

BUSY WEEK FOR PRAYER AND PRAISE as we have southern visitors to Jurassic Ark this week and John recording Radio Programs for Gympie Radio, PLUS lots of ministry this coming weekend. So pray much for us and share around.

TASMANIA: Craig Hawkins preaching in Launceston at Newstead Baptist this Sunday morning 10am, Wentworth Street, Newstead Tasmania. Speaking on "What is Truth? and The Feathered Dino Dilemma"

QUEENSLAND This weekend 8 - 9July

The Creation Guy John Mackay is at Oakey Saturday and Sunday.

WHERE: Senior Citizens Hall, Campbell St Oakey.

SATURDAY 11:45 for start, Luncheon Midday

John teaching 12:30 - 2pm

SUNDAY 9 for 9:30, Message, then Brunch followed by QnA with John.

TOPICS: Saturday: Dinosaur Lies; Sunday: Noah And The Flood.

Contact Bruce or Alison Finlayson 46108124 for more details.

SCHOOL MINISTRY

This last week 40 students visited the Tasmanian Creation Discovery Centre hosted by Craig Hawkins. High School visit to Jurassic Ark in 2 weeks.

Pray much for this vital educational outreach.

RADIO: John recording programs at Gympie Radio this Thursday.

S.E QEENSLAND: Don't miss Open Days at our new Creation Discovery Centre Saturday 29th and Sunday 30th July. More details and bookings here.

RACE ISSUES DOWNUNDER SET TO FOMENT as question sent in this last week asks: 'Due to the Aussie referendum coming up re aboriginal people, I have been having discussions with others on where they come from and the so called 40 plus thousand years of settlement here in Aussie land. How can I give a

good biblical argument for being the global flood 4500 years ago if they have been taught they were here longer?'

OUR REPLY PLUS A BRIEF VISUAL COMMENT BELOW:

AUSTRALIAN ABORIGINES? If Aborigines have been in Australia for over 40,000 years, how could the Bible be true? Answer here.

AGE: How can you claim a young earth when Australian aboriginal rock art is around 40,000 years old? Answer here.

A couple of items on the Fact File may also help.

Dingo Species Dispute, Australian Aborigines Came From India, Undersea Aussie Aboriginal Artefacts

TODAY'S QLD COURIER MAIL HAS an interesting article on this looming racial divide by a previous premier of Victoria Jeff Kennett AC (P47 Wed July 5). His position is firmly:



NEW MURALS coming for the Dinos Display by both artists Steve and Garry – pray for them.

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USA MINISTRY: Great ministry as UK's Joe Hubbard spends 6 weeks in the USA with Dr Glenn Wilson. Great research, fossils and teaching, as well as a visit to good friend David Rives and filming with him as well. Catch Joe's latest teaching <u>HERE</u>:

Joe will be back in the USA this October, so get in touch with Glenn Wilson to arrange ministry now! See also our new website for the USA <u>HERE</u>



FOSSIL INSECT BLOWS SCIENTIST AWAY. Scientists at the Prairie Research Institute, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, have studied an extremely well preserved fossil insect found in the Green River

Formation in Colorado, a rock layer consisting of many layers of fine grained shales, dated as 50 million years old. The fossil is a katydid – an insect with long slender legs and wings, belonging to the genus Arethaea, which has many species living today. According to an article in University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign News Bureau, "50 million years ago in what is now northwestern Colorado, a katydid died, sank to the bottom of a lake and was quickly buried in fine sediments, where it remained until its compressed fossil was recovered in recent years."

The researchers found the fossil had preserved internal organs, including intestines, a part of the digestive system called a ventriculus, thoracic muscles and a testis with accessory glands. The preserved testis was a surprise. Sam Heads, a palaeoentomologists (expert in in insect fossils) who led the study, dissected several specimens of the same living genus to confirm it was a testis. According to Heads the fossil and living katydids "look exactly the same." He went on to comment: "The testis, the accessory glands and the ventriculus were all the same in the present-day katydids. I was just blown away by it. To my knowledge, this is the first example of this level of preservation."

<u>References: PhysOrg</u> 26 June 2023; <u>ScienceDaily</u> 26 June 2023; <u>University of Illinois</u> 26 June 2023; Palaeoentomology, 2023; 6 (3) doi: 10.11646/palaeoentomology.6.3.10

ED. COM. The editors of this newsletter are not blown away by the finding that Kaytydids have not evolved at all, but we don't believe the story of an insect dying, sinking to the bottom of the lake then and being buried fast enough to preserve the internal organs. Dead insects float on water.

John Mackay has many fossils from the Green River formation, and they all show exquisite preservation which required rapid burial deep enough to exclude oxygen. This could only happen when insects were caught up in a mass of flowing sediment, which also explains the enormous numbers of fine layers and vast fossil numbers in the Green River formation.

The comment about the internal organs being the same as present day katydids is conformation that katydids have reproduced after their kind ever since this buried insect was alive, just a Genesis says they were created to do – another reason we are not blown away.

NOTABLE QUOTABLE from Tim Flannery who is an anti-God evolutionary palaeontologist and was Australian of the Year in 2007. "Natural Selection, Darwin understood from his studies, is an unspeakably cruel and amoral process. He came to realise that he must eventually tell the world that we are spawned not from godly love, but evolutionary barbarity."

Tim Flannery, Here on Earth - An Argument for Hope. Text Publishing Company Melbourne 2010 p4, Chapter 1: "Evolution's Motive Force"

ED. COM. Tim Flannery and Charles Darwin both understand that evolution is a process of death, disease and struggle – the very opposite of God creating a very good world. Therefore, it is no surprise that Darwin and followers such as Tim Flannery have abandoned belief in a good God. See our article Descent of a Man PDF <u>here.</u>

Useful links from the Archive: <u>Fossil Leaf Insect</u>, <u>Unchanged Fossil Fig Wasp</u>, <u>Oldest Fossil Bee</u>, <u>Dingo Species Dispute</u>, <u>Australian Aborigines Came From India</u>, <u>Undersea Aussie Aboriginal Artefacts</u>

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