

# Hedgehog Gossip

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West Saxons**



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# Author`s Note

Here we are again... at the beginning of winter. The year 2024 has kicked off on a very fast pace all ready. I am not sure if I am mentally ready for winter yet!

Winter is the one season that every African Pygmy Hedgehog owner hates. Hibernation attempts will be the number one enemy to combat.

Tenrec owners are puzzling as some tenrecs are still awake. Don`t you worry about that, in the month of June most tenrecs will be in torpor.

Winter is not all cold and dread, it is also the time for wonderful soups, stews, and all kinds of soul food. The time to re-consider things, the time to do some introspection, and who knows, maybe time to rest and take things at a slower pace. If you are blessed, make a fire in the fireplace. Get yourself a blanky, glass of sherry, hot chocolate or a coffee.

Nature is slowing down, and so should you. Even if it is only for one night.

# SAHBA News

Some of you might have heard the news. One of South Africa's top hedgehog breeders, Elize Campher, from Ella's Hedgehogs is leaving the breeding community.

But, she is not totally lost for the hedgehog community. Elize will be taking in a new exciting path. Elize will be busy with rescuing, rehabilitating and doing field research of our indigenous hedgehogs, the Southern African Hedgehog. And will still be heavily involved with SAHBA, training new young upcoming breeders.

Elize is a legend in the hedgehog community and will surely be making a difference for the wild hogs of South Africa.



# Events!!

At Awesome Krimpvarkies we believe in having fun. Every month there is a special event taking place. Recently we had the Admins Trivia War, where the admins competed against one another. The triumphant winner was Francois Willemse. His hilarious cross dressing outfit perhaps had helped him over the winning line.



Dressed for success!!



# Awesome Krimpvarkies Events 2024

January	SAHBA Breeders Awards
February	Photo Competition
March	Raffle
April	Admins Skills Hedgehog/Tenrec Trivia Competition
May	Auction
June	Members Skills Hedgehog Trivia
July	Members Tenrec Skills Trivia
August	Funniest Video Competition
September	Promote Awesome <u>Krimpvarkies</u> Month
October	Admin Weekend
November	Hedgehog versus Tenrec Cage Competition
December	Admin of the year reward

# Popcorn`s story

Popcorn is adoreable little hedgehog who got rescued by accident. A kind lady by the name of Karien went out on a rescue of cats and in the process stumbled upon Popcorn and Pickles. They had lived in terrible conditions. One night Popcorn manage to escape her cage and went to party with Pickles. Her concerned foster mom took her for an sonar and x-ray to see if there were any “after effects” from that one night stand, and the verdict was NOT PREGNANT!

But, less than 72 hours later the babies were there!

Dear Popcorn had landed herself a home with one of the vet`s assistants, and once the babies are big enough, she will go to her new home



# Animal Friends

Alie the tenrec  
and Frisco



Chira and her  
bunny friend



Patches the cat and Ruby



Rocky, pekingese  
and Sponsie the  
hog



Delta and Lyra the hedgy



Starlight and Matewis the cat



Max, tenrec and Odie



# Recipe of the month

Time to spoil your hedgehog with this easy to make dish



## BANANA BREAD

By Cherice Stevenson

(Safe as a daily treat.)

### INGREDIENTS

- 1/2 Banana
- 1 Egg
- 5 Teaspoons crushed cat kibble

### DIRECTIONS

1. Preheat your oven to 180°C.
2. Mix all the ingredients together.
3. Grease a mini cupcake pan with some cooking spray.
4. Scoop the mixture into the pan.
5. Bake for 10 - 15 minutes.

### NOTES

What a better and healthier way to serve your hedgy a human staple without doing them any harm.

# Hedgehog Dreams

If you believe that dreams might have deeper significant meanings, then this post might just be for you! This is information gathered from a variety of sites, and no proof whatsoever if this is factual or not.

## **Catching a hedgehog:**

If you catch a hedgehog in your dreams, it means you are trying to solve a problem. You need re-assess if your self defence mechanism is withholding you from progress or protecting you.

## **Holding a hedgehog:**

It can be interpreted that you are defensive over a situation or relationship. Hedgehogs are all about self-preservation, the way they act, balling up, having quills to protect their softer inner body.

## **Dreaming of hedgehog quills:**

You are in a bad situation / danger or really bad relationship. Quills are perceived as “weapons” or “poisonous darts”.

## **Hedgehog attack:**

Bearing of bad news, you might be at risk, someone trying to hurt / harm you. Physically or emotionally.

## **Yellow Hedgehog:**

Yellow is mostly a symbol of happiness but can be of insecurity. Don't withhold your playfully happy spirit.

## **White Hedgehog:**

A dream of a white baby hedgehog suggests sufficiency, fancy, and friendship.

## **Albino Hedgehog:**

Seeing an albino hedgehog mirrors your ability to see into the future.

## **Dead Hedgehog:**

A dead hedgehog stands for the absolute ruin of something in your life.

# Last note...

**DID YOU ENJOY OUR  
GOSSIP NEWS?**

**LET US KNOW!**

**DO YOU HAVE A STORY TO  
TELL? LET US KNOW!**

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