

South American *Caenis* Stephens (Ephemeroptera, Caenidae), new species and stage descriptions

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Abstract

Eight species of *Caenis* are reported from Argentina, and new records are given for Bolivia, Brazil and Uruguay. The nymphs of five of them are firstly described from reared material: *Caenis burmeisteri*, *C. dominguezi*, *C. gonseri*, *C. tenella* new combination, and *C. ludicra*. Female adult stage of all these species (except *C. tenella*) are also firstly described. The new combination *Caenis tenella* is proposed, and the name *Caenis grimi* is here treated as a junior synonym of it. *Caenis uruzu* new species is described from male imagos and nymphs. New distributional records from Argentina and Uruguay are given. Diagnosis and illustrations to distinguish all the treated species from other *Caenis* species are proposed. A key to adults and nymphs from Argentinean species of *Caenis* is provided.

Key words: Argentina, Pannota, Neotropics, *Caenis*, *Brachycercus*

Resumen

Se reportan ocho especies de *Caenis* en Argentina y se dan nuevos registros para Bolivia, Brasil y Uruguay. Se describen por primera vez las ninfas de cinco especies, a partir de material criado: *Caenis burmeisteri*, *C. dominguezi*, *C. gonseri*,