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Chocó Trogon

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BRIEF TRIP REPORT BY PAUL GREENFIELD

Our Tinalandia Extension proved to be a fitting complement to our very successful Northwestern Andean Slopes tour. Both Tinalandia and Río Palenque, the principal sites we visited, offer wonderful, birdy conditions along with a good many additional species that are normally not found farther to the north. We enjoyed a more leisurely schedule at Tinalandia because the birds were right there, all around us. The gardens, as well as the fruit and nectar feeders, allowed us fine views of many species, and birding nearby edge and trails brought us unique and often repeated looks at many new species, along with some “old friends.”

We watched a beautiful pair of Chocó Trogons feeding right above our cabins, and enjoyed a newcomer to the area—a Peruvian (Pacific) Pygmy-Owl—that hung around daily. These two species represent very distinct endemic areas in Ecuador (the two richest on Earth) and reflect the interesting diversity that we encountered during these short four days. At Río Palenque, of the 94 species we recorded that day, we came upon other endemics as well (from both of these Tumbesian and Chocó regions)—including Black-tailed (Ecuadorian) Trogon and Orange-fronted Barbet—and we also found three puffbird species: Pied, White-necked, and White-whiskered, which can always be difficult to find.

The birding was superb and we had some fine photo opportunities too. These two classic birding areas offer excellent conditions for viewing birds from Ecuador's western tropical lowland and foothill forests—and we took good advantage.

ITINERARY

- Nov. 15 – Arrive to Quito on last day of NW Andean Slopes Tour
- Nov. 16 – “Old” Chiriboga Road to Tinalandia—all day (3000-800m)
- Nov. 17 – Tinalandia grounds all day (700-800m) — overnight Tinalandia
- Nov. 18 – Río Palenque (200m) day trip —overnight Tinalandia
- Nov. 19 – Tinalandia grounds until lunch-time; drive to Quito along the Panamerican Highway with a stop along the lower Chiriboga Road
- Nov. 20 – Departure home

THE SPECIES LIST

Abbreviations:

- Chiriboga Road = Ch
- Tinalandia = T
- Río Palenque = RP

TINAMOUS: TINAMIDAE

Little Tinamou (*Crypturellus soui*)—Heard only, mornings at T and RP

GREBES: PODICIPEDIDAE

Pied-billed Grebe (*Podilymbus podiceps*)—2 were scoped distantly along the Río Baba at RP

CORMORANTS: PHALACROCORACIDAE

Neotropic Cormorant (*Phalacrocorax brasilianus*)—Singles seen on three days; T and RP

HERONS & BITTERNS: ARDEIDAE

Great Egret (*Ardea alba*)—1 seen along Río Baba at RP

Snowy Egret (*Egretta thula*)— Singles at T and RP

Cattle Egret (*Bubulcus ibis*)—Seen on all days, including a large roost along the Panam Highway

DUCKS, GEESE & SWANS: ANATIDAE

Torrent Duck (*Merganetta armata*)—1 juvenile on our first day; a threesome on our last; Ch

AMERICAN VULTURES: CATHARTIDAE

Black Vulture (*Coragyps atratus*)—Seen on all days

Turkey Vulture (*Cathartes aura*)—Not as common as previous species—seen daily

KITES, EAGLES & HAWKS: ACCIPITRIDAE

Swallow-tailed Kite (*Elanoides forficatus*)—At least 3 were seen at T

Roadside Hawk (*Buteo magnirostris*)—1-2 seen (all but last day); T and RP

Short-tailed Hawk (*Buteo brachyurus*)—1 dark-morph bird was seen soaring at RP; 1 light-morph bird at T

FALCONS & CARACARAS: FALCONIDAE

Barred Forest-Falcon (*Micrastur ruficollis*)—Heard only at T, early mornings

NEW WORLD QUAILS: ODONTOPHORIDAE

Rufous-fronted Wood-Quail (*Odontophorus erythrops*)—Several heard only at T last day

RAILS, GALLINULES & COOTS: RALLIDAE

White-throated Crake (*Laterallus albigularis*)—Mostly heard, but 1 was seen at T lilly pond

SANDPIPERS & ALLIES: SCOLOPACIDAE

Spotted Sandpiper (*Actitis macularia*)—Single bird was seen at RP along the Río Baba

PIGEONS & DOVES: COLUMBIDAE

Rock Pigeon (*Columba livia*)—Seen around villages and towns

Band-tailed Pigeon (*Columba fasciata*)—Generally common in montane regions

Pale-vented Pigeon (*Columba cayennensis*)—2 were was seen at T (a surprise!)

