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A CHECKLIST OF MEGALOPTERA AND NEUROPTERA (PLANIPENNIA) OF INDIANA¹

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ABSTRACT

Sixty-five species of the insect orders Megaloptera and Neuroptera have been confirmed as being distributed in the state of Indiana, with the majority representing new state records.

A first list of Indiana Neuroptera (Montgomery and Trippel 1933) included 15 species. Ross (1937) included Indiana records for five species of Megaloptera. Otherwise, only scattered and piecemeal Indiana records of Megaloptera and Neuroptera have since appeared in the literature. The present checklist includes 65 nominal species, of which 36 represent first published records for the state (they are asterisked in list). Twelve of the 13 North American families are represented.

The checklist is based primarily on the study of specimens held at the Purdue Entomological Research Collections and collected under the auspices of that program, mostly since 1968. Collections at Earlham College, Eastern Illinois University, Illinois Natural History Survey, Indiana University, Indiana State University, and Valparaiso University were also examined. Additional species will undoubtedly be found in Indiana in the future and are expected to include many of those reported for one or more surrounding states. Only species with verified Indiana records are included herein. No attempt has been made to explain intrastate distribution records for species, since these records are heavily biased by certain seasonal periods, habitats, and faunal provinces being much more comprehensively sampled than others. For identifying midwestern species of Neuroptera and Megaloptera see especially Banks (1927), Brigham (1982), Carpenter (1940), Chandler (1956), Cuyler (1958), Meinander (1972), Neunzig (1966), Parfin and Gurney (1956), Ross (1937), Stange (1970), and Thorne (1971a,b).

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Order MEGALOPTERA

Family SIALIDAE

**Sialis americana* (Rambur)
S. hasta Ross
S. infumata Newman
**S. iola* Ross

S. itasca Ross
S. mohri Ross
S. vagans Ross
**S. velata* Ross

Family CORYDALIDAE

Chauliodes pectinicornis (L.)
C. rastricornis Rambur
Corydalus cornutus (L.)

Neohermes concolor (Davis)
Nigronia fasciatus (Walker)
N. serricornis (Say)

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Order NEUROPTERA (PLANIPENNIA)

Family CONIOPTERYGIDAE

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|---|--|
| * <i>Coniopteryx simplicior</i> Meinander | * <i>Helicoconis walshi</i> (Banks) |
| * <i>C. tineiformis</i> Curtis | * <i>Semidalis inconspicua</i> Meinander |
| * <i>C. westwoodi</i> (Fitch) | * <i>S. vicina</i> (Hagen) |
| * <i>Conwentzia pineticola</i> Enderlein | |

Family MANTISPIDAE

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|----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| <i>Climaciella brunnea</i> (Say) | * <i>M. uhleri</i> Banks |
| * <i>Mantispa interrupta</i> Say | |

Family HEMEROBIIDAE

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|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| * <i>Boriomyia fidelis</i> (Banks) | <i>Micromus posticus</i> (Walker) |
| * <i>Hemerobius conjunctus</i> Fitch | * <i>M. subanticus</i> (Walker) |
| <i>H. humulinus</i> L. | * <i>M. variolosus</i> Hagen |
| * <i>H. pacificus</i> Banks | * <i>Psectra diptera</i> (Burmeister) |
| * <i>H. pinidumus</i> Fitch | * <i>Symphorobius amicus</i> (Fitch) |
| <i>H. stigma</i> Stephens | * <i>S. barberi</i> (Banks) |
| * <i>Kimminsia disjuncta</i> (Banks) | * <i>S. occidentalis</i> (Fitch) |
| * <i>K. subnebulosa</i> (Stephens) | |

Family CHRYSOPIDAE

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|---|---------------------------------------|
| * <i>Ceraeochrysa lineaticornis</i> (Fitch) | <i>C. quadripunctata</i> Burmeister |
| <i>Chrysopa carnea</i> Stephens | <i>C. rufilabris</i> Burmeister |
| <i>C. harrisi</i> Fitch | <i>Leucochrysa insularis</i> (Walker) |
| * <i>C. incompleta</i> Banks | * <i>Mallada luctuosa</i> (Banks) |
| <i>C. nigricornis</i> Burmeister | * <i>Meleoma signoretti</i> Fitch |
| <i>C. oculata</i> Say | * <i>Nodita pavidata</i> (Hagen) |

Family DILARIDAE

- **Nallachius americanus* (McLachlan)

Family BEROETHIDAE

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|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| * <i>Lomamyia banksi</i> Carpenter | * <i>L. flavicornis</i> (Walker) |
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Family POLYSTOECHOTIDAE

- **Polystoechotes punctatus* (Fabricius)

Family SISYRIDAE

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|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| <i>Climacia areolaris</i> (Hagen) | <i>S. vicaria</i> (Walker) |
| * <i>Sisyrta fuscata</i> (Fabricius) | |

Family MYRMELEONTIDAE

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|--|-------------------------------------|
| <i>Brachynemurus abdominalis</i> (Say) | <i>Dendroleon obsoletum</i> (Say) |
| * <i>B. longicaudus</i> (Burmeister) | <i>Glenurus gratus</i> (Say) |
| * <i>B. nebulosus</i> (Oliver) | <i>Myrmeleon immaculatus</i> DeGeer |

Family ASCALAPHIDAE

Ululodes quadrimaculata (Say)

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