KEY TO THE FAMILY CYLINDROTOMIDAE Long-bodied Craneflies Revised by John Kramer 2016

Diagnostic features

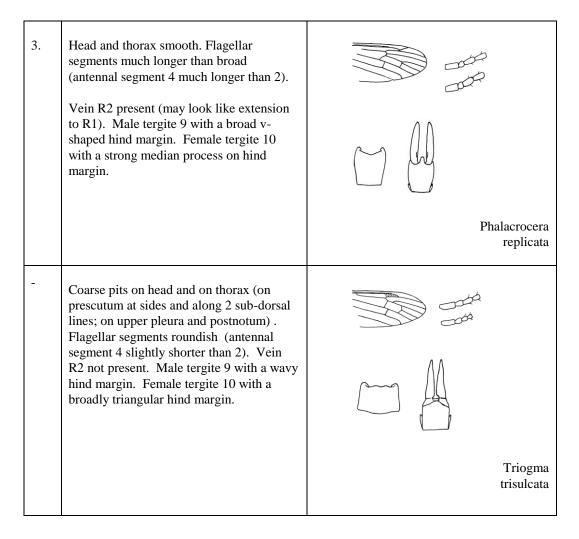
- Tip of vein R1 curves down to meet R2+3 (actually the end of 'R1' is vein r but this interpretation is not obvious). .
- Moderate size, body length 10-16mm, wing length 10-13mm.
- Feeble species with abdomen looking too long for wings (can be the case in other families).
- Ovipositor with broad blunt cerci.
- Larvae with fleshy prominences, camouflaged in aquatic or terrestrial moss, or a green 'caterpillar' on herbaceous leaves.





Key to Genera and Species

1.	Top of thorax pale yellowish with 3 black stripes on prescutum. Head and antennae both partly yellow.	2
-	Top of prescutum entirely dark (obscuring stripes). Head and antennae entirely black	3
2	First flagellar segment elongate (3-5 times longer than broad). No black spot below eye. Discal cell with 4 veins distally (or 3 with upper one forked). Male tergite 9 with a large apical angular indentation. Female tergite 10 with a long forked process.	
		Cylindrotoma distinctissima
-	First flagellar segment short (1-2 times longer than broad). Black spot below eye. Discal cell with 3 veins distally. Male tergite 9 with projections at hind corners. Female tergite 10 simple.	
		Diogma glabrata



Cylindrotoma and *Diogma* I call false tigers, the yellow and black striped thorax being reminiscent of *Nephrotoma* though rather pallid in comparison. The other two species are drab brown.

Cylindrotoma distinctissima Widespread in lush moist wood. Larvae are green caterpillar-like (no legs) on herbaceous plants. May - June, partial second brood August.

Diogma glabrata Local in moist woods. Larvae in terrestrial moss. July. (looks very similar to *Cylindrotoma* but note flight period between the broods of the latter).

Phalacrocera replicata Widespread in GB but very local in south. Bog pools, fens and occasionally pools in quarries. Larvae in aquatic moss such as *Sphagnum*. April-Sept. with a peak in May.

Triogma trisulcata Widespread but few records. Margins of peat pools and moorland seepages. Larvae in semi-aquatic moss. Mar – May with a peak in April. (easy to miss since so early)