

BIAZA Field Conservation Conference 2023



DAY ONE

8.30- 9.00	Registration / tea & coffee
9.00 – 9.20	Welcome, housekeeping & Welcome by RZSS CEO David Field.
First Session	
9.20 – 9.35	Nicky Needham – BIAZA BIAZA office & FCC Update
9.35 – 10.15	Keynote Speaker: Andrew Cunningham – Institute of Zoology, Zoological Society of London Biodiversity, Conservation & One Health
10.15 – 10.30	Olivia Walter – International Zoo Vet Group / Wildlife Vets International How do BIAZA collections get involved in One Health projects?
10.30 – 11.00	Diana Bell – University of East Anglia <i>Trichomonas gallinae</i> in pink pigeons
11.00 – 11.30	Tea & coffee break
Second Session	
11.30 – 11.50	Elliott Simpson-Brown – International Zoo Veterinary Group Is testing legal? Corncrake/curlew reintroductions and avian influenza considerations in your collection.
11.50 – 12.10	Elizabeth Corry – The Wildwood Trust Implementation of the Disease Risk Analysis for the reintroduction of choughs to Kent
12.10 – 12.30	Colin Stevenson – Crocodiles of the World Combining roles to save crocodiles: how smaller zoos can still make a big impact on conservation
12.30 - 12.50	Hazel Ryan – The Wildwood Trust The effect of dam age on productivity in the captive hazel dormouse <i>Muscardinus avellanarius</i>
12.50 – 15.00	Lunch & Tour of Edinburgh Zoo
Third Session	
15.00 – 15.40	Keynote Speaker: Taya Forde – School of Biodiversity One Health & Veterinary Medicine One Health with a climate change lens
15.40 – 16.00	Diana Bell – University of East Anglia SARS, H5N1 avian influenza and the die off in hares.
16.00 – 16.20	Fiona Menzies – Edinburgh University One Health: an archival perspective
16.50 – 17.10	Simon Girling – Royal Zoological Society of Scotland Ensuring the health and welfare of the Eurasian beaver (<i>Castor fiber</i>) during its reintroduction to Britain
17.10 -17.20	End of day one and dinner arrangements - Andy Bowkett – Paignton Zoo

DAY TWO

8.30- 9.00	Tea & coffee / Welcome
First Session	
9.00 – 9.20	<p>Tanya Gilbert – Marwell Zoological Park Conservation health for people, species and the planet</p>
9.20 – 9.40	<p>Katarzyna Ruta – Royal Zoological Society of Scotland PICA – a support project for Pallas’s cat conservation, strategic planning and research.</p>
9.40 – 10.00	<p>David Everest – Animal and Plant Health Agency Adenovirus: an emerging disease in red squirrel translocations, a history and implications for reintroductions.</p>
10.00 – 10.20	<p>Alex Scurrah-Price - Royal Zoological Society of Scotland RZSS Saving Wildcats: Establishing a viable population in the wild</p>
10.20 – 10.40	<p>Naomi Walsh – Knowsley Safari Park Using a safari park for the development of unobtrusive biodiversity monitoring utilising artificial intelligence and camera technology</p>
10.40 – 11.10	Tea & coffee break
Second Session	
11.10 – 11.30	<p>Adriana Consorte-McCrea – Canterbury Christ Church University & The Wildwood Trust The return of a cultural icon to Kent: attitudes towards the red-billed chough</p>
11.30 – 12.00	<p>Rebecca Biddle – Twycross Zoo Local community knowledge to understand population threats and distribution of Critically Endangered Amazon parrots.</p>
12.00 – 13.00	<p>Workshop – Helen Taylor & Jen Nightingale (Reintroduction Advisory Group) Zoo’s and conservation reintroductions</p>
13.00 – 14.30	Lunch & opportunity to look around Edinburgh Zoo
Third Session	
14.30 – 14.50	<p>Speed Talks</p> <p>Sarah Lee – Zoological Society of East Anglia The first year of a crayfish hatchery – achievements and lessons learned.</p> <p>Rebecca Moore – Colchester Zoo Bonding African Wild Dogs (<i>Lycaon pictus</i>) on the UmPhafa Private Nature Reserve, South Africa</p> <p>Matt Hartley – Zoo and Wildlife Solutions/Yorkshire Wildlife Park Demonstrating how zoos and other organisations can work together in the field</p> <p>Jen Nightingale Crayfish & Beyond!</p>
14.50 – 15.10	<p>Jane Hopper – Wild Tiger Health Project Wild Tiger Health Project</p>
15.10 – 15.30	<p>Estelle Morgan & Alex Perry - Royal Zoological Society of Scotland Saving wildcats: Wildcat recovery through captive breeding for release</p>
15.30 – 15.50	<p>Jeff Dawson – Durrell Wildlife Conservation Trust African Swine Fever in Asia: Impacts on Pygmy Hog Conservation Project</p>
15.50 – 16.10	<p>Vicki Breakell – The Wildwood Trust An update on the Wilder Bleas</p>
16.10 – 16.20	<p>Andy Bowkett – Paignton Zoo Conference round up</p>