Short Notes on Fireflies of Sungai Kawang, Sabah

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Abstract

A survey on the congregating fireflies located in the mangrove forest of Sungai Kawang, Kinarut, 20 kilometers south of Kota Kinabalu was conducted from September to October 2015. The dominant firefly species was Pteroptyx bearni Olivier. Out of 133 male Pteroptyx fireflies collected, 131 individuals belong to this species. The less common species Pteroptyx malaccae Gorham was collected on a mangrove tree that is away from the jetty. Most of the fireflies were collected from the dominant mangrove species, Rhizophora mucronata, while some were collected from Aegiceras floridum and Lumnitzera littorea. With a high population of congregating fireflies and the geographical advantages of Sungai Kawang, it has the potential to be developed as a tourist attraction. Proper development planning associated with a system for population monitoring and habitat conservation are essential for sustainable ecotourism.
Kawang Forest. I like to explore places that few people know. One of them is Kawang Forest Reserve, which is about 23 KM away from Kota Kinabalu city, somewhere between Papar and KK. It is quite easy to get there. See the picture and description below. Before I went into the Kawang Forest, I walked around in their garden. In short, it must be kept clean. You can Click Here to watch the video clip of the Tanaki Waterfall. I also got two more video clips. The first one (left below) was – I heard a very NOISY bird, so I went and checked it out. Guest what I found? The second video (right below) was a “Energizer” bug that is commonly found on the stream in Kawang Forest. They swim so FAST! When I caught them and put them on the floor, they did one thing that impressed me further. General information about Kampung Kawang Kawang, province of Sabah, Malaysia. Current time, Time Zone, DST, GMT/UTC, population, postcode, elevation, latitude, longitude. General information about Kampung Kawang Kawang. Country: Malaysia. Region: Sabah. Current local time in Kampung Kawang Kawang. Current Date: Saturday 29 December 2018.