

Scurry Makes it to the Finish Line!

It's official! Our fast running tortoise has a name...Scurry.

From the more than 100 suggested names, Scurry is the winner with 30 votes posted on <u>Facebook</u>. Second place goes to Rock Steady with 20 votes, and the bronze goes to Taco with 11.



Now it's up to winner, Patricia Guy Cooper, to *scurry* and claim her prize, which is a gift basket provided by the Nevada Site Office. Nice work Patricia!

The name *Scurry* certainly fits this young yet incredibly fast tortoise, who has traveled approximately 6 kilometers since September 21, 2012, when he and 59 of his friends were moved from the Desert Tortoise Conservation Center in Las Vegas to the Nevada National Security Site. Following translocation, *Scurry* immediately went on the move and surpassed even the quickest of his mates.

Most of the tortoises, including *Scurry*, are settling down now and are expected to claim one general burrowing location for the rest of the fall and winter. Each week researchers continue to record the location, burrow size and type, and the kind of plants surrounding the burrows of each tortoise.

You can follow *Scurry's* adventures on twitter at <u>www.twitter.com/tortyontherun</u>.

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