

BEAR TAG

Annual Meeting
September 9; 12n – 1:00 EST



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OF ZOOS &
AQUARIUMS**

A large black silhouette of a bear, facing left, serves as the background for the text. The bear is in a walking or standing pose, with its legs and tail visible.

Agenda

Population Updates

TAG Activities / Projects since Mid - Year

North American Black and Brown Bear Care Manual

Regional Collection Plan

Website Development

2022 Husbandry Workshop!

Polar Bear SSP and Studbook Update

SSP Population Status

Canada - 15.9.0 in 4 facilities

1 facility under construction

United States - 17.21.0 in 20 facilities

2 facilities under construction

Alaska Zoo - Sustainability
government partnership

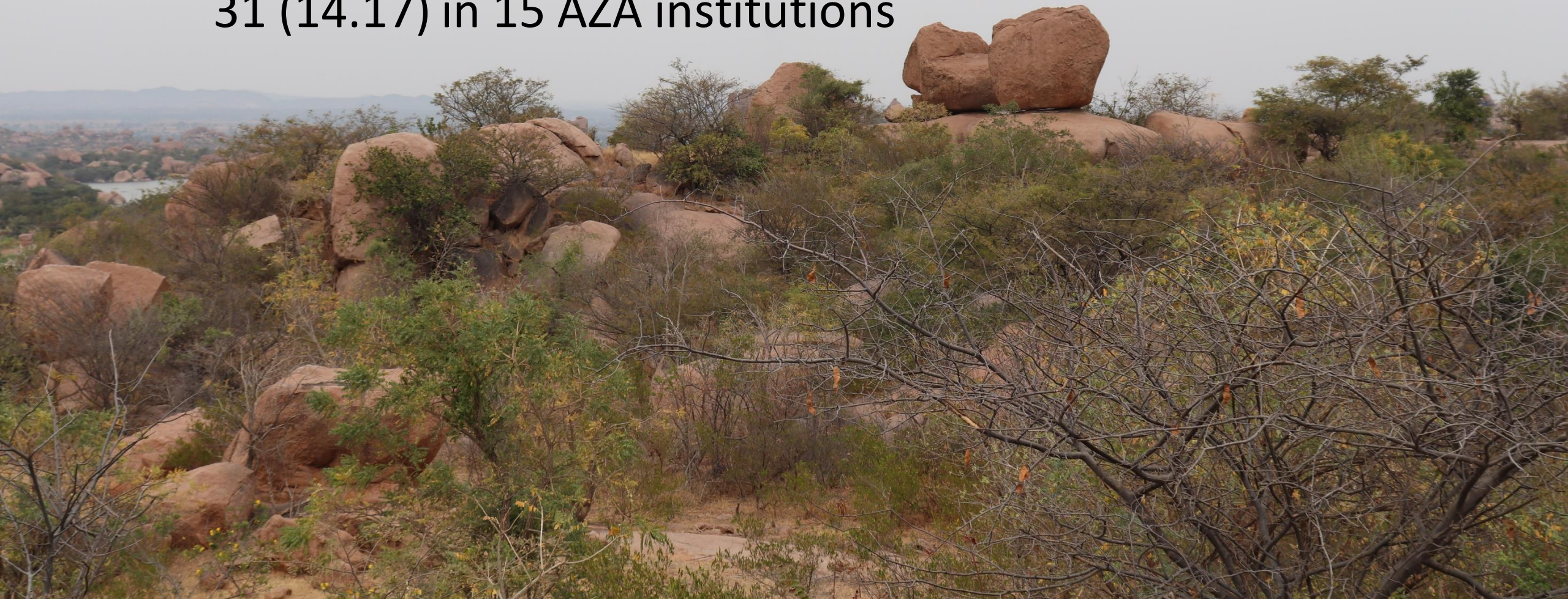
2 Births

2 Deaths



Sloth Bear SSP and Studbook Update

31 (14.17) in 15 AZA institutions



- **No births Winter of 2020/2021**
- **4-5 pairs bred this summer**
- **Summer 2022 all pairs possible should be together**



- SAFE
- WSOS Trips
- Diet Study



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ANDEAN BEAR SSP

Sara Colandrea - Smithsonian National Zoological Park

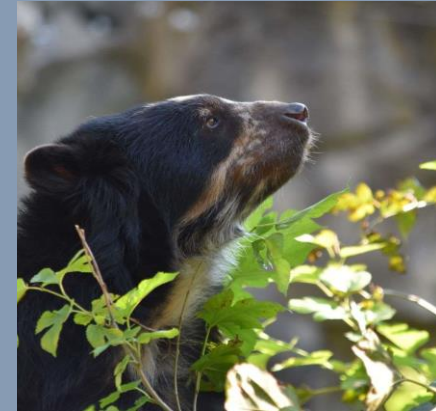
A very quick update...



