AQUACULTURE WITHOUT FRONTIERS (UK) (AwF UK)



Company Registration # 5138073

Charity Registration # 1107062

Chairman's Report Annual General Meeting, 26 November 2009

INTRODUCTION

This report has been prepared for presentation at the fifth AGM of the charity Aquaculture without Frontiers (UK).

ADMINISTRATIVE

The office of the charity remains in Marlow.

There have been no changes in the composition of the board during the past year.

The Charity Trustees are currently as follows:

- Geoff Allan (Australia)
- John Cooksey (USA)
- Michael Bernard New (UK)
- Scott Peddie (UK)
- Sophie Emma Louise Varley (UK)

Our fifth report to the Charity Commission and our fifth annual return to the Companies Register were submitted by Michael New on schedule.

The Chairman's AGM report for 2007-2008 was uploaded onto the AwF website following the 2008 AGM.

MEETINGS OF THE TRUSTEES

No physical meeting of the trustees was held during this year. Email correspondence continued throughout the year.

FINANCIAL & FUND RAISING

The financial report for the financial year ending 31 May 2009 has been distributed to the members and uploaded onto the AwF website.

Income

Donations have continued to come mainly from trustees and their families and from local fund-raising activities but the latter have been much less extensive or productive in Marlow than in previous years. However, there has been some fund-raising in Northern Ireland, organised by AwF Director Scott Peddie.

Reimbursement for tax paid by UK donors up to the end of FY 2008-2009 has been claimed from HM Customs and Revenue but not yet received.

Expenditure

Expenditure during the past year has been limited to project expenditure and grants and company filing fees. No travel or other expenses have been paid to any of the AwF trustees, who have continued to donate the use of their time and facilities.

PATRONS & SPONSORS

No developments within the year.

FIELD ACTIVITIES

The second transfer of US\$ 4,167 (£2,680) has been made to our project in Nepal. A final transfer of US\$9251 be due in January 2010. AwF (UK) has also made the second transfer of Rp. 290,700 (£.....) to our project in Bishramganj, India; a final transfer on this project (Rp. 64,600) will be due in June 2010. Sufficient reserves will be maintained the AwF (UK) bank account to honour these commitments. New proposals are being actively solicited for examination by our Technical Advisory Committee (Chaired by AwF (UK) Trustee Geoff Allan).

WEBSITE

Now operated by AwF and in the process of being updated and improved.

NEWSLETTER

No newsletters have been issued since January 2008.

PUBLICITY

Some international aquaculture magazines continue to publish *gratis* occasional advertisements for AwF. Our friends in the Hatchery International group of companies are currently kindly working on a new advertyisement.

AWF VOLUNTEERS

The database is managed by Joe Tomasso (AwF Director).

CONCLUSIONS

Two AwF (UK) supported projects are currently ongoing, in India and Nepal. After reserves have been made for the further financial commitments to these projects have been made, relatively substantial funds remain for allocation to future approved projects.

Respectfully submitted to the Members of AwF (UK), 14 November 2009.

Michael New, OBE Chairman Aquaculture without Frontiers (UK)