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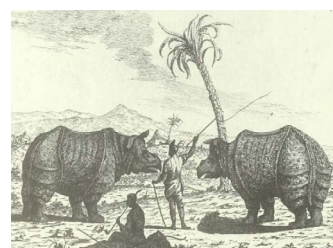
NEWSLETTER #77 MARCH 2025

Dear colleagues and friends,

This is the 77th issue of the quarterly e-newsletter of the Rhino Resource Center. Edited by Dr Kees Rookmaaker.

The total number of references in the collection of the RRC now stands at **29,004**. This is an increase of at least 85 items in the last quarter. (see note on p.2 of this newsletter)

Over 28,000 references are **available** as PDF on the RRC website.



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And not only that, the entire background software will be rewritten to be compatible with all the latest technological developments.

The contents will all remain accessible while the design is being completed by the company in Amsterdam on a Wordpress platform.

New references can only be displayed after the new website will have been fully designed and tested – hopefully no later than May of this year.

This newsletter contains the latest references.

The current website of the Rhino Resource Center was initiated in 2006. Our webmaster Willem van Strien has dedicated many hours and days of painstaking labour, first to design the entire site from scratch, later to address the small problems which occur from time to time. Due to increasing commitments of work and family, Willem reluctantly decided to hand over his voluntary efforts. The RRC website needs to be updated in line with the newest technology.

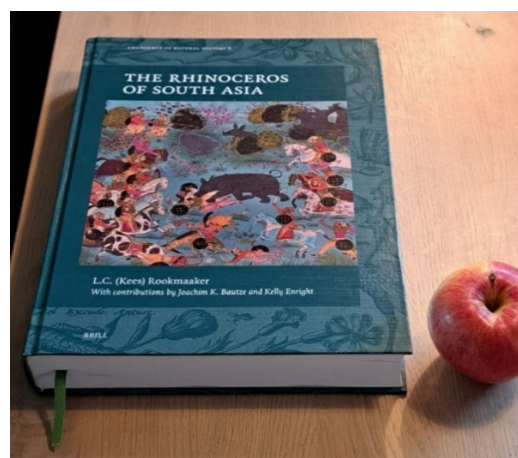
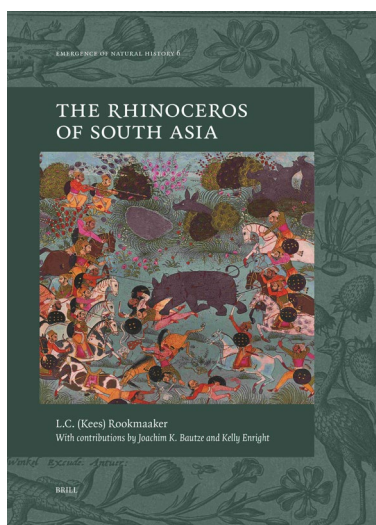
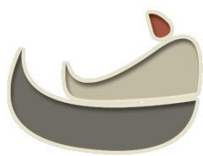
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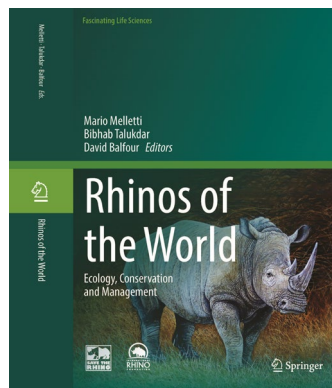
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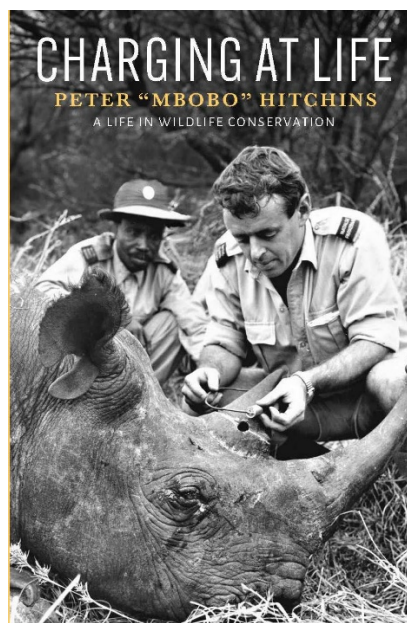
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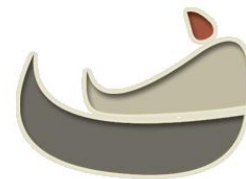
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In this quarter (December 2024 to February 2025), we have added over 85 new references, to bring the total number of items in the database to **29,004**.