THERE ARE CURRENTLY 36 INDIVIDUALS IN THE POPULATION.



3 NEW ADDITIONS TO THE POPULATION.
~THE CALI ZOO HAS A NEW MALE THAT IS FROM THE WILD.
~2 CUBS WERE BORN IN JULY!! THIS IS THE FIRST TIME EVER IN THE SSP!



BREEDING AND TRANSFER PLAN IS COMPLETE!



Thank you for
your time!

Sara Colandrea

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A close-up photograph of a Giant Panda resting its head on a wooden beam. The panda's black and white fur is clearly visible, and its black eye patches are prominent. The background is a soft-focus green forest.

Giant Panda SSP and Studbook Update

4.3.0
In
3 AZA Institutions

AZA Sun Bear Population 2021



- Status 16 (8.8) total bears at 13 AZA Institutions
- Phase-out species

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Bornean 4.6

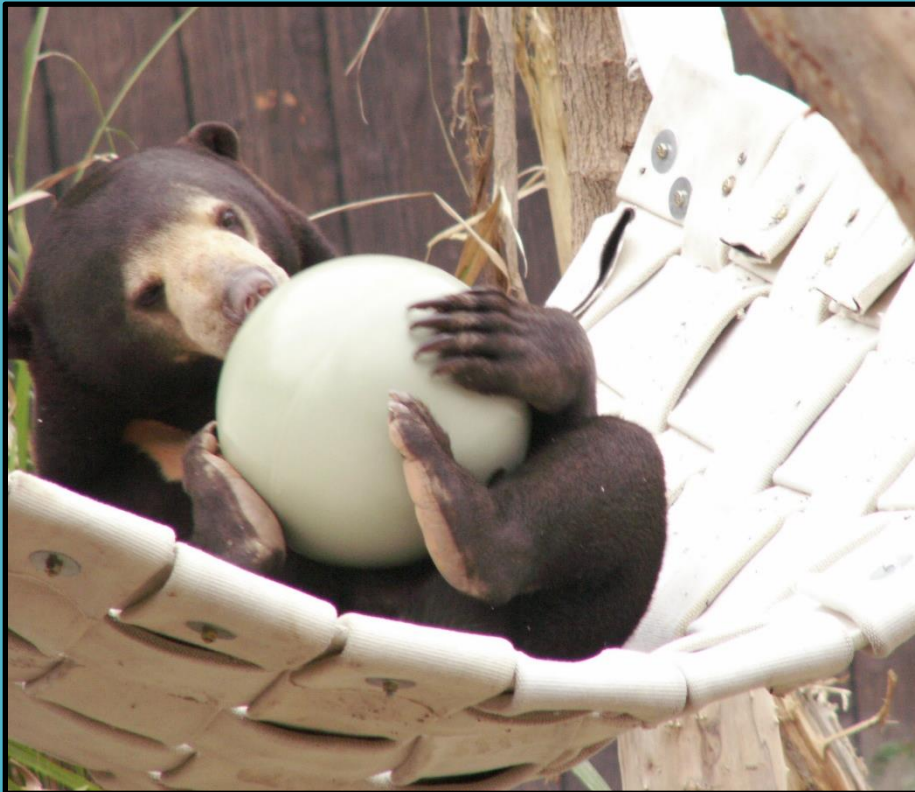
Institution	Bear	Age
Virginia	1.0 686	12
Audubon	0.1 670	24
Cleveland	0.1 647	35
Honolulu	1.0 664	26
Oakland	0.1 687	12
	0.1 684	14
	0.1 672	31
San Diego	0.1 665	26
St. Louis	1.0 669	23
Evansville	1.0 666	26



Malayan 4.2

Institution	Bear	Age
Pueblo	1.0 618	31
Atlanta	1.0 661	21
	0.1 659	23
El Paso	0.1 645	28
Lowry Park	1.0 678	19
Topeka	1.0 619	31

- Honolulu working with Bornean Sun Bear Conservation Center (BSBCC) to import 1.2 bears that cannot be re-released to the wild



- BSBCC has a monthly zoom meeting with updates about the facility and bears in the wild
 - Contact Ellen Wieczorek if interested in joining esw78@comcast.net

A brown bear is shown in profile, standing on a rocky, grassy bank. The bear has thick brown fur and is looking down towards the ground. In the background, a waterfall cascades over a series of large, light-colored rocks. The scene is brightly lit, suggesting a sunny day.

