

RHINOVERSEAS

SOMETHING WAS ROTTEN IN THE STATE OF DENMARK

A rhinoceros that had become too aggressive in captivity, breaking fences and banging its head, was deported to Namibia, where it will live in a safari sanctuary. But it took a tranquilizer and three tractors to get Brutalis into an iron transport cage. The Givskud Lion Park in western Denmark spent \$29,400 to deport the 2.3 ton male. It had become increasingly angry the past four or five years, causing \$222,000 in damage to fences and cages.

VOYEZ LA!

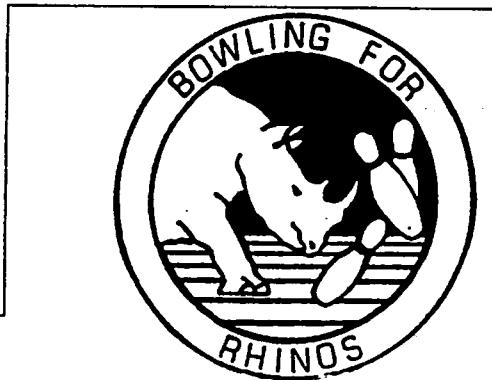
Ooh la la! I have a request from a French writer who is interested in old rhino prints, articles of or using 17th or 18th century rhino iconography. Does anyone know of good sources or contacts for this? If so, contact Jim Monson, 302 Route du Puei de la Madone, 06690 Tourrette-Levens, FRANCE.

HURRAY FOR CAPTAIN SPAULDING!

Last year, Esmond Bradley Martin, United Nations Environment Program's Special Envoy for Rhino Conservation, flew to Yemen on behalf of the World Wide Fund for Nature in order to participate in a seminar on saving rhinos. In the Spring, he visited several African and Asian countries and talked to their presidents about the crisis facing the black rhino. In the fall, Martin went again to Yemen on behalf of WWF to urge the government to stop entirely the making of daggers with rhino horn handles. Now, the government has registered all the rhino horn traders, and officials are actively trying to stop the business. Chryssee (Esmond's better half) has just published a book called Russelas the Rhinoceros. More on that as it arrives.

DUTCH TREAT

Rhino subscriber, Dr. L.C. Rookmaaker is involved with a new project: to obtain as much information about each specimen as possible and to publish the results. Some of the data are already available from various zoos around the world, however a synthesis has not been attempted before. Here is an excerpt from a letter he sent to me: "The first list of captive rhinos was attempted by Richard Reynolds in the early 1960's and the present attempt is based on that foundation. If you would know about a rhino in an unexpected place, like seen in a circus early this century, in a children's amusement park, or in a private collection in Siberia, I would be happy for any leads." If you wish to contribute to this formidable list, please contact Dr. Rookmaaker c/o Walstraat 11, 7731 HM OMMEN, THE NETHERLANDS.



It's that time of year again:

BOWLING FOR RHINOS is back!

Contact Patty Pearthree, Box 19902, Indianapolis, IN 46219-9026 (317) 322-8723 to find out when/where the nearest bowling event is to you. P.S. Patty informed me that some of the proceeds from the fundraiser, in addition to going to Ngare Sergoi in Kenya, will go to Ujung Kulon to support the world's remaining (47) Javan rhinos. Bravo!!



The endangered Javan rhino is one of five species of rhino left in the world.