Aeshna Tuberculifera Walker, a New Ohio Record

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AESHNA TUBERCULIFERA WALKER, A NEW OHIO RECORD.—Seven specimens of *Aeshna tuberculifera* Walker were captured during August and September, 1971, in two localities in Ohio. These captures represent the first records of this species in the state. Six specimens were taken in Vinton County, near the bridge on State Route 278 over Big Sandy Run, just above where it empties into Lake Hope, and the seventh was captured at a pond in Holden Arboretum, in southern Lake County.

One male was captured in Vinton County on August 15, 1971, as it was flying in a group of about three dozen dragonflies, the latter identified as *Aeshna umbrosa* Walker, *A. verticalis* Hagen, and *Anax junius* (Drury). All were flying at a height of one to three feet above the ground on either side of State Route 278 at the north end of the bridge. On August 22, a male and a female were taken at the same location. The male was patrolling a short length of Big Sandy Run, and the female was caught in the high grass along the lake. On September 1, three more females were captured in the same area. All six specimens were captured in late afternoon and early evening.

The specimen from Holden Arboretum was one of a pair seen flying in tandem over a pond in a meadow on September 18. The female was captured while it was ovipositing in dead *Typha* about six feet from the edge of the pond; the male was not captured.

This species has been recorded from British Columbia, Nova Scotia, Ontario, Quebec, Connecticut, Indiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, New Hampshire, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Washington, and Wisconsin (Needham and Westfall, 1955). This brings the total number of Odonata species in Ohio to 145 (I have followed the suggestions made by Dr. V. M. Lawrence (1967) in excluding *Argia fimipennis*, *Coryphaeschna* sp., and *Sympetrum verum* as dubious records).

The identifications were confirmed by Dr. D. J. Borror, of Ohio State University. A male and a female are in The Ohio State University Collection of Insects and Spiders. One female is in the collection of Mr. Eric H. Smith, also of this department. The remaining specimens are in the collection of the author.—ROBERT A. RESTIFO. Department of Entomology, The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio 43210.

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