

Part 389 for Cathy's blog

Monday 14th to Wednesday 16th September, 2026

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Wall walk : North Gate to NE Prasat Chrung

It is quiet on the wall walks now. There aren't many tourists in town (and they usually ride bikes around the area) and a few of the expats have gone home /overseas.

Often, we only see the Apsara workers and tourist police.





Saint George Cross spider (against interesting tree bark).



A little fern enjoying the wet weather.



Fungus.

There were interesting long, thin insects on this fungus.



(Not a very good photo.)



Tiny, pale pink jelly-like fungus.



Just a taste...



Starting to open.



This is the “merged colours” moth (not patterns or eyes).

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Wall Walk : North Gate to NW Prasat Chrung



Another morning walk and another chance to see some local insects and small beasts. This friendly spider watched closely as I moved the phone in for the shot.



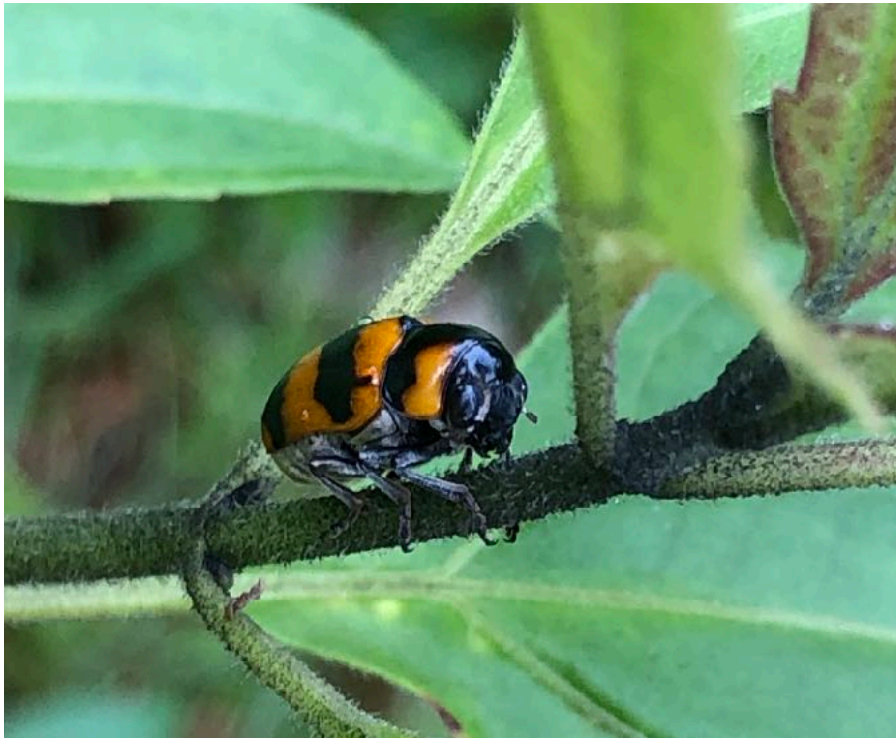
This is a tiger moth. I looked up *Peridrome orbicularis* or *Asota* spp. but I think the face is different.



Usually, they flutter off and hide under the leaves.



It is good to see the pencil thin damsel flies too.



This little beetle did his best to hide behind the plant stalk.



