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RECENT BIODIVERSITY IN ANAK KRAKATAU ISLAND

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ABSTRACT

Anak Krakatau Island is a volcanic island in the Krakatau preservation complex. With its regular explosions, ranging from 280 times/day in the year 2013, it was expected that the biodiversity would experience many changes. In orderto determine the recent condition of the biodiversity, especially animal inhabitants, a survey was conducted within the island in June, 2013. The survey was made for mammal, bird, reptile, and invertebrate(ground, aerial, and arboreal) diversity. For mammals, 10 live traps were used along 100 m of line transect, birds and reptiles were adopted faced encountered method, while the invertebrate survey was conducted with visual techniques with a sweep net, pit-fall traps, and light traps. The result from the inventory (especially invertebrate) was followed by determining the diversity and dominance of species. Relative abundancewas also determined for mammals only. The survey indicated that there was 1 species of mammal with 20% of relativeabundance, 13 species of birds within 11 families, 2 species of reptiles, 58 species of insect, and 10 species of non-insect invertebrates, which consisted of 6 species of Araneae, 2 species of Scorpiones, 2 species of Chilopoda. The diversity indexfor insects was 4.011 with *Bothriamyrmex sp.* as subdominantin which its index of 2.86, and index for non-insects was 2.079. The result also was compared with the other 3 islands of the Krakatau complex and data collected in the last 10 years.

Key words: Anak Krakatau, volcanic, biodiversity

INTRODUCTION

Anak Krakatau Island emerged from the seawater around 1927, Since then, it has grown, reaching the height of more than 450 m. It is the only volcanicislandamong four islands of the Krakatau preservation complex. The Anak Krakatau has shown regular eruptions, in this year (2013) its eruptionranging from 2–80 times/day, and much more eruptions in the last year, especially on 2nd September, 2012, in which the eruption reacheda height of more than 500 m. With its regular eruptions every year, it may be expected that the terrestrial biodiversity of the island would experience many changes. Many of the eruptions contained dust and particles. The total area of Anak Krakatau Island was 320 ha, and only 10% was occupied by living organisms. In order to determine the biodiversity of the Anak Krakatau Island, a survey was made on June 2013, especially for animal inhabitants.

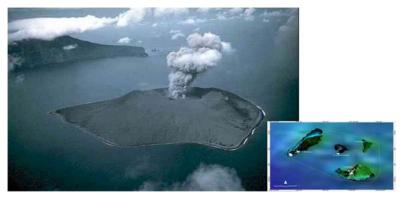


Figure 1. Anak Krakatau island in the complex of Krakatau islands.

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Figure 2. Anak Krakatau island



Figure 3. Anak Krakatau eruption September, 2012

MATERIALS AND METHODS

A. Inventory made for small mammals

The small mammal inventory was made only for terestrial mammals. Live traps (10) were placed along a 100 m line transect. Each trap was baited with coconut and salty fish. The captured animals were identified by its characteristics and species before being released. It was followed by determining the diversity and dominance of species. Relative abundance was also determined but only for mammals, using modified Cox's (1996), such as,

 $RA = [ni/T] \times 100\%$ RA : Relative abundance

ni : number of trapped individuals

N : number of traps

B. Inventory made for birds (avian) and reptiles

Face encountered method and visual techniques, as well as observation with binoculars was used for this inventory.

C. Inventory made for Invertebrates

The inventory was made intentionally for ground animals, included aerial and arboreal. The methods were used beside visual with face encountered method, trapping and netting were also employed. Visual face encountered was applied for invententoring birds, reptiles, and macro-invertebrates such as Papilionida, Orthoptera, Myriapoda, and Arachnida. Trappings were made for small/micro-invertebrates, such as by using asweep net,pit fall traps, and light traps. Trapped animals were preserved in 70% alcohol for further laboratory identification, which was conducted in the Zoological Lab of University of Lampung. Collected animalswere then determined for their diversity index of Shannon-Wiener, Sorensen index (similarity index), and domination index based on Cox's methods (1996).

