Exotic pets



Flying under the radar

Considerations given to animals in the City of Winnipeg

Domesticated dogs (1 species)	Domesticated cats (1 species)	Exotics (+30,000 species)
Keeper's license	Keeper's license	
Breeding license	Breeding license	
Restriction on litters	Restriction on litters	
Neutering	Neutering	
18 pages	10 pages	2 pages
Sentient	Sentient	Sentient
Ability to suffer	Ability to suffer	Ability to suffer
Needs relatively easy to meet due to domesticated nature	Needs relatively easy to meet due to domesticated nature	Needs difficult to meet due to wild nature

Animals currently allowed in Winnipeg

- Pelicans, flamingos, penguins, parrots, songbirds and thousands of other bird species
- Tortoises and > 9,000 of other reptile species
- All amphibian species (8,473)
- All fish species (33,000)
- Rabbits and hares (*Lagomorpha*)
- Hyenas, meerkats, binturongs, and some mongoose species (*Herpestoidea*)
- 100s of exotic rodent species (*Rodentia*) - Hantavirus, Lyme disease, monkeypox etc.
- Red panda (*Ailuridae*)
- Treeshrews (*Scandentia*)

Endangered species not truly protected

“All protected or endangered animals, whether native or non-native, whose possession or sale is prohibited in Manitoba because they are designated as protected or endangered pursuant to an international, federal, or provincial law, regulation, rule or agreement. This prohibition does not apply to an animal that has been obtained in accordance with international, federal or provincial law, as applicable, unless it is otherwise identified on this List.”

Less than 1,000 species (mostly mammals) are protected from commercial trade. All other animals can be traded, and only a small number of animals requires comprehensive paperwork.

