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Hemiptera: Heteroptera: Pentatomidae

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Vilpianus galii (Wolff, 1802). Bohemia or.: Vysoké Mýto, Lipová street, mowed verge with large population of *Galium mollugo* agg. between road and the adjacent cycleway (49°57′45.00″N, 16°10′17.94″E; 6053a; Fig. 1), 280 m a.s.l., 30.v.2024, 21 spec., S. Rada observ. et det. (2 spec. lgt. et coll. S. Rada); Vysoké Mýto, Lipová street, unmowed south-exposed slope with rich population of *Galium mollugo* agg. (49°57′44.93″N, 16°10′22.55″E; 6053a), 278 m a.s.l., 30.v.2024, 1 spec., S. Rada observ. et det. Moravia occ.: Brtnice-Střížov, Údolí Brtnice Nature Reserve, xerothermic slope on rocks S of Střížov (49°20′12.6″N, 15°43′03.7″E; 6660c), 460 m a.s.l., 5.vi.2024, 1 spec., I. Malenovský lgt. et det., coll. M. Vašíček. Moravia mer. or.: Bílé Karpaty Protected Landscape Area, Velká nad Veličkou, Zahrady pod Hájem National Nature Reserve (48°53′06″N, 17°32′01″E), 26.viii.2024, 2 ♂♂, P. Kment lgt. et det., coll. National Museum of the Czech Republic, Praha.

Holomediterranean species, extending to the Pannonian Lowland, and Central Asiatic (Rider 2006, Aukema et al. 2013, Aukema 2024). It is phytophagous on *Galium* spp. (especially *G. verum*) and *Asperula* spp. (Stehlík 1984, Wachmann et al. 2008). In Moravia, *V. galii* is largely confined to dry grasslands in the Pannonian region and on its margins (mostly river valleys opening into the Pannonicum); its north-western limit in Moravia has been situated in the environs of Tišnov, NW of Brno (Stehlík 1984, Malenovský et al. 2011, Kment & Baňař 2012). The only Moravian record outside the Pannonian region was from the environs of Bransouze (Jihlava river valley) in the Bohemian-Moravian Highlands, in 2010 (Malenovský et al. 2011; Fig. 2). Red List status in the Czech Republic: vulnerable (Kment et al. 2017). New expansive species for Bohemia; we also confirm the persistence of the species in the Bohemian-Moravian Highland and its spread to the Bílé Karpaty Protected Landscape Area, where the species was not found during an intensive survey in 1998–2012 (see Kment & Baňař 2012).

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Fig. 1. Habitat of *Vilpianus galii* (Wolff, 1802) in Vysoké Mýto, verge between road and cycleway. Photography by S. Rada.
Obr. 1. Habitat kněžice panonské (*Vilpianus galii* (Wolff, 1802)) ve Vysokém Mýtě, trávník mezi silnicí a cyklostezkou. Fotografie S. Rada.

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Fig. 2. Habitus of *Vilpianus galii* (Wolff, 1802), male, Czech Republic, Bransouze, xerothermic slope 600 m SW of village (6760a; 49°17′50″N, 15°44′57″E), 8.vi.2010, M. Horsák lgt., coll. National Museum of the Czech Republic (body length 4.12 mm). Photography of P. Baňař.
Obr. 2. Habitus kněžice panonské (*Vilpianus galii* (Wolff, 1802)), samec, ČR, Bransouze, xerothermní svah 600 m JZ od obce (6760a; 49°17′50″N, 15°44′57″E), 8.vi.2010, M. Horsák lgt., coll. Národní muzeum (délka těla 4,12 mm). Fotografie P. Baňař.



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