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- ▶ International Symposium – Thirty Years of Thornhill & Alcock: The Evolution of Insect Mating Systems
- ▶ RES National Science Meeting

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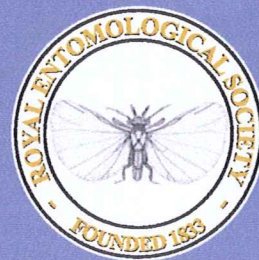
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## International Symposium – Thirty Years of Thornhill & Alcock: The Evolution of Insect Mating Systems

The International Symposium will celebrate 30 years of Thornhill and Alcock's ground-breaking book *The Evolution of Insect Mating Systems*. The book has had an enormous impact on multiple generations of entomologists and behavioural ecologists, and we will celebrate that achievement and explore the progress we have made in understanding insect mating systems and reproductive behaviour since 1983. The original book covered many aspects of insect mating systems, from the evolution of sex and sexual systems, through to how ecology and sexual selection interact to shape the mating systems we see. Much has happened in the three decades since the book was published, including major advances in our understanding of the evolution of sex, sexual selection (especially mate choice and post-copulatory sexual selection), the mechanistic basis of reproductive behaviour, and of course sexual conflict. Insects have played a major role in all these developments, as the symposium and the accompanying volume will highlight.

The International Symposium will take place in the form of a plenary session in the morning of each day. In the afternoons the RES National Science Meeting will take place with concurrent sessions for delegates to present talks and posters (see Offer of Presentation form).

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**Roger Butlin** (University of Sheffield)

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