

## Ing. Jiří Lazebníček – septuagenarian

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Moravian mycologist J. Lazebníček was born on June 9<sup>th</sup>, 1934 in Olomouc. Fundamental data of his life were published by Hlůza (1994a, 1994b, 1995) on the occasion of his 60<sup>th</sup> birthday. Let us recall briefly some of them.

After his graduation at the Faculty of Forestry of the University of Agriculture in Brno in 1957 he worked as a forest typologist at the Forest Enterprise of the Faculty of Forestry until 1960 and then for a year in the same position at the Forest Management Institute in Olomouc.

In the years 1961–1963 he worked as a dendrologist at Nový Dvůr Regional Arboretum near Opava and in the years 1963–1969 as a mycologist at the Botanical Institute of the Czechoslovak Academy of Sciences in Brno. Here he started in 1969 his work at an International Biological Programme for the University of Agriculture in Brno concerning floodplain forests near Lednice na Moravě. All the changes in his employment were caused by reorganisations in the mentioned institutes.

From 1972 until his retirement in 1994, Jiří Lazebníček held again the position of forest typologist, this time at the Military Forest Management Institute in Velká Bystřice near Olomouc. There he worked also as an evaluator of forest stands for seed collections and as a designer and establisher of gene banks for forest trees, as a designer of seed plantations, and as a designer of plantings in the surroundings of airfields for military and industrial enterprises. In the course of all these jobs he dealt with mycofloristics and phytopathology.

For more than 40 years Jiří Lazebníček formed his mycological herbarium containing more than 32.5 thousand specimens. Unfortunately two parts of this herbarium were destroyed in fires (in 1983 and in 2001) in Velká Bystřice, the main part (21 500 specimens) was destroyed during the large flood in Olomouc and its surroundings at the beginning of July 1997. Many first, second or third finds for the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Poland or Europe were destroyed.

Only some results of his research were published in monographs of the Protected Landscape Areas Malá Fatra, Slovenský raj, Velká Fatra, Vihorlat and Východné Karpaty, and in monographs of the National Parks Pieniny and Vysoké Tatry in the chapters "Fungi". Other phytogeographical districts were not elaborated because of the loss of most specimens of fungi and almost all field notebooks in the above mentioned fires and flood.

The total number of Lazebníček's published papers in the field of mycology, botany, forest typology and geography is about 280 items. Many contributions

are deposited as manuscripts. Some of these papers were published in Slovakia, Hungary, Italy and Norway.

From 1960 to 2003, J. Lazebníček prepared several mycological exhibitions with mycologists from Brno, Kuřim, Opava, Olomouc, Šumperk, Prostějov etc. For many years he worked with national reporter RNDr. F. Šmarda in the international project "The mapping of 100 species of macromycetes in Europe". He collaborated in mycological advice bureaus in Brno and Olomouc, he was the founder of such a bureau in Opava and since 1995 he has been managing such an advice bureau in Olomouc.

We offer our congratulations to J. Lazebníček, wishing him good health and a lot of success!

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