

Part 365 for Cathy's blog

Thursday 11th June

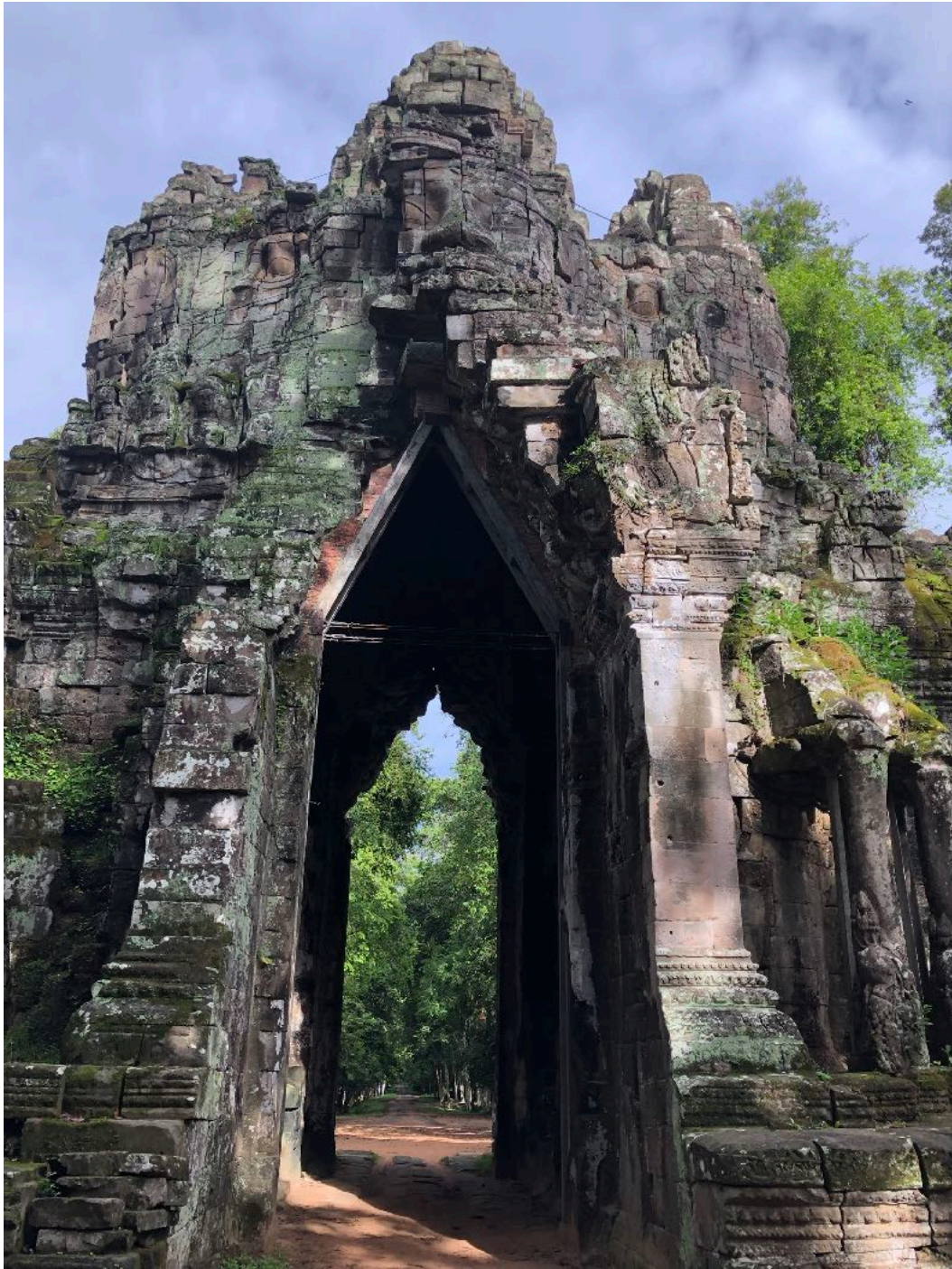
Wall Walk : Gate of Dead to SE Prasat Chrung



The buffalo are helping keep the grass trimmed around the ticket office.



They are building temporary buildings, a stage and cooking tents in front of the Elephant Terrace. We found out later it is for the Girl Guides convention later this week.



The Gate of the Dead is in the middle of the East Wall of Angkor Thom. A road runs straight to it from the Bayon.

A track runs through the gate.



Different moth. This one has lost its extra “eyes”.



