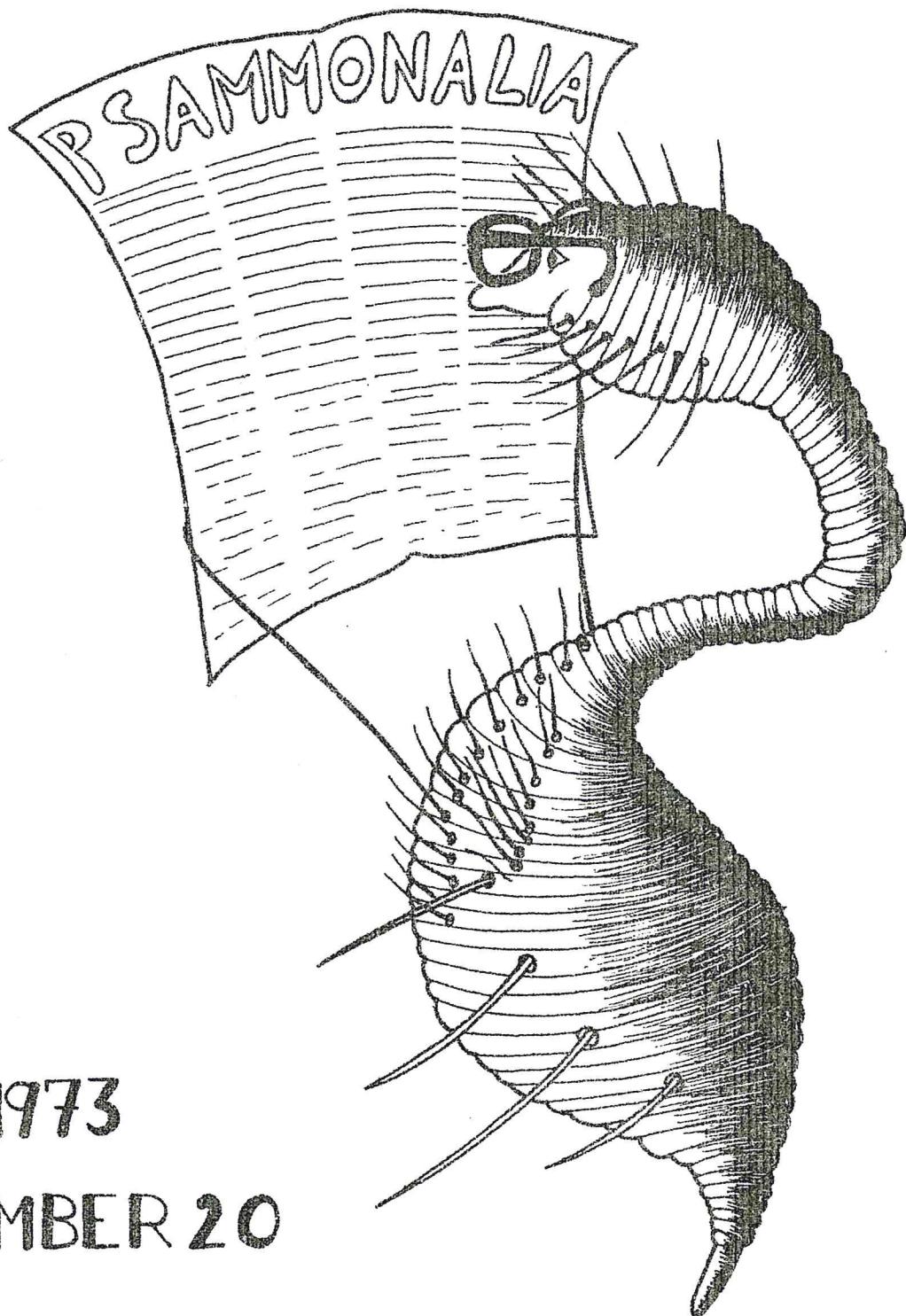


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Within the meiobenthologists there is an increasing interest in the geographic distribution of animal groups and species. Thus it is worth while compiling bibliographies of geographic regions parallel to bibliographies of single taxa. Up to now such regions have to be favoured of which the literature can easily be overlooked. On the other hand these regions should be especially interesting under the aspect of zoogeography. In this edition we start a survey of the meiofauna literature of India, which has been compiled by Dr. G.C. Rao. The compilation is preceded by a list of the Indian marine biological stations. I sincerely hope, that according bibliographies dealing with Southern America, Australia, the Pacific etc. will follow and I ask all members to give me knowledge of any such compilation in progress.