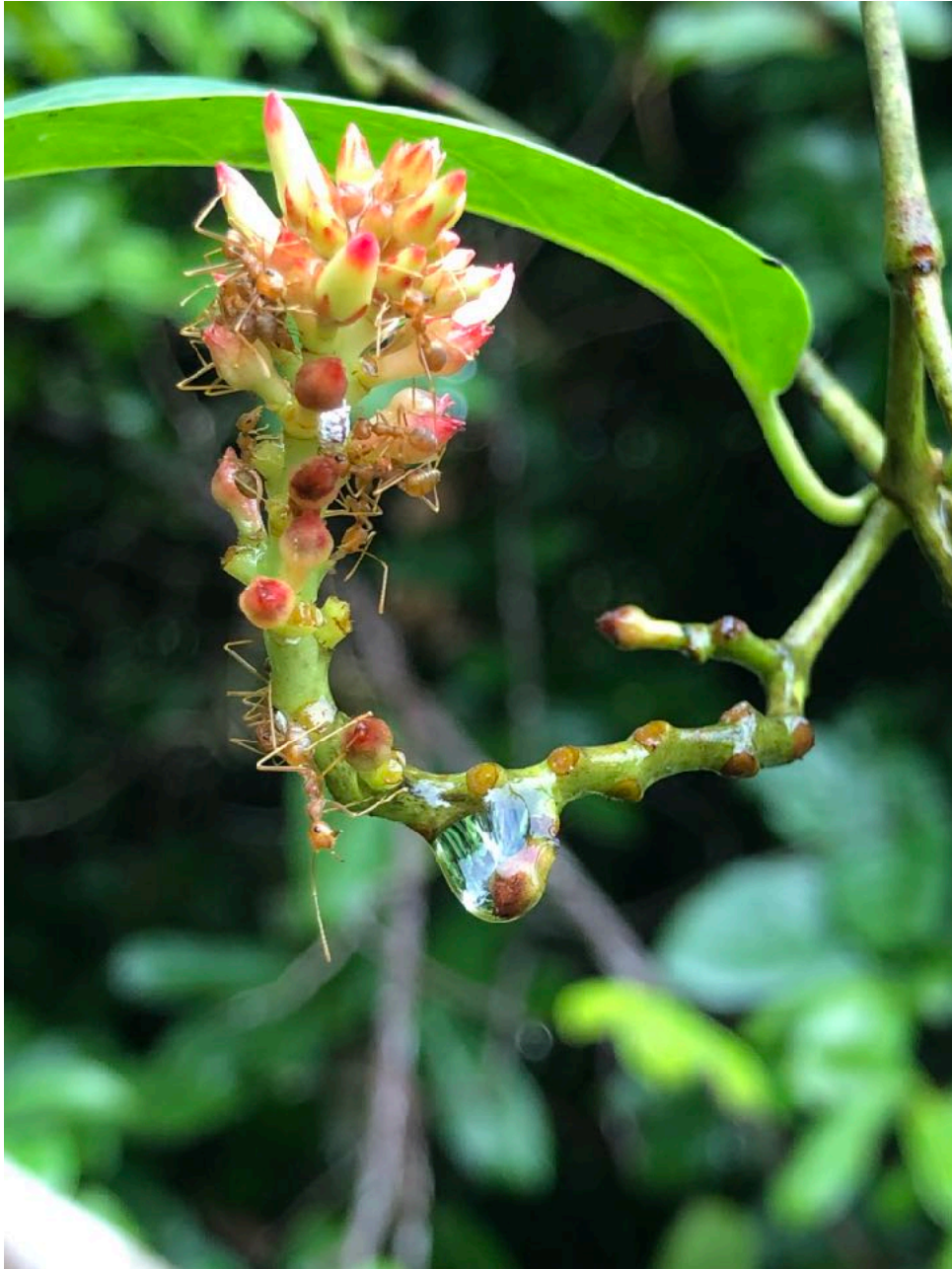
Pretty dragonfly.



