

## RARE SPECIES OF LEPIDOPTERA AND ODONATA RECORDED FROM THE ENVIRONMENTS OF LAKE PRAVIRŠULIS (CENTRAL LITHUANIA) IN 2007–2008

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### Introduction

This study is part of the ecological monitoring projects run by the association „Sargeliai bendruomenės centras“ and financed by the UNDP Small grants programme together with the Lithuanian Ministry of Agriculture and by Heifer International to establish environment-friendly agricultural landscape around the Praviršulio Tyrelis conservation area.

### Material and Methods

The area of observations includes sites in a radius up to seven kilometers from the Praviršulis lake. Many of the localities are part of the Praviršulio Tyrelis conservation area. The studies were conducted along the Žadikė – a small canalized rivulet in wet *Alnus glutinosa* forest (55°33'10"N, 23°26'29"E), close to the Praviršulis lake (a 70 ha large bog pond, 55°30'37"N, 23°26'29"E), drained but now restored by beavers fenny lake Kragai – (area 2 ha, 55°32'20"N, 23°25'00"E), a former peat-cutting site, abandoned in the 1960s and quite well renaturized (55°30'04"N, 23°27'18"E), wet meadows in the southeastern part of the conservation area belonging to the abandoned village Liaubarai (55°29'26"N, 23°28'14"E), the forest Ilgšilis – drained bog woodland (55°27'26"N, 23°27'59"E), the forest Borkus – mixed dry forest (55°28'28"N, 23°28'01"E), the village Papušinys (wet meadows, wet forest edges, 55°27'56"N, 23°27'04"E), the village Sargeliai, dry meadows, forest edges (55°28'38"N, 23°27'25"E).

Nocturnal moths were attracted by light (24 W energy saving lamp). Few individuals of Odonata emerged from accidentally collected larvae. All species were identified on the basis of photos only, and no specimen was captured.

The paper presents species that are included into the Red Bata Book of Lithuania (Rašomavičius, 2007), species that are called „rare“ in the checklist of Lithuanian Lepidoptera (Ivinskis, 1993), and species that are given by P. Ivinskis & J. Augustauskas (2004) from few sites only. The nomenclature follows O. Karsholt & van E.J. Nieukerken (2007). Pictures of nocturnal moths were taken mostly in Sargeliai (Sargelių...).

## Results

43 species of rare insects were recorded during the research period. Of these, seven species of Lepidoptera (*Papilio machaon* (L., 1758), *Glaucopsyche teleius* (Bergsträsser, 1779), *Euphydryas aurinia* (Rottemburg, 1775), *Melitaea diamina* (Lang, 1789), *Lopinga achine* (Scopoli, 1763), *Coenonympha tullia* (Müller, 1764), and *Coenonympha hero* (L., 1758)), and three species of Odonata (*Ischnura pumilio* (Charpentier, 1825), *Leucorrhinia pectoralis* (Charpentier, 1825), and *Ophiogomphus cecilia* (Fourcroy, 1785)) are included into the Red Data Book of Lithuania.

## LEPIDOPTERA

### PYRALIDAE

#### ***Chilo phragmitella* (Hübner, 1805)**

Sargeliai, 13 07 2008, 1 spec.

#### ***Conobathra repandana* (Fabricius, 1798)**

Sargeliai, 11 07 2008, 1 spec.

#### ***Ecpyrrhorrhoe rubiginalis* (Hübner, 1796)**

Sargeliai, 22 08 2008, 1 spec.

#### ***Myelois circumvoluta* (Fourcroy, 1785)**

Sargeliai, 13 07 2008, 1 spec.

#### ***Epascestria pustulalis* (Hübner, 1823)**

Sargeliai, 20 06 2008, 1 spec.

#### ***Udea decrepitalis* (Herrich-Schäffer, 1848)**

Sargeliai, 08 08 2008, 1 spec.

### LASIOCAMPIDAE

#### ***Lasiocampa quercus* (Linnaeus, 1758)**

Sargeliai, 24 07 2008, 1 female

### SPHINGIDAE

#### ***Hemaris fuciformes* (Linnaeus, 1758)**

Sargeliai, 16 06 2008, 1 spec. at *Lychnis viscaria* L.

#### ***Macroglossum stellatarum* (Linnaeus, 1758)**

Sargeliai, 13 06 2008, 1 spec. at *Lychnis viscaria* L.

#### ***Hyles galii* (Rottemburg, 1775)**

Sargeliai, 30 05 2008, 1 spec.

### HESPERIIDAE

#### ***Thymelicus sylvestris* (Poda, 1761)**

Sargeliai, 07 2007, 07 2008, several spec.

