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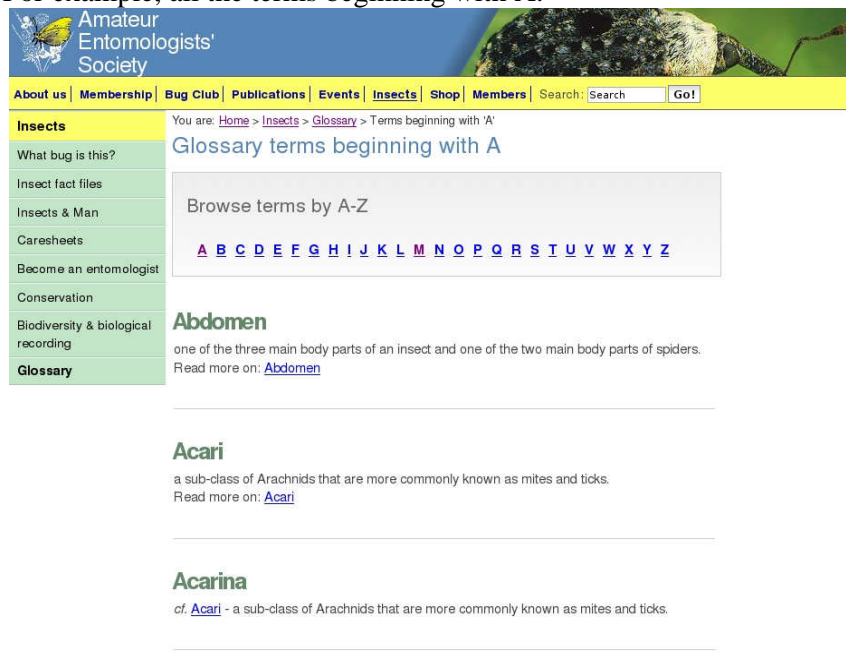
Kieren Pitts has kindly supplied some information about the Amateur Entomologists' Society (AES) which is a signed-up member of the Forum, but has not been able to attend recent meetings. Founded in 1935, the (AES) is a registered charity run by volunteers. It is dedicated to promoting the study and conservation of insects among amateurs at all levels, especially young people through The Bug Club. We encourage public engagement with insects and natural history by means of an identification service, events, research grants, publications, periodicals, affiliations and partnerships with other organisations, as well as active participation in important conservation initiatives and generous member benefits. Their website is at [www.amentsoc.org](http://www.amentsoc.org)

**The Entomologists' Glossary**

The terms and phrases used by entomologists can be strange and confusing when you first read them or hear them being used. To help entomologists, both expert and amateur alike, the Amateur Entomologists' Society recently launched an online Entomologists' Glossary at [www.amentsoc.org/insects/glossary](http://www.amentsoc.org/insects/glossary)