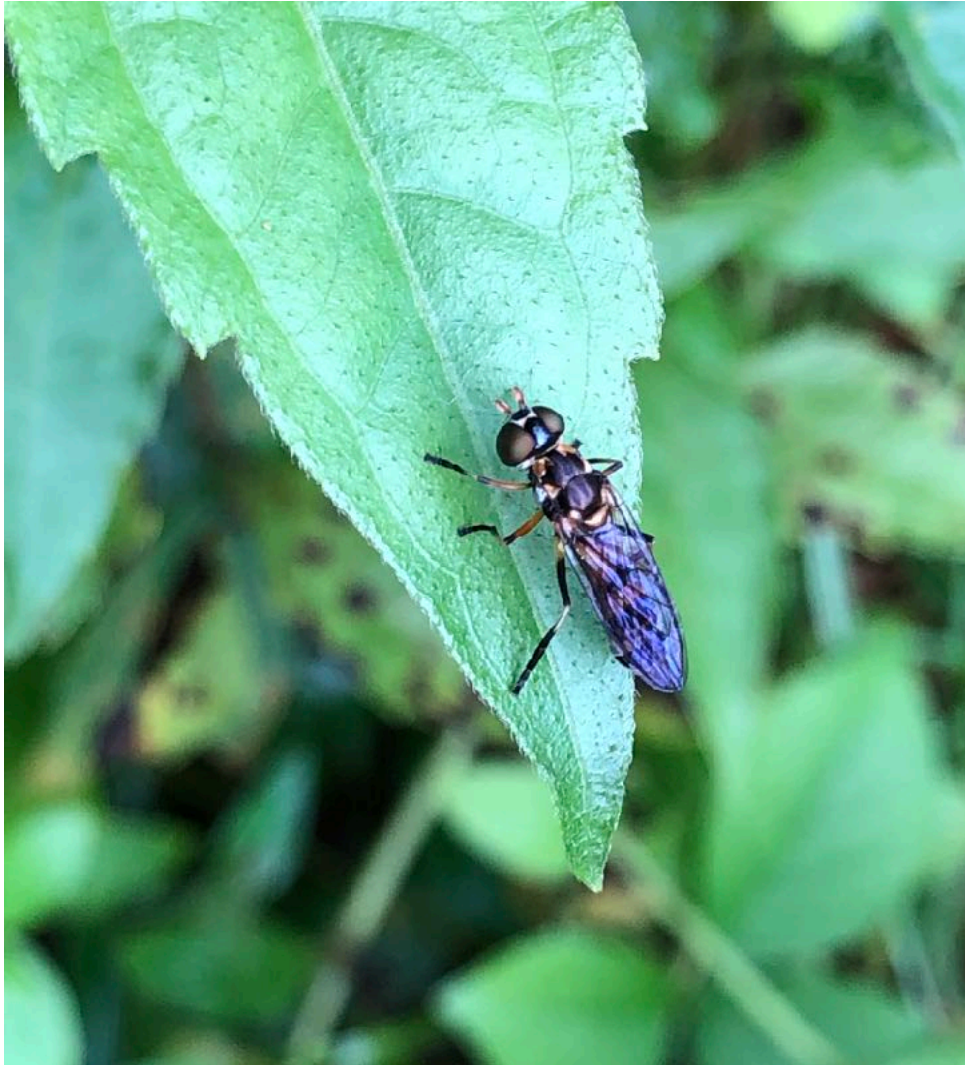
Common dragonfly.



Patterned spider.