Plumbeous Pigeon (*Columba plumbea*)—1 was scoped along Ch (others heard at T)

Ruddy Pigeon (*Columba subvinacea*)—A few were seen (and heard) at Tinalandia

Eared Dove (*Zenaida auriculata*)—Common mostly around Quito and in the highlands

Ecuadorian Ground-Dove (*Colombina buckleyi*)—At least 5 were seen at RP

Pallid Dove (*Leptotia palida*)—Quita few seen at both RP and T

Ruddy Quail-Dove (*Leptotila montana*)—Heard oly at RP

PARROTS & MACAWS: PSITTACIDAE.

Pacific Parrotlet (*Forpus coelestes*)—At least a pair was seen on two days at T; also heard at RP

Bronze-winged Parrot (*Pionus chalcopterus*)—Small numbers seen (also heard) at T, RP

CUCKOOS: CUCULIDAE

Squirrel Cuckoo (*Piaya cayana*)—6 seen in all; T and RP.

Smooth-billed Ani (*Crotophaga ani*)—At least 3 were seen in open areas at RP

Groove-billed Ani (*Crotophaga sulcirostris*)—Group of at least 4 seen on two days at T, Apparently has moved into this more humid area

TYPICAL OWLS: STRIGIDAE

Pacific Pygmy-Owl (*Glaucidium peruanum*)—1 singing adult was seen daily at T; a recent arrival there

NIGHTJARS & ALLIES: CAPRIMULGIDAE

Pauraque (*Nyctidromus albicollis*)—Singles seen on three days (one night); T, RP

SWIFTS: APODIDAE

White-collared Swift (*Streptoprocne zonaris*)—This spectacular large swift was seen daily

Gray-rumped Swift (*Chaetura cinereiventris*)—Fair numbers were seen at T upon our arrival

HUMMINGBIRD: TROCHILIDAE

Band-tailed Barbthroat (*Threnetes ruckeri*)— 1 was seen at RP

White-whiskered Hermit (*Phaethornis yaruqui*)—Seen daily at T

Baron's Hermit (*Phaethornis baroni*)—2 were seen at RP

Green-fronted Lancebill (*Doryfera ludovicae*)—1 was seen along the Ch

Green Thorntail (*Popelairia conversii*)—1 female was seen at T feeders

Green-crowned Woodnymph (*Thalurania fannyi*)—Common at T; 2 at RP

Rufous-tailed Hummingbird (*Amazilia tzacatl*)—The most common lowland species of the west in gardens and open areas; seen daily

Andean Emerald (*Amazilia franciae*)—1 was seen at T feeders (somewhat of a surprise)

Blue-chested Hummingbird (*Polyerata amabilis*)—1 female was seen at T on 11/19

Green-crowned Brilliant (*Heliodoxa jacula*)—The main species seen at T feeders

Sapphire-vented Puffleg (*Eriocnemis luciani*)—1 was seen along the upper portion of Ch

Black-tailed Trainbearer (*Lesbia victoriae*)—1 was seen in a Quito garden

Tyrian Metaltail (*Metallura tyrianthina*)—2 were seen along the upper portion of Ch

Purple-crowned Fairy (*Heliothryx barroti*)—Single males were seen at T (1 came to feeder)

QUETZALS & TROGONS: TROGONIDAE

Western White-tailed Trogon (*Trogon chionurus*)—Aka White-tailed Trogon by some authors. 2 were seen at RP

Chocó Trogon (*Trogon comptus*)—Aka White-eyed Trogon by some authors. A pair was seen nicely at T cabins

Collared Trogon (*Trogon collaris*)—A nice pair was seen at RP

Ecuadorian Trogon (*Trogon mesurus*)—Considered a race of Black-tailed Trogon by some authors. 1 male was seen (scoped) in the canopy at RP. A Tumbesian Endemic.

