

Short Notes

ADDITIONAL RECORDS OF HIPPOBOSCIDAE (INSECTA DIPTERA) FROM THE MALTESE ISLANDS.

To date, four species of Hippoboscid flies have been recorded from the Maltese Islands (Schembri, S.P. 1978 - Diptera Hippoboscidae parasitising birds from the Maltese Islands - Il-Merill 19:5-6). This paper reports on a new species *Ornithophila metallica* Schiner, taken during recent ringing activities by the Ornithological Society and gives additional host data for two other species.

Ornithophila metallica Schiner

1 female GOZO : Lunzjata Valley 29.12.78

From White Wagtail *Motacilla alba* (Leg. J.Sultana/J.Grech).

Icosta (Ornithoponus) minor (Bigot)

(a) 1 female MALTA : Ghadira 19.04.78

From Pied Flycatcher *Ficedula hypoleuca* (Leg. J.Sultana/C.Gauci).

(b) 1 female MALTA : Xemxija 28.09.78

From Robin *Eritachus rubecula* (Leg. J.Sultana).

A total of four flies were removed from the host.

(c) 1 female GOZO : Lunzjata Valley 02.11.78

From Robin *Eritachus rubecula* (Leg. J.Sultana/J.Grech)

A total of three flies were removed from the host.

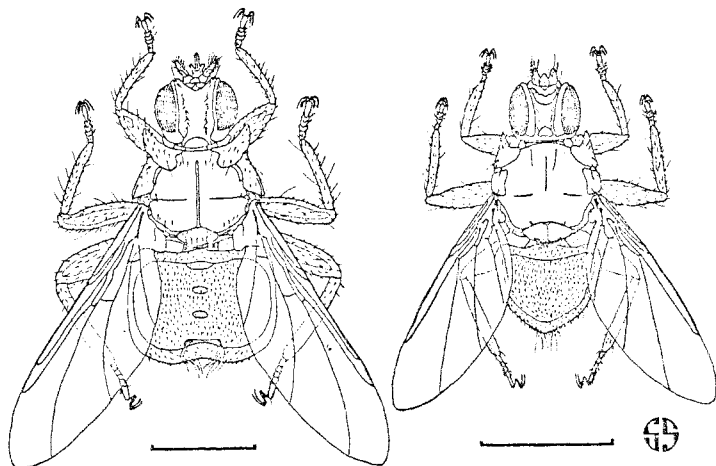
Ornithomya biloba Dufour

1 female MALTA : Rabat 08.10.78

From Swallow *Hirundo rustica* (Leg. M.V.Gauci).

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Hippoboscid flies from the Maltese Islands. Left : *Ornithomya biloba* Dufour.
Right : *Ornithophila metallica* Schiner. Both females in dorsal view.

Scale represents 2mm.