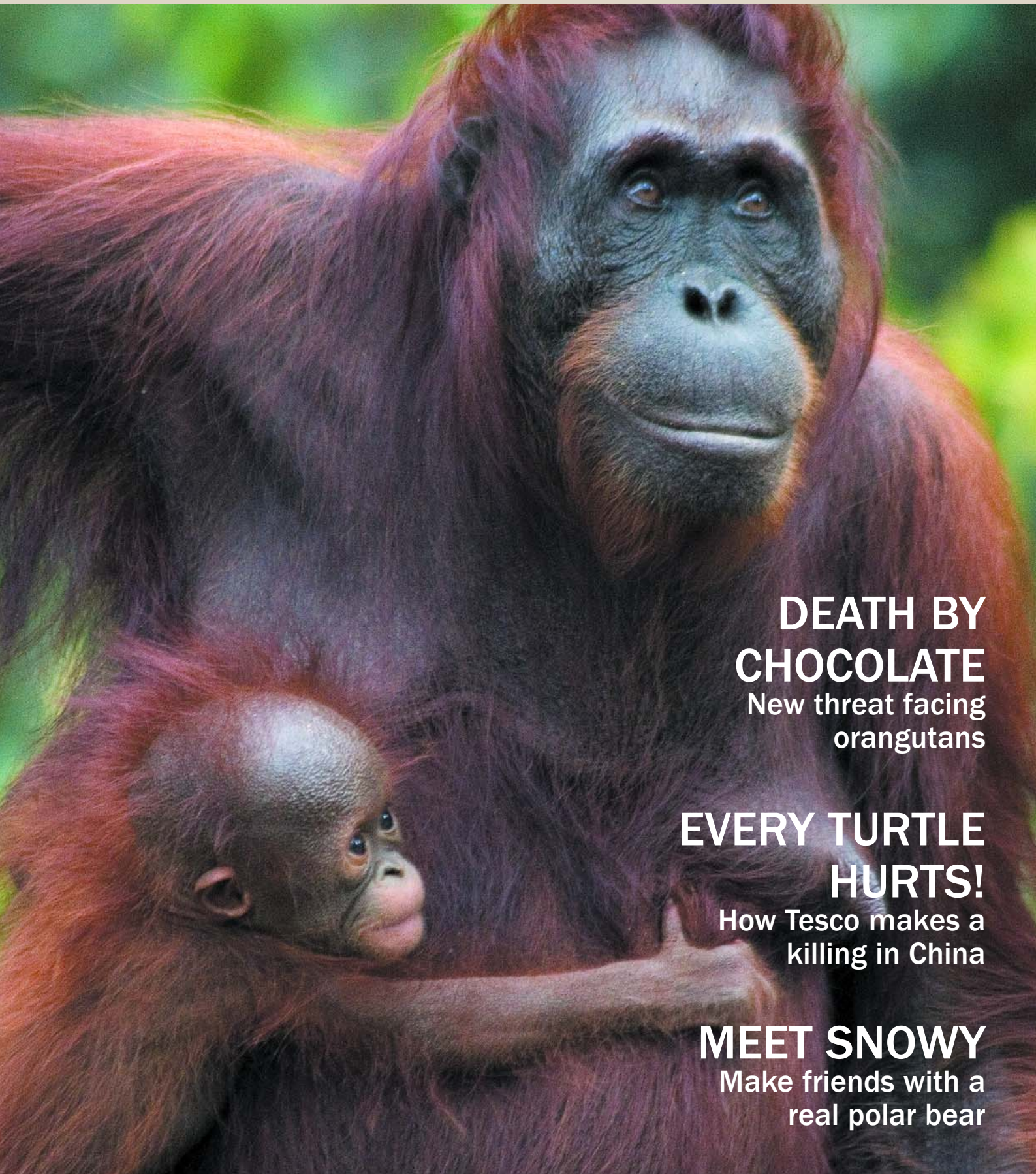




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Thoughts from the CEO

Dear animal lover,

I am happy to present you with the first winter edition of our revamped supporter newsletter *Wild Times*. It is filled to the brim with news about our animal protection work around the world, but in keeping with our shorter spring and summer bulletins, has received a little facelift. The new format has even allowed us to save some money.

I hope you will enjoy reading about how - with your help - Care for the Wild is making a difference to the lives of desperate wild animals. I also hope that as many of you as possible will join our campaign to get the supermarket chain Tesco to see sense and stop selling live frogs and turtles in their Chinese outlets. We have been in touch with Tesco's Corporate Responsibility Team for some weeks, during which we presented them with facts and figures detailing why the company's behaviour is inappropriate and cruel. However, Tesco is unwilling to give up its involvement in a trade that causes immense pain and misery and would be unthinkable in the UK. We need the help of each and every one of you to persuade them otherwise. As far as abuse and cruelty are concerned, the animals' safety is in our numbers. Please take a look at the article on

page 4 and see for yourself. Much of what you can do won't cost a penny.