MOTMOTS: MOMOTIDAE

Rufous Motmot (*Baryphthengus martii*)—Heard only at T and RP

Broad-billed Motmot (*Electron platyrhynchum*)—1 was seen at T on our first afternoon

JACAMARS: GALBULIDAE

Rufous-tailed Jacamar (*Galbula ruficauda*)—1 was scoped, but mostly heard at T; another was seen at RP

PUFFBIRDS: BUCCONIDAE

White-necked Puffbird (*Notharchus macrorhynchus*)—1 was scoped in canopy at RP

Pied Puffbird (*Notharchus tectus*)—a beautiful close pair was watched at RP

White-whiskered Puffbird (*Malacoptila panamensis*)—1 bird was scoped as it sat in understory at RP

BARBETS: CAPITONIDAE

Orange-fronted Barbet (*Capito squamatus*)—2 pairs were seen well at RP

Red-headed Barbet (*Eubucco bourcierii*)—A pair was seen at RP; heard at T

TOUCANS: RAMPHASTIDAE

Crimson-rumped Toucanet (*Aulacorhynchus haematopygus*)—3 were seen (others heard) at T

Pale-mandibled Araçari (*Pteroglossua erythropygius*)—Considered a race of Collared Araçari (*P. torquatus*) by some authors, This Ecuadorian endemic species was seen at T and RP; best at T fruit feeders

Chestnut-mandibled Toucan (*Ramphastos swainsonii*)—Heard only at T on first afternoon

WOODPECKERS: PICIDAE

Black-cheeked Woodpecker (*Melanerpes pucherani*)—At least 2 were seen well at RP; another 2 at T

Red-rumped Woodpecker (*Veniliornis kirkii*)—1 female was seen at RP; a pair seen at T

Golden-olive Woodpecker (*Piculus rubiginosus*)—3 were seen at T (also heard there); at least 1 was seen at RP

Lineated Woodpecker (*Dryocopus lineatus*)—Heard only at T and R

Guayaquil Woodpecker (*Campephilus guayaquilensis*)—1 female was seen at RP; a pair was seen at T (also heard there)

OVENBIRDS: FURNARIIDAE

Pacific Hornero (*Furnarius cinnamomeus*)— Considered a race of Pale-legged Hornero by some authors. A common resident, seen at both T and RP.

Azara's Spinetail (*Synallaxis azarae*)—1 was seen along the Ch on our first day

Slaty Spinetail (*Synallaxis brachyura*)—2 were seen well at RP; also 1 again at T

Ruddy Foliage-gleaner (*Automolus rubiginosus*)—1 bird was basically heard only, but was glimpsed as it flew across a trail in a flash

Spotted Woodcreeper (*Xiphorhynchus erythropygius*)—Heard only at T

Streak-headed Woodcreeper (*Lepidocolaptes souleyetii*)—1-2 seen daily at T; also RP

Red-billed Scythebill (*Campylorhamphus trochilirostris*)—Nice looks at 1 (also heard) in bamboo at T

TYPICAL ANTBIRDS: THAMNOPHILIDAE

Great Antshrike (*Tabara major*)—A nice pair was seen at T; a female was seen well at RP

Western Slaty-Antshrike (*Thamnophilus atrinucha*)—Single males were seen at both T and RP

Dot-winged Antwren (*Microrhopias quixensis*)—4 agitated birds were seen at RP

Dusky Antbird (*Cercomacra tyrannina*)—A pair was seen in dense undergrowth at RP

Chestnut-backed Antbird (*Myrmecisa exsul*)—A pair was seen at T (common but always a challenge)

Immaculate Antbird (*Myrmecisa immaculata*)—Heard only on two days at T

ANTTHRUSHES AND ANTPITTAS: FORMICARIIDAE

Tawny Antpitta (*Grallaria quitensis*)—Heard only along the upper Ch

COTINGA: COTINGIDAE

Purple-throated Fruitcrow (*Querula purpurata*)—At least 4 were seen in canopy at RP

MANAKINS: PIPRIDAE

White-bearded Manakin (*Manacus manacus*)—2 males were seen at RP after a lot of work (others were heard there)

TYRANT FLYCATCHERS: TYRANNIDAE

Sooty-headed Tyrannulet (*Phyllomyias griseiceps*)—At least 2 of this vocal, but inconspicuous species were seen at T (others heard)

Yellow-crowned Tyrannulet (*Tyrannulus elatus*)—2 were seen fairly well at RP

Yellow-bellied Elaenia (*Elaenia flavogaster*)—Heard only at RP

Brown-capped Tyrannulet (*Ornithion brunneicapillus*)—1 was seen (also heard) in canopy at RP

Southern Beardless-Tyrannulet (*Camptostoma obsoletum*)—Quite absent this trip; 1 seen at T on our last morning

