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SPRING FIELD MEETING AT BEAVER CREEK WILDERNESS AREA OF DANIEL BOONE NF IN MCCREARY COUNTY 12, 13 & 14 APRIL 2013

The 2013 Spring Field Meeting will be held in the Beaver Creek Wilderness Area of the Daniel Boone National Forest, McCreary County. The Beaver Creek Wilderness Area is 15 miles North West of Cumberland Falls State Park. This is a rather remote location.

Your Editor is the field trip leader and I will over night in the Corbin area at Exit 25 of I-75. It is a twenty minute drive to our meeting point in the Cumberland Falls State Park. There are numerous motels at this exit. I will be staying at the Landmark Inn behind the McDonalds. Rates and contact information are below.

MOTELS AT EXIT 25 OF I-75 CORBIN, KENTUCKY

Landmark Inn: 1891 Cumberland Falls Hwy, Corbin, KY 40701: Tel: 606-215-3113. All rooms: \$49.00 per night.

Holiday In Express: 1973 Cumberland Falls Hwy, Corbin, KY 40701: Tel: 606-523-4000: Rates: \$99.00 Single/Double, \$105.00 for a Suite.

Days Inn: 1860 Cumberland Falls Hwy, Corbin, KY 40701: Tel: 888-287-8265: All rooms: \$60.00

RESTAURANTS: There are numerous fast food restaurants in the area, Applebees and several Mexican restaurants are in walking distance of the motels. If one prefers fine dining, there is a Waffle House close by.

The meeting will begin Friday Night for those wishing to set out light traps or set up lights to collect moths. We will meet at 4PM in the parking lot of the Cumberland Falls in the Cumberland Falls State Park. There is a picnic table at the far end of the parking lot. Your Editor is the field trip leader. The Society Banner will be visible near the table.

This is a remote area and very little in the way of food or fuel. I suggest you top off your fuel tank and bring food and drink with you for the day. There is a small country store (Ron's Grocery) at Eagle Creek on SR 90 west of Cumberland Falls. They have Moon Pies and RC Cola.

We will travel to the Swain Ridge Area along FR52 to set out light traps and for those wishing to set up lights we will use the parking lot of the Bowman Ridge Trail Head at the end of FR52. I have included a map of the area on Page 2. The roads we will travel from Cumberland Falls and in the wilderness area are marked in orange.

Saturday morning we will meet at the Parking Lot of Cumberland Falls at 9:30AM. We will travel to the wilderness area and look for butterflies along FR52 and FR46. There are many limited access two track roads into the wilderness area from FR46. The Owen Cemetery Road to the west of FR46 can be very interesting. I found *Glaucopsyche lygdamus* and *Hesperia metea* along both of these roads in 2011.

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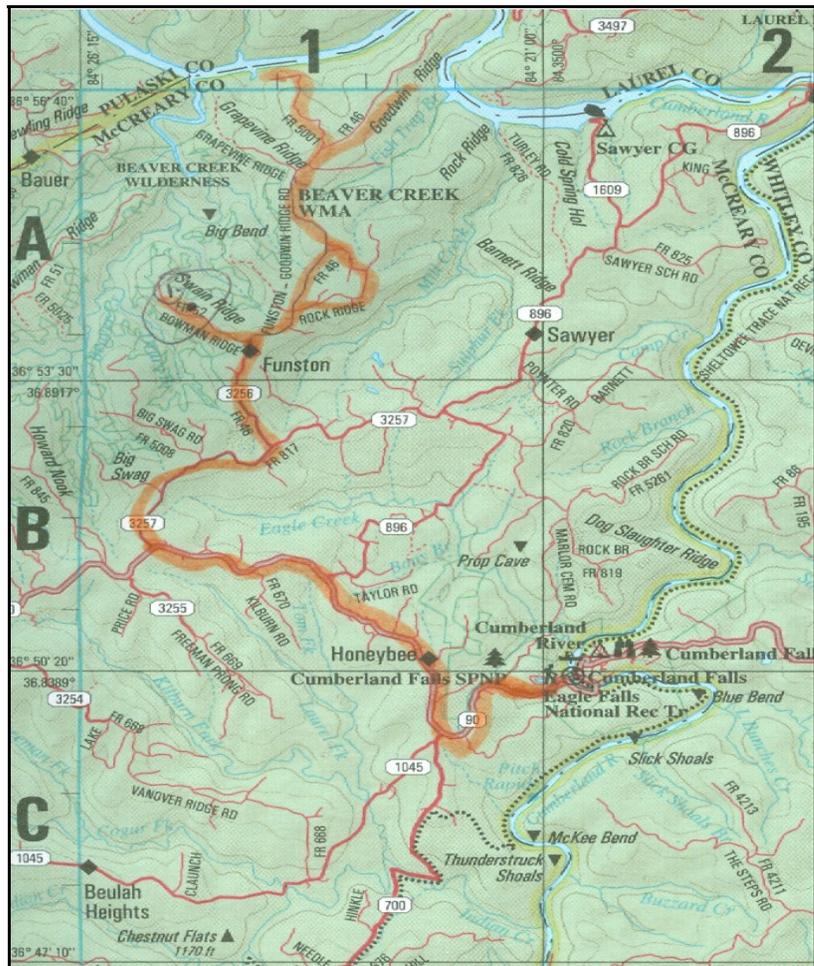
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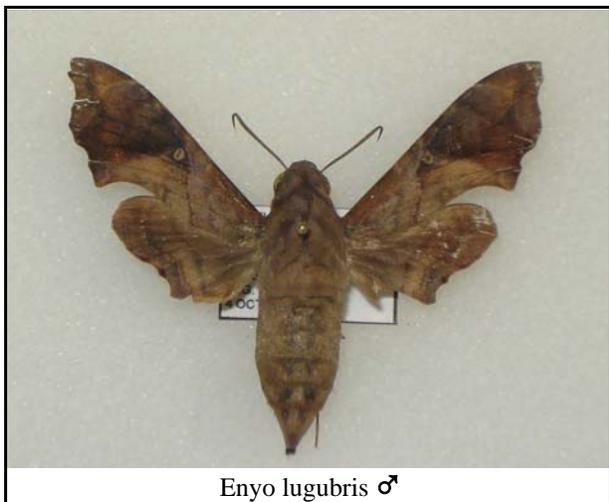
We will remain in this area most of the day and will travel to the Bowman Ridge Area (FR50/FR51) on the west side of the wilderness area off of US27 to set out light traps for the night. For those interested in operating lights for moths, we will find a suitable location. We will return to this area on Sunday. We will return to the Corbin area Saturday evening for dinner at one of the local restaurants.

