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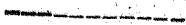
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ROCK PYTHON AND GREEN TREE SNAKE.



At the recent Wild Nature Show, a rock python (*Python amethystinus*) and a very much smaller green tree snake, (*Dendrophis punctulatus*) were placed in the same cage for exhibition purposes, and during the first day each reptile occupied opposite corners. Many people, no doubt, were of opinion, that the smaller snake would find its way inside the latter.

Next day, however, the big python moved over to the corner occupied by the smaller animal, and at times the latter was not to be seen, so that it seemed possible that the prediction had eventuated as forecasted, but at intervals part of the green tree snake was seen, and there was no doubt he was capable of moving away if he so desired. Evidently he enjoyed being overlain or cuddled by the big monster, and was not crushed or otherwise harmed by this procedure. The big snake, moreover did not make a meal of its smaller mate.



THE NORTH QUEENSLAND NATURALISTS CLUB

Meeting Rooms ; Motor Boat Club Rooms, Cairns

General Meetings are held on the second Monday in each month and committee meetings are held on the first Monday, both meetings at 8 p.m.

Agenda Paper— Minutes, Correspondence, Reports, Nomination and Election of Members (New Members are nominated at one meeting and elected by a ballot at the following monthly meeting.)

Excursions -- Members are invited to submit plans and suggestions for outdoor excursions to the meetings.

Exhibits— It is desired that members having interesting specimens to exhibit at general meetings shall also make a few explanatory remarks upon them and hand a written summary of the remarks to the Secretary (Mr. J. Wyer) for inclusion in the Club's books. This request is also made to lecturers at the meetings.

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Monday September 11th, at 8 p.m.

CLUB OFFICIALS: President, Dr. H. Flecker; Vice-President, Capt. W. P. Fish and Miss Hooper; Secretary J. Wyer; Executive Committee, the fore-going with the addition of M. J. Manski and W. M. Grant; Treasurer R. J. Gorton; Editor and Librarian, Victor Kennedy.

E X H I B I T S .

The following were exhibited at the August meeting of the Club --

BLIND SNAKE - *Typhlops proximus* (Waite)
Charles Barrett C.M.Z. S. states "Of all snakes, the blind ones are the most primitive. Their eyes are dark spots, their teeth reduced to two are microscopic and the minute crescent shaped mouth is placed like that of a shark under the head. They have a glassy appearance, due to smooth polished scales and slip easily through sand and loose soil. Often they inhabit ant-nests, many are dug up in gardens or revealed by the plough. These dwellers underground are harmless. A common species, ranging from Central Queensland to Victoria is the olive-brown or yellowish colored "*Typhlops proximus*" which grows to a length of twenty inches. Several other kinds are much smaller. Blind snakes feed upon ants, ants' eggs, (larvae) other small insects and their larvae.

Taken at Gordonvale-1931- By E. ALLEN
RED NAPED SNAKE. *Pseudelaps diadema* (Schegel)

By E. ALLEN
Xylocopa bryorum (Carpenter Bees) Exh. by M. J. MANSKI
GREEN TREE SNAKE. - *Dendrophis punctulatus*.

(Not full grown)
Solid toothed, non-venomous, practically harmless. Lives in trees and feeds mainly on birds and their eggs. When fully grown may reach six feet in length.

Exhibited by E. ALLEN, Gordonvale, 1933.
SMALL WATER FERN. *Ceratopteris thalictroides*.

Exhibited by DR. FLECKER.
VIOLA (?) betonicaefolia (Sm.)

Presented by MR. CURRY, who has them growing at Lake Barrine. He states he procured them at the back of Cardwell. The only locality which Bailey gives for this is "near Brisbane."

WATER BUG. *Lethocerus indicus* (Lep. & Serv.)
Predatory insects; prey upon small fishes and larvae of aquatic insects; attracted to lights.
Exhibited by E. ALLEN.

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Two eggs, of a dirty brown colour, with a rather soft skin, and somewhat larger than fowl's eggs were brought in for examination. It was thought that they might be eggs of the rock python. An x-ray view showed the long vertebral column and tail of a reptile but as they also possessed two pairs of limbs, they evidently belong to a large lizard, probably the common monitor, the "goana", (V aranus).

ADDENDA AND CORRIGENDA.

