

Report on the 15<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Hungarian  
Malacologists

Beszámoló a 15. Magyar Malakológus Találkozósról

The 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting for the Hungarian Malacologists was held in Budapest between June 29<sup>th</sup> and July 1<sup>st</sup> 1990. That was the first time this gathering was arranged to be held in the capital of Hungary. There were altogether 30 participants attending the meeting.

On the first day, after gathering together in a hostel, there were informal talks about different problems in malacology. The scientific programme began on the 30<sup>th</sup> of June, in the Hungarian Geological Institute. The host, Institute staff member Mr E. KROLOPP, briefly introduced the ancient building of the Institute, and spoke about the different scientific activities of the paleontological and geological departments. After this opening the following lectures on malacology were delivered by the participants:

- Z. ERŐSS: Endangered tree-snails of Hawaii/with original videorecording presentation/
- P. JAUERNIG - P. SÜMEGI: The first occurrence of Helicella itala in Hungary
- Á. DÁVID: Further paleoecological and paleopathological observations on Eocene fossils in Eger
- L. PINTÉR: On completing the distribution maps of Hungarian molluscs
- A. VARGA: "Snail damaging disease" in conchological collections

E. KROLOPP: The molluscs of the Pleistocene  
hominid-site in Vértesszőlős

L. NÉMETH: Report on a snail collecting trip in  
the Caucasus

S. SZABÓ: The influence of the conservation  
programme for the aquatic molluscs of  
the Fraxino-Alnetum fenwood in Tabdi

In the afternoon, Mr E. SÁRKÁNY-KISS, the honoured  
guest from Tirgu Mures, Romania, presented his  
comprehensive report about the malacological survey of  
the Maros river.

After the lectures and discussions, the members'  
informal meeting began, and in the end an informal chat  
developed on the actual problems of malacology in  
Hungary. The last part of the programme in the evening  
of that day was a small party in a cosy restaurant in  
one of the most beautiful parks of Budapest.

On the 1<sup>st</sup> of July a collecting trip was organized  
at Máriaremete to the north of Budapest for the  
participants of the meeting. The trip was conducted  
among the scenic chalk-rocks of the Remete-ravine,  
where the conchologists were be able to collect  
specimens of almost all the snail species living on the  
hills around Budapest.

E. KROLOPP