



# Southwest Florida CISMA Update

## Outreach Events

- Panther Festival and Exotic Pet Amnesty Day-  
Nov. 2013
- Festival in the Woods at Picayune Strand –  
January 2014
- Southwest Florida Nature and Wildlife Festival-  
Rookery Bay -January 2014
- Burrowing Owl Festival February 2014
- Florida Panther NWR Open House -March 2014
- Conservancy of SWFL Earth Day Event -April  
2014
- 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Non-native Fish Round-up with  
ECISMA -May 2014
- Panther Festival and Exotic Pet Amnesty Day-  
Nov. 2013
- Charlotte Harbor Nature Festival- Nov. 2014





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## Exotic Pet Amnesty Day November 2013

- 2- ball pythons
- 4 -Burmese pythons
- 1- red eared slider
- 1- chinchilla
- 1 -rabbit





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## 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Exotics Workshop

FGCU January 23, 2014

200 registrants

Diverse agenda

Plant ID Sessions

CEUs offered

Python Handling Training





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- ▣ **Python Survey –February 2014**
  - ✓ 3 Burmese pythons were located and captured  
(10' male, 7.5' male, 12' female)
  
- ▣ **SWFL collaborative radio-telemetry python study- lead by Paul Andreadis**
  - ✓ Two additional Burmese were located and captured through previously tagged pythons during the (10' male, 14.5' female)
  
- ▣ **Ongoing Research**
  - ✓ Capturing, tagging and/or removing adults, juveniles and hatchlings





# Southwest Florida Cisma

Received three grants this year:

1. FLEPPC/FISP Cisma Grant- for outreach and workshops
2. Partners for Fish and Wildlife- for invasive animal outreach efforts
3. Rivers, Roots and Ruts- Caloosahatchee River Basin workday funding, herbicide and supplies

Future Endeavors:

- Creating a Friends of SWFL Group-501c3
- Grass ID workshop & Annual Meeting in Fall 2014
- 12 outreach events and workshops already on the calendar for the season!