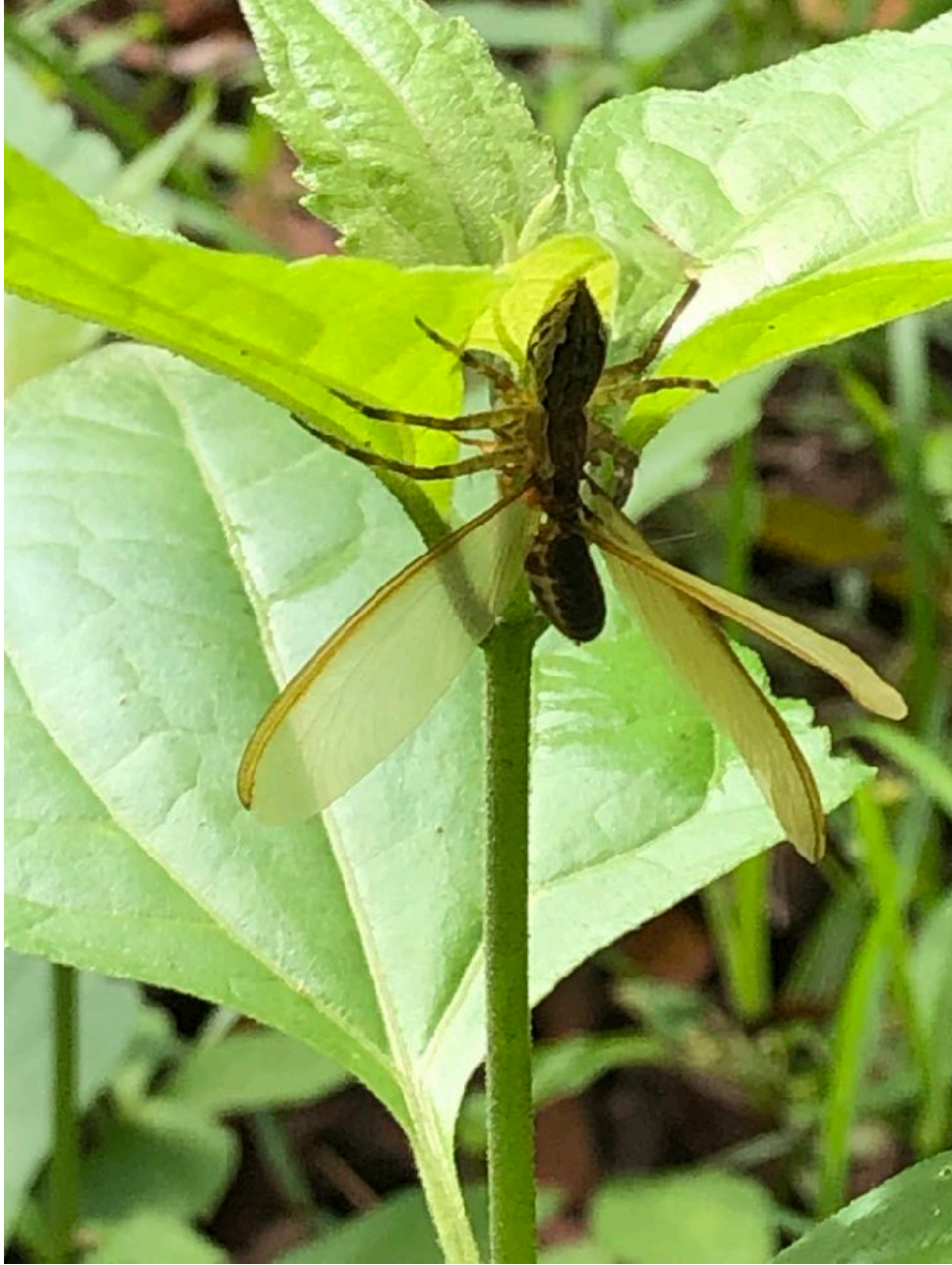
A green ant.



A very pretty green grasshopper.



I don't trust this insect!



A spider with breakfast.



A not- obvious green tree snake.



Strangler fig, working slowly.



Orange Imperial butterfly.



A glow worm larva (I didn't believe it, but ... look it up for yourself!)

Friday 12th June, 2026.

A different outing today. We met a friend from language school (at The Muffin Man at Angkor Wat tourist shops) and then headed out to visit the new excavations at Phimeanakas. We stopped at Palilay to park the bikes.

More work to trim trees.





The tree near Palilay temple is now severely cut back.



It was a quick stop at the diggings at the big water basin outside the Royal Palace wall.

I do like this enterprising crab.



Inside the wall, a crew is working on the carvings along the royal bathing pools.