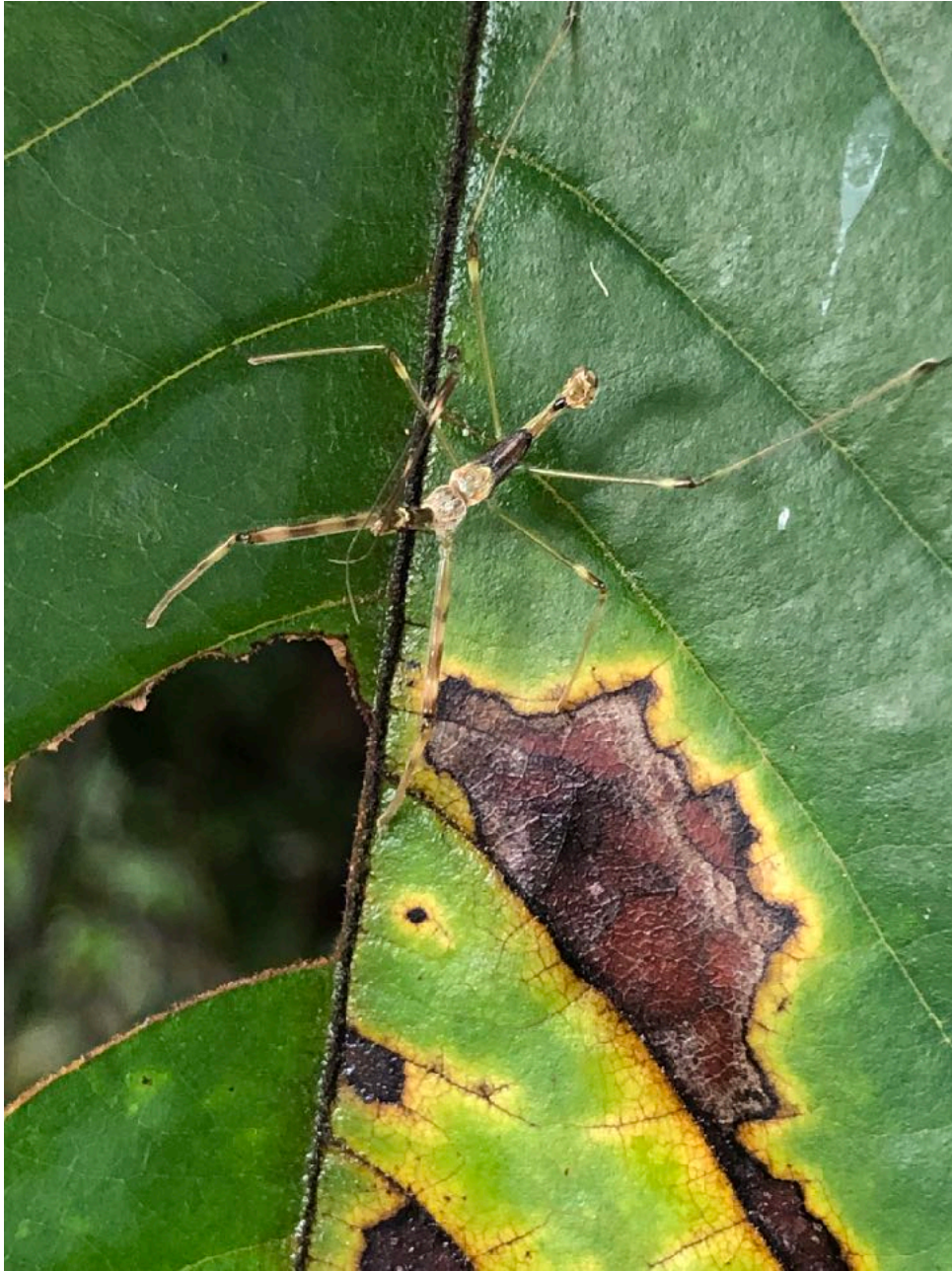
Ants on a flower.



A long bodied fly with beautiful colours on its wings.



Another stick insect.



Is this a spider? Unusual, anyway.



An armoured beetle.



Tiny jelly-like mushrooms on this tree trunk.



A handsome grey moth.



A different millipede.



We have seen these moths before. I will find out what they are!



Pretty colours on this this fly.

I had an extra language lesson today (because I will miss a lesson next week).

Wednesday 16th September, 2026.



Temple Day : French dam and Ta Keo

You get to the French Dam by taking the road directly past the ticket check point near the Victory Gate. The road is quite well kept.

There were people fishing at the dam, which is overflowing and creating noise and spray.





Upstream, the water is calm.



Back to the main road (the small circuit) and Ta Keo Temple is not far away (on the right).