This *Wild Times* also features news about the International Whaling Commission, where Japan continues to pursue its cynical policy of environmental injustice to the detriment of our great whales. Japan is holding up a mirror for all of us. If we have a strong enough stomach to risk opening our eyes, we will recognise the ugly face of modern pragmatism, a virtual reality in which wrong is right, where wild animals have to buy the privilege to live, where profit outweighs the suffering it causes every time, where vote-buying passes for democracy, whales are destroying the oceans instead of humans, fur is fun, and pigs fly.

It is possible to make a difference if enough of us do the kind thing. The more support we receive, the more we can achieve - for their sake. Thank you!

Warm regards,

Dr Barbara Maas



Jumbos are forever

CWI has been protecting elephants for two decades. In fact, it is fair to say that elephants helped to kick start Care for the Wild in the first place. It all began some 19 years ago with a visit to the elephant orphans at the David Sheldrick Wildlife Trust (DSWT) in Kenya. CWI arranged for some much-needed milk formula to be flown out for the very smallest calves. But the trip had made one thing clear: orphaned elephant babies depend on human help for a long time, so a one-off gesture was not enough. Sustained support was needed and so our elephant adoption programme was born. Almost two decades later CWI remains the DSWT's largest single sponsor. Elephant protection has been one of the charity's main activities ever since. CWI successfully campaigned against ivory trade and the pointless slaughter of thousands of elephants in South Africa. We built ranger

stations to protect vulnerable areas and keep antipoaching and de-snaring teams in the field. Fire-breaks halt the spread of devastating bush fires, and dangerous pits that could trap young calves are covered over.

The construction of a boundary fence in the far north of Kenya's Tsavo East National Park remains one of our most ambitious projects. Elephants returning to this area after the ivory massacres of the 1980s required protection from human settlements and vice versa. More than 60 kilometres of fence line are nearing completion this year. The last 20 kilometres will help to keep the orphans at the Ithumba sanctuary and their wild cousins safe.

CWI's de-snaring teams in Tsavo and the Maasai Mara destroyed more than 1,500 snares last year, saving an estimated 26,000 animals. Injured animals also received much needed emergency care. Illegal charcoal burners

too kill countless animals to supply bushmeat to cities. Our teams seek out and destroy their camps and charcoal kilns.

The vast herds that migrate north from the Serengeti pose an irresistible lure to poachers. Our patrols in the Mara had to be stepped up this summer to cope. Snares kill and maim indiscriminately. In a single patrol, rangers made nine arrests and collected 300 snares - that's almost half the total collected during all of last year. Although elephants usually manage to snap the snare off its anchor, these deadly weapons become embedded in their trunks or legs.

Over the past 14 years Care for the Wild has spent over £1.7 million to protect African elephants. That's more than £4 for every elephant on the continent! We are determined to keep elephants safe. With your help we can do it.

Lorises: too good to eat

CWI's Southeast Asia Director Guna Subramaniam reports:

Slow lorises are among the smallest primates in the world. Their big round eyes can melt anyone's heart. They are native to East and South Asian countries such as Indonesia, Cambodia, Malaysia, Thailand, China and India. Lorises are threatened by the pet and Asian medicine industries and also suffer from habitat destruction. Because they are small and nocturnal, field data is scarce. However scientists and conservationists have found that these captivating animals are critically endangered in some areas or even extinct in others. Lorises are often caught as a by-product of illegal logging. Unlike animals that flee after trees are felled, lorises helplessly cling to branches and so are easily picked off by poachers. This is because a loris' natural instinct is to freeze in the presence of predators. Public awareness about loris protection and conservation is poor. Because they are not thought of as primates in some remote areas, lorises often aren't benefiting from available legal protection.

