Studbook breeding programme

Smaug giganteus

(Sungazer Lizard)



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1. Introduction

This is the latest report on the Sungazer population registered with the European Studbook Foundation.

2. Studbook Population

As at February 2015 the total studbook population is 68 specimens (22.46.0) of this, only 30 (9.21.0) are currently still living. The ratio of males to females is still cause for real concern.

3. Locations

As far as the studbook is aware, this species is kept at 9 different locations throughout Europe.

- 1.2 are kept at the Vissenbjerg Zoo in Denmark.
- 0.4 kept at Haus des Meeres Zoo in Austria.
- 1.2 at Hamburg Zoo & 1.2 at Frankfurt Zoo both of which are in Germany.
- 1.1 & 3.4 are kept at two different private locations in the UK.
- 0.2 animals in Sweden.
- 2.2 & 0.2 respectively being kept at two private locations in the Netherlands.

4. Births

Sadly, no births of this species have been reported.

5. Imports

No imports have been reported.

6. Deaths

It is with great sadness that I must report that we lost 2.4 animals during 2014.

7. Transfers

No transfers have taken place since the last report was published.

8. Discussion Points

The relatively low number of male Sungazers registered within the studbook still gives cause for concern.

9. 2014 – A year in review

No activity to report during 2014.

10. 2015 – **A** year in preview

Work will continue to identify new animals to add to the European Studbook population.

March, 2015 Fraser Gilchrist, studbook keeper.