Diversity indexof Shannon-Wiener was based on:

$$H' = -\sum \left[\left(\frac{n_i}{N} \right) \times \ln \left(\frac{n_i}{N} \right) \right]$$

In which:

ni : individual number of species i

N : total species in the area

Ln: natural log

Dominant index of Cox's (1996):

$$Di = Pi \ge 100\%$$
 ; $Pi = \frac{ni}{N}$ Di : Dominant index of species i portion of species i ni : number of species i N : total number

Species dominant of the community in the area study then was grouped based on Jorgenssen's criteria, such as dominant ($D_i > 5\%$), subdominant ($D_i = 2\% - 5\%$), nondominant ($D_i < 2\%$).

RESULT AND DISCUSSION

Mammals and birds found in the island can be seen in Table 1.

Table 1. Mammal and avian species found in Anak Krakatau Island

No	Species	Families	Total number
1	Rattus tiomanicus	Muridae	2
2	Treron capellei	Columbidae	
3	Alcedoatthis	Alcedinidae	
4	Pycnonotusaurigaster	Pycnonotidae	
5	Priniafamiliaris	Silviidae	
6	Copsychussaularis	Turdidae	
7	Todirhamphussanctus	Alcedinidae	
8	Pycnonotusgoiavier	Pycnonotidae	
9	Haliasturindus	Accipitridae	
10	Artamus leucorhynchus	Artamidae	
11	Lonchurapunctulata	Ploceidae	
12	Otuslempiji	Strigidae	
13	Anthereptes simplex	Nectariniidae	
14	Apus affinis	Apodidae	

Only one species of rat was found in Anak Krakatau, it was part of Muridae family - Ordo Rodentia. This species of rat was also identified by Thornton (1996). Comparedwith other islands (data was not shown), the relative abundance of the rat found in Anak Krakatau island was 20%. The existing of this mammal was not away from any human activity, in this case in tourism, in which during the weekend, between 5–10 boats carried approximately 20 people per day to Anak Krakatau Island.

We found 13 species of bird in Anak Krakatau from 11 families. The number of birds differed slightly from a previous study conducted in April, 2012 (Martin, 2012) prior to the huge eruption of Anak Krakatau on September 2nd, 2012. It was expected that the migration of birds might take place on Anak Krakatau in that period.

Only two reptiles were found, *Varanus salvator* and *Eretmochelys imbricata*. This turtle was found laying its eggs on the beach of Anak Krakatau Island.

The total number of insect species found in Anak Krakatau in this study was 58 from a

total of 70 individuals and the Shannon-Wiener (H') index of 4.011(Table 2). Krakatau Island consisted of 4 different islands; compared with the other three different islands (data was not shown) species of *Bothriamyrmex sp.*in Anak Krakatauwas considered to be subdominant with its index of 2.86. The number of species found was different from early studies; 40 different species of butterfly was found in the year 1992 (New & Thornton, 1992), and 30 species of beetles was also found in 2010 (Williams & Miller, 2010). Presumably, regular eruptions of Anak Krakatau which mainly consisted of dust and hot particles affected the total species found in this year (2013).

Arthropods non-insect found in Anak Krakatau Island

From our survey/inventory of arthropods non-insect in Anak Krakatau Island we found 21 species. They consisted of 6 species of Araneae, 2 species of Scorpiones, and 2 species of Chilopods with the diversity index (Shannon-Wiener (H') Index) of 2.079 (Table 3). All of the total number of species that we found was significantly lower than the number species found by Zabka & Nentwig (2000). They claimed that they found at least 33 species of Araneae. However, the species found for Scorpiones and Chilopods were not different compared with those reported by Thornton (1996).

Table 2. Insect diversity found in Anak Krakatau (2013)

No	Taxon	Total species found
	ORDO HYMNOPTERA	
	Familia Formicidae (Semut)	
1	Bothriamyrmex sp.	2
2	Camponotus sp	1
3	Dolichoderiis sp.	1
4	Dorylus sp.	1
5	Myrmica sp.	1
6	Pheidole sp.	2
7	Plagiolepis sp	1
8	Tetramorium sp	1
9	Tetraponera sp.	1
	Familia Temitidae	
10	Nasutitermes sp	1
	Familia Apidae	
11	Apis sp	1
12	Xylocopa sp	2
	Familia Vespidae	
13	Polystes sp	1
	Familia Sphecidae	
14	Bembix sp	1
	Familia Megachilidae	
15	Megachile sp	1
	Familia Halictidae	
16	Halictus sp	1
17	Nomia sp	1