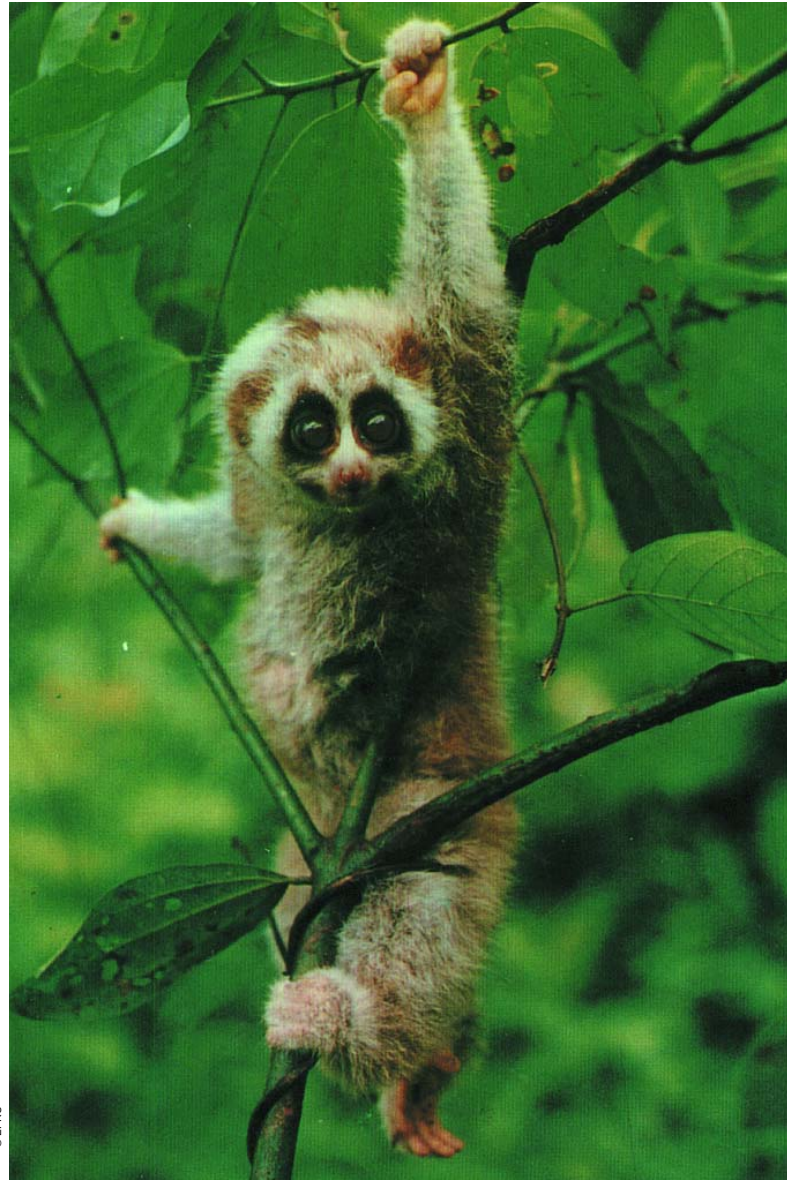
In June last year, we found several dead and dried lorises for sale in traditional medicine shops in Cambodia. Once we began to look closer we saw them everywhere. At wildlife markets we visited in Indonesia this year, lorises

were being sold for between £6 and £30. At least one trader we spoke to was aware that it was illegal to sell them and so was trading in them from his house instead. The animals were crammed into tiny cages, exposed to the blazing sun or drenched by heavy rain. Some individuals' teeth had been ripped out to render them even more defenceless. The teeth were also sold separately. Not surprisingly this ordeal leaves these small and fragile primates traumatised and weak. According to Indonesian conservationists nearly a third die as a result of extreme stress and infection.

Scores of these little known animals are slipping through the protection net only to end up in the game bags of poachers. CWI is taking up their cause before it's too late. Watch this space!

DID YOU KNOW?

- Slow lorises sleep rolled up in a ball with their legs around their head.
- Slow lorises often hang from branches by their feet so they can use both hands to eat.
- The grasp of a slow loris is so strong that it can freeze in one position for hours as it stalks its prey.



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Funky gibbons

How a music radio station is helping to save Indonesia's wildlife

With its unique mixture of environmental programmes and contemporary music, Kalaweit Radio Station in Borneo has become a firm favourite with listeners and a driving force against the plunder of the country's rainforest.

Six thousand wild caught gibbons are kept as 'pets' in Indonesia. This demand drives a cruel and illegal trade in agile, Müller and the larger Siamang gibbons.

Poachers kill gibbon

mothers to catch their babies. What follows is a chain of misery and pain. Owners play with their 'pets' as if they were toys. When they become unmanageable at around four years old they are forced to languish in tiny barren cages. Wild gibbons can live for 30 years, but gibbons kept as pets rarely make it past seven.

Memey, a Sumatran Siamang, escaped this fate by a whisker, when she was confiscated from smugglers at

Jakarta airport. Memey now lives at a forest sanctuary on Marak Island, off Western Sumatra. Her terror and distress has slowly given way to cheerfulness. Two months after her rescue Memey is gradually putting on some weight and is starting to look like the beautiful young Siamang she is. Memey lives with a handsome male gibbon. Every morning the two break into a spectacular duet, which will hopefully soon carry across the island's 1,000

hectare forest, once the two can be released.

