

me to draw conclusions, but is it possible that we have here a ssp. intermediate between 'meolans' and 'stygne'?

### Postscript

It will be seen that, in the preceding notes, I have only referred to the years 1975 and 1976. My observations and records extend further back than this, but I have not used them as I do not consider them sufficiently accurate. Similarly, I have only referred to three or four locations, because my information from these is quite full, but is much reduced from other sites.

The summer of 1976 had, apparently, the same effects in France as in England. Everything was much earlier and *Erebia*, especially, were much scarcer than usual in August, presumably because they were mostly over.

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AGROTIS IPSILON HUFNAGEL IN MARCH. — On the night of the 26th March, 1977, I recorded here in my light trap a female example of the Dark Swordgrass, which I presumed was an immigrant. — A. E. C. ADAMS, Perrins Farm, Woods Green, Wadhurst, East Sussex, TN5 6QN.

LONGITARSUS REICHEI ALLARD (COL. CHRYSOMELIDAE) IN WEST SUSSEX ON YET ANOTHER PROBABLE FOODPLANT. — In a note on this little-known *Longitarsus* (1967, *Ent. mon. Mag.*, 103: 154-5), I drew attention to the curious fact that all my four captures of it had been from different host-plants (one Composite, three Labiates) — though one of the latter was not certainly traced. I can now add a further Labiate to the list of its apparent foodplants, having taken a single female by sweeping along a marsh dike at Amberley, West Sussex (13.viii.70), where the marsh woundwort, *Stachys palustris* L., grew profusely. As no other plant at all likely to be a host of *L. reichei* appeared to be present, the probability of the beetle having come off the *Stachys* is very high. I had already taken the species in East Sussex (*l.c.*: 154), but the present record should be a new one for the western vice-county. — A. A. ALLEN, 49 Montcalm Road, Charlton, London, SE7 8QG.



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