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The annual September party will be held on Saturday September 27 at the home of Barbara and Wesley Farmer. For details see page 134 and the map on the last page of this issue.

There will be no regular meeting this month

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RANGE EXTENSIONS OF FIVE TEREBRID SPECIES

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Hastula albula (Menke, 1843) (Figure 1) may be added to the growing list of living Indo-Pacific molluscan species found in waters off the mainland of North America and is the second species of Indo-Pacific terebrid found in the Gulf of California, Mexico. (Terebra affinis Gray, 1834, was found living at San Luis Gonzaga Bay about two decades ago by Dorothy Brown). The specimen of H. albula was collected live in 12 meters of water on the west side of Isla Santa Catalina, just outside Bahía San Carlos in Sonora, Mexico by Richard J. McClincy of Tucson, Arizo H. albula previously has been reported from the offshore islands of Clarion and Socorro at depths ranging from 7 to 110 meters, but not from the mainland (Bratche and Burch 1971).

The species Terebra corintoensis Pilsbry & Lowe, 1932, (Figure 2) described from Corinto, Nicaragua, was collected at Cocos Island, Costa Rica by Kirstie Kaiser in 1986. It was dredged at about 135 meters in coarse sand. This is the first report of the species being collected away from the coast of North or Central America.



Fig. 1 Hastula albula (Menke, 1843) Length: 25 mm B. & B. coll. no. 530 Barber's Point, Oahu, Hawaii

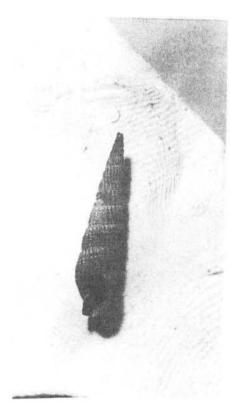
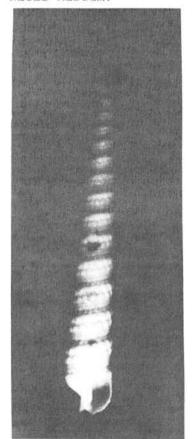
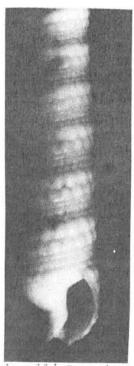


Fig. 2 Terebra corintoensis Pilsbry & Lowe,1932 Holotype: ANSP 155281 Length: 13.5 mm Type. loc.: Corinto, Nicaragua

Two species of Terebra described from the Red Sea and thought to be endemic to that area have been found farther south. T. consobrina Deshaves, 1857 (Figure 3), was sent to me for identification by Manfred Blocher of West Germany, who reported collecting it at Tulear, Madagascar on sand inside the grand reef. T. insalli Bratcher & Burch, 1967 (Figures 4 and 5), has now been found in the Indian Ocean. It was among material sent for identification by Dr. Phillipe Bouchet of the Museum National d'Histoire Naturelle of Paris, France in 1986 and was dredged from deep water off Reunion Island. Specimens of T. insalli were collected in the Red Sea by several members of the San Diego Shell Club on a recent expedition.

The known distribution of Terebra boucheti Bratcher, 1981 (Figure 6), also has been extended. Formerly known from the Philippines to the Solomon Islands, it was recently collected off South Africa and sent to me by Dr. Kilburn of the Natal Museum.





Figs. 4 and 5. Terebra insalli Bratcher & Burch, 1967. Holotype: CAS 12946
Length: 59.9 mm Type loc.: Gulf of Aqaba
Fig. 5. Detail of holotype

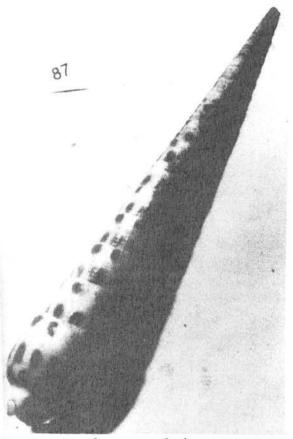


Fig. 3. Terebra consobrina Deshayes, 1857. Lectotype; British Museum (N.H.) Length: 89.3 mm. Coll.: Cuming Type loc.: la mer Rouge (Massau, Red Sea)

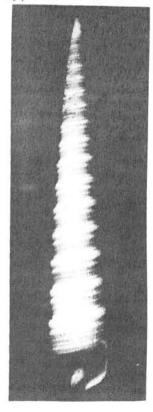


Fig. 6. Terebra boucheti Bratcher, 1981. Length: 47.5 mm Type loc.: Philippine Is. [14°16'N; 120°31'E]