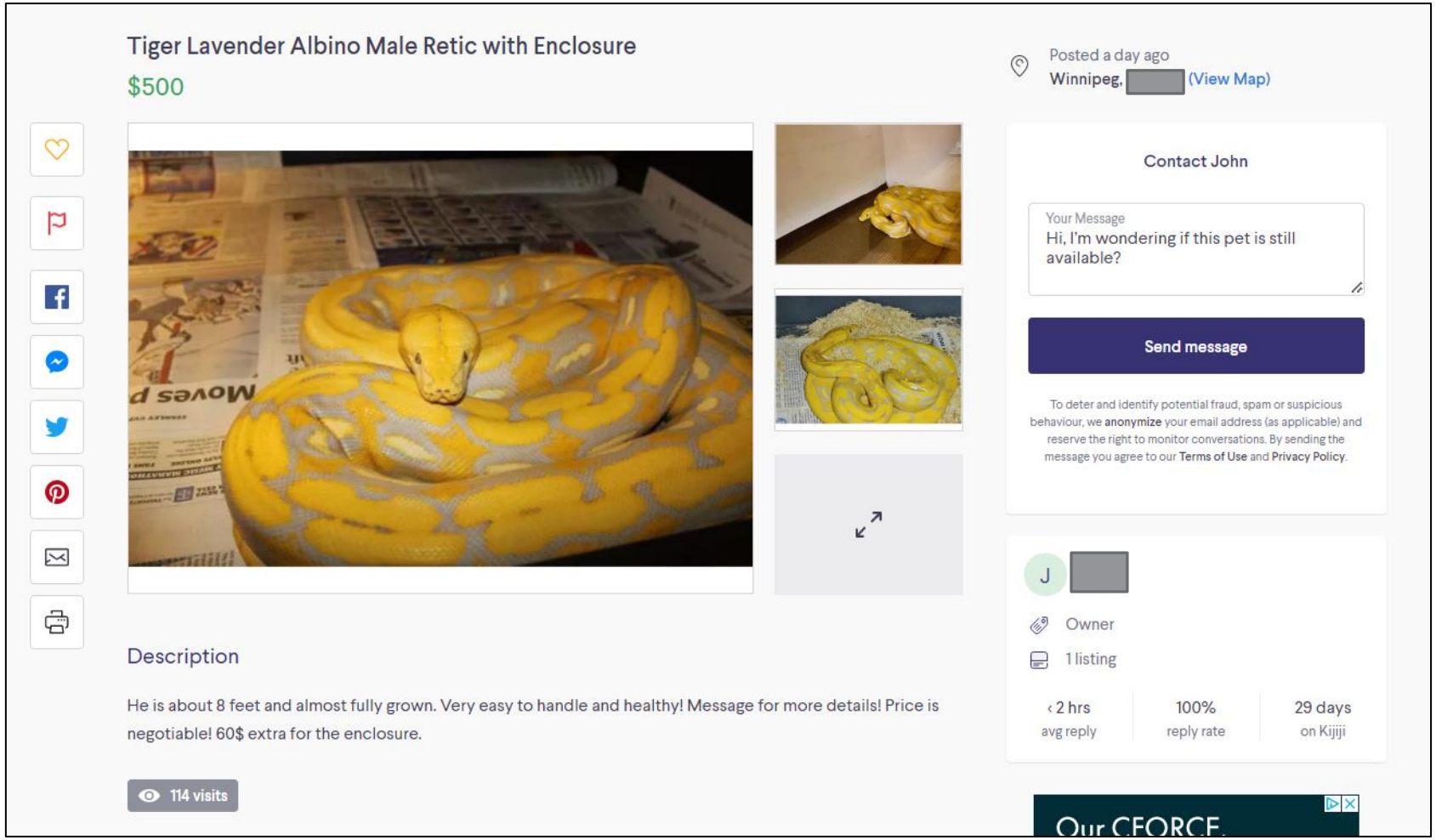
Exotic pet situation in Winnipeg

- More than 60 species are sold in Winnipeg
- Exotic animals bred in Winnipeg – numbers are unclear
- Exotic animals are sold in pet stores, online and exotic pet expos
- **Exotic pet situation is unknown because no data is collected**
- 2020-2021, at least 1,848 ads, selling exotic animals found on Kijiji
- Prohibited and allowed exotic animals are sold in Winnipeg
- Online scan April 12th 2022, hundreds of animals for sale