### PAPILIONIDAE

#### ***Papilio machaon* (Linnaeus, 1758)**

Sargeliai, 27 07 2007, 1 spec.

### PIERIDAE

#### ***Aporia crataegi* (Linnaeus, 1758)**

Sargeliai, 21 06 2008

#### ***Colias palaeno* (Linnaeus, 1761)**

Ilgšilis, 27 06 2008, 1 male; Praviršulis, 01 07 2008, several spec.

## LYCAENIDAE

***Satyrium w-album* (Knoch, 1782)**

Papušinys, 02 08 2008, 1 spec. on *Eupatorium cannabinum* L.

***Satyrium spini* (Denis & Schiffermüller, 1775)**

Sargeliai, 16 07 2007, 1 spec., 08 08 2008, 1 spec.

***Satyrium ilicis* (Esper, 1779)**

Sargeliai, 16 07 2007, 1 spec.

***Glaucopsyche teleius* (Bergsträsser, 1779)**

Papušinys, 05 07 2007, ~ 10 spec., meadows with *Sanguisorba officinalis* L.

***Plebeius agestis* (Denis & Schiffermüller, 1775)**

Sargeliai, 25 07 – 05 08 2007, several spec. feeding on *Berteroa incana*.

## NYMPHALIDAE

***Nymphalis xanthomelas* (Esper, 1781)**

Ilgšilis, 22 07 2007, 1 spec.

***Euphydryas aurinia* (Rottemburg, 1775)**

Liaubarai, 23 06 2007, few spec.

***Melitaea phoebe* (Denis & Schiffermüller, 1775)**

Sargeliai, 31 05 2008, 1 spec.

***Melitaea diamina* (Lang, 1789)**

Liaubarai, 23 06 2007, 10 06 2008, 07 07 2008, 1 spec.

***Limnitis populi* (Linnaeus, 1758)**

Borkus, 12 06 2007, 1 spec.

***Apatura ilia* (Denis & Schiffermüller, 1775)**

Sargeliai, 18 07 2008, 1 spec.

***Pararge aegeria* (Linnaeus, 1758)**

Sargeliai, Borkus, 28 07 2008, single spec. at both sites

***Lopinga achine* (Scopoli, 1763)**

Papušinys, 25 06 2008, ~ 50 spec.

***Coenonympha tullia* (Müller, 1764)**

Liaubarai, 03 08 2008, > 100 spec.

***Coenonympha hero* (Linnaeus, 1758)**

Liaubarai, 14 06 2007, 1 spec.; Papušinys, 29 05 2008, ~10 spec.;

## GEOMETRIDAE

***Perizoma bifaciata* (Haworth, 1809)**

Sargeliai, 02 08 2008, 1 spec.

***Eupithecia assimilata* (Doubleday, 1856)**

Sargeliai, 28 07 2008, few spec.

***Eupithecia sinuosaria* (Eversmann, 1848)**

Sargeliai, 20 06 2008, 2 spec.

***Triphosa dubitata* (Linnaeus, 1758)**

Sargeliai, 28 07 2008, 1 spec.

## NOCTUIDAE

***Eucarta virgo* (Treitschke, 1835)**

Sargeliai, 13 07 2008, 1 spec., 07 09 2008, 1 spec.

***Cucullia lucifuga* (Denis & Schiffermüller, 1775)**

Sargeliai, 21 06 2008, 1 caterpillar

***Simyra albovenosa* (Goeze, 1781)**

Sargeliai, 17 05 2008, 1 spec.

***Euchalcia modestoides* (Poole, 1989)**

Sargeliai, 15 06 2007, 1 spec.

***Amphipyra livida* (Denis & Schiffermüller, 1775)**

Sargeliai, 03 09 2008 1 spec.

## NOLIDAE

***Meganola albula* (Denis & Schiffermüller, 1775)**

Sargeliai, 13 07 2008, 1 spec.

## ARCTIIDAE

***Parasemia plantaginis* (Linnaeus, 1758)**

Sargeliai, 17 06 2007, 31 05 2008, 1 spec.

## ODONATA

## COENAGRIONIDAE

***Ischnura pumilio* (Charpentier, 1825)**

Kragai, 2007 08 05, one dead male found in lake Kragai.

## LIBELLULIDAE

***Leucorrhinia pectoralis* (Charpentier, 1825)**

Papušinsys, 07 06 2007, < 10 spec.; Praviršulis, 20 06 2008, 1 male.

## GOMPHIDAE

***Ophiogomphus cecilia* (Fourcroy, 1785)**

Liaubarai, 10 06 2008, 1 juv. male; Borkus, 19 06 2008, few males; former peat cutting site, 18 07 2008, 1 female.

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