No	Taxon	Total species found
	ORDO COLLEOPTERA	
	Familia Elateridae	
18	Alaus sp	1
	Familia Curculionidae	
19	Schyphophorus sp	1
	Familia Meloidae	
20	Mylabris sp	1
	Familia Scarabaeidae	
21	Parastasia sp	1
	Familia Lampyridae	
22	Pyrophanes sp	1
	ORDO PAPILIONIDA	
	Familia Papilionidae	
23	Graphium agamemnon	2
24	Graphium sp	1
	Familia Hesperiidae	
25	Pelopidas sp	1
26	Potanthus sp	1
	Familia Lycaenidae	
27	Catochrysop sp	1
28	Jamides sp	1
29	Zizula hylax	1
	Familia Pieridae	
30	Catopsilia pomona	1
31	Eurema sp	2
22	Familia Nymphalidae	4
32	Melanitis sp	1
33	Neptis sp	1
34 35	Orsotriaena sp Tirumala sp	1 1
33	Familia Geometridae	1
36	Amata sp	1
37	Astigysa sp	2
37	Familia Arctiidae	2
38	Euchromia sp	1
39	Spilosoma sp	1
33	Familia Noctuidae	±
40	Bastilla sp	2
41	Phyllodes sp	1
42	Thyas sp	1
-	Familia Pyralidae	-
43	Acyperas sp	2
44	Epicrocis sp	1
-	Familia Sphingidae	-
45	Clanis sp	2

No	Taxon	Total species found
	ORDO ORTHOPTERA	
	Familia Acrididae	
46	Chorthippus sp	2
47	Oedipoda sp	1
	Familia Gryllidae	
48	Gryllacris sp	1
	ORDO DIPTERA	
	Familia Tephritidae	
49	Batrocera sp	2
	Familia Dolichopodidae	
50	Agonosoma sp	1
	ORDO HEMIPTERA	
	Familia Fulgoridae	
51	Pyrops sp	1
	Familia Reduviidae	
52	Melanolestes sp	1
	Familia Coccidae	
53	Pulvinaria sp	1
	Diaspididae	
54	Aspidiotus sp	1
	Kerriidae	
55	Tachardina sp	2
	Monophlebidae	
56	lcerya sp	1
	Pseudococcidae	
57	Planococcus sp	1
58	Pseudococcus sp.	1
	ndividu	70
	spesies	58
Shand	on-Wiener (H') index	4.0108

As well as the insect diversity, compared with the three different islands in the Krakatau preservation complex, the arthropod diversity of Anak Krakatau Island was similar (data of the three island of Krakatau Islands, namely Rakata Island, Panjuang Island, and Sertung Island was not shown), the number was 2.079 for Anak Krakatau, 2.079 for Rakata, 2.036 for Panjang, and 1.146 for Sertung.

Table 3. Arthropod diversity found in Anak Krakatau (2013)

No	Taxon	Total species found
	CLASSIS ARACHNIDA	
	ORDO ARANEAE	
	Familia Lycosidae	
1	Lycosa sp.	1
2	Pardosa sp.	1
	Familia Salticidae	
3	Artabrus sp	1
4	Carrhotus sannio	1
5	Marengo sp.	1
6	Myrmarachne sp.	1
	ORDO SCORPIONES	
	Familia Scorpionidae	
7	Chelifer sp.	1
8	Thelyphonus caudatus	1
	CLASSIS MYRIAPODA	
	ORDO CHILOPODA	
9	Scolopendra sp.	1
10	Spirostreptus sp	1
Total		10
Nun	nber of Species	10
Shanon-Wiener (H') index		2.0794

CONCLUSION

The animal diversity found in Anak Krakatau Island consisted of 13 species of birds (within 11 families), 2 species of reptiles, 58 species of insects, and 10 species of arthropod non-insect, which consisted of 6 species of Araneae, 2 species of Scorpiones, 2 species of Chilopoda. The diversity index for insects was 4.011 and *Bothriamyrmex sp.*was subdominantwith its index of 2.86, and index for non-insects was 2.079. The insect diversity of Anak Krakatau was higher compared with that of other arthropods, reptiles, avian (birds), and mammals. However this data needs further investigation.

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