australia.

Inquiries about IAA and membership should be directed to:
International Association of Astacology, P.O. Box 44650, University of Southwestern Louisiana, Lafayette, LA, 70504 (tel: 318-231-5239) (fax: 318-231-5395) (news release submitted by Jay Huner).

Upcoming TCS Meetings

Annual TCS Meetings in Los Angeles, Dec. 27-30, 1993. Next year's annual meeting will be held with ASZ (remember: registration and abstracts must come through ASZ: get information through the ASZ office, address and telephone given above). TCS will be sponsoring three symposia: (1) "Phylogeny of and within the Maxillopoda" organized by Anne C. Cohen, Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County, 900 Exposition Blvd., Los Angeles CA 90007 (tel: 213-744-3473); (2) "Biology of the Branchiopoda" organized by Joel W. Martin, Natural History Museum of Los Angeles, 900 Exposition Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90007 (213-744-3440); (3) "Physiology and Adaptation in Crayfish" organized by Brian R. McMahon, Dept. Biol. Sci., University of Calgary, T2N 1N4, Canada (403-289-9311) (co-sponsored by TCS, ASZ Divisions of Comparative Physiology and Biochemistry, Invertebrate Zoology).

Call for Summer Meetings and Symposium Topics

Bob Elner writes: "With the successful conclusion of The Crustacean Society Summer Meeting in Charleston, we have no proposals for future Summer Meetings. Similarly, there are no submissions for symposia at the Annual TCS meeting with ASZ in 1994 and beyond. Meanwhile, there are reports that the Europeans are planning a Second European Conference in 2-4 years [editor's note: the First European Crustacean Conference is being held in Paris Aug. 31-Sept. 5, 1992, as announced in previous issues of the Ecdysiast]. Is this indicative of waning interest in matters Crustacean in North America and a renaissance in Europe? We encourage members to develop topics and venues for future Summer Meetings and symposia. Please contact TCS Program office for assistance and procedures."

Upcoming Vote on Name Change of a Regional Governorship

President Rick Brusca sends the following announcement: "There will be a vote of the general membership at this winter's business meeting in Vancouver to change the title of the Society's South American Regional Governor to Latin American Regional Governor. The Board of Governors feels this would more accurately reflect our constituents from Mexico, Central and South America. This will require a change in the Constitution, which in turn requires 60 days advance notice to the membership of a pending vote. This announcement serves as advance notice."

Russian Journal of Aquatic Ecology will be a two issue periodical publishing reviews and original results of field, theoretical, and experimental research in all areas of marine and freshwater ecology, as well as on work in fisheries biology. The price will be \$20 US for individuals, \$40 US for institutions. Contact the editor Igor V. Sedletsky, M.Sc., Laboratory of Lower Invertebrate Behavior, Severtzov Institute of Animal Evolutionary Morphology and Ecology, Moscow, 117071, Russia.

Please enter my annual subscription for The Russian Journal of Aquatic Ecology. The price is US\$ 20.00 (individuals), US\$ 40.00 (Institutions) including postage; without incurring bank charges.

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Upcoming International Lobster Workshop

The International Lobster Workshop will be held at Kitasato University, Sanriku, Japan, July 25-31, 1993. Dr. Jiro Kittaka, chairman of the organizing committee, announces that the workshop will cover topics such as early life history, recruitment, physiology, biochemistry, aquaculture, and restocking. The organizing committee is working to keep expenses low and expect that \$100 U.S. per day (exclusive of travel) should suffice. A post-conference tour of the Sanriku coast and inland hot springs will be organized. For further information, contact: Dr. Jiro Kittaka, School of Fisheries Science, Kitasato University, Sanriku, Iwate 022-07, JAPAN, phone: 81-192-44-2121, fax: 81-192-44-2125.

Passing of Founding Member

We are sorry to hear about the death of one of the TCS founding members, David Frey, Dept. of Biology, Indiana University.

Two New Journals From Russia

Arthropoda Selecta, a new Russian journal of research in Arthropoda is now being launched. The editors state that the scope of the journal includes the morphology, taxonomy, development, life-histories, geography, phylogeny, and evolution of Crustacea, Chelicerata, Myriapoda, and other arthropods, both recent and fossil, excluding particular papers on insects and mites. The journal is published mostly in English with extended Russian abstracts. We plan to issue the journal quarterly. Subscription rates for 1992 are \$51.80 (DM 83) plus \$2 (DM 3) postage and handling per copy.

Arthropoda Selecta is a chance to build a new bridge between eastern and western zoologists. For the arthropodologist from Russia, other East European countries and Kazakhstan, it creates a way to join efforts at difficult times for scientific activities. Address correspondence to: Dr. K.G. Mikhailov or Dr. V.A. Spiridonov, Zoological Museum of Moscow, Lomonosov State University, Herzen Street 6, 103009, Moscow, Russia.

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