Brown Bear Population Update

73.57 @ 45 facilities

North American Black Bear Population Update

107.114.9



A close-up photograph of a black bear resting its head on a light-colored, textured rock. The bear has thick, black fur and a lighter brown snout. Its eyes are partially closed, and its large, dark claws are visible on its front paw. The background is a blurred blue wall.

Asiatic Black Bear Studbook Update

**2.3.0
In
3 AZA Institutions**

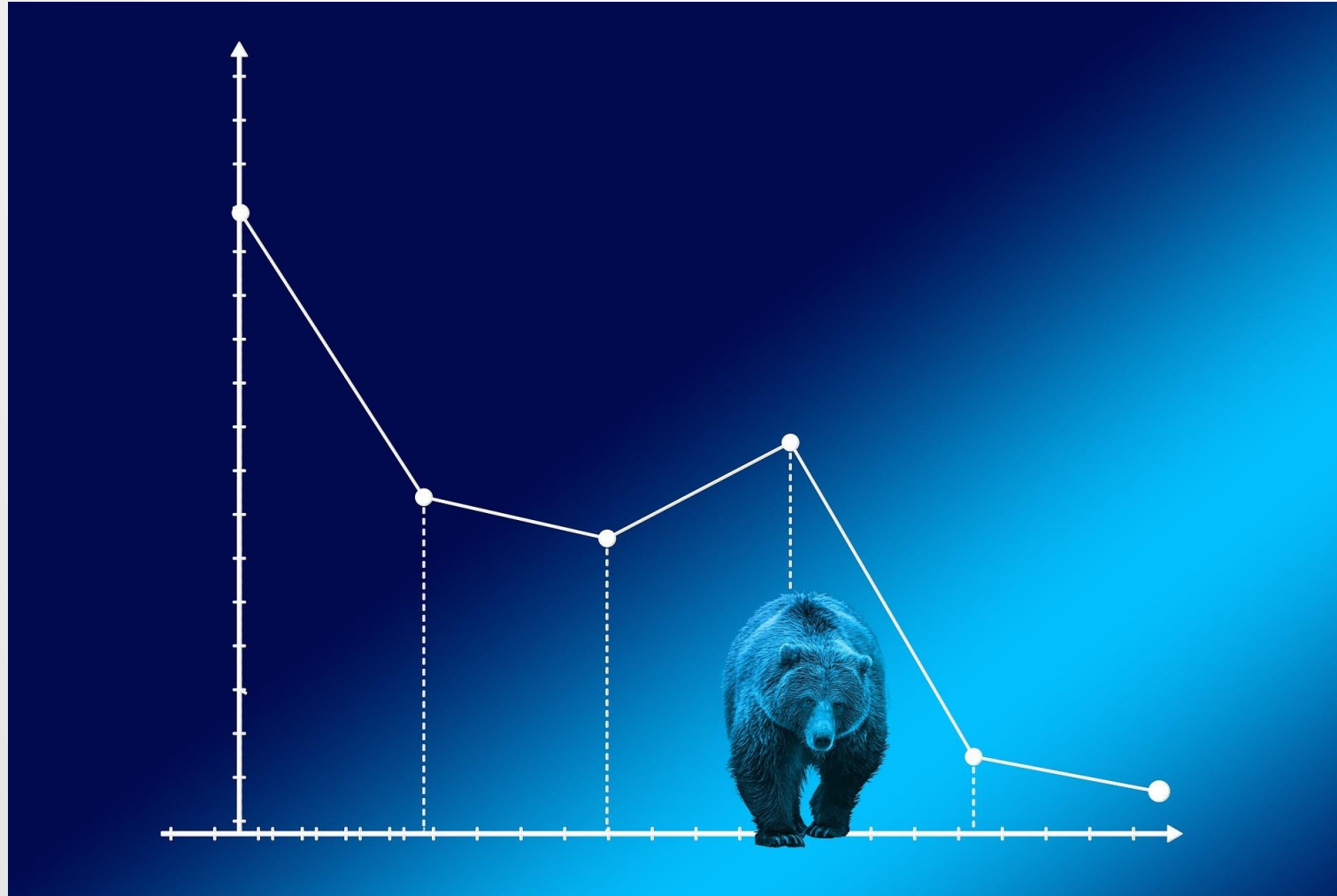
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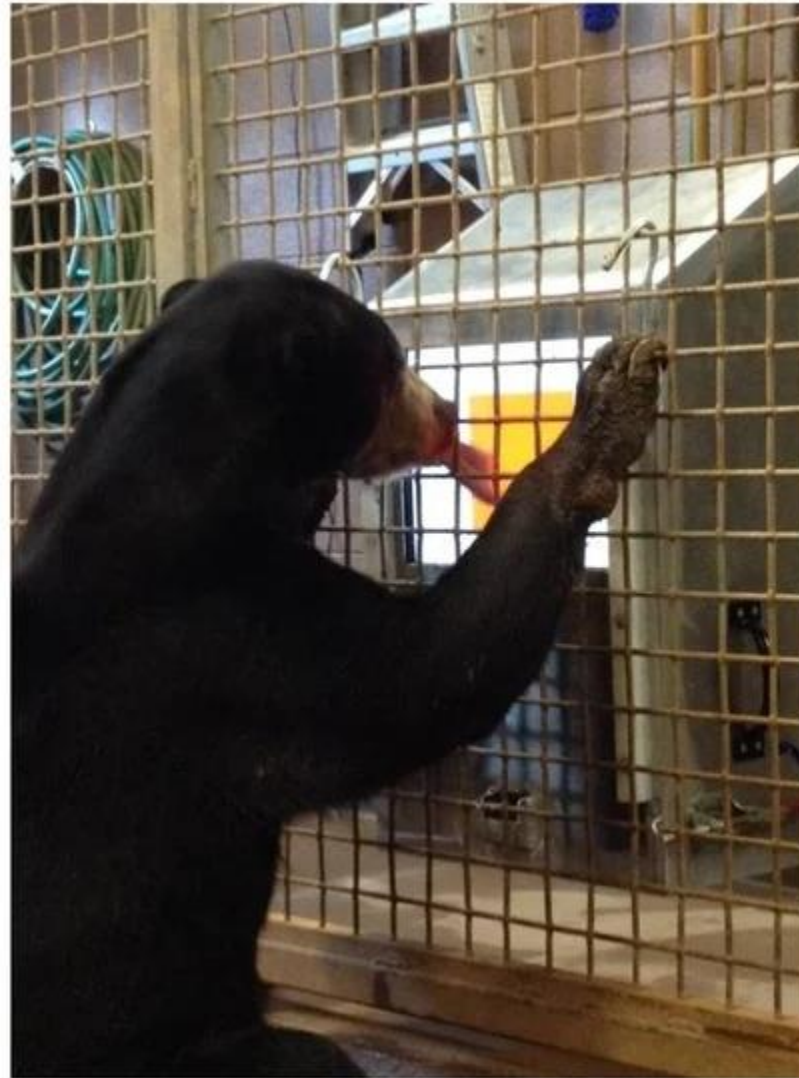
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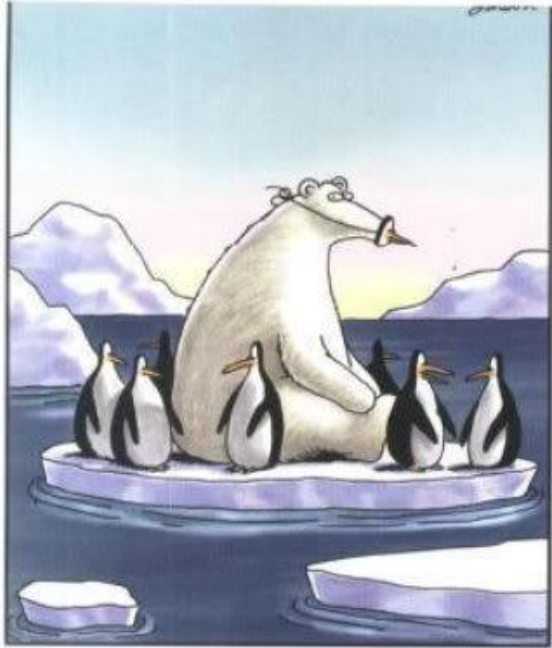
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Questions ?

Which TWO of these statements are true regarding bears in Africa?

1. Bears of 2 different subfamilies once occupied Africa
2. One bear genera found in Africa was endemic to that continent (i.e., not found on any other continent)
3. Ancient bears were found as far south as South Africa.
4. Recent genetic evidence strongly suggests that all known bear populations in Africa were derived from individuals brought there by people.
5. Wild bears lived on the African continent until World War I, when the last known one was shot.



"And now Edgar's gone. ...
Something's going on around here."