White-banded Tyrannulet (*Mecocerculus stictopterus*)—1 was seen with a mixed foraging flock along Ch

Torrent Tyrannulet (*Serpophaga cinerea*)—1 was seen along a rocky stream at Ch
Golden-faced Tyrannulet (*Zimmerius chrysops*)—Only a few were seen (5-6) at T and RP
Scale-crested Pygmy-Tyrant (*Lophotriccus pileatus*)—1 was seen (others heard) at RP;
also heard only at T
Common Tody-Flycatcher (*Todirostrum cinereum*)—1 was seen at T on our first morning
Black-headed Tody-Flycatcher (*Todirostrum nigriceps*)—Heard only at RP
Flavescent Flycatcher (*Myiophobus flavicans*)—1 was seen fairly well along Ch
Olive-sided Flycatcher (*Contopus cooperi*)—3 were seen on our first day at T
Eastern Wood-Pewee (*Contopus virens*)—1 was seen (and heard) at T
Western Wood-Pewee (*Contopus sordidulus*)—1 was seen at T
Black Phoebe (*Sayornis nigricans*)—At least 4 were seen; Ch and T
Masked Water-Tyrant (*Fluvicola nengeta*)—A rather common and delightful resident at T
Rusty-margined Flycatcher (*Myiozetete cayanensis*)—Common generally; though not so
numerous this trip; at T and RP
Social Flycatcher (*Myiozetetes similis*)—3 were seen at T
Golden-crowned Flycatcher (*Myiodynastes chrysocephalus*)—1 was seen along Ch
Streaked Flycatcher (*Myiodynastes maculatus*)—2 were seen at RP; another 2 at T
Boat-billed Flycatcher (*Megarynchus pitangua*)—Seen both at T and RP (5 in all)
Snowy-throated Kingbird (*Tyrannus niveigularis*)—1 was seen at T; 5 at RP (a
Tumbesian endemic)
Tropical Kingbird (*Tyrannus melancholicus*)—Common; seen on all days
Dusky-capped Flycatcher (*Myarchus tuberculifer*)—1 was seen at T on our first morning
Masked Tityra (*Tityra semifaciata*)—Several seen (mostly pairs) daily; T and RP
Cinnamon Becard (*Pachyramphus cinnamomeus*)—Several seen at both T and RP
One-colored Becard (*Platypsaris homochrous*)—Several seen at both T and RP

SWALLOWS: HIRUNDINIDAE

Brown-bellied Swallow (*Notiochelidon murina*)—Common in the highlands along Ch
Blue-and-white Swallow (*Notiochelidon cyanoleuca*)—Only moderate numbers of this
common and widespread swallow ; mostly at T and Ch
Southern Rough-winged Swallow (*Stelgidopteryx ruficollis*)—Fairly common in open areas;
seen at both T and RP

DIPPERS: CINCLIDAE

White-capped Dipper (*Cinclus leucocephalus*)—1 was scoped along the Rio Toachi on our
last afternoon

WRENS: TROGLODYTIDAE

Band-backed Wren (*Campylorhynchus zonatus*)—Noisy and conspicuous, small bands
were seen at both T and RP

Whiskered Wren (*Thryothorus mysticalis*)—2 of this genuine skulker(!!) were actually seen
quite well at RP

Plain-tailed Wren (*Thryothorus euophrys*)—Excellent looks at this *Chusquea* bamboo
specialist along the Ch

Bay Wren (*Thryothorus nigricapillus*)—Mostly heard, but 1 was seen fairly well at RP

House Wren (*Troglodytes aedon*)—Common and seen on all days (heard often)

Southern Nightingale-Wren (*Microcerculus marginatus*)—Aka Scaly-breasted Wren.

