

IRCF ON THE MOVE

IRCF Nets Record Amount for Rock Iguana Conservation at NRBE Auction

The auction sponsored by the International Reptile Conservation Foundation at this year's National Reptile Breeder's Expo in Daytona Beach was a tremendous success, bringing in a record \$20,100 for the preservation of critically endangered Rock Iguanas in the West Indies. The IRCF would like to thank Wayne Hill and the Expo management, the many donors who gave generously and the countless volunteers for their many man-hours of work. We couldn't have done it without you!



Desiree Wong at the helm of the IRCF booth in Anaheim with Izzy, IRCF West Coast Spokesiguana.



Mark O'Shea becomes an IRCF member at the Anaheim show, shown here with John Binns.

Auction funds will be distributed to a number of conservation projects operated under the auspices of the IUCN Iguana Specialist Group and supported by the International Iguana Foundation as follows: (1) The San Salvador Rock Iguana (Bahamas) will receive \$8,000 to assist with relocation work, (2) The Jamaican Rock Iguana will receive \$5,000 to assist with predator control and iguana conservation work in the Hellshire Hills, (3) The Anegada Rock Iguana will receive \$4,000 to augment existing funds for the purchase of a small

used truck to assist with release of captive-reared iguanas into the wild and follow-up radio tracking, and (4) \$3,100 will go to the Grand Cayman Blue Iguana Recovery Program for this year's Phase II release of captive-raised animals.

The IRCF would also like to welcome the 25 new members who joined in Daytona Beach. We are delighted to have you as part of our organization!

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The National Reptile Breeder's Conference and Trade Show marked IRCF's first official appearance at an expo on the West Coast, providing a wonderful opportunity to network with the Southern California community. The IRCF would like to express gratitude and appreciation to Bob Ashley and Brian Potter (<http://www.narbc.com>) for donating booth space. The IRCF also welcomed 15 new members.



John Binns, Joel Friesch, Desiree Wong, AJ Gutman, Mary-Jane Garnett, Sandy Binns, and Digger, IRCF East Coast Spokesiguana at the Daytona Expo.



An enthusiastic audience turned out for the auction to benefit the West Indian Iguanas.



IRCF members at the joint annual meeting of the Society for the Study of Amphibians and Reptiles (SSAR), the Herpetologists' League (HL), and the American Society of Ichthyologists and Herpetologists (ASIH) in Tampa, Florida in June 2005. From left to right: Chuck Shaefer, Joe Burgess, Kenny Krysko, Bob Powell, and Sandy Echternacht.