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Dear colleagues and friends,

This is the 55th 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 **23,450**. This is an increase of 85 items in the last quarter. Over 23,190 references are **available** as PDF on RRC website



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THE HORNLESS RHINOCEROS

The French pharmacist and explorer Christoph-Augustin Lamare-Picquot (1785–1873) was in South Asia during 1826–1829 to collect ethnographical, anthropological, zoological and botanical specimens. He made an excursion to the Sundarbans (the Ganges-Brahmaputra delta) of Bangladesh, where on 17 November 1828 his team shot a female rhinoceros and caught her young one the next day, just south of Khulna. Both animals were completely hornless. He returned to France in the spring of 1830, where his zoological specimens were assessed by Georges Cuvier, and his other collections relating to ethnography by other scholars. All recommended purchase by the French Government, but circumstances did not allow this. A few animals were described by scientists connected with the Natural History Museum in Paris. After Lamare-Picquot published an account of the hunting expedition in 1835, the rhinoceros was described as a new species *Rhinoceros inermis*, by René-Primivère Lesson, first in a supplement to Buffon dated 1836, and not, as accepted until now, in restatements dating from 1838 or later. The main part of the zoological collection was bought by the Prussian King Friedrich Wilhelm III in 1836 and integrated in museums in Berlin. Other collections were exhibited as a “Panthéon Indien” in Vienna and Bratislava from 1838, until they were purchased by the Bavarian King Ludwig in 1841, and added to a museum in Munich. The type specimens of *R. inermis* are still preserved in the Museum für Naturkunde in Berlin. The adult female (ZMB_Mam_1957) was selected as the lectotype.

Rookmaaker, L.C., 2019. The hornless rhinoceros (*Rhinoceros sondaicus inermis* Lesson, 1836) discovered by Lamare-Picquot in the Sundarbans of Bangladesh in 1828, with notes on the history of his Asian collections. *Mammalia* 2019 (online 2019-04-09): 1-16



SPECIAL OFFER ON INDIA'S UNICORNS

Divyabhanusinh; Das, Asok Kumar; Bose, Shibani, 2018. *The story of India's unicorns*. Mumbai, Marg Foundation, pp. 1-151

This book of some 150 pages gives insight in the history of the rhinoceros in Harappan and Mughal times of India, and carries the thread forward to the present. It is beautifully illustrated and well produced. The price of \$60 (€ 54, £ 47) including free shipping worldwide acts as an incentive to obtain a book with great content.

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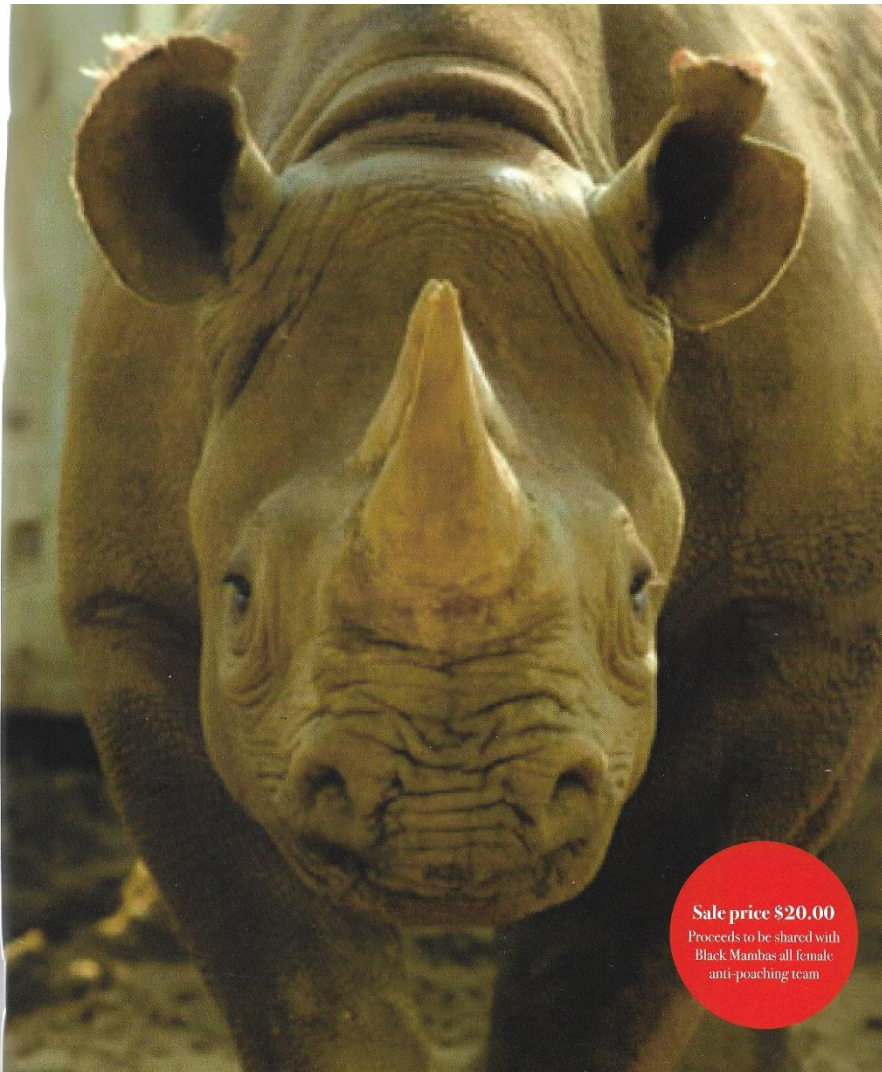
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NEW RHINO POEMS

