

Posters

Bowling without the Alley and Other Ways to Succeed at Bowling for Rhinos

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The Dallas Zoo Chapter of AAZK has donated almost \$165,000 to Bowling for Rhinos since the first year of participation in 1991. This success has given us five trip winners and allowed our chapter to be strong competition throughout years. We have had BFR events for 16 years at bowling alleys around Dallas, but over the past three years we have switched to Nintendo Wii bowling tournaments held right on zoo grounds. This is the tenth anniversary of our unique Sailing for Rhinos and our first year of adding Running for Rhinos.

For many years we held bowling events similar to other chapters. Each event consisted of bowling alley rental, having participants fundraise a minimum amount in order to bowl, and a silent auction. In order to eliminate extra fees, we switched to Wii bowling. Keepers lent consoles and TV's while the chapter provided food, drinks, and t-shirts for a small fee; this led to less expenses and more profit.

Sailing for Rhinos is a favorite event of the zoo and raises \$4-5,000 per year. A local sailing club allows us to use their boat house, takes people out on small boat trips, and donates money to help cover costs. We have a band on the dock, grill our dinner, and have a silent auction.

This year will be our first year to hold a Running for Rhinos event. It will be a 5K/1K fun run on zoo grounds. Our chapter has hired a local running store that puts on other major races and joined forces with the Dallas Zoo in order to make this a huge success even in the first year.

Dallas has an active chapter with a large support group of keepers, management, volunteers and zoo members who are continuously providing new ideas on expanding our events. This helps to raise more money every year to help BFR be a successful campaign for conservation.

A Tale of Two Penguins: Case studies of aspergillosis in a Humboldt penguin (*Spheniscus humboldti*) and a gentoo penguin (*Pygoscelis papu*).

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Aspergillosis is a common disease found in captive penguins. It has been described in a great variety of penguin species and is generally associated with stress, injury or other occurrences that may lower the penguin's immune system and promote susceptibility to the disease. Although zoos and aquariums go to great lengths to prevent the development of an infection, aspergillosis is one of the main causes of death in captive penguins. Treatment of the infection is time consuming and intensive with early detection being one of the keys to successful management of the disease. Milwaukee County Zoo has had two