

**Dr. Nancy G. Caine, Editor
Executive Secretary of ASP**

THE DAVIS MEETING IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER

As most of you are aware, ASP will hold its 1990 annual meeting in Davis, California, from July 11-14. Attendance at the meeting may well exceed the ASP record. Here are some details that might prove to be useful at this time:

1. If you have failed to register, and/or if you have failed to receive registration or housing information, contact Sally Mendoza, Local Arrangements Chair, right away. Her phone number is 916-752-9518 (FAX= 916-752-2880). You have a choice of accommodations: the new Ramada Inn or on-campus dormitory rooms. Both are within easy walking distance of the meeting rooms.

2. The Convention Desk at UCD is able to provide you with low airline rates with United Airlines. Call 800-521-4041 and give the account number 0086N.

3. On the afternoon of July 11 (Wednesday) the ASP standing committees and Executive Committee will meet. The scientific program commences at 8:15 am Thursday (July 12). The final paper sessions are scheduled for Saturday afternoon, ending at 3:30. We hope that all members will remain for the business meeting from 4-5 PM.

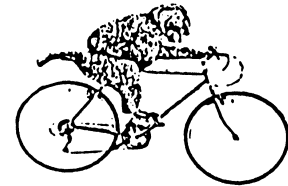
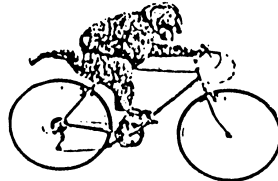
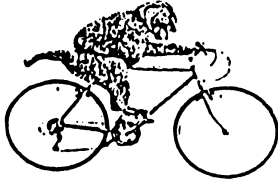
4. The Keynote address will be given by Dr. Marian Diamond. Featured speakers will include Chuck Snowdon, Gene Sackett, and Don Lindburg.

5. Symposia will include "Socio-ecology of Juveniles," "Gorilla Cognition," "Rank and Reproduction," "Genetic Research," "Vocal Communication," "Psychological Perspectives," and "Early Pregnancy." In addition there are 10 paper sessions, two poster sessions, videos and films, and an ultrasound workshop.

6. The schedule and the abstracts are published in AJP (volume 20, no. 3). **THERE MAY BE SOME MINOR MODIFICATIONS TO THE PUBLISHED SCHEDULE, SO BE SURE TO CHECK THE APPROPRIATE SOURCES (e.g., the information desk and/or your registration packet) WHEN YOU CHECK IN AT THE MEETING.** Any questions you may have about the scientific program should be directed to Mike Raleigh, Program Chair (213-825-0565)

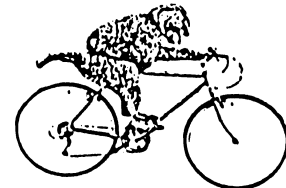
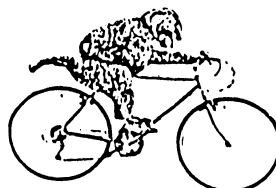
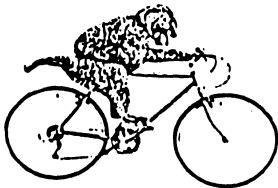
7. The Association of Primate Veterinarians is meeting in Sacramento around the time of the ASP meeting. We hope to arrange a joint session on field cage management on Saturday afternoon. Check for details at the meeting.

8. The big social event of the meeting will be held on Friday night at the Putah Creek Lodge (an on-campus spot with a history of good parties). A no-host cocktail party will serve as the welcoming event on Wednesday evening (6:00) at the Ramada Inn.



SOFTBALL AT ASP

Many of you know ASP to be replete with intellectual talent, but you may not be aware of the experience and skill with which many ASP members are able to field grounders and catch long fly balls. Indeed, many ASP members who have ties to UC Davis spent the better part of their summer days (when not collecting or analyzing data, of course) on one or more of the dozens of softball fields around the Davis campus. If you are so inclined, please pack your glove and look for notices at the ASP desk regarding THE event of the Davis meeting: softball!