Dearlove, Ray, 2018. *A collection of poems for the rhino*. Sydney, Dearlove, Pp. 1-28

Ray loves rhinos. He is the founder of the Australian Rhino Project based in Sydney, Australia. This series of poems is published to raise awareness for the desperate situation faced by the world rhino population. The poems are inspirational and topical. The book costs just A\$20. (Send to Safari Coastal Holdings, BSB 633-000, account 137315560).

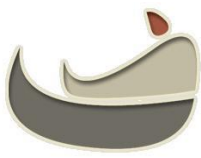


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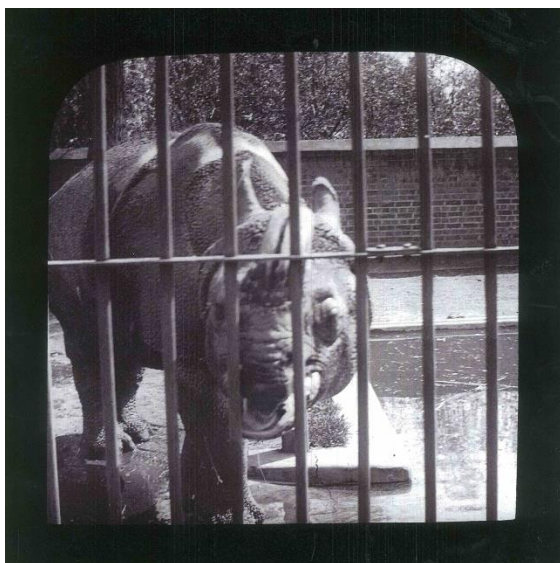
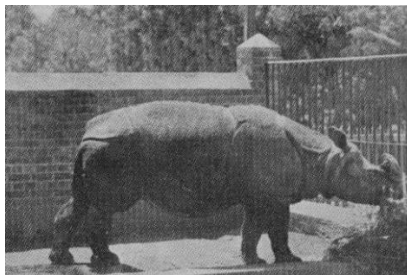
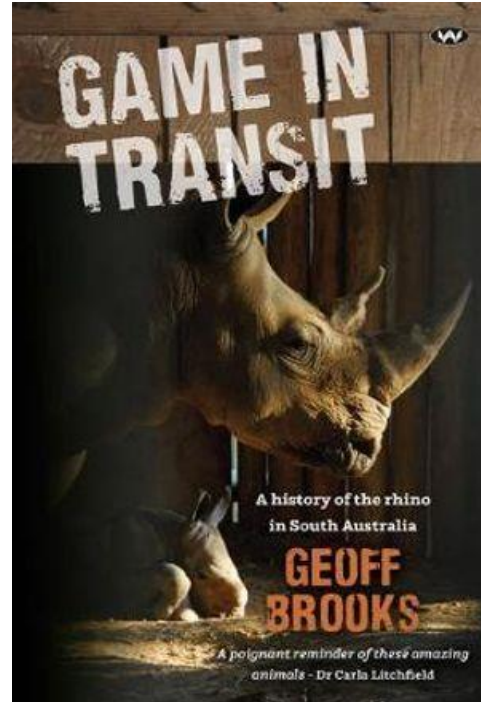


RHINOS IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Brooks, Geoff, 2017. *Game in transit: a history of the rhino in South Australia*. Mile End (South Australia), Wakefield Press, pp. i-xiv, 1-145

Geoff Brooks is a long-time rhino carer and admirer. This passion shows through on the pages of this handsome little volume detailing the history of all seventeen rhinos that were seen in South Australian zoos (Melbourne, Monarto). Most of the animals were African black or white rhinos. A great book full of first-hand observations and experiences.

This is a lovely book written with an obvious passion for the living rhinos. It will be a good addition to any bookshelf.