Vol.1, No.9. P.6 Before Family Magnoliaceae insert-
Family Myristiceae

Myristica (Linn.)

insipida (R.Br.) Queensland Nutmeg.

Is. of G. of Carp. (R.Br.) Albany Island (W.

Hill) Endeavour Rv. (B. & Sol.) Barron Rv.

(J.F. Bail.) Green Is.; Tully Rv. (J.F. Bail.)

Rockingham Bay (J. Dallachy)

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For Tribulus augustifolius read T. angustifolius.

P.5. For Hibiscus ficulnens read H. ficulneus.

For H. tiliacens read H. tiliaceus.

For Fugosia australia read F. australis

For Brachychiton candata read B. caudata

Q.6. First two lines should read Tarrictia
argyrodendron (Cont.)

After Berrya, insert (Roxb.)

For Grewia (second column) read Grewia.

P.7. After E laeocarpus bancroftii (F.v.M.) insert
Johnstone River Almond.

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CENSUS OF NORTH QUEENSLAND PLANTS (Continued)

Family Euphorbiaceae (Cont.) Petalostigma quadriloculare
Neoroepora (cont.) (Cont.)

banksii (Benth.)

Sandy ridges, North Shore

Endeavour Rv. (A. Cunn.)

Flueggea (Willd.)

microcarpa (Blume) Thargin-
yah.

Sweers Island (Henne)

Is. of G. of Carp. (R. Brown)

Flinders Rv. (Sutherland)

Gilbert Rv. (F.v.M.) Mitch-
ell Rv; Palmer Rv.; Cape

York (M' Gill.) Howick's Group

(F.v.M.) Cooktown (Roth.)

Rockingham Bay (Dallachy)

Pt. Denison; Edgecombe Bay

Oloncurry.

lecopyrus (Willd.)

Gilbert River.

Breynia (Forst.)

cernua (Muell. Arg.)

Cape York (Daemel)

oblongifolia (Muell. Arg.)

Willgar.

Cape York (Daemel)

stipitata (Muell. Arg.)

Is. of G. of Carp. (R.Br.)

(Henne); Prince of Wales

Is. (R. Brown) Barron Rv. (

E. C owley) Rockingham Bay

(Dall.) Cleveland Bay

(Bowman).

Petalostigma (F.v.M.)

quadriloculare (F.v.M.)

Bitter Crab.

Is. of G. of Carp. (Henne)

Albany Island (W. Hill)

Somerset; Endeavour Rv.

(A. Cunn.) Pt. Denison;

Edgecombe Bay.

var. glabrescens, Bent.

C. Sidmouth (Curdie)

Hemicyclia (Wight et Arn.)

australasica (Muell. Arg.)

Is. of Torres St. (Henne)

Rockingham Bay (Dall.)

Cleveland Bay (Bowman)

Edgecombe Bay (Dall.)

Burdekin Rv. (F.v.M.)

Dissiliaria (F.v.M.)

tricornis (Benth.)

Rockingham Bay (Dall.)

Bischoffia (Blume)

javanica (Blume)

Rockingham Bay

Antidesma (Linn.)

ghaesembilla (Gaertn.)

Walsh Rv. (Barclay-Mil-
ler)

dallachyanum (Bail.) Her-
bert Riv. Cherry

bert Riv. Cherry

Cape Grafton, (Roth.)

Tully Rv; Rockingham

Bay (Dallachy)

parvifolium (F.v.M.)

Gilbert Rv.; Barron Rv;

Pt. Denison.

erostre (F.v.M.)

Cairns; Rockingham Bay

(Dallachy)

sinatum (Benth.)

Cairns; Rockingham Bay

(Dallachy).