Reticulated python

Illegal in Winnipeg

Potential dangerous due to size

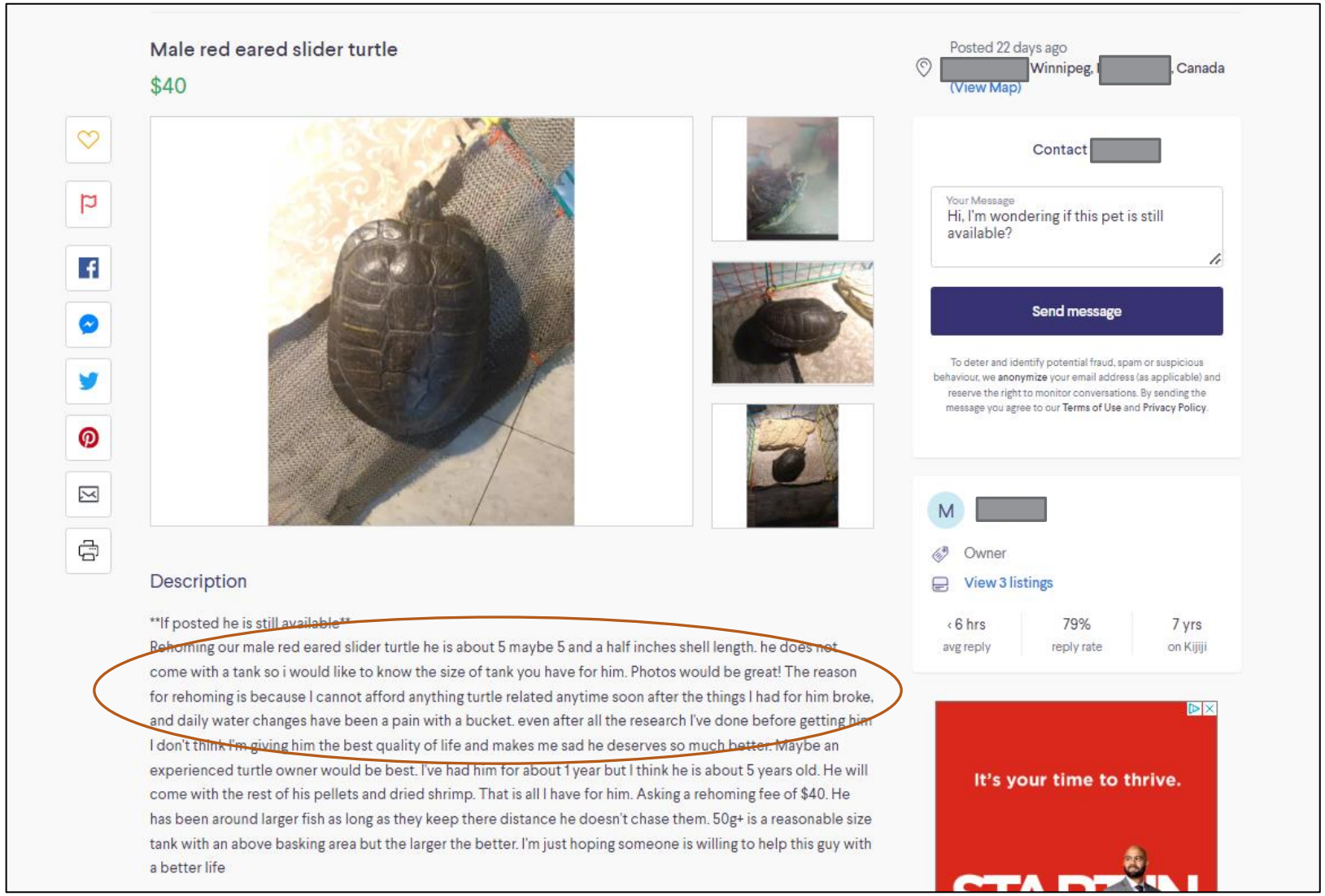


Red eared slider

Legal in Winnipeg

Highly invasive

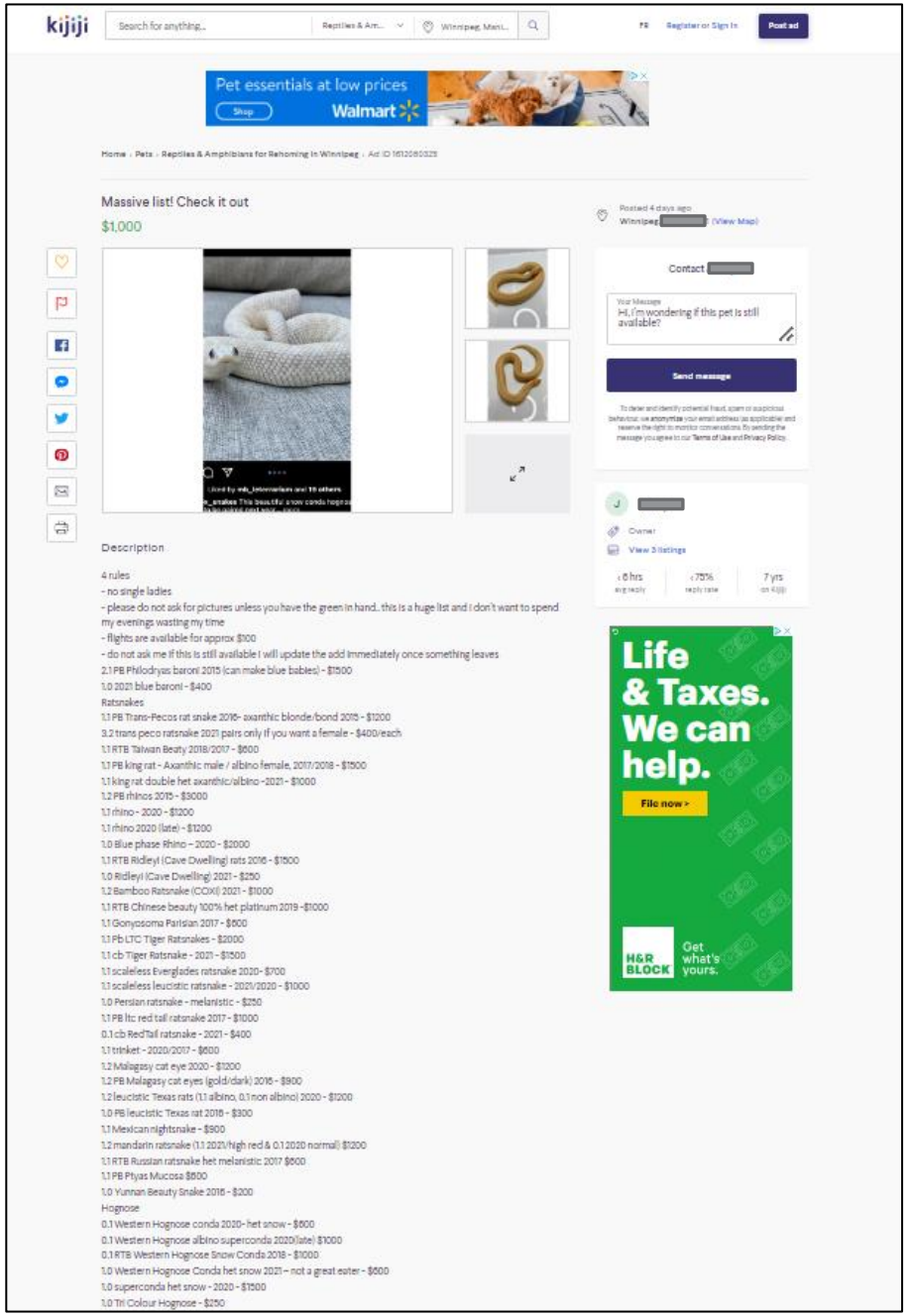
Not a beginner pet



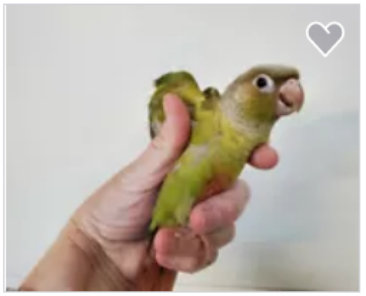
Basement breeders

Legal in Winnipeg

Similar to puppy mills



Parrots



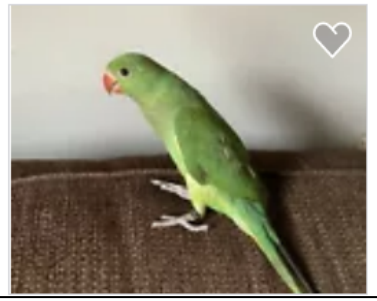
Cinnamon green cheek conure baby parrot — $450.00

Winnipeg | 25/03/2022

Hand feed cinnamon green cheek conure baby parrot $450 text or call 431 996 6049 Ive been raising parrots over 30 years

Please Contact

es with his cage and accessories, contact for more info.

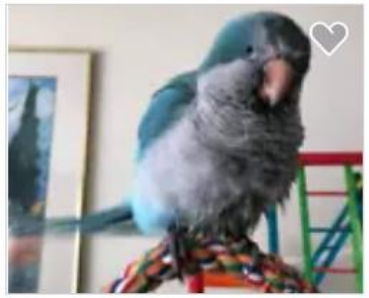


Handfed Baby Conures and Indian Ringnecks — $350.00

Winnipeg | 09/04/2022

Exciting news! Exotic Baby Birds have few gorgeous baby conures and Ringnecks for sale! If you have further inquiries regarding these baby conures. They come from a registered breeder and

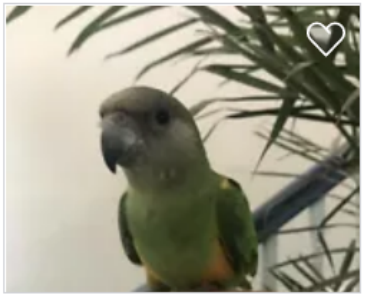