ELECTION RESULTS

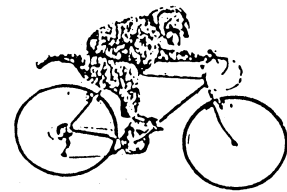
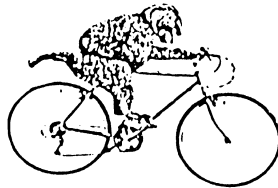
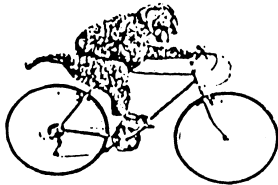
The Election Committee, chaired by Doug Bowden, announces the results of the 1990 election of ASP officers:

President-Elect: Rich Rawlins
Executive Secretary: Nancy Caine
Treasurer: Jeff French

Congratulations to the new officers, who will assume their posts at the conclusion of the Business Meeting in Davis.

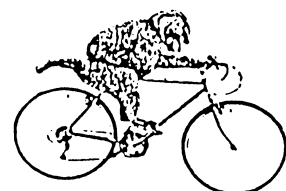
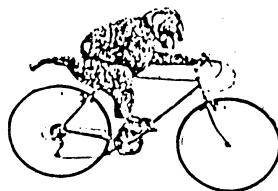
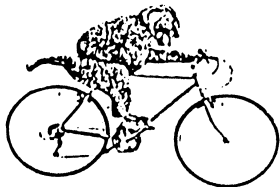
RUSSELL TUTTLE ASSUMES EDITORSHIP OF IJP

In his inaugural editorial (IJP, 1989, 10, no. 4), Dr. Tuttle made clear the current practice and future policy of The International Journal of Primatology. According to that editorial, IJP "will continue to serve as a major vehicle for sharing knowledge about all aspects of primate biology and the conservation of primates and their habitats. Dr. Tuttle "intends that IJP remain the journal of choice for publishing the finest papers of scientists who study the behavior and ecology of free-ranging apes, monkeys, and prosimians." IJP also "encourages the submission of original research papers on primate systematics, comparative psychology, paleobiology, functional and comparative morphology, molecular biology, neuroscience, endocrinology, growth and development, captive maintenance, and other topics of general interest." In addition, Dr. Tuttle hopes to, "develop stronger ties between the IPS and the journal," and "aims to increase sensitivity to the plight of primates by flagging papers that report on endangered or threatened species." Finally, the editor intends that, by October, 1990, the journal will be "in phase with its cover dates."



DON LINDBURG RECEIVES AWARD

Don Lindburg, a past president of ASP, was awarded the Centennial Award for Excellence in Zoo Research by the National Zoo and the Friends of the National Zoo. The award was resented in a public program at the National Zoological Park on April 27, 1990.

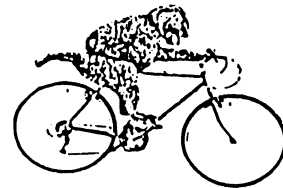
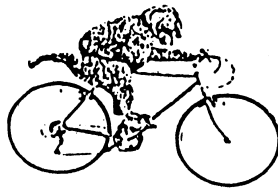
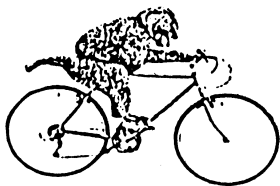


ARASHIYAMA WEST MONKEYS: GOOD NEWS!

The Board of Directors of the South Texas Primate Observatory has selected 183 acres near Dilley for the permanent home of the Arashiyama West monkeys. Donations from foundations and individuals have made it possible to initiate the steps toward purchase of this land, but donations (tax deductible) are still desperately needed. Please help by sending whatever amount you can to STPO, P.O. Box 702, Dilley, Texas 78017.

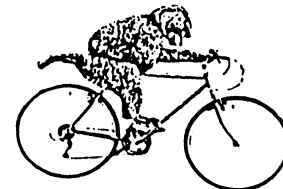
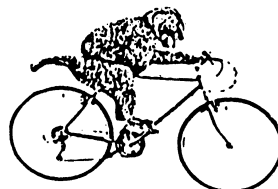
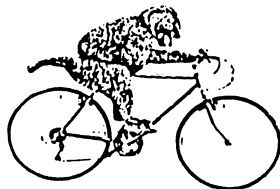
SCAW MEETING

On June 1, 1990, the Scientists Center for Animal Welfare and the Division of Health Affairs of the University of Southern California sponsored a meeting on, "Effective Animal Care and Use Committees." Held at USC, the program included information and advice on compliance, responsibilities of the ACUC veterinarian, relations with the public, and the perspectives of community members. There was also an afternoon workshop on "Animal Well-being: The Pain Issue." For information regarding the meeting contact Lee Krulisch or Jane Rogers, SCAW, 301-654-6390.