- Aleurites (Forst.)
 moluccana (Willd.) Candle
 nut
 Cooktown; Barron Rv;
 Green Is; Rockingham B.
 Croton (Linn.)
 insularis (Baill.) Queens-
 land Cascarilla Bark.
 Rockingham Bay (Dallachy)
 Burdekin River (F.v.M.)
 pheballoides (F.v.M.)
 Burdekin River (F.v.M.)
 Pt. Denison, (Fitzalan)
 Edgecombe Bay (Dallachy)
 verreauxii (Bailey)
 Is. of G. of Carpentaria
 triacros (F.v.M.)
 Rockingham Bay (Dallachy)
 arnemicus (Muell. Arg.)
 Is. of G. of Carp. (R. Brown)
 var. urenaefolius
 Cape York (M'Gillivray)
 Gilbert Rv. (Daintree)
 Harvey's Cr; Russell Rv;
 Pt. Denison; Edgecombe Bay
 Codiaeum (Rumph)
 variegatum (Blume)
 var. moluccana (Muell. Arg.)
 Mt. Elliott & Seaview
 Range, Rockingham Bay (Dall.)
 Baloghia (Endl.)
 lucida (Benth.) Scrub Blood-
 Rockingham Bay. Wood
 Fontainea, (Heckel)
 pancheri (Heckel)
 Albert River
 Claoxylon (A. Juss.)
 angustifolium (Muell. Arg.)
 Pt. Denison (Fitzalan)
 tenerifolium (F.v.M.)
 Cleveland Bay (Bowman)
- Claoxylon (Cont.)
 hillii (Benth.)
 Albany Is. (W. Hill) Cape
 York (M'Gill. Daemel)
 Bellenden Ker Range (Bail.)
 Rockingham Bay (Dallachy)
 Acalypha (Linn.)
 indica (Linn.)
 var. australis (Bailey)
 Walsh River (Muell. Arg.)
 Scrub on the Burdekin (F.v.M.)
 Mallotus (Lour.)
 ricinoides (Muell. Arg.) Barr-
 inya.
 Cairns; Rockingham Bay
 (Dal.) Mt. Elliott (Fitz.)
 paniculatus (Muell. Arg.)
 Rockingham Bay (Dallachy)
 claoxyloides (Muell. Arg.)
 Lizard Is. (A. Cunningham)
 var. macrophylla (Benth.)
 Rockingham Bay (Dallachy)
 philippensis (Muell. Arg.)
 Kamela-tree.
 Rockingham Bay and Edge-
 combe Bay (Dallachy)
 angustifolius (Benth.)
 Rockingham Bay (Dallachy)
 polyadenus (F.v.M.)
 Cape York (W. Hill) Rock-
 ingham Bay (Dallachy)
 repandus (Muell. Arg.)
 Rockingham Bay (Dallachy)
 nesophilus
 Albany Is.; (W. Hill) Cape
 York (Daemel)
 Macaranga (Thon.)
 dallachyi (F.v.M.)
 Rockingham Bay (Dallachy)
 subdentata (Benth.)
 Rockingham Bay (Dallachy)

- Macaranga (Cont.)
 inamoena (F.v.M.)
 Rockingham Bay (Dallachy)
 involucrata (Bailey)
 Cape York (Daemel) Endea-
 vour Rv. (A. Cunn.) Rock-
 ingham Bay (Dall.) Mt.
 Elliott (Dallachy)
 tanarius (Muell. Arg.)
 Tumkullum
 Rockingham Bay (Dallachy)
 Howick's Group; Pt. Deni-
 son (Dallachy)
 var. tomentosa (Muell-
 Arg.)
 Rockingham Bay (Dallachy)
 Tragia (Linn.)
 novae-hollandiae (Muell.
 Arg.)
 (Twining nettles)
 Rockingham Bay (Dall.)
 Homalanthus (A. Juss.)
 populifolius (Grah.)
 Rockingham Bay (Dallachy)
 Ompalea (Linn.)
 queenslandiae (Bail.)
 Harvey's Cr; Johnstone
 River.
 caecaria (Linn.)
 gallocha (Linn.) Milky
 Mangrove
 Is. of G. of Carp. (R. Brown)
 parvifolia (Muell. Arg.)
 Gutta-percha tree.
 G. of Carpentaria (R. Brown)
 (F.v.M. Landsborough.)
 Cloncurry (Palmer)
 Balanophoreae
 Balanophora (Forst.)
 australiana (F.v.M.)
 Rockingham Bay (Dallachy)
- Family Urticaceae (Vent.)
 Celtis (Linn.)
 philippinensis (Blanco)
 Is. of G. of Carp. (R. Br.)
 Pt. Denison (Fitz. Dall.)
 paniculata (Planch.)
 Investigator Tree.
 Is. of G. of Carp. (R. Br.)
 (Herme)
 Endeavour Rv. (A. Cunn.)
 Pt. Denison & Edgecombe
 Bay (Dallachy)
 Trema (Lour.)
 aspera (Blume) Peach-leaved
 Poison-tree
 Rockingham Bay; Burdekin Rv.
 orientalis (Blume)
 Albany Is. (W. Hill) Pt.
 Denison (Fitzalan-Dall.)
 amboinensis (Blume) Birula
 Rockingham Bay (Dall.)
 Aphananthe (Planch.)
 philippinensis (Planch.)
 Mallban.
 Barron Rv; Rockingham
 Bay (Dallachy)
 Malaisia (Blanco)
 tortuosa (Blanco) Deng-ul-
 Rockingham and ka.
 Edgecombe Bays. Burde-
 kin River.
 Psuedomorus (Bureau)
 brunoniana (Bureau)
 Rockingham Bay (Dall.)
 Ficus (Linn.)
 colossea (F.v.M.) Ban-na-bool-ka
 Cooktown (Roth.) Rock-
 ingham Bay (Dall.) Herb-
 ert River. (Dallachy)
 pilosa (Reinw.) Burrowa
 Albany Is; Cape York
 (F.v.M.)