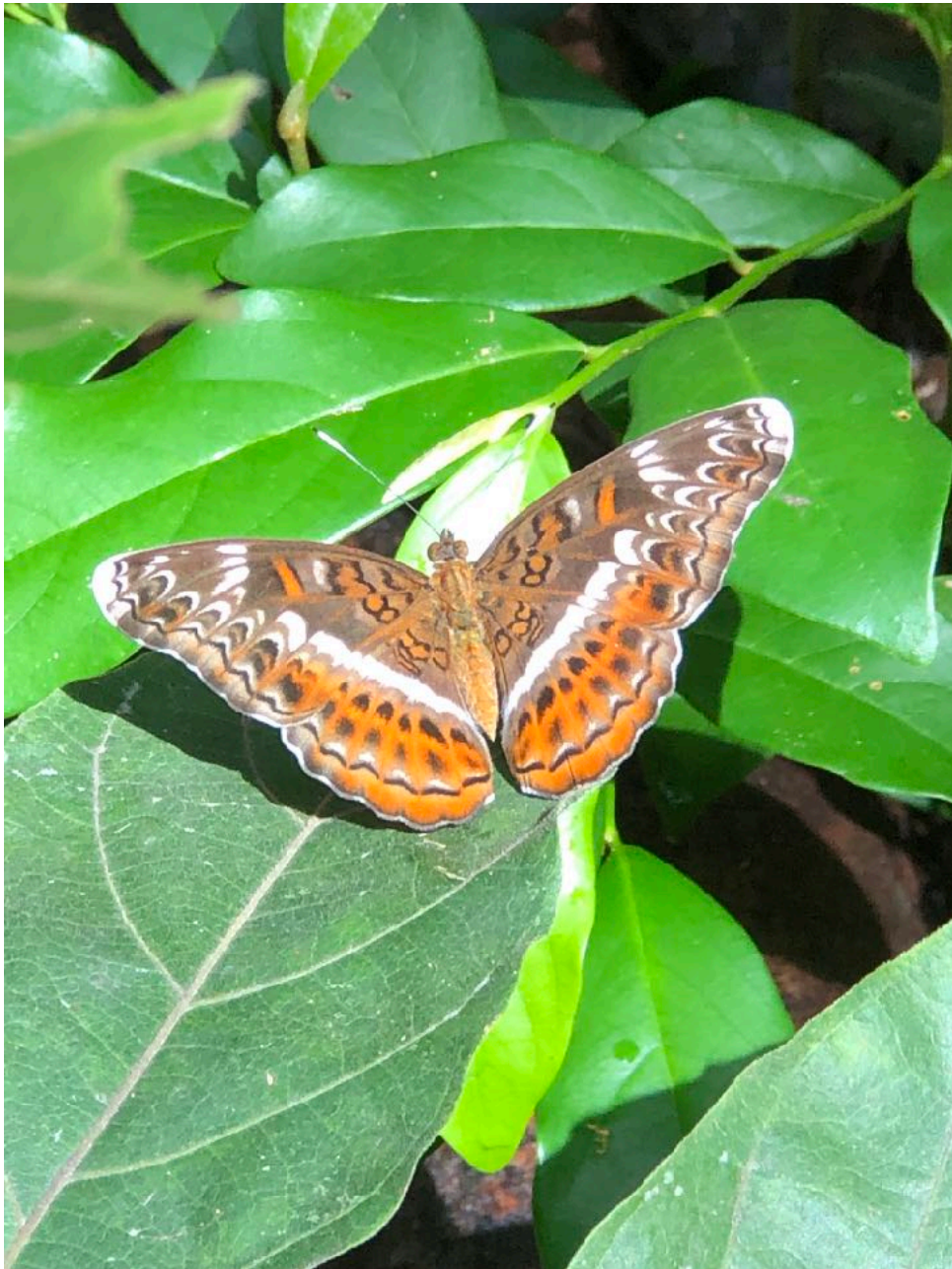


Further behind these pools (to the west) is the new work (which we were not allowed to post... yet).

We rode on to visit the Eastern Terrace and the stone lions.



Orange Imperial butterfly (there are lots of these at the moment).



Lebadea Martha

It was an interesting exercise to go out with someone else. I now know how lucky I am that David lets me take (nearly) as long as I like when taking photos. It is not that our excursion partner hurried us, or that we had to wait, it is just one more person made accomodating differences difficult.

I do not have the patience I used to have...
Did I ever have patience? ## Edit from David..... no comment!)

Saturday 13th June, 2026.

We caught a Tuktuk to Angkor Supermarket.

Then it was home to a morning of household chores and some study.

I am missing the pool.

Sunday 14th June, 2026.

A day spent quietly at home.