From 1886 to 1907, a one-horned rhino lived in the Adelaide Zoo. Curiously, it was always labelled as an Indian rhino, while in fact it was a specimen of the much rarer Javan *Rhinoceros sondaicus*.

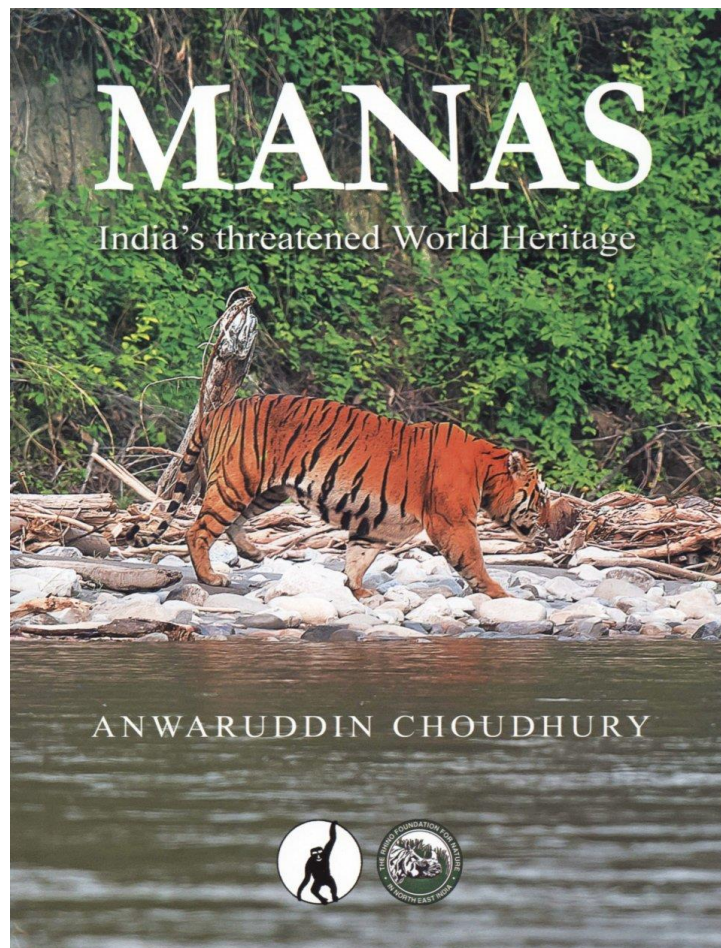
Only one photo, taken in 1901, of the living animal was known so far. But Geoff Brooks has unearthed a second image taken by a church reverend in Adelaide on unknown date (National Library archives).



CHOUDHURY ON MANAS NATIONAL PARK

Choudhury, A., 2019. *Manas: India's threatened World Heritage*. Guwahati, Gibbon Books and the Rhino Foundation for nature in NE India, pp. 1-200

Anwaruddin Choudhury provides a review of the history of Manas and an overview of the wildlife found in the region. The park was declared a reserve as early as 1905. There were troubled times in the late 1980s and early 1990s, when all the remaining rhinos were exterminated. It is now a core area for translocations of rhinos from Kaziranga. This is a well-illustrated and well-researched volume as can be expected by an author with as much experience and expertise as Dr Anwaruddin Choudhury, who has done such great work to tell us more about the wildlife of N.E. India, especially Assam. This book is well-worth reading.





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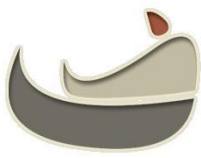


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RRC	2018 June	2018 Sept	2018 Dec	2019 March	2019 June	ANNUAL INCREASE
References	22,635	22,850	23,050	23,365	23,450	+ 815
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Images	4,115	4,162	4,231	4,444	4,465	+ 350

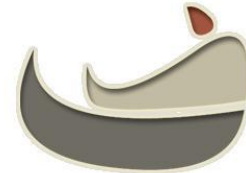
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NEW LITERATURE

(finalized 31 May 2019)

In this quarter (March to May 2019), we have added 85 new references, to bring the total number of items in the database to **23,450**.

Of these, 23,195 or 99 percent are available as PDF and searchable.

Below I have listed new entries published in the 21st century in four categories: General (all species), African rhinos, Asian rhinos and Fossil rhinos.

Most additions are available on the website.

Search for them on the RRC, it's easy.

Always check the [RRC website](#) first, many papers are available there.