CWI is giving a boost to Kalaweit gibbon rehabilitation and rescue centres in Borneo and Sumatra by funding enclosure enrichment and feeding expenses for these magical apes.

Thanks to Kalaweit radio station, stories such as Memey's are becoming a thing of the past. In towns that receive its broadcasts, gibbons are no longer offered for sale.



EVERY TURTLE HURTS!

How Tesco makes a killing in China

Turtles and tortoises may not touch the heart of every animal lover, but if you care about animals at all, please read on ...

Millions of these helpless animals are mutilated or boiled alive for food and medicines across Asia, including China. What's more, Tesco, one of the UK's biggest supermarket chains, insists on selling live turtles and frogs in its 35 Chinese stores. Tesco's justification: UK standards shouldn't be imposed on China and, well, people there want to buy them. Despite receiving detailed information from CWI illustrating the conservation and welfare horrors that are inevitably linked to this business, Tesco is unwilling to lose the tiny fraction live turtle and frog sales add to its £33.6 billion annual profits.

Poor transport conditions, nutrition and inappropriate handling are followed by extremely painful killing

methods, such as disembowelling and dismembering live animals. Amphibians and reptiles have the neurological components for pain perception and respond behaviourally to pain. Veterinary experts agree that their perception of pain is likely to be comparable to mammals.

“We are at the brink of losing a group of animals that has managed to survive the upheavals of the last 200 million years, including the great extinction episode that eliminated the dinosaurs.”

Russel Mittermeier

Hence, even contemplating the experience of a turtle whose shell, limbs and entrails have been cut away, but which survives in this state for hours, is in itself uncomfortable. Because the brain of decapitated reptiles can remain active for an hour, decapitation too is inhumane.

China's hunger for turtles is relentless. Up to twenty million are consumed each year and as a result native species have been depleted. Turtles are a luxury food, not a source of protein for the poor. Serving them is a status symbol and prices range from a few pounds to a thousand. At this price it is profitable to spend an entire year searching for a single animal. With demand and buying power growing, animals are increasingly imported from countries as far away as North America, Africa and Europe. Red-eared sliders, known to us as pets, enter China in their millions from the USA.

Between 1977 and 1998 the volume of chelonians (turtles and tortoises) imported to Hong Kong increased from around

110,000 to over 12 million. Professional hunters and farm workers who incidentally come across turtles collect every species, regardless of size, and pass it to middlemen. Whole landscapes are stripped of turtles this way and as supplies dry up, trade moves on elsewhere. In 1997 a vet recorded some 10,000 turtles at a single market in southern China. Nearly all came from abroad. In fact, some species are known solely from food markets.

Not surprisingly wild populations have rapidly declined. Chelonians now have one of the highest proportion of endangered species of any vertebrate group. Two thirds of the world's 305 tortoises and freshwater turtles and three quarters of Asian species are threatened with extinction. Given their slow reproduction many species will disappear completely within a few years unless there is a change.

Tesco claims that turtles sold in its stores are farmed. But farming is not without its problems and fails to address



Crate of live frogs awaiting sale



the extreme welfare problems associated with slaughter. On the contrary, husbandry conditions on turtle farms can be horrendous. Furthermore, turtle farming can damage wild populations, not only by spreading diseases, but farming species in their natural range is likely to involve the collection of wild turtles. Moreover, as wild-caught animals fetch much higher prices, this trade will continue regardless, while farming keeps demand alive.

According to Tesco's Chairman, the company subscribes to these principles:

- Learning from each other
- Learning from customers
- Learning from the best across the world
- Working closely in partnership
- Be prepared to change

According to Tesco's Corporate Responsibility Policy, "Tesco is committed to conducting business in an ethical and socially responsible manner ... Tesco aspires to high standards of animal welfare and best industry practice in its supply base. We use up-to-date knowledge of research, ethics, scientific facts and legislation to ensure that this happens.

This is what our customers expect." Tesco policy also demands that meat, milk and eggs imported to the UK must meet the same animal welfare standards as those produced domestically. If the company genuinely cares about animal welfare, it is unclear why it insists on lowering its standards for animals sold abroad. This is not the first time Tesco has come under fire for selling wild animals. In 2004 the company sold whale meat in its Japanese outlets until pressure from conservation groups and consumers persuaded it to stop.