EBOLA VIRUS UPDATE

Since November of 1989, several shipments of primates from Asia have been found to be infected with a filovirus related to Ebola virus. The virus has been isolated from Macaca fascicularis, and filovirus antibody has been detected in Cercopithecus aethiops and M. mulatta. Humans are susceptible to the virus, which can be fatal. However, to date there are no reports of illness associated with these infected monkeys. In January, 1990, the Centers for Disease Control published interim guidelines for the handling of nonhuman primates in transit and in quarantine facilities, and in April the CDC announced a special permit requirement for future importation of fascicularis, aethiops, and rhesus. For further information, contact the CDC in Atlanta, Georgia.



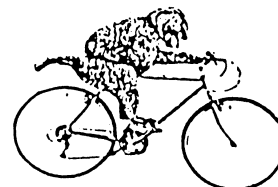
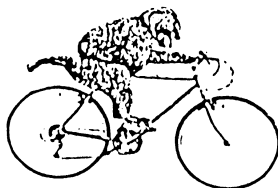
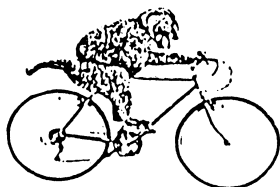
POSTER CONTEST & CONSERVATION GRANT AWARD: CANCELLED

Due to lack of submissions, the Conservation Committee has cancelled its poster contest and grant award for 1990. These two programs, announced and described in the March, 1990, Bulletin, were quite successful in recruiting applicants last year. This year, however, Jo Fritz (Chair of the Conservation Committee) has received virtually no responses. Jo would be pleased to hear ideas about ways to encourage participation in these sorts of conservation-related efforts.

INFORMATION NEEDED

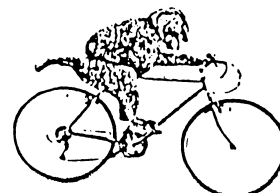
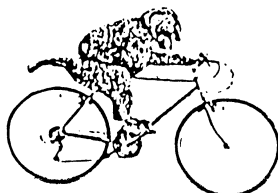
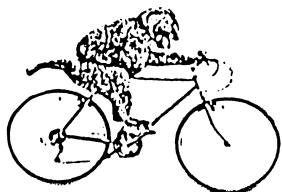
As part of a study of offspring weaning in captive female lion-tailed macaques (*Macaca silenus*), we have observed an unusual pattern of estrous cycles in these lactating females. Each of six females has shown greatly "exaggerated" estrous cycles while lactating. These females showed maximal perineal swellings (which are large and conspicuous in this species) for extended periods of time in the first postpartum cycle (mean = 106 days). Subsequent cycles were also exaggerated, but length of swellings showed a gradual decrease over time since parturition.

We cannot find a description of this phenomenon for any primate species in the literature. If anyone has observed a similar phenomenon in any other primate species, please contact: Susan Clarke, Harlow Primate Lab, Univ. of WI, 22 N. Charter St, Madison, WI, 53715. 608-262-1929, FAX = 608-263-4356. Any information at all would be appreciated.