Surprisingly, 2 were seen beautifully at T upper forest trail; others heard, both T and RP

THRUSHES & ALLIES: TURDIDAE

- Andean Solitaire (*Myadestes ralloides*)—Heard only along Ch
- Swainson's Thrush (*Catharus ustulatus*)—1-2 seen on all days at both T and RP
- Great Thrush (*Turdus fuscater*)—A common highland species
- Ecuadorian Thrush (*Turdus maculirostris*)—Seen daily on this trip though numbers were low (a Tumbesian endemic species)

GNATCATCHERS & ALLIES: POLIOPTILIDAE

- Long-billed Gnatwren (*Ramphocaenus melanurus*)—Heard only at RP (unresponsive)

JAYS & ALLIES: CORVIDAE

- Turquoise Jay (*Cyanolyca turcosa*)—2 were seen well along Ch
- Beautiful Jay (*Cyanolyca pulchra*)—Heard only close by (unresponsive)—along Ch

VIREOS & ALLIES: VIREONIDAE

- Red-eyed Vireo (*Vireo olivaceus*)—fairly common at both T and RP
- Lesser Greenlet (*Hylophilus decurtatus*)—Several seen with mixed foraging flocks at T and RP
- Rufous-browed Peppershrike (*Cyclarhis gujanensis*)—Heard only at RP; this species can be a real skulker sometimes!
- Slaty-capped Shrike-Vireo (*Vireolanus leucotis*)—Heard often, 1 was seen in canopy at T

SISKINS, CROSSBILLS & ALLIES: FRINGILLIDAE

- Orange-crowned Euphonia** (*Euphonia saturata*)—1 male was seen in canopy at RP
- Thick-billed Euphonia (*Euphonia laniirostris*)—Common; Several seen daily, at T and RP
- Orange-bellied Euphonia (*Euphonia xanthogaster*)—Heard along lower Ch; several seen daily at T and RP

NEW WORLD WARBLERS: PARULIDAE

- Tropical Parula (*Parula pitiayumi*)—Only 1 was seen (well) at T on our last morning
- Gray-and-gold Warbler (*Basileuterus fraseri*)—This Tumbesian endemic species was only heard this trip, perhaps glimpsed; came very close a few frustrating times!
- Black-crested Warbler (*Basileuterus nigrocristatus*)—2 aggressively responsive birds were seen along the upper Ch
- Buff-rumped Warbler (*Basileuterus fulvicauda*)—A close pair were seen at Tinalandia; a cute little bird with characteristic tail wag

BANANAQUIT: COEREBIDAE

- Bananaquit (*Coereba flaveola*)—Small numbers (2 or so) were seen daily at T and RP

TANAGERS & ALLIES: THRAUPIDAE

- Blue-backed Conebill (*Conirostrum sitticolor*)—At least 1 was seen well along the upper Ch
- Dusky Bush-Tanager (*Chlorospingus semifuscus*)—6 were seen along Ch
- Ashy-throated Bush-Tanager (*Chlorospingus canigularis*)—3 were glimpsed at RP (quite absent this trip!)
- Western Hemispingus** (*Hemispingus ochraceus*)—Aka Black-eared Hemispingus (*H. melanotis*). 2 were seen very closely along Ch
- Guira Tanager (*Hemithraupis guira*)—Single males were seen on two days at T

Dusky-faced Tanager (*Mitrospingus cassinii*)—Several seen; best at T fruit feeders, also seen well at RP; at least 17 seen in all

White-shouldered Tanager (*Tachyphonus luctuosus*)—Fairly common (mostly pairs) at T and RP

White-lined Tanager (*Tachyphonus rufus*)—2 females were seen at T

Summer Tanager (*Piranga rubra*)—4 were seen at T; 1 was seen in Quito;

White-winged Tanager (*Piranga leucoptera*)—1 female was seen at T on our first morning

Lemon-rumped Tanager (*Ramphocelus icteronotus*)—Aka Flame-rumped Tanager (*R. flammigerus*). Among the most common tanager at lower elevations – seen only at T this time; very flashy bird!

Blue-gray Tanager (*Thraupis episcopus*)—Very common daily

Blue-capped Tanager (*Thraupis cyanocephala*)—

Palm Tanager (*Thraupis palmarum*)—Common at T and RP

Scarlet-bellied Mountain-Tanager (*Anisognathus igniventris*)—2 were seen along the upper Ch

Blue-winged Mountain-Tanager (*Anisognathus somptuosus*)—Several were seen along the Ch on our first day

Buff-breasted Mountain-Tanager (*Dubusia taeniata*)—Heard only along the upper Ch

Golden Tanager (*Tangara arthus*)—Only 1 was seen along the lower Ch

Silver-throated Tanager (*Tangara icterocephala*)—Only 1 was seen at T on our last morning

Bay-headed Tanager (*Tangara gyrola*)—2 were seen at T; 6 at RP

Blue-necked Tanager (*Tangara cyanicollis*)—Pairs of this fairly common, stunning lowland species was seen beautifully at T and at RP