I have heard disillusioned animal protectionists say it many times: it is hard to get people to care about animals that are not cute and cuddly, that survival of the fluffiest is what we will end up with (if we're lucky). On behalf of the millions of abused and tormented turtles that are dismembered and boiled without a thought, I appeal to you with all my heart to prove them wrong. Tesco says it goes "to great lengths to ask customers what they think, listen to their views, and then act on them." The company's 1,878 UK stores are its biggest source of income, so please show Tesco what you think of their uncaring attitude by voting with your feet.

Take action! Boycott Tesco.

- Don't shop at Tesco
- Don't buy your petrol from Tesco
- Hand in your Tesco Clubcard and if you are feeling generous, send the money on your Clubcard to Care for the Wild to support this campaign
- Don't take out the following financial services with Tesco or cancel existing ones:
 - holiday, home, travel, car, breakdown, pet, and life insurance
 - savings accounts
 - loans
 - credit cards
- With plenty of good deals out there it is easy to move elsewhere. Tesco credit card holders may even consider switching to CWI's charity credit card instead.
- Don't sign up to Tesco's telecommunication, gas, electricity and legal services
- Write to Tesco and tell them how you feel: Corporate Responsibility Department, Tesco, Tesco House, PO Box 44, Delamare Road, Cheshunt, Herts, EN8 9SL, phone 01992 646346 or e-mail: csr.team@uk.tesco.com
- Tell your friends and family about this cruelty and ask them to join the boycott
- Contact us for leaflets to distribute
- Log on to www.careforthewild.com and sign our petition

Make friends with a real polar bear

Meet Snowy, the big, white, hairy star of Care for the Wild's latest wildlife adoption.



After spending months secreted away deep beneath the snow, Snowy finally emerged from her hillside hideout in March. Led by Dr Nick Lunn, researchers monitoring the polar bears around Canada's Hudson Bay located her den entrance on the side of a river bank. Snowy had survived another winter, her big round paw prints leading away from what had been her home for so long. What's more, there were two sets of tiny tracks following behind Snowy's. This could only mean one thing ... Snowy had once again become a mum - and of twins no less.

At the age of 24 Snowy had already given birth to at least six cubs in the past and is therefore an experienced mother. It was because of these little ones that Snowy dug herself into a maternity den during winter. Without feeding herself for months she nursed her twins from tiny, blind, helpless cubs into mini polar bears. During this time they will have increased their birthweight 15 times over.

Snowy and her cubs are watched over by polar bear experts Nick Lunn and Ian Stirling. After decades of research, there's not much the

pair don't know about polar bears. But it's not all good news. Polar bears are disappearing. Within the next 35 to 50 years 30% may be lost. Polar bears find themselves on the sharp end of climate change and may be one of its first casualties.

Polar bears are tough. They can handle the harsh and unforgiving world of the Arctic, think nothing of plunging into icy seas, can go without food for months and defend their young against anyone. But they can't protect themselves against greenhouse gasses that are melting their world away. They need us to do that for them. Our Polar Bear Adoption will help achieve that. We have already made a substantial contribution to Nick and Ian's field research costs for the coming winter. You too can help polar bears and become part of Snowy's life by adopting this powerful, big lady bear, who is fighting to survive and raise her cubs in a world that is becoming ever more hostile.

To adopt Snowy, please turn to page 9, call us on 01306 627900 or visit our website at www.careforthewild.com

Keep it cool for polar bears

Climate change is causing Arctic sea ice to melt. As it disappears, so will the polar bear's hunting grounds. Help protect Snowy's home by doing your bit to stop global warming:

- Don't leave your TV, video and other appliances on standby. In the UK, turning off TVs and videos alone would save half the energy generated by a power station in a whole year.
- Turning down your heating by 1°C - could save up to 10% off your bill.
- Turn your hot-water thermostat down to 60°C to avoid having to add cold water later on to a bath or shower etc.
- Turn off the lights when you leave a room.
- Recycle as much rubbish as you can.
- Put a lid on your saucepans so your food heats up faster.
- Walk or cycle instead of driving when ever you can and get a bit healthier as part of the bargain. If you have to commute, join a car share scheme or use public transport.
- Only boil as much water as you need rather than filling the whole kettle.
- Take a shower instead of a bath.
- Use energy efficient light bulbs - they use 80% less energy, last 15% longer and so save you money and give polar bears a better chance.
- Encourage all your friends and family to do the same. If we all make an effort, it will add up!



Death by chocolate

How palm oil is pushing orangutans off the planet

Imagine a farm bigger than the whole of Greater London. If existing plans go ahead, that is exactly what's in store for 18 million hectares of land covering three National Parks in Indonesia's Kalimantan. The planned palm oil plantation not only covers prime orangutan habitat but would also spell disaster for other threatened animals, including elephants, rhinos and tigers.

