

AHH/BHS CONFERENCE 2024: FOOD FOR THOUGHT



SATURDAY MARCH 16th

8:00 – 9:00 REGISTRATION

9:00 - 10:50 MORNING SESSION 1

Chris Mitchell Welcome and Introduction

Lori Torrini (Live via Zoom from the USA) "Reptile Behaviour and Training"

Eleanor Tirtasana Chubb "Developments in Chelonia Diets"

10:50 - 11:15 BREAK - Stalls open

11:15 – 13:15 MORNING SESSION 2

Louise Jakobsen "'Eat up your greens!' ... Browse and its Benefits"

Keynote Speaker: Jerry Fife "The Galapagos Islands and Breeding Galapagos tortoises"

An introduction to our Students' Presentations

13:15 – 14:30 LUNCH – Students' Poster Session; Stalls open

14:30 – 15:50 AFTERNOON SESSION 1

Ben Tapley "'The Secret Life of Reptiles and Amphibians'...Something's new at ZSL!" Chris Mitchell "Zoos and how they work – insider knowledge for private keepers"

15:50 - 16:20 BREAK - Stalls open

16:20 – 17:00 AFTERNOON SESSION 2

Oliver Witte "Expertise training for animal owners, using the example of the DGHT"

17:15 – 18:15 DRAYTON MANOR ZOO Tour

19:30 CONFERENCE DINNER

After Dinner Speaker: Jerry Fife "Breeding Cyclura and the Search for the Giant Leopard Tortoise"

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9:15 – 10:35 MORNING SESSION 1

Frazer McDade "Mixed Species Exhibits: Getting Them to Work for You"

Mary Pinborough "Too much Food for Thought? Obesity in captive reptiles"

10:35 – 11:00 BREAK – Stalls open

11:00 - 13:00 MORNING SESSION 2

Ross Hickles "The London Zoo Livefood Project"

Erin Rickman "The impact of enriched housing on the cognition, behaviour

and welfare of reptiles"

Tony Wigley (video) "Setting the record straight - refuting anti-keeping propaganda" PANEL DISCUSSION: "The Legislative Landscape- Black, White or Grey?"

13:00 – 14:15 LUNCH – Stalls open

14:15 – 15:35 AFTERNOON SESSION 1

Roman Astheimer "Captive Husbandry of the Green Tree Monitor, Varanus prasinus" Eve Carter "Feeder insects and gut loading: a comparison of diets and nutritional impacts"

15:35 – 16:00 BREAK – Stalls open

16:00 - 17:00 AFTERNOON SESSION 2

Francis Cosquieri "You are what you eat - Novel feeding techniques for snakes"

17:00 CONFERENCE CONCLUSION

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