



COMMUNIQUÉ TURTLE SURVIVAL ALLIANCE

AN IUCN PARTNERSHIP NETWORK FOR SUSTAINABLE CAPTIVE MANAGEMENT OF FRESHWATER TURTLES AND TORTOISES

2005 TSA General Meeting Announcement

The 2005 IUCN/Turtle Survival Alliance General Meeting will be held Friday, July 22 – Sunday, July 24 2005 at the Mission Valley Resort Hotel in San Diego, California. It is located at 875 Hotel Circle South, San Diego, CA 92108 [(619) 298-8281 - website www.missionvalleyresort.com]. TSA preferred room rate is \$89 per night and will be honored two days pre and post meeting. Contact Conference Committee, Chairman Don Boyer with questions regarding local arrangements (dboyer@sandiegozoo.org).

The hotel is situated on 20 lushly landscaped acres with 202 rooms in the Mission Valley area of San Diego in Hotel Circle right off of Hwy 8, approximately six miles from the San Diego Lindberg Field airport. The shuttle from the airport to the hotel is about \$8 each way. The hotel is near both Old Town and Fashion Valley (the hotel has a free shuttle service to both) and close to the light rail system which goes to the downtown area, further North or East. Several beaches are within 6-12 miles including Pacific Beach, Ocean Beach and Mission Beach. A catered opening reception will be held on Friday, July 22nd

at the hotel near the meeting rooms and pool from approximately 6-9 PM.

The meeting itself will commence on Saturday, July 23rd running approximately from 8-5 pm with a lunch break. Buses will take people to the San Diego Zoo at around 6pm. Entry admission will be waived. Cocktails will be available from 6:15-9 pm. The zoo will provide one comp drink and then it is a no host bar. A buffet dinner will begin at 7:30 PM in the Zoofari Party Area North. You may visit the zoo grounds at your leisure until 10 pm when buses will return to the hotel. Stragglers will be fed to the tortoises.

On Sunday, July 24th the meeting will run from approximately 8-5pm.

More details will be posted as they become available.

Call for Papers and Posters

The 2005 Turtle Survival Alliance Conference is looming on the horizon again. We would like to take this opportunity to invite your participation and announce a call for papers and posters in three general areas.

1. **Graduate Research** – Brian Horne (briandhorne@hotmail.com) and Patrick Baker (Bakerpj@muohio.edu), chairs
2. **Captive Husbandry** – Fred Caporaso (caporaso@chapman.edu) and Chris Hagen (hagen@srel.edu), chairs
3. **International Conservation/Field Research** – Rick Hudson (RHudson@fortworthzoo.org) and Dwight Lawson (DLAWSON@zooatlanta.org), chairs

Please contact the aforementioned chairs if you would be interested in presenting. Talks and posters focusing on captive breeding, nutrition, in situ conservation plans, range country education programs, population surveys, genetics, trade observations, legislative priorities, facility's management and design, contagious diseases, and quarantine are encouraged. Speakers will

need to submit a short abstract, although extended abstracts or full papers are preferred for publication in the conference proceedings. The proceedings will stand as a permanent record of the content of the meeting and will be a valuable resource for the future of turtle conservation. Guidelines for authors are provided below. Presentations will range from 15 to 20 minutes in length and preferably will include slides, overheads, or Microsoft PowerPoint visual aids.

The title and brief description of the paper is due by April 15, 2005

Submission of a title, abstract, or paper does not guarantee acceptance for presentation. Presenters will be notified of the status of their proposal by May 15, 2005. After contacting Session Chairs, submit papers or abstracts to:

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Conference Program Chair
(904) 220-0678
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13811 Tortuga Point Drive
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GUIDELINES FOR AUTHORS

1. The full paper or abstract is due by June 1, 2005.
2. Manuscript submission (Abstract or Full Papers):
 - a. All speakers are encouraged to submit either a full paper or an expanded abstract to be published in the proceedings. Papers are preferred to abstracts and should be limited to no more than five, single-spaced pages.
 - b. A paper may not be presented by an individual other than one of the authors. Any exception to this rule must have prior approval of the section chairperson.

Full Guidelines for Final Paper Submission will be furnished upon request, but will follow the standards published for last year's conference.

Important Contacts

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