$800.00



2 Quakers for sale — $1,758.00

Winnipeg | ‹ 36 minutes ago

2 Quakers for sale with ALL accessories Bird standwater and food dish, 34 inches wide 57 inches height 21 1/4 wide Main cage double 21 inches wide 65 inch long 61 inches high Has 6 wheels + lower ...



Hand fed baby Senegal Parr

Winnipeg | 08/04/2022

Super sweet, hand raised baby
fruits, and vegetables and read
some research ...

g hand feed now $1000 text 431 996 6049 To reserve $50



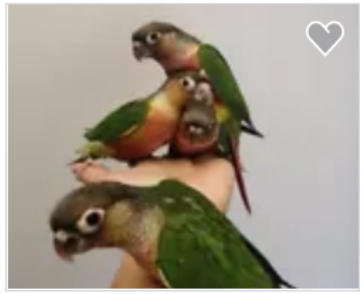
Lovebirds for rehoming — $400.00

Winnipeg | 09/04/2022

Unfortunately I'm not able to take care of my baby birds anymore, and need to rehome them, I'm
t I'm not able to give them the time and attention they need

.00

Will be moved to different



FS - Spring Conures — Please Contact

Winnipeg | Yesterday

Almost ready to rehome. Hand fed and tamed baby conures. Taking deposit. Suncheek high red $800 Yellow sided high red $400 Black cap conures $450 Dilute conure $350