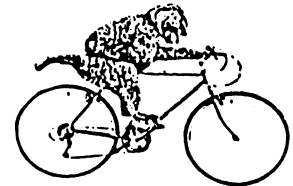
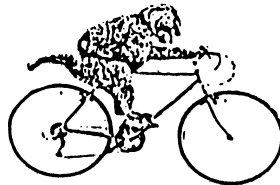
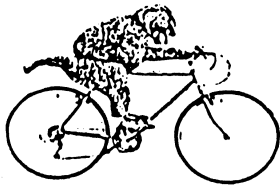
EMPLOYMENT

Chimpanzee Behavioral Research Assistant position will be available at The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Science Park Chimpanzee Breeding Facility near Bastrop, Texas. The position is part-time (24 hours per week) currently, but there is some possibility it may become a full-time position in the future. Duties include collecting behavioral data, computer entry of data and completing preliminary data summary and analysis. A bachelor's degree in a relevant field is required, and experience in the scientific observation of animal behavior is very helpful. Annual salary (for the part-time position) is \$11,124.00. Contact Dr. Mollie Bloomsmith or Lydia Elliott, UTMDACC, Science Park, Department of Veterinary Resources, Rt. 2, Box 515-B1, Bastrop, Texas 78602 (515) 321-3991). The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer.



LION TAMARINS AVAILABLE

The International Management Committees for Golden-lion and Golden-headed lion tamarins announce that institutions interested in joining either of these programs and receiving breeding or non-breeding tamarins should contact Jonathan Ballou at the Department of Zoological Research, National Zoological Park, Washington, D.C. 20008. Tel: (202) 673-4815. Interested institutions must be approved by the Management Committee. Researchers must submit a research protocol with the application; behavioral research is preferred.



DAVID SYMMES, Ph.D. 1929-1990

David Symmes, a long-time member of the American Society of Primatologists, and a consulting editor of *AJP*, died of cancer April 8, 1990, at his home in McLean, Virginia. At the time of his death, he was chief of the Section on Brain, Behavior, and Communication at the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development in Bethesda, Maryland.

David Symmes graduated from Harvard University and received a doctorate in neurophysiology at the University of Chicago. He was on the staff at Yale University's medical school before moving to the NIH in 1967. Early in his career at the NIH, he worked on the higher auditory systems of New and Old World primates.

His later work involved correlations between vocal and social behavior, the functions of inter- and intra-individual structural variability in calls, mother-infant vocal communication in both humans and nonhuman primates, and the role of play behavior in development. He was particularly interested in the affiliative relationships of squirrel monkeys and the complex vocal communication that maintained them.

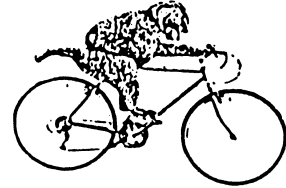
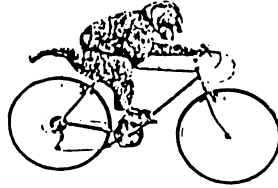
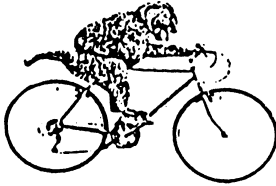
David was well-known for his skill in developing novel computer-based methods for analyzing primate vocalizations. While most of his auditory work was with squirrel monkeys, the vocal behavior of many other New World species, as well as macaques and humans, were studied through collaborations with his sound analysis laboratory at the NIH.

Survivors include his wife, Jean Sinclair Symmes, who is a clinical psychologist in McLean, and three children.

John D. Newman and Maxeen Biben
Laboratory of Comparative Ethology, NIH

ABS RESEARCH GRANT APPLICATIONS

The May, 1990, Animal Behavior Society Newsletter reports that, "pending availability of funds, the ABS will conduct a Research Grant Competition with an application deadline of November 1, 1990. Full details will be published in the August issue of the ABS Newsletter following the Annual Meeting in Binghamton, NY. Application forms and guidelines will be available from Dr. George Barthalmus, Dept. of Zoology, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC 27695-7617."



IPS INTERNATIONAL GUIDELINES RE: NON-HUMAN PRIMATES

The International Primatological Society has published its "International Guidelines for the Care, Acquisition and Breeding of Non-human Primates," edited by James G. Else. Copies of the Guidelines are available free from Trevor B. Poole, Universities Federation for Animal Welfare, 8 Hamilton Close, South Mimms, Potters Bar, Herts, EN6 3QD, United Kingdom.

The baboon on the bicycle is in honor of Davis, California, site of the 13th annual meeting of ASP and home of who-knows-how-many bikes, bicyclists, and nonhuman primates.

Deadline for submission to the September, 1990, Bulletin is August 20.