Palm oil is a cheap vegetable fat used in anything from chocolate and toothpaste to lipsticks and detergents. It is contained in one out of ten everyday products on our supermarket shelves. Vast tracts of tropical forest are already destroyed each year to make way for intensive palm oil monocultures. There are even rumours that parts of Tanjung Puting National Park - a refuge for released

orangutans on CWI's adoption programme - could be lost to these plantations.

The home of orangutans is cut down around them as land is cleared ready for planting. Plans for the new mega-project however are of an unprecedented scale. Most orangutans will die or be sold

Some predict that we will witness the death of the last orangutan within 12 years.

into captivity. The lucky ones may escape to safety on another island of forest. But for how long? If developments continue at the present rate, some predict that we will witness the death of the last orangutan within 12 years.

Pressure from international

conservation groups, diplomats and the media seem to have had some effect on the Indonesian Government, but the mega-plantation has yet to be scrapped. Currently, not a drop of palm oil from Indonesia originates from a certified sustainable source. If orangutans are to stand a chance, this has to change.

All major UK supermarkets have now joined the Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil (RSPO), which is committed to buying solely from sustainable sources. We congratulate Tesco and Morrisons for finally coming on board this summer, joining Co-op, ASDA, Sainsbury's, Waitrose and Marks & Spencer. Shopping from conscientious retailers is an easy way to help animals in the wild. Please also take a look at a related article on page 4.

- There are two species of orangutan: the endangered Bornean (44,000 remain) and the critically endangered Sumatran (7,500 remain)
- There are less than 51,500 orangutans left in the wild
- 5,000 orangutans are killed every year; that's almost 14 a day
- Palm oil imports to the EU rose by 90% between 1995 and 2002
- Malaysia and Indonesia account for 85% of the world's palm oil production

Safe at last

How CWI is helping to save persecuted monkeys

Primates are being stolen from the Amazon rainforest at an alarming rate. They end up chained to doorsteps, hungry, alone, unable to climb or escape from harassment, or as illegally sold smoked meat in town markets.

In the Peruvian province of Loreto alone 28,000 primates are hunted each year. Some larger species, such as woolly, spider and howler monkeys, are killed for subsistence. But a quarter are sold on to city dealers. Laws prohibit commercial hunting

of primates and the sale of meat in cities with over 3,000 inhabitants. But lack of resources, personnel and know-how mean they are simply not enforced.

Woolly monkeys are considered a particular delicacy. When trees are in fruit and the animals are well-fed, woollies are hunted mercilessly. To make things worse, this time of abundance is also the season when woollies have their young. Females make up over two thirds of animals killed and infants enter the sinister pet trade.

Ikamaperu Sanctuary in northern Peru is working to change all this. Helene and Carlos Palomino established a 70 hectare forest reserve in the Alto Mayo Valley. Ikamaperu is striving towards long-term solutions. Environmental education workshops with indigenous communities and working partnerships with local residents to maintain another 500 hectare reserve are a promising start.

Fourteen rescued woolly monkeys and five spider



monkeys now share the forest with wild Andean titi and owl monkeys. Senchi, a baby woolly monkey, had been confined to a windowless cage on a hotel rooftop in Lima. Now he spends his days exploring trees and enjoying jungle survival training. CWI is helping Senchi and her friends at Ikamaperu by contributing towards mounting food costs.

MEET OUR ANIMALS

Care for the Wild International has been promoting wild animal adoptions since the early 1980s and was the first UK charity to do so. More than twenty years on, our adoptions still have that special something, by offering animal lovers of any age a caring one-to-one relationship with a wild animal in need. Our unique and personalised adoption packs make helping and learning about wildlife fun. They also provide excellent value and make a caring gift. Animals of 11 species are waiting for you to share their life. Find out about some of their remarkable stories.

VIOLET

Violet was orphaned when she was less than a year old. Now in safe hands, her physical and emotional wounds are healing.



£24.95 PER YEAR

Species: Orangutan

History: Violet was found chained to a dirty tiny chicken coup in a rural village in central Indonesian Borneo. Neglected and infested with parasites, she was severely ill and close to death. Her mother had been killed, probably by farmers. Without the sanctuary that cares for her, Violet would have died.

Home: Violet shares sanctuary life with about 200 other orangutan orphans at a beautiful forested rehabilitation centre in Central Indonesian Borneo.

Update: Violet has made a great recovery after her ordeal and now spends most of the day playing confidently in the forest with the other orphans. We hope Violet will be able to return to the rainforest in years to come. Her rehabilitation requires a steady stream of love and support from her human surrogate mothers.

Adoption pack: A personalised adoption certificate with a colour picture of Violet, an orangutan fact sheet, a copy of the video or DVD 'Orangutan - the Forest Ape', and an update on Violet's progress after six months.

