

In the laboratory the specimens were housed together in a glass terrarium (70 x 50 x 50 cm). On 1 August 1998 at 0800 h the pair was found mating, the male grasping the female on the temporal region, and their tails loosely intertwined, as described by Campbell and Frost (*op. cit.*) for *Abronia lythrochila*. The lizards did not disengage until about 1600 h. Afterwards, the pair continued to be housed together. On 26 February 1996, seven months (210 days) after copulation, the female gave birth to seven live young (mean SVL 35.57 mm, SD 0.53, range 35–36 mm; mean TL 42 mm, SD 1.29, range 40–44 mm; mean mass 0.81 g, SD 0.069, range 0.7–0.9 g). The neonates were pale golden yellow with 5–6 black bands on the body, which were not continuous, but formed by a series of irregular black spots. There were 12–14 black rings on the tail, and the head had some black markings. The color pattern of the young differed from that of adults, which were bright light green dorsally with some irregular, black blotches on the body and tail.

The litter size is within the range for that of other aniguids (range 1–12 young). Our observations suggest that *A. mixteca* mates during the summer and the offspring are born in the spring.

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ANOLIS CASILDAE (NCN). **FORAGING.** *Anolis casildae* is a large anoline species recently described from Panama (Arosemena et al. 1991. *Rev. Biol. Trop.* 39:255–262), and for which nothing is known of its natural history. On 23 November 1997, while collecting this species in western Panama, Provincia de Chiriquí, I observed a large (108 mm SVL, 23.0 g mass, CRE 7665, University of Miami) male *A. casildae* leap from the ground to a sapling (2 cm diam) and perch ca. 0.5 m above the ground. While perching head-up on this sapling, the lizard began to consume a large green katydid (Orthoptera). Subsequently, the lizard was captured and found to be missing its left forearm. The distal portion of the remaining arm fragment was scarred but well healed, with a tiny bone fragment protruding from the tip. The injury may have been the result of a predation attempt. The missing forelimb appeared to have little effect on locomotion, as the anole captured the katydid with little difficulty, moved easily to the sapling to feed, and even managed to escape and evade capture for several minutes in the dorm room of the field station.

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CNEMIDOPHORUS SEXLINEATUS (Six-lined Racerunner). **ACTIVITY.** As is typical for *Cnemidophorus* species, *C. sexlineatus* is a highly active heliotherm that narrowly maintains a relatively high body temperature during a restricted activity period (Bogert 1949. *Evolution* 3:195–211; Fitch 1958. *Univ. Kansas Publ. Mus.*

Nat. Hist. 11:11–62; Hardy 1962. *Univ. Kansas Sci. Bull.* 43:1–10; Paulissen 1988. *J. Herpetol.* 22:473–476). Although *C. sexlineatus* has a wide geographic distribution in North America extending from New Jersey to Florida west to southern North Dakota and east to New Mexico (Conant and Collins 1991. *A Field Guide to Reptiles and Amphibians*. Houghton Mifflin Co., Boston, Massachusetts, 450 pp.), activity periods and field body temperatures have been reported for relatively few populations (Florida, Bogert, *op. cit.*; Kansas, Fitch, *op. cit.*; Hardy, *op. cit.*; Oklahoma, Carpenter 1958. *Proc. Oklahoma Acad. Sci.* 41:72–77.; Paulissen, *op. cit.*). Here we document diel activity and body temperatures of *C. sexlineatus* in a population occupying a 400 m stretch of active railway track in Searcy, White Co., Arkansas, USA.

On each of seven days between 28 July and 8 September 1995, one of us (RER) censused the active lizards on the study area every two hours from 0600 to 2000 h by slowly walking its length and recording all active *C. sexlineatus* observed by sex and age class (juvenile vs. adult). In addition, lizards were captured using a fishing pole with an attached 0.5 m length of monofilament and a small hook baited with a cricket. We immediately measured each captured lizard's cloacal temperature with a Schulz thermometer, and then sexed, measured (SVL), and released at the site of capture. Air and soil surface temperatures were recorded at the onset of each census.

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one of the lizards waited until a butterfly flew past and leaped from its perch and narrowly missed a mid-air capture of the butterfly. The lizard returned to its original perch and made a second attempt to capture its prey in the same area. *E. laticeps* has been described as the most arboreal skink in North America (Conant and Collins 1991. A Field Guide to Reptiles and Amphibians of Eastern and Central North America. Houghton Mifflin Co., Boston, Massachusetts. 450 pp.).

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LEIOSAURUS BELLI (NCN). **CLUTCH.** Data on the life history of *Leiosaurus belli* (Polychridae) are scarce. In Reptiles del Centro, Centro Oeste y Sur de la Argentina (Bogert 1957. 527 pp.). On 15 January 1993 two female *L. belli* were maintained in a glass terrarium with sand substrate. One female (FD'H in maritime sand dunes near Las Grutas, San Antonio Oeste (40°44'S, 64°57'W, San Antonio Oeste, Río Negro Province, southeastern Argentina). The other female was maintained in a glass terrarium with sand substrate. On 15 January 1993, one female (102 mm SVL, 210 mm TL) oviposited 15 white eggs (mean = 15.3 mm x 8.8 mm). Four days later, the other female (96 mm SVL, 190 mm TL) weighed) oviposited 11 white eggs (mean = 14.2 mm x 8.3 mm) in 30 minutes. Both clutches were placed in a small container of sand and moist humus until their arrival in the field. On arrival the eggs were discarded, as they appeared in poor condition. This is the first report on clutch size in *L. belli*. It is known of the reproductive behavior of this species.

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LEPIDOPHYMA LOWEI (Lowe's Tropical Skink). **REPRODUCTION.** No previously published data on the reproduction of *Lepidophyma lowei* (Bezy and Bogert 1967. Contrib. Sci. 465:1–8). A female *L. lowei* collected at this locality on 7 April 1991 was maintained in captivity and produced four offspring on 27–29 April 1991: 27 April at 1200–1400 h and at 2030–2120 h; and 29 April at 1200–1400 h. The extraembryonic membranes were not present and had been eaten by the mother. No dead newborns or unabsorbed yolk were observed. The female had a SVL of 60 mm, a weight of 3.32 g before and 3.32 g after parturition. The newborns weighed 0.32 g, 0.33 g, and 0.31 g in order of birth.

These observations document viviparity in an arboreal xantusiid lizard and indicate that *Lepidophyma lowei* has a larger litter size than most other members of the genus (Lowe 1990. Southwest. Nat. 35:373–374). The specimens were deposited in the Colección Herpetológica, Escuela de Estudios Profesionales Iztacala (ENEPI 3804-07).

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