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Experience NRETA at the Freds Pass Rural Show

Come and join the Department of Natural Resources, Environment and The Arts (NRETA) at this years Freds Pass Rural Show, on Saturday the 17 May and Sunday the 18 May 2008.

A wide variety of displays will be on show as well as native wildlife, including the black-headed python and the brush-tailed possum,

The Territory Wildlife Park's zookeepers will be on hand and the public will have the opportunity to see and handle the black-headed python and touch the brush-tailed possum and learn about their features between 10am and 12pm Saturday and 11am and 12pm on Sunday.

Other NRETA displays include information on:

- Threatened Species – learn more about how NRETA is incorporating traditional Aboriginal knowledge with western science to improve our understanding of where, when and why our native animals are disappearing.
- Territory Wildlife Park – this display features information about the park and showcases the Top End's native plant and animals, with the added bonus of being able to handle the black-headed python and brush-tailed possum.
- Soil Management – this display features information and guidelines on how to manage the most important natural resource on earth, includes erosion and sediment control plans to help identify erosion risks as well as techniques to prevent soil loss.
- NRETA Maps – learn how to access online data, printed map products and reports which are critical for the management, development and conservation of natural resources in the Northern Territory.
- The Northern Territory Archives Service – offers the public access to information on historical and current records that reflect our community.

There will also be a colouring in competition for children with the chance to win some fantastic prizes.

Join the Territory Wildlife Park zookeepers and NRETA staff at this weekend's Freds Pass Rural Show for an enjoyable and educational experience.

For more information about the NRETA displays at the Freds Pass Rural Show visit www.nt.gov.au/nreta

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Image – Black-headed Python

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