SELENGAI

As a tiny calf, Selengai lost her herd when they fled from a poachers attack in panic.



£24.95 PER YEAR

Species: African elephant

History: Selengai was found when she was only one week old, wandering lost and alone in the Kenyan bush, her umbilical cord still visible. Many of her family members, including her mother, fell victim to poachers. Had she not been found and rescued, Selengai would have died.

Home: This young elephant has joined a very special herd of orphans at the David Sheldrick Wildlife Trust's elephant and rhino rehabilitation centre in Kenya's Tsavo East National Park.

Update: In the experienced hands of her caretakers Selengai has blossomed into a mischievous little elephant. Now thanks to her special elephant friend Mulika, she gets all the reassurance and affection she could ask for. But before she can begin her independent life in the African bush, she will need love, guidance, food and shelter for many years to come.

Adoption pack: Our exclusive 2006 CWI DVD or video featuring the orphans' adventures, a personalised certificate with a colour picture of Selengai, an elephant fact sheet and an update with news of Selengai after six months.

STARDANCE

Stardance is a boisterous wild bottlenose dolphin known intimately to researchers in Scotland.



£24.95 PER YEAR

Species: Bottlenose dolphin

Background: Stardance swims around in a colony of about 150 bottlenose dolphins in the waters off Scotland's coast. Having closely followed Stardance for over seven years, members of the Cetacean Research and Rescue Unit (CRRU) know a great deal about his exploits and escapades. Recognisable from the shape of his fin, CRRU researchers track him down every summer, gathering valuable information to help protect him and his friends.

Home: The cold waters of Scotland's Moray Firth, by Inverness, is home to

Stardance in the summer months. During the winter he goes a little farther a field, venturing out into the North Sea in search of food.

Update: Stardance is often spotted in the Firth playing and leaping out of the water alongside his best mate Sailfin. CRRU will continue to study the pair, as well as the other Moray Firth dolphins, for years to come in order to afford them the best possible protection. You can help by adopting Stardance today.

Adoption pack: A personalised certificate with a colour picture of Stardance, an exclusive dolphin T-shirt, a dolphin fact sheet and an update after six months.

Species: Snow leopard

History: Our antipoaching team in Kyrgyzstan rescued Alcu and Bagira from illegal traders in a risky undercover sting operation. Leg-hold traps set by poachers cost Alcu her front paw and severed two of Bagira's toes. Chained up in the dark and terrified, the two girls' lives were saved by a heroic CWI-funded elite antipoaching team.

Home: Both snow leopards live at a tailor made expansive mountain enclosure in the Issyk-Kul Biosphere Reserve in Kyrgyzstan, where they enjoy

round-the-clock care and protection. Their 'retreat' was funded by CWI and is the world's largest snow leopard enclosure.

Update: Alcu and Bagira share a very strong bond and take great pleasure racing round their spacious new mountain home. They are best friends and love to curl up together for hours.

Adoption pack: A personalised adoption certificate with a colour picture of Alcu and Bagira, an exclusive snow leopard T-shirt, a snow leopard fact sheet and an update on Alcu and Bagira after six months.

ALCU & BAGIRA

With their legs mutilated by brutal steel traps, Alcu and Bagira were about to be sold for their skin and bones when they were rescued.



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Species: Indo-Chinese tiger

History: Authorities in Laos rescued Phet from an animal dealer when she was just four days old. She had already been bought and re-sold four times! Witnessing poachers killing her mother and sibling, Phet really was in a very poor state. Malnutrition, ringworm and diarrhoea, plus the trauma of capture had taken their toll and had caused most of her fur to fall out.

Home: Tranquil primary forest near a beautiful waterfall in northern Laos is now Phet's home. It provides ample space to patrol and explore, shady trees under which to rest and plenty of birds

and insects to chase. Because Phet was orphaned at such a young age, she will depend on our care for the rest of her life.

Update: Phet has grown up to be a truly stunning tigress, a picture of beauty and health. She has emotionally and physically recovered from her ordeals, thanks to the kindness and attention of her caretaker Mr Somphong. Playful and exuberant, she so obviously enjoys engaging with her visitors by playing 'peek-a-boo'.

Adoption pack: A personalised adoption certificate with a colour picture of Phet, an exclusive tiger T-shirt, a tiger fact sheet and an update on Phet's life after six months.

PHET

By the time she was four days old, Phet had already lost her mother to poachers and almost all her hair due to trauma.