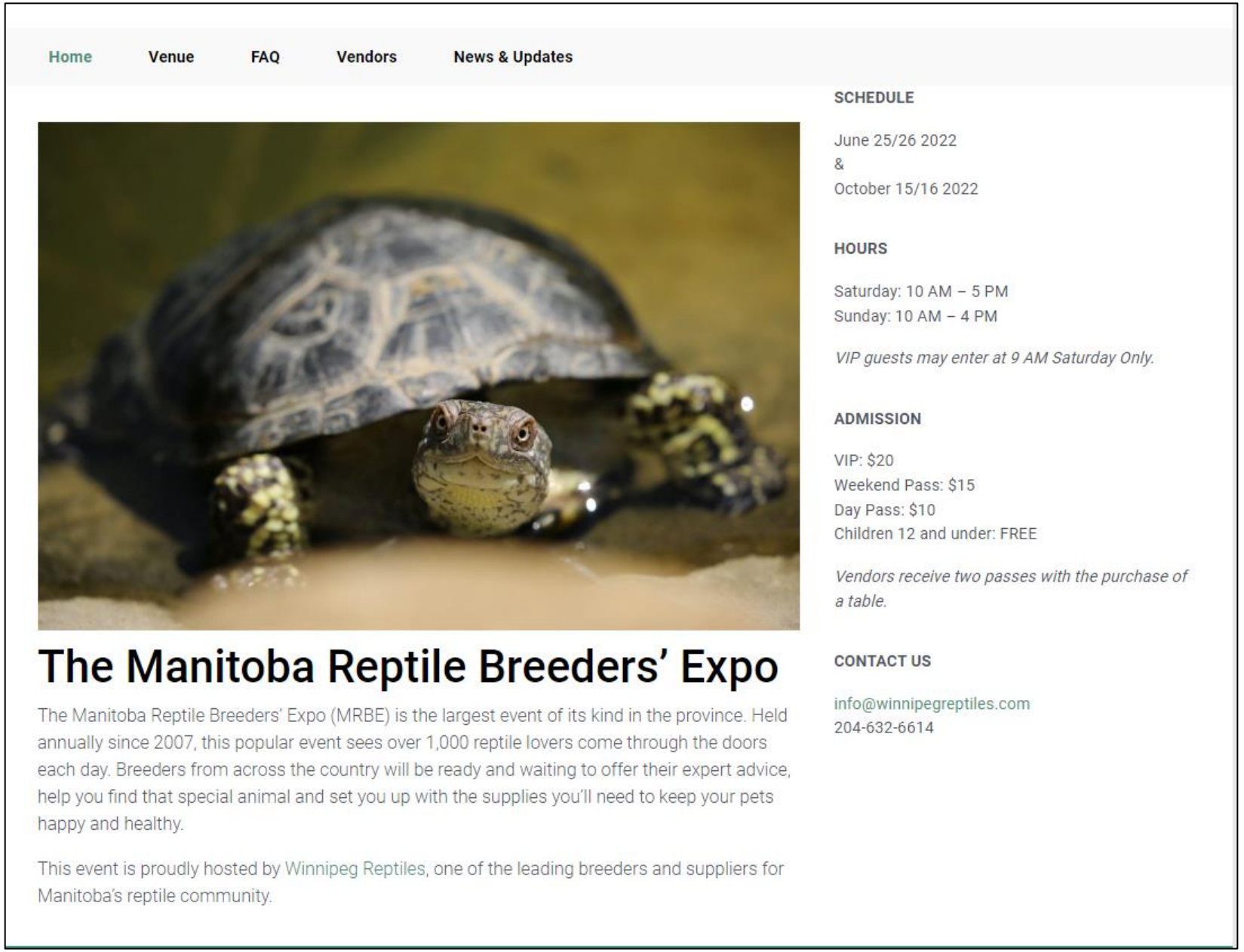
Animal sale

Pet stores

Exotic pet expos

Internet, Kijiji, Facebook, ReptileClassifieds, AllClassifieds, Breeders without store front, etc.

Pet stores are usually only a small % of animals sold within a jurisdiction.



Why exotic pet review is warranted

- Current prohibited list has loopholes.
- How will Winnipeg current Avian Influenza, knowing there are exotic wild bird owners that keep birds outdoors and can interact with native wild birds. Bylaw doesn't address this. Most Canadian zoos has put their birds indoors.
- Bylaw is outdated for exotic animals, welfare should be a consideration based on knowledge we now have.
- Much of the trade is not visible, analysis should provide more clarity what's actually happening in order to make suitable recommendations that are in the best interest of animals, people and the environment.