The latest additions are not yet entered in the website while it is under construction.

Below I have listed all new entries since 2000 in four categories: General (all species), African rhinos, Asian rhinos and Fossil rhinos.

**Most additions are available on the website.
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Residenz Munchen – Miniature, 17th century



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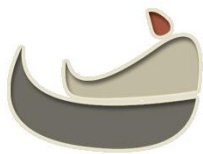


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White rhino in Nairobi National Park, Kenya



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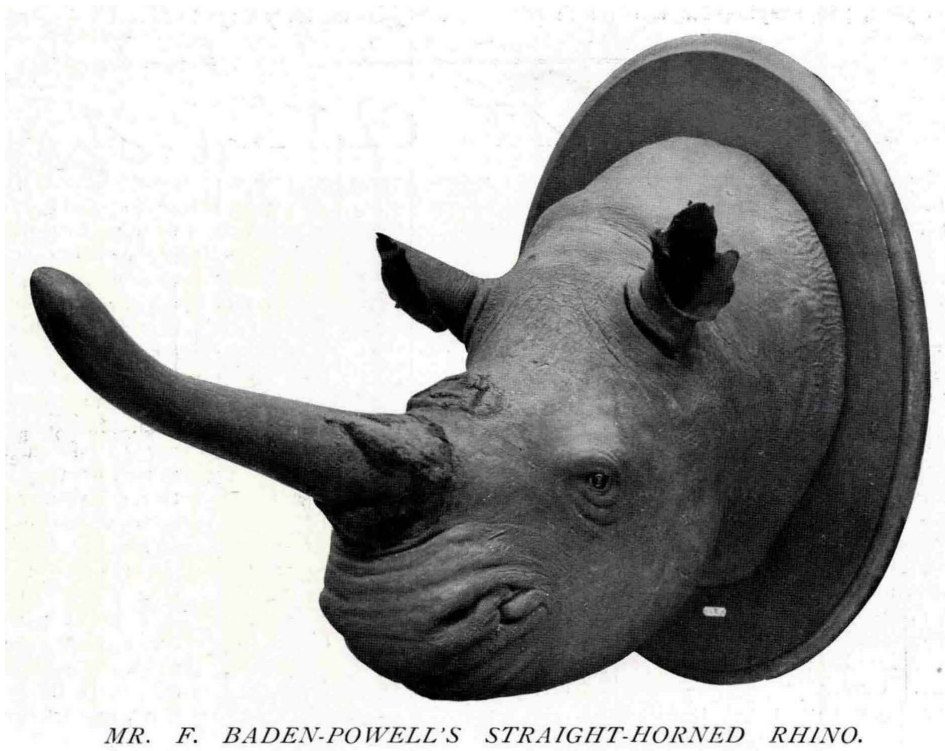
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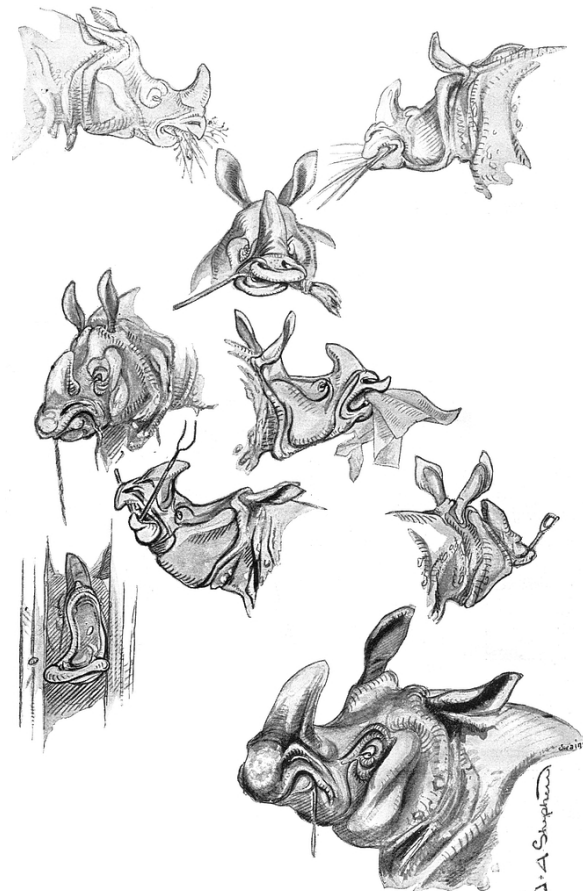
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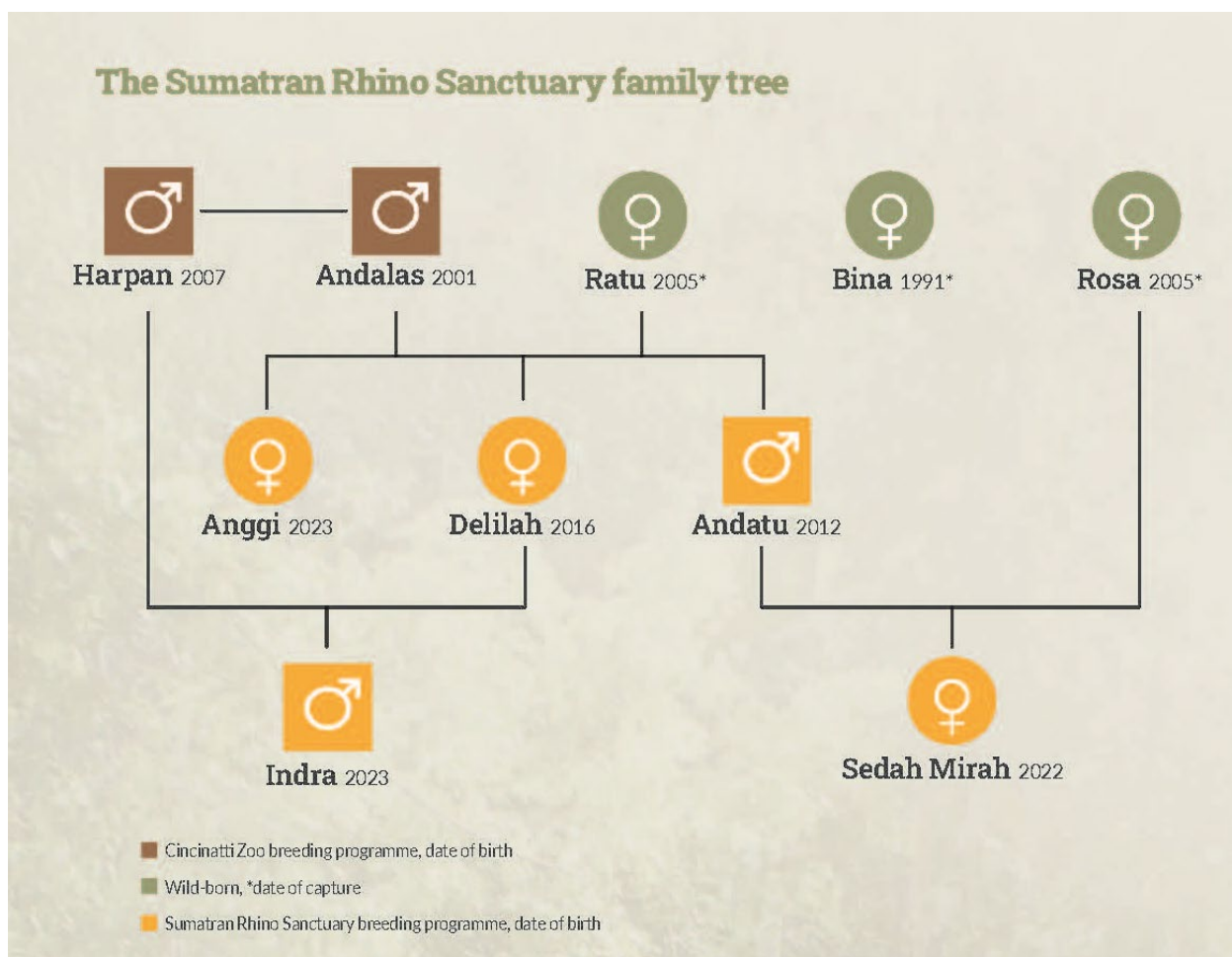
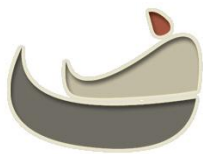


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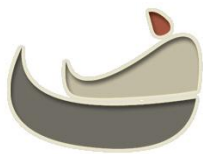
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