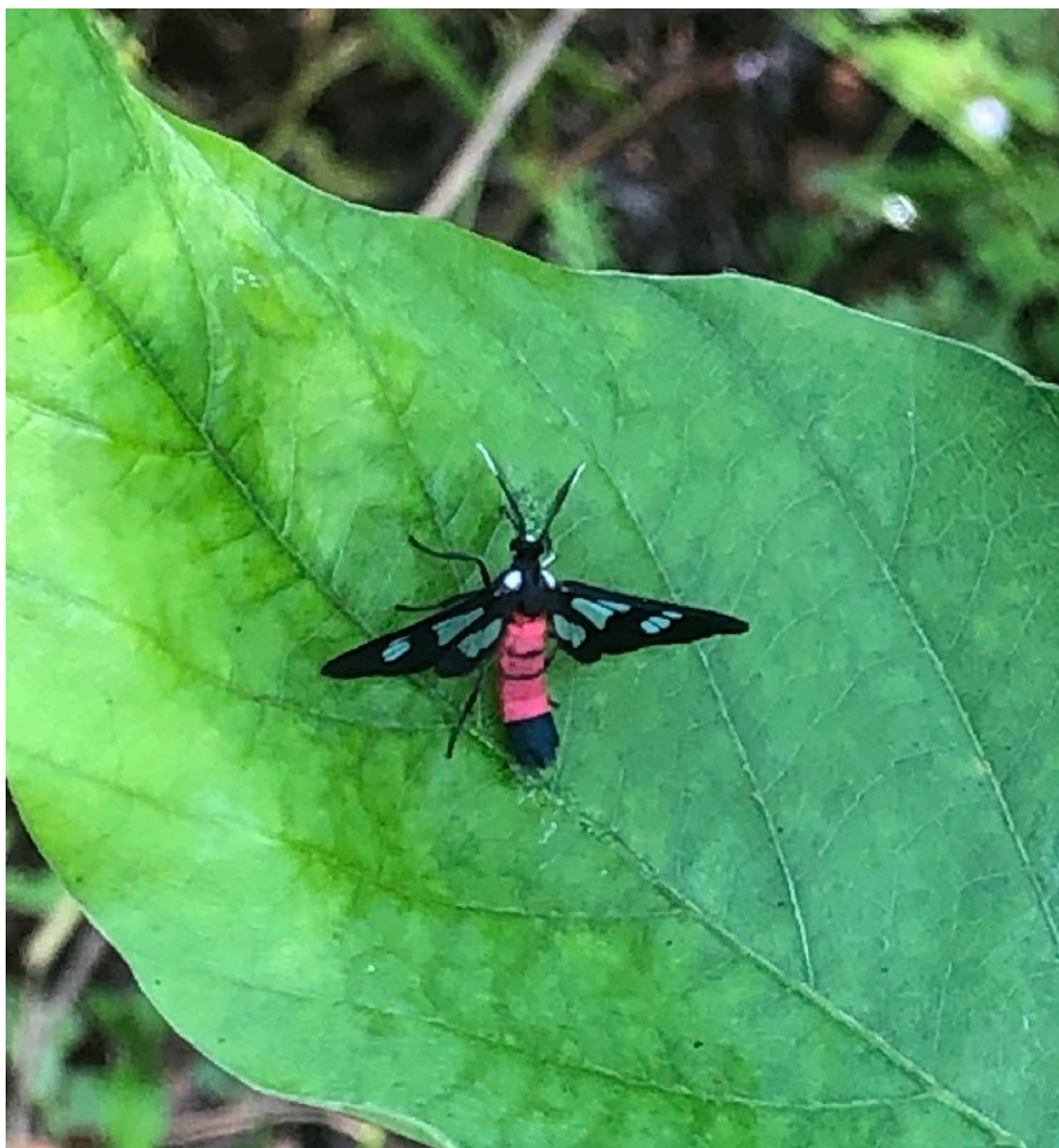


The moat at Ta Keo.

Ta Keo Temple in the morning sun.



This is Fouquet's wasp moth (*Caeneress fouqueti*).





Dragonfly.



A tiny mushroom.



A camouflaged frog.



A yellow mushroom.



On the way home, we came across this truck repurposed as a mobile shop. We often see motorbikes pulling trailer laden with goods for sale, so a truck shouldn't seem unusual.

In the afternoon, I had another language lesson. I learned I need to practise my numbers.

