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Photo of the Month



Bushy-tailed Jird (Sekeetamys calurus)

Even though there are no serious threats facing this rodent species, it is a naturally rare species, occurring at relatively low densities. It inhabits rocky areas and is a nearlyendemic species to the Mediterranean region. It has been recorded in the southern parts of Jordan, including in the Rahma spe-



cial conservation

Did you Know

The Azraq Wetland is the only oasis in the Arabian Desert with a self-replenishing system.

BioBit



History of Protected Areas in Jordan

John Clarke's protected area surveys resulted in the establishment of six nature reserves in Jordan. Five of these sites were designated to be completely run and managed by The Royal Society for the Conservation of Nature and the last reserve. Wadi Rum Protected Area, is managed by the Aqaba Special Economic Zone Authority.

22 April - 28 April **Earth Day**

Upcoming Events

Celebration Have Your Say

Send us your questions, comments or even

photos to: member@rscn.org.jo

Just be-

cause you CAN drive, doesn't mean you have to. Carpooling, biking, and walking are all great ways to get to your destination without leaving a print.



ARABINATE COMME

NIZAR KHALIL VISA Together, We Can Help People Help

RSCN News

Launch of the National Report on Climate Change and Biodiversity in Jordan

As climate change is projected to increase temperatures in Jordan during the 21st century, the Kingdom is expected to witness increased incidence of fires and a "significant" rise in drought conditions.

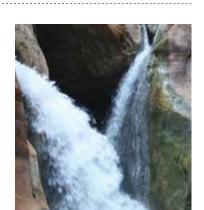
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Members Trip to Mujib Nature Reserve

RSCN Members, Friends, and employees enjoyed an overnight trip to Mujib Nature Reserve on March 17-18th, 2011.

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Local Environmental News

Solar Power Technology Poised to Light up Remote **Villages**

Three Jordanians who spent six months in India receiving training on solar power technology, returned home with plans to utilize their experience to benefit their communities. Read more



Jordan Facing Water Security Risk The Security Risk Index, issued by risk analysts

and mapping group Maplecroft, rated Jordan third among 18 countries at "extreme watersecurity risk", with 15 of the countries located in the Middle East North Africa (MENA) region. Read more >



Regional Environmental News Ramallah Celebrates First

Palestinian Environment Festival

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estine's first dedicated environment festival.

Ramallah celebrated what is believed to be Pal-



Shark Catching Drives

World Environmental News

Species to Extinction Last year six people were killed by sharks world-

wide. Multiply that number by more than 12 million and you get close to the number of sharks killed for human consumption each year. Read more

Take Action



Earth Day 2011: A Billion **Acts of Green**

On April 22, 2011, individuals, corporations, and governments will come together to celebrate

learn about how you can help reach this goal! http://www.earthday.org/

Earth Day. Check out their official website to

Earth Hour 2011



Continuing a three-year tradition, The Royal Society for the

Lights Out Jordan

Lights Out Jordan Conservation of Nature (RSCN), with support from Investbank

coming hundreds of people to an evening of environmental awareness, entertainment, and, above all, commitments to change the world. Joining with hundreds of millions of people across the globe, participants in Amman gathered at the RSCN's Wild Jordan Center, turned off their lights for one hour, and marched by candle-

and Hala FM, hosted "Lights Out Jordan: Earth Hour 2011," wel-

taken to save the planet. Before embarking on the candlelit march, participants were asked to make a commitment to go beyond the hour and make a change for life.

light through Jabal Amman in order to bring awareness to global

warming while celebrating the strides that Jordan and RSCN have

change that would help save the planet, starting at the simplest of levels: themselves.

From carpooling to recycling, participants chose one lifestyle





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