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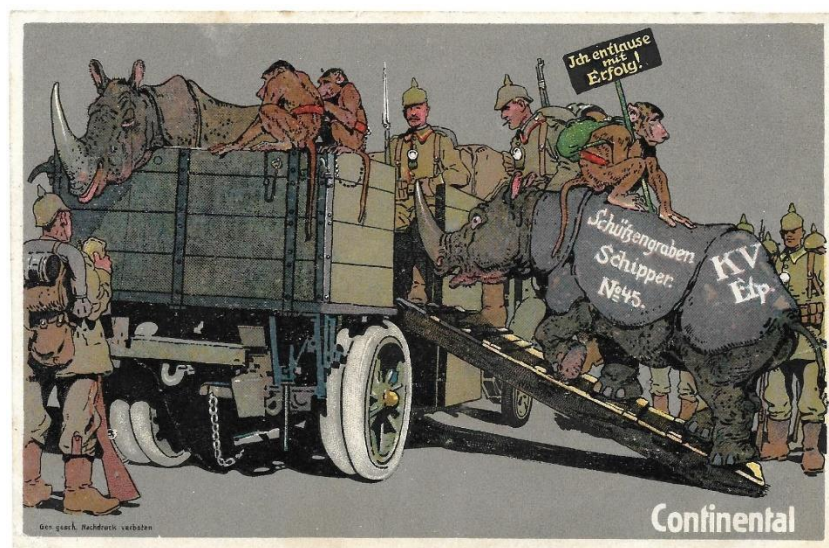
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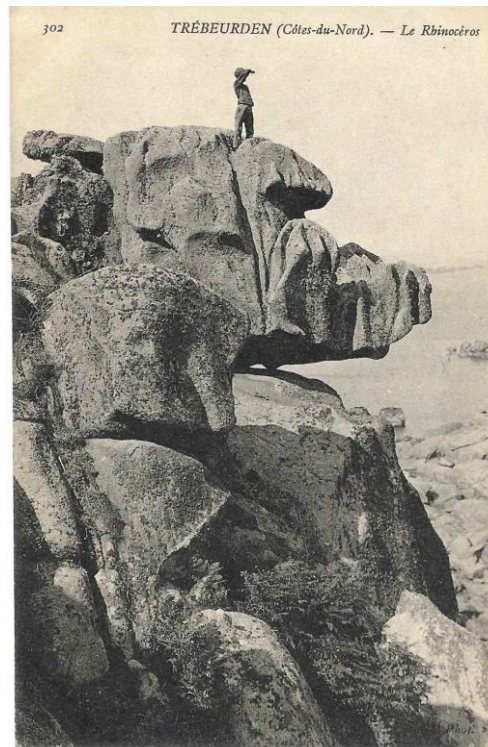
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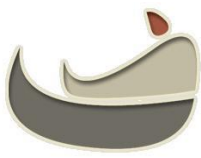
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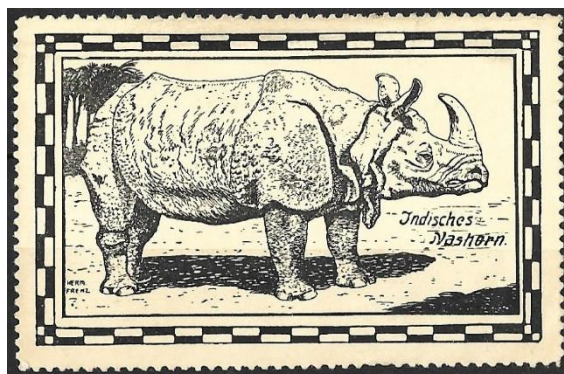
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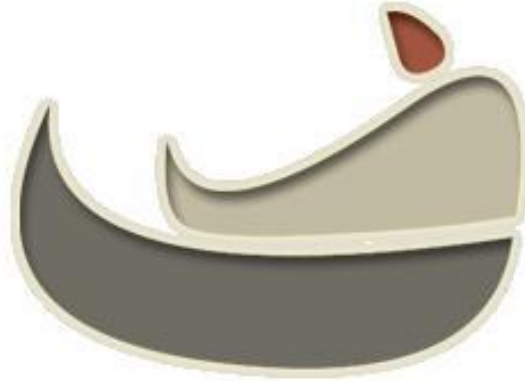


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CHRONICLES OF THE RHINOCEROS IN SOUTH ASIA

This is a new project to review and archive the historical information on the interaction between men and rhinoceros in the South Asian subcontinent. There is much amazing information in all kinds of publications, as well as data on rhino trophies and specimens in museums and private collections. I am particularly excited about some of the older artwork and photographs which can still be found.

- 👉 Pictures of any rhinoceros in art or alive in Indian subcontinent
- 👉 Historical photographs of rhinos hunted or seen before 1970
- 👉 Data on trophies and specimens in museums and private collections

All contributions are always welcome

Kees Rookmaaker – May 2019