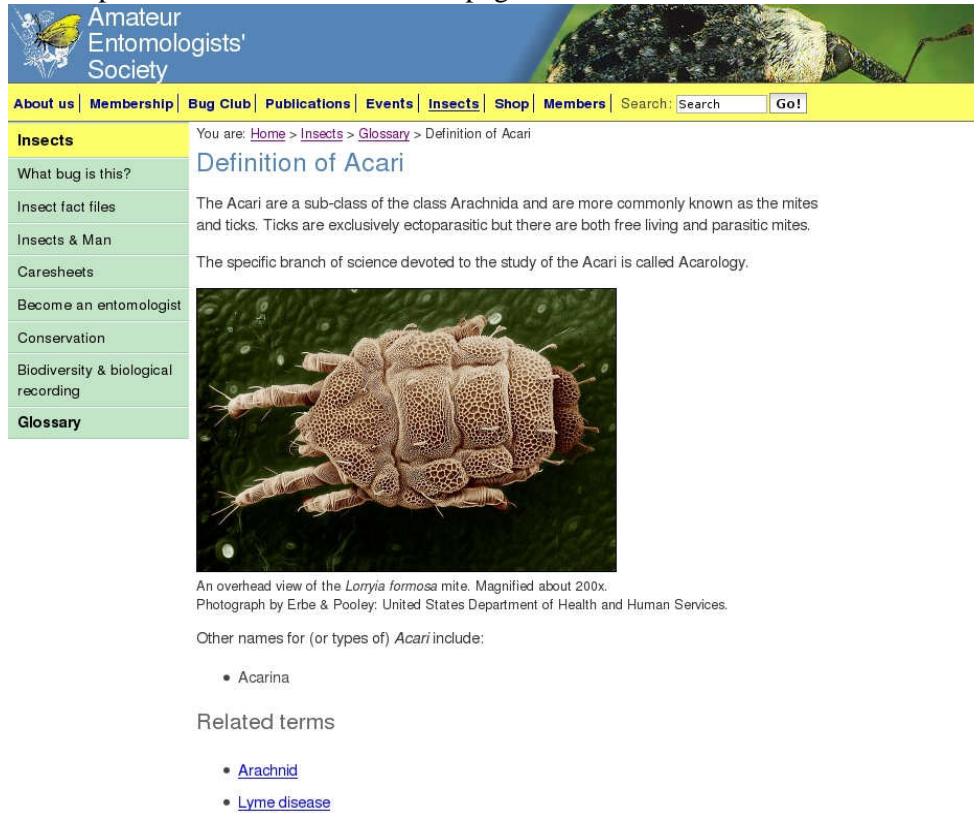
The glossary includes more than 360 words an entomologist might be familiar with, and some you may not have heard of. Each term is defined on two levels:

1. A brief definition on a page with other terms beginning with the same letter. For example, all the terms beginning with A.



2. Each brief definition then links to a more detailed, illustrated encyclopaedia style definition. Each detailed definition page also lists related terms and

provides links to other related pages on the AES web site.



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## Definition of Acari

The Acari are a sub-class of the class Arachnida and are more commonly known as the mites and ticks. Ticks are exclusively ectoparasitic but there are both free living and parasitic mites.

The specific branch of science devoted to the study of the Acari is called Acarology.



An overhead view of the *Loryia formosa* mite. Magnified about 200x. Photograph by Erbe & Pooley. United States Department of Health and Human Services.

Other names for (or types of) *Acari* include:

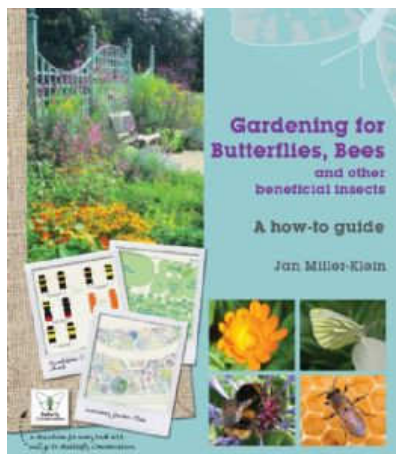
- Acarina

Related terms

- [Arachnid](#)
- [Lyme disease](#)

Glossary terms are also grouped together so, for example, you can browse all the terms within the glossary that are related to entomological equipment:

## Gardening for Butterflies, Bees and other beneficial insects



Forum Member Jan Miller is publishing an important new book on gardening for insects. It is described as a practical dip-into, easy to use guide, with all the latest knowledge about our disappearing insects. Hundreds of full colour photos of which plants to use, how to identify butterflies, bees and ladybirds and many years of different experts' experience. Garden designers will find the plans to copy from patio pots to garden borders and green roofs particularly useful

The publication date is June 2010, but the book is now available on a pre-publication offer of £17.95 (plus P&P) until 30th May 2010. After this the

normal price will be £19.95 + P&P.

You can order the book through Saith Ffynnon Wildlife Plants at [www.7wells.co.uk](http://www.7wells.co.uk) or by sending a cheque payable to "Butterfly Reserve" for £19.45 (including P&P) to Saith Ffynnon Wildlife Plants, Whitford, Holywell CH8 9EQ, Flintshire.