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ODONATA COLLECTED WITH A MIST NET IN BARAGA COUNTY, MICHIGAN, INCLUDING A NEW RECORD FOR THE UPPER PENINSULA

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In the summer of 1966 a study of the interrelation of birds and forest insects was initiated at Michigan Technological University. Japanese mist nets were used, among other methods, to make population estimates of birds. When checking the nets for trapped birds, Odonata were often found in the pockets. We were thus able to compile a list of Odonata frequenting the shores of Little Lake, Baraga County, Michigan. The “lake,” actually a small stagnant basin of water not exceeding a foot in depth in dry years, is located on the Baraga Plains, approximately five miles west of Michigan Tech's Ford Forestry Center.

The eleven species of Odonata collected were:

AESHNIDAE
Aeshna canadensis Walker
Aeshna interrupta Walker

GOMPHIDAE
Gomphus cornutus Tough

LIBELLULIDAE: Corduliinae
Cordulia shurtleffi Scudder
Somatochlora kennedyi Walker
Somatochlora walskii (Scudder)

LIBELLULIDAE: Libellulinae
Celithemis elisa (Hagen)★
Ladona julia (Uhler)
Leucorrhina glacialis Hagen
Plathemis lydia (Drury)
Sympetrum vicinum (Hagen)★

The starred (★) species are not listed by Kormondy (1958) as having been reported from Baraga County, and are presumably first records. One of these, Celithemis elisa, has not been previously reported from the Upper Peninsula.

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