Ficus pilosa (Contd.)
 Somerset (F.M.Bailey)
 Green Is; C.Grafton; Rock-
 ingham Bay (Dallachy)
glabella (Bl.)
 var. *papuana* (King)
 Is. of G. of Carp. (R. Brown)
 (Gulliver)
 Rockingham Bay (Dallachy)
parkinsoni (Hiern.)
 Booby Is. (Banks & Sol.)
henneana (Miq.)
 Booby Is. (A. Cunn., Henne)
 Rockingham Bay (Dallachy)
virginica (Banks & Sol.)
 Booby Is. (Banks & So.)
infectoria (Roxb.) Moolleeah.
 Green Is; Cairns; Lake
 Barrine; Rockingham Bay (Dal.)
pritzelii (Warb.)
 Upper Barron Rv. 1660ft.
 above sea-level (L. Diels.)
validinervis (F.v.M.)
 Rockingham Bay (Dallachy)
thynneana (Bail.) Queensland
 Banyan.
 Cape Grafton.
cairnsii (Warb.)
 Not far from Cairns (L. Diels.)
eugenicoides (F.v.M.) Tilgul
 Albany Is; (F.v.M.) Atherton.
leucotricha (Miq.)
 Is. of G. of Carp. (R. Brown)
platypoda (A. Cunn.)
 var. *petiolaris* (Benth.)
 Kunnen
 C. Cleveland; Pt. Denison
 (Fitzalan)
 var. *mollis* (Benth.)
 Rockingham Bay (Dallachy)

Ficu

Ficus platypoda (Cont.)
 var. *subacuminata*
 Whitsunday Is. (Henne)
dictyophleba (F.v.M.)
 Is. off Cape Flattery (F.v.M.)
cylindrica (Warb.)
 Edge of forest, Upper
 Barron Rv. (L. Diels.)
magnifolia (F.v.M.)
 Rockingham Bay (Dallachy)
 (Fitz.) Mt. Elliott (Dal. Fitz.)
ehretioides (F.v.M.) Magura
 Tully River (Roth.) Rock-
 ingham Bay (Dallachy)
scandens (Roxb.)
 var. *australis* (Bailey)
 Range about Kamerunga
 (Nugent)
leptoclada (Benth.)
 Rockingham Bay (Dall.)
depressa (Benth.)
 Mt. Elliott, (Fitzalan)
philippinensis (Miq.)
 Family Is; Rockingham
 Bay (Dallachy)
mollior (F.v.M.)
 Rockingham Bay (Dallachy)
pinkiana (F.v.M.)
 Bellenden Ker Range (Bail)
stenocarpa (F.v.M.) Ke-ril
 Fitzroy Is. (Walter) Cape
 Grafton; Rockingham Bay
 (Dallachy)
scabra (G. Forst.) Rough Fig
 Cleveland Bay (Thozet)
orbicularis (A. Cunn.) Mo-i
 Batavia River (Roth.)
aculeata (A. Cunn.)
 Is. of G. of Carp. (R. Brown)
 (Henne, Gulliver.)
 To be continued.