Beryl-spangled Tanager (*Tangara nigroviridis*)—At least 2 were seen along the lower Ch

Blue-and-black Tanager (*Tangara vassorii*)—1 was seen along the upper Ch

Yellow-tufted Dacnis (*Dacnis egregia*)—2 females were seen at T

Green Honeycreeper (*Chlorophanes spiza*)—Exceptional looks at this fairly common species at T fruit feeders

Purple Honeycreeper (*Cyanerpes caeruleus*)—3 were seen at T on our first morning

BUNTINGS, SPARROWS & ALLIES: EMBERIZIDAE

Blue-black Grassquit (*Volatinia jacarina*)—A nice breeding pair was seen in hedges along the upper pasture at T; another female there on our last morning

Variable Seedeater (*Sporophila corvina*)—A few were seen on two days at T

Yellow-bellied Seedeater (*Sporophila nigricollis*)—3-4 were seen foraging with parrotlets and other *Sporophila* at T on our last morning

Plain-colored Seedeater (*Catamenia inornata*)—At least 2 were seen along the upper Ch in shrubby grassland

Glossy Flowerpiercer (*Diglossa lafresnayii*)—1 was seen along the upper Ch

Black Flowerpiercer (*Diglossa humeralis*)—4 were seen along the upper Ch

Rufous-naped Brush-Finch (*Atlapetes latinuchus*)—Aka Yellow-breasted Brush-Finch by some authors. 2 were seen well along the upper Ch

Orange-billed Sparrow (*Arremon aurantiirostris*)—3 in all were seen at T; best at fruit feeders on last morning

Rufous-collared Sparrow (*Zonotrichia capensis*)—Common highland species throughout the Andes

SALTATORS, CARDINALS & ALLIES: CARDINALIDAE

Buff-throated Saltator (*Saltator maximus*)—Fairly common and seen daily; best at T fruit feeders

Slate-colored Grosbeak (*Saltator grossus*)—2 were seen well, in understory at RP

Black-winged Saltator (*Saltator atripennis*)—Mostly singles seen at T and RP

Southern Yellow-Grosbeak (*Pheucticus chrysogaster*)—Aka Golden-bellied Grosbeak.

Heard only along the upper E

Blue-black Grosbeak (*Cyanocompsa cyanoides*)—Heard only at RP; unresponsive

CACIQUES, ORIOLES & ALLIES: ICTERIDAE

Scrub Blackbird (*Dives warszewiczi*)—Common at T; 1 or so were seen at RP

Shiny Cowbird (*Molothrus bonariensis*)—Only 1 was seen on our last morning at T

Yellow-tailed Oriole (*Icterus mesomelus*)—2 were seen closely at T lily pond; 1 at RP

Scarlet-rumped Cacique (*Cacicus uropygialis*)—5 were seen at RP

MAMMAL LIST

OPOSSUMS: MARSUPIALIA

White-eared Opossum (*Didelphis albiventris*)—1 was seen at T on our first evening

NECTAR FEEDING/LONG-TONGUED BATS: SUBFAMILY: GLOSSOPHAGINAE

Long-tongued Bat sp (*Glossophaga spp./ Lonchophylla spp./ Anoura spp./ Lichonycteris spp./ or Choeroniscus spp.*)—very complicated ID situation—1-2 of these nectar feeding bats was seen nightly at hummingbird feeders at T (could be any of the above genera!! Forget species ID!)

SQUIRRELS: SCIURIDAE

Neotropical Red-tailed Squirrel (*Sciurus granatensis*)—Singles seen on two days at T

REPTILES

CASQUE-HEADED LIZARDS: CORYTOPHANIDAE

Western (Red-headed) Basilisk (*Basiliscus galeritus*)—A spectacular male (female took off quickly) was seen at a rocky stream along the lower Ch. Lizards from this family are also collectively known as “Jesus Christ” lizards because they make their escapes from predators by running over water

ANOLES: POLYCHROTIDAE

Lynch’s Anole—1 was seen repeatedly at the dining area at T. There are many *Anolis* species in western Ecuador, but this is probably the species we were seeing.

Frog sp.—Perhaps 100 of a tiny brownish frog were seen along the trails at RP; we could never see them well enough to see details needed for IDing them

Giant Earthworm sp.—1 fairly large individual was seen at RP—Classification of these is quite complex, so this one will remain as “just a big worm” for now