Financial Report

The financial situation of the Association has improved. The "Göttinger Universitätsbund" has kindly donated DM 500.- for the publication of the "Psammonalia" in particular. Nevertheless I should like to ask all members for paying up their dues regularly, or if not they should inform me that they have no further interest in receiving the newsletter.

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(" At present I am a graduate student studying the interstitial fauna of the west coast of Ireland for my doctoral thesis".)

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(" I have investigated the distribution and seasonal abundances of harpacticoid copepods on an intertidal mud flat in Southampton Water. The comparative biology, salinity tolerances, blood osmotic pressures, life cycles and seasonal abundances of *Platychelipus littoralis* Brady and *Platychelipus laophontoides* Sars were investigated.

For the last thirteen years I have worked on the effects of thermal effluents on shallow water macrobenthos in the Firth of Clyde. Now developing programmes of research on the meiofauna, particularly harpacticoid copepods, of the Scottish west coast at Dunstaffnage. Meiofauna of the deep muds of sea lochs is being investigated and these studies will be extended to the meiofauna of the continental shelf and deep sea.")

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(" I am presently engaged in the systematics of nematodes of tidal beaches and mud flats at List/Sylt (North Sea). After that I intend to complete my thesis under the supervision of Prof. Ax on the zonation, seasonal abundances and life cycles of free-living marine nematodes.")

Dr. Guy Boucher

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(" I am interested in free-living marine nematodes and have recently completed a short paper (with Dr. R.M. Warwick) on the genus Euchromadora and related genera. I am present identifying specimens collected from the sublittoral zone, off the Scilly Islands, by the University of London Sub-Aqua Club. My future plans include a review of the genus Spirinia.")

Prof. Dr. Lucien de Coninck

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("I am mainly interested in nematodes. My collaborators and I are concerned with investigations on the benthos of the southern parts of the North Sea, within the scope of the "Mathematical Model of the North Sea", and with plancton, periphyton and benthos of a heavily polluted river, the Samber, in the southern part of Belgium. Different members of the scientific staff are working on various animal groups of the meiobenthos: C. Heip (small Arthropoda of brackish waters); E. Schockaert (Turbellaria); E. Coryn (population dynamics); D. Van Damme (marine meiobenthos without Nematoda); W. Decraemer (marine Nematoda) et al..

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(" I have studied the benthic harpacticoids of marine sands in the Firth of Clyde for a number of years. Special attention has been paid to the biology of the intertidal species *Asellopsis intermedia* Scott and to what extent it is affected by heated effluent from a power station. Harpacticoid studies have now been extended to include the biology of sand and mud dwelling species in the Scottish west coast sea lochs. Special interests are ecology, the effect of temperature on the biological cycle,

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2. NORDMAR. Newsletter published by the Nordic Council for Marine Biology.

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CONFERENCES OF INTEREST

1. Eighth European Symposium on Marine Biology
Sorrento (Napoli) October 1 - 7, 1973
Topic: Reproduction and Sexuality in the Marine Environment
Organizer: G. Bacci
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2. Symposium on the Eastern Mediterranean
September 11-15, 1973
International Ocean Institute, the Royal University of Malta
Msida, Malta

Organizer: Neil C. Hulings
Department of Biology
American University of Beirut
Beirut, Lebanon

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3. Third Baltic Symposium on Marine Biology
Helsinki, June 12-19, 1973

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4. Second International Meiofauna Conference
York, England, July 7-14, 1973

Organizer: John S. Gray
Wellcome Marine Laboratory
Robin Hood's Bay
Yorkshire, England

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Andhra University,
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6. Marine Biological Station,
Porto Novo, TAMIL NADU.
7. Marine Biological Laboratory,
University of Kerala,
Trivandrum-7, KERALA.
8. Central Marine Fisheries
Research Institute,
Ernakulum, Cochin-11, KERALA.
9. Indian Ocean Biological Centre,
National Institute of Oceanography,
Ernakulum, Cochin-18, KERALA.
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University of Cochin,
Ernakulum, Cochin-16, KERALA.
11. National Institute of Oceanography,
Panaji, Goa.
12. Marine Biological Research Station,
Ratnagiri, MAHARASHTRA.
13. Taraporevala Marine Biological
Research Station,
Bombay, MAHARASHTRA.
14. Marine Algal Research Organization,
Central Salt and Marine Chemical
Research Institute,
Bhavnagar, GUJARAT.
15. Marine Biological Research Station,
Port Okha, GUJARAT.

All these stations are located on the east and west coasts of India.

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