

Invertebrates

Robert Davidson found a **Lantern Bug** (*Pyrops candelaria*) in Sheung Tsat Muk Kiu village (near Luk Keng) in mid-January. It was firmly stuck to a tree, about 1.3 m off the ground.

Samson So and Fion Cheung saw a *Labrogomphus torvus* at a small tributary of Hok Tau Reservoir on 4 September 2004. This dragonfly is regarded as rare by Wilson (2003).

Samson So reported the following sightings of dragonflies:

Pseudagrion microcephalum laying eggs at a rehabilitated freshwater pond of Mai Po Nature Reserve.

One *Macrodiplax cora* was seen at Luk Keng marsh (near mangrove) on 29 September, and both sexes of this species were seen at Mai Po throughout October.

Gynacantha subinterrupta was seen at Mai Po on 10 November and 5 December (both were male individuals).

Samson So saw a **Japanese White-eye** caught and eaten by a **Large Woodland Spider** (*Nephila maculata*) at Mong Tseng Tsuen (near Tsim Bei Tsui) on 22 August 2004.



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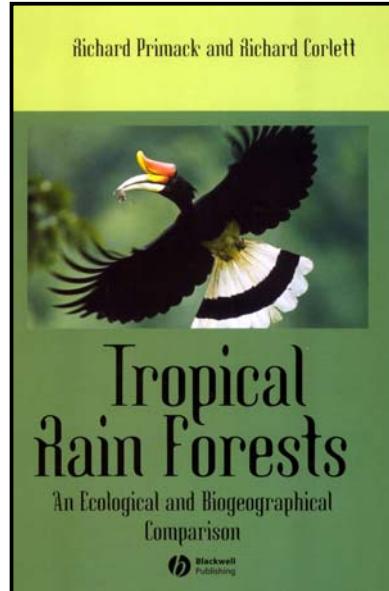
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ADDENDUM:

This photograph from Hong Kong Amphibians and Reptiles was incorrectly labeled *Sphenomorphus indicus*, but is in fact *Sphenomorphus incognitus* - please refer to the article by Michael Lau on p. 9 of this volume of *Porcupine!* to learn more about this species.

