



Miami Blue Chapter, NABA August 2014 E-news

Above: Miami Blue.

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Miami Blue Quarterly Meeting

Sunday, August 3, 2014, 1-3 pm

Simpson Park 55 SW 17 Road, Miami





Giant Swallowtail, shot at Simpson Park. Courtesy of Juan Fernandez.

James Gabriel will speak about a new moth species, *Caloptilia triadacea*, from China and now found in the wild in Florida. He will describe the moth and speak about biocontrol and potential threats.

As usual, there will be updates on current butterfly news-conservation, counts, and so on-and refreshments.

Come early or stay late to enjoy the hammock and the Charles Torrey Simpson Garden Center.

Driving directions: From US 1 at Rickenbacker Causeway, take South Miami Avenue north for a mile. Turn left (west) at 17 Road.

Shark Valley Butterfly Count

Saturday, July 26, 9 am - 4 pm



NPS photo courtesy of J. Roark.

Meet at the parking lot inside the Shark Valley entrance to Everglades National Park. We will break into teams and cover the roads on the east and west side of the park. That done, we will then proceed east toward Miami, stopping along the Trail if there are unmoved areas and continuing east to canal L67.

Let Linda Evans know if you plan to participate: lmemia@aol.com.

Moth Night

Coral Gables Butterfly Count Results

Thanks to all who participated in the June 28 count at Cape Florida, Deering Estate, Fairchild Garden, and the Kampong.

Among the usual butterflies, most in good numbers, were some standouts: 101 Dina Yellows at the Deering Estate; 16 Cuban Crescents at Cape Florida; 74 Baracoa Skippers and 396 immature Atalas (eggs, cats, and chyrsalis) at Fairchild, and 4 Pink Spots.



Cuban Crescent.
Courtesy of Susan Kolterman.

Join NABA and the Miami Blue Chapter; membership information is at: www.miamiblue.org.

Check the full year calendar for the chapter at: www.miamiblue.org.

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Don't forget to save your unwanted

July 25, 8:00 pm. • All Ages • \$5/person

Long Key Nature Center 3501 S.W. 130th Ave., Davie, FL 33330

Long Key naturalists will set up equipment to attract moths and introduce us to what they have found. This effort will contribute to our understanding of moth populations in protected areas such as Long Key -- and demonstrate how lepidopterists do their work with lights, sheets, and potions that moths find irresistible.

copies of *American Butterflies* and the *Butterfly Gardener*, we have many uses for extra copies.

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