We will meet again on Sunday morning in the Parking Lot of Cumberland Falls at 8:30AM. We will travel to the west side of the wilderness area, pick up the light traps and spend the remainder of the day looking for butterflies.

Although I have been to Beaver Creek Wilderness Area several times to collect moths, I have only collected butterflies in the spring. This should be an interesting and enjoyable field meeting. Please let me know if you are planning to attend. Tel: 502-542-7091 or Email: Leptraps@aol.com.



**Map to the Beaver Creek Wilderness Area
from Cumberland Falls.**



Enyo lugubris ♂

ENYO LUGUBRIS: A RARE STRAY FOR THE DEEP SOUTH

In early October of 2012 I was visiting Seeps in the Daniel Boone NF in McCreary and Laurel counties searching for Papaipema speciosissima. On 3 October 2012 I set out three Light Traps in a large seep near Whitley City in McCreary County. When I returned the following morning of 4 October 2012 to recover the light traps, I was surprised to find the Tropical Sphingid, Enyo lugubris in one of the traps. This is only the third record of the this Sphingid to be reported in Kentucky.

Although I collected a rather worn male of Papaipema speciosissima in another trap, Enyo lugubris was the most interesting moth in any of the traps, and the 4th of October was a very late date for any Sphingid, much less one in a Seep.

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MEETING & EVENT SCHEDULE FOR 2013

Spring Field Meeting: 12,13,& 14 April to Beaver Creek Wilderness Area, Daniel Boone NF, McCreary County. Trip Leader: Leroy C. Koehn. The meeting announcement appears in this newsletter.

Summer Field Meeting: 23, 24 & 25 August to Henderson Sloughs WMA in Henderson County. Trip leaders Gerald Burnett & Bill Black. We will again return to Henderson Sloughs WMA. The weather was not very good during our 2012 meeting. We should find many interesting species with better weather, including average rain fall. Although some interesting species were collected, the 2012 drought and record heat had an impact on Lepidoptera.

The Annual July 4th Butterfly Count: Saturday 20 July 2013 at the Horner Wildlife Sanctuary in Oldham County.

Dr. Charles V. Covell will be leading the count. There will be more information in the next Newsletter.

Oak Grove Butterfly Festival: Saturday 28 September 2013 in Oak Grove, Kentucky. The Festival is a one day, 10 hour event. The Society has been invited to return this year and bring a display of butterflies and moths. Gerald Burnett, Bill Black and Leroy Koehn will organize the event for the Society. If you are interested in participating, mark your calendar for 28 September 2013. There will be more information in future newsletters.

2013 Annual Meeting: November 15 & 16, 2013: The meeting will be at the University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY. Friday and Saturday November 15 & 16. We will meet in the Insect Museum in the Dimock Animal Pathology Building. There will be the "Gathering of Lepidopterists" on Friday evening. The featured speaker will be Michael Pogue and his presentation will be on the Heliothinae moths of North America.

The 2013 Great Papaipema Chase: This is not a field meeting. If you would like to participate in the Chase and would like other members to join you in the field, select a date and the location that you will survey and/or a target species. Send your information to the Editor along with your contact information. Your Chase plans will appear in the Newsletter.

Your Editor will be visiting Seeps in search of Papaipemma speciosissima in October.

**INTERESTING RECORDS FROM
MENIFEE COUNTY**

Rita Adkins photographed the Atrytonopsis hianna (Dusted Skipper) in a field on McCausey Ridge Rd. (Rt.3338) south of Joe Harmon Rd near Frenchburg, Kentucky.



Atrytonopsis hianna (Dusted Skipper)
6 May 2012

The Speyeria diana male in the following photograph is the second individual recorded in her yard. The first individual was seen in 2008.



Speyeria diana visiting Purple Cone Flower in the yard of Rita Adkin's home in Menifee County
24 June 2012

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