

News and Comment

Update on Quebec Amphibian and Reptile Atlas Project: *Rana-Saura* 6(2)

The newsletter *Rana-Saura* resumes with Volume 6, Number 2 issued for April 2004. The previous issue was published in March 2000. Due to translation expense no English version is currently available of the new issue (of 383 participants, only 23 are anglophones). Contents are: Et ça continue! – Atlas des amphibiens et des reptiles du Québec – Suivi des populations d'amphibiens du Québec – La présence de la Rainette faux-grillon boreale [*Pseudacris maculata*] enfin confirmée [Jean-François Desroches] – Un nouvelle reptile pour Québec! [Jean-François Desroches] – Le tout nouveau guide d'identification des amphibiens et des reptiles du Québec!

Rana-Saura is edited by David Rodrigue, for the Atlas of

amphibians and reptiles of Quebec (continuing in 2004 in its 17th year; since 2002 the entries have increased from 22 000 to nearly 45 000) and the Survey of populations of amphibians of Quebec (in 2004 there will be 45 participants conducting 42 road surveys). These projects are coordinated by the Ecomuseum of the St. Lawrence Valley Natural History Society and financially aided by La Société de la Faune et des Parcs du Québec.

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Froglog: Newsletter of the Declining Amphibian Populations Task Force (62)

Number 62, April 2004. Contents: Southern African Frog Atlas Project completed! (Marius Burger and J. A. Harrison) – Mark Twain's frog not croaked after all! (Robert Stack) – Decline of the Kihansi Spray Toad, *Nectophrynoides asperginis* from the Udzungwa Mountains, Tanzania (Che Weldon & Louis H. du Preez) – The Amphibian Fauna of Nagaland, India: Species and Habitats (Meren Ao & Sabitry Bordoloi) – Seed Grant News – Froglog Shorts.

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Amphipacifica: Journal of Aquatic Systematic Biology 3(4)

Volume 3, Number 4, dated 30 March 2004, is 113 pages and contains the talitroidean amphipod family Najnidae in the North Pacific region: systematics and distributional ecology (E. L. Bousfield and Pierre Marcoux) and The amphipod family Pleustidae (mainly subfamilies Mesopleustinae, Neopleustinae, and Stenopleustinae) from the Pacific coast of North America: systematics and distributional ecology

(E. A. Hendrycks and E. L. Bousfield).

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Marine Turtle Newsletter (104)

April 2004. 36 pages: ARTICLES: Nesting of Hawksbill Turtles in Paraiba-Brazil: Avoiding Light Pollution Effects – Stranding of Small Juvenile Leatherback Turtle in Western Australia – Post-nesting Movements of Green Turtles Tagged in the Turtle Islands, Tawi-Tawi, Philippines – Notes from Preliminary Market Surveys in Morocco – NOTES: Recoveries of Two Post-hatching Loggerhead Turtles in the Northern Adriatic Sea – Green Turtle Nesting on the Gulf of Oman Coastline of the Islamic Republic of Iran – Confirmed Nesting of the Loggerhead Turtle in Corsica – Marine Turtles in Iran: Results from 2002 – Sightings of the Leatherback Turtle off the Southern Coast of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil –

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