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BEDREIGDE FAUNA SEËLREEKS

Suid-Afrika se sesde vaste reeks posseëls wat bedreigde voël- en dierspesies uitbeeld, word op 2 Julie vanjaar uitgereik.

Die illustrasies op die seëls is afbeeldings van die oorspronklike kunswerke deur Denis Murphy van die tafelbergspookpadda, suuropootjieskilpad en krimpvarkie tot by die oewerkonyn en die swartenoster.

Voëls wat op die 80-sent- en duurder seëls verskyn, is die gompou, brilpikkewyn, lelkraanvoël, blouswaeltjie (bo), breëkoparend en die berghaan.

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RHINO RESCUE

A rescue operation to save the surviving rhino in Botswana by the Natal Parks Board is being planned by the Rhino and Elephant Foundation.

Wild white and black rhinos will be captured and placed in well-managed sanctuaries with suitable habitats to ensure the survival of both species.

The Rhino and Elephant Foundation's September 1992 aerial census of Botswana highlighted the need to take urgent measures. Due to the illegal hunting for their horns, the rhino population faces certain extinction.

The World Wide Fund for Nature in Hong Kong, with the assistance of the National Parks Board of South Africa, financed the census under the direction of Peter Hitchins, a noted authority on the

black rhino. The census revealed that the black rhino occurs in extremely low numbers and that there are only a handful of white rhino still surviving in northern Botswana.

Although ninety rhino were translocated to the Chobe National Park and Moremi between 1974 and 1981, the protection of both species in the vast area of northern Botswana is logistically and financially impossible in the long term.

The Rhino and Elephant Foundation have committed themselves to the funding of holding facilities at the Khama Rhino Sanctuary near Sarowe and additional feeding over a protracted period of time.

RIGLYNE VIR MYNPROJEKTE

Die Departement van Mineraal- en Energiesake het pas 'n tweetalige Aide-memoire met riglyne vir omgewingsbestuurprogramme vir prospekter- en mynbouprojekte opgestel.

Dit volg na die inwerkingtreding van die Mineraalwet van 1991, wat vereis dat elke myneienaar 'n omgewingsbestuursprogram moet indien én goedkeuring daarvoor kry, voordat enige prospekter- of mynwerkzaamhede begin mag word.

Die Aide-memoire bevorder die spoedige en effektiewe evaluering van sulke programme, asook bestuurstegnieke om die negatiewe gevolge van mynbou op die omgewing te verminder.

Die aandag van ondernemers word hierdeur gevestig op al die omgewingsverwante aspekte wat in ag geneem moet word voordat mynbou 'n aanvang mag neem.

Kopieë is by die onderskeie streekdirekteure van die Departement van Mineraal- en Energiesake beskikbaar.

Navrae kan gerig word aan mnr C J S Richter, ☎ (012) 322-8561.

PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION

The 1993 annual photographic saloon of the Wildlife Society once again gives participants the chance to win

fabulous prizes, floating trophies and medals.

There are 13 different categories. The first, second and third prizes consist of cash vouchers of R600, R300 and R150 respectively.

The competition is run in collaboration with the Department of Education and Culture, sponsored by BP Southern Africa and the closing date is 15 March 1993.

The slides will be screened at the University of Natal, King George V Avenue, Durban in the Shepstone 1 lecture theatre on 30 April 1993 at 19:30.

Entries may include wild animals, birds, insects, marine life, plant life or any geological subject indigenous to that part of southern Africa, including offshore islands, south of the Zambezi River.

If slides are featured on the cover of the Wildlife Society's magazine, *African Wildlife*, R100 will be awarded to the photographer.

For more information contact Basil Harper, Photographic Division of the Wildlife Society at (031) 25-5868.

REGISTER VAN GROOT BOME

Die Dendrologiese Vereniging en Stigting is besig om 'n nasionale grootboomregister op te stel om te bepaal watter boomsoorte die grootste in Suid-Afrika is.

Grootte word bepaal deur hoogte, kroonspreiding en stamdikte.

Daar is sowat 1 000 inheemse boomsoorte in die land en sowat 750 ingevoerde boomsoorte.

Die mingerhoutboom, wat hoofsaaklik in die Laeveld voorkom, word tot dusver as die grootste boomsoort beskou, gevolg deur die kremetart, die njalaboom en die gewone trosvy.

Die hoogste boomsoort is ook die mingerhout waarvan 'n hoogte van 46 meter al bepaal is, gevolg deur die outeniekwageelhout en die witstinkhout.

Lesers wat besondere groot bome wil aanmeld, kan (012) 57-4009 skakel.