

## BOOKS RECEIVED

*The following notes have largely been collated from the publishers' publicity material. A Report or full Review may appear in a subsequent issue of Animal Welfare.*

### ***Nonhuman Primates in Biomedical Research: Biology and Management***

B Taylor Bennett, Christian R Abee and Roy Henrickson (eds) (1995). Academic Press: San Diego; London. 428pp. Hardback. Obtainable from the publishers, 24–28 Oval Road, London NW1 7DX, UK; or 525 B Street, Suite 1900, San Diego, California 92101-4495, USA (ISBN 0 12 088661 8). Price £92.

A comprehensive reference source for those working with and caring for non-human primates in biomedical research. It includes information on the biology and management of the commonly used primate species. The legislation covered is mainly from the US perspective, however, international legislation is considered.

### ***Aping Science: A Critical Analysis of Research at Yerkes Regional Primate Research Center***

Committee on Animal Models in Biomedical Research. Perspectives on Medical Research Volume 5 (1995). Medical Research Modernization Committee: New York. 102pp. Paperback. Obtainable from the publishers, Box 2751 Grand Central Station, New York, NY 10163-2751. Price US\$10 plus US\$2 postage.

This report examines the question of whether animal modelling is a reliable means of biomedical discovery. Specifically it examines non-human primate research by assessing the value of research projects carried out at Yerkes Regional Primate Research Center in the USA.

### ***Ethics on the Ark: Zoos, Animal Welfare and Wildlife Conservation***

Edited by Bryan G Norton, Michael Hutchins, Elizabeth F Stevens and Terry L Maple (1995). Smithsonian Institution Press: Washington and London. 330pp. Hardback. Obtainable from University Press Marketing, The Old Mill, Mill Street, Wantage, Oxfordshire OX12 9AB, UK; or the publishers 470 L'Enfant Plaza, Suite 7100, Washington, DC 20560, USA (ISBN 1 56098 515 1). Price £25.25.

A multi-author discussion about the future of zoos; the treatment of animals in captivity; captive breeding and wild populations; and the question of whether the individual, the species or the ecosystem is the focus for conservation efforts. Contributors represent all sides of the issue.

### ***Current Issues and New Frontiers in Animal Research***

Edited by K A L Bayne, M Greene and E D Prentice (1995). Scientists Center for Animal Welfare (SCAW): Greenbelt. 104pp. Paperback. Obtainable from SCAW, 7833 Walker Drive, Suite 340, Greenbelt, MD 20770, USA; or from UFAW. Price £22.

The proceedings of a conference of the same title, held in December 1994 in San Antonio, Texas. There are four chapters entitled: Updates on Regulations; Current IACUC Issues; Biocontainment, Biosafety & Biohazards; New Frontiers. The final chapter includes xenotransplantation and transgenics.

***Why Does My Horse . . . ?***

Paul McGreevy (1996). Souvenir Press Ltd: London. 243pp. Hardback. Obtainable from the publishers, 43 Great Russell Street, London WC1B 3PA, UK (ISBN 0 285 63312 0). Price £15.99.

The author looks at the behaviour of the horse: what affects behaviour, misconceptions of misbehaviour, normal behaviour and an A to Z guide to discuss behaviour traits that may develop. For all those horse owners wishing to understand their animals more completely, and to deal with incipient problem behaviour before it becomes a habit or even a danger.

***The Boundless Circle: Caring for Creatures and Creation***

Michael W Fox (1996). Quest Books: Wheaton. 305pp. Paperback. Obtainable from the publishers, 306 W Geneva Road, PO Box 270, Wheaton, Illinois 60189-0270, USA (ISBN 0 8356 07259). Price US\$20.

This book examines religion's attitude, especially Christianity, toward animals and nature. The author considers the teachings of St Francis of Assisi, panentheism, the beliefs of indigenous cultures and the writings of Thomas Aquinas.

***Ducks***

David Tomlinson (1996). Whittet Books: London. 128pp. Paperback. Obtainable from the publishers, 18 Anley Road, London W14 0BY, UK (ISBN 1 873580 24 X). Price £7.99.

All about ducks. David Tomlinson considers 'What is a duck?', the various and varied species, and the different life stages. A section entitled 'On the move' looks at flight and migration, while other topics include: population levels, predators, behaviour, swimming and feeding. The last two sections examine interactions with man, comprising domesticated ducks, wildfowling, ringing, duck watching and photography.

***Urban Wildlife***

Peter Shirley (1996). Whittet Books: London. 128pp. Paperback. Obtainable from the publishers, 18 Anley Road, London W14 0BY, UK (ISBN 1 873580 23 1). Price £7.99.

Many wild animals, both native and exotic, flourish in the special conditions of towns. The author deals in turn with the major species which co-exist with man in urban and suburban environments. These include various mammals and birds, snakes, lizards, amphibians and insects.