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SMASH, HOME AT LAST

Smash, a 1.5 m long Lace Monitor, which was brought into Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary Community Hospital more than a month ago after being hit by a car was released today, Monday, 14th April near Cabarita Beach.

Smash arrived at the hospital in a critical condition with severe lung haemorrhage, head trauma, fractured jaw, and multiple deep lacerations to his tongue and mouth.

The haemorrhaged lung was slowly drowning the reptile in its own blood and required emergency surgery to save its life.

Following the surgery, Smash required six weeks of pampering by Sanctuary Veterinary staff as he underwent his slow recovery in his luxury rehab facility.

Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary Veterinarian Nurse, Mimi Dona who was on hand at the release thinks that Smash should be happy back in the wild.

“We released “smash” just near where he was found but away from the road, lucky for him his home is a very beautiful nature reserve. It was wonderful to see him act like a healthy lace monitor; he went straight up a tree that was about 20 metres tall. Although he did not look back I am sure he was grateful for the help,” said Mimi.

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