£24.95 PER YEAR

Species: Polar bear

Background: As few as 21,500 polar bears survive in today's world. Snowy is one of 950 special individuals that live in Canada's Hudson Bay and have been studied for 30 years. Biologists found that hunting, conflict with humans and global warming are destroying polar bears. By melting the pack ice polar bears depend on for hunting, global warming poses the biggest threat to their survival.

Home: The frozen sea ice is Snowy's home during winter. In the summer, when the sea ice is melting, Snowy

retreats onto the coastal land near Churchill, where she fasts until the ice-cover forms again.

Update: Last year Snowy gave birth to twins! To protect Snowy, her cubs and her wild friends this important conservation research must continue. By adopting her you will help ensure that it can. You will also be part of the life of one of the most spectacular animals on earth.

Adoption pack: A personalised certificate with a colour picture of Snowy, a cuddly polar bear toy, a polar bear fact sheet and an update after six months.

SNOWY

Snowy is a skilled Arctic survivor and an experienced, devoted mother.



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Yes, I would like to adopt:

- Violet Video DVD
- Selengai Video DVD
- Stardance C* S M L XL
- Alcu & Bagira C* S M L XL
- Phet C* S M L XL
- Snowy Cuddly toy

* T-shirt size C: Child size 9-11 years.

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The foster parent The person making payment

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Name and address of foster parent

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Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms _____

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Deadly sea change for whales



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This year's International Whaling Commission (IWC) in the Caribbean has seen a simple majority of countries voting in favour of whaling for the first time since 1982, when the moratorium was passed - courtesy of Japan's generous foreign aid programme towards countries that are either very small or very poor, or both. Japan has been celebrating its one-vote-victory with a deluge of belligerent propaganda at home and abroad. Yet, Japanese taxpayers are subsidising the country's "whale research sampling vessels", which produce useless science and whale meat that nobody wants, again at tax-subsidised prices. Go figure!

Those who have endured Japan's incessant rhetoric about the importance of its "scientific" whaling programme will applaud whale expert Dr Nick Gales of the Australian Antarctic Division, who also heads Australia's scientific delegation to the IWC, when he said that after years of research, the Japanese should have concluded by now that minke whales eat krill. *"They are asking for support of science that has no support."*

Prior to the IWC, an independent panel of international legal experts determined that Japan's

whaling death toll under the guise of scientific research is unlawful. This information can now be used by any country to challenge Japan at the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea (ITLOS) or the International Commission for Justice.

There are other scientific facts that should spark Japan's interest. For years, scientists have sounded the alarm over levels of heavy metal and persistent organic pollutants in whales. According to newly published research based on biopsy samples collected from 960 sperm whales in some of the most remote locations on earth, some individuals were exposed to such high levels of chromium that it damaged their genetic code, or DNA. These findings suggest that humans too could be at risk if they eat fish from the top of the ocean's food chain where these toxic substances accumulate.

Then there are the potentially lethal effects of sonar on dolphins and whales. Naval sonar devices are thought to be mainly to blame for the increasing number of worldwide cetacean strandings. As whales try to evade the noise, they sometimes dive and surface in rapid succession until they develop decompression sickness and die.

Emergency mission to save Nepal's rhinos

Responding to an acute poaching crisis, CWI steps up to stop the killing

The greater one-horned rhinoceros once roamed across the entire north of the Indian subcontinent. Today only a few small subpopulations in north-eastern India and Nepal are hanging on. By 1997 there were no more than 2,000. But even this figure is no longer correct. In Nepal's Royal Chitwan National Park alone, poachers gunned down at least 104 rhinos in the past six years - three of them during the last week in July. One of the dead animals, a female, was killed while she was calving.

Rhino horn is used in traditional Asian and Chinese medicine (TCM). High prices and unwillingness amongst consumers to give up rhino horn maintain high stakes for range states, many of which lack the resources to stamp out illegal trade. These great lumbering beasts are therefore in grave danger.

In the late 1960s, Nepal's greater one-horned rhinoceros population was slashed to just 95 animals. The most successful rhino conservation programme in the world turned the situation around. By the year 2000 numbers had increased more than six-fold. But this success was short lived. Five years later, poachers had killed half.

Lack of resources and continued armed conflict have allowed a new wave of slaughter to sweep across Nepal. Being a ranger is a dangerous job. Particularly in Nepal. Maoist insurgents had forced the Nepalese army to divert resources from rhino protection, and many guard posts were left empty because it was just too dangerous to man them.

Time is running out. Royal Chitwan National Park, a sanctuary for the world's second largest population of greater one-horned rhinos,

must be protected. By the first week of August - just ten days after the most recent slaughter - our collaborative emergency programme with Wildlife Conservation Nepal (WCN) was up and running.

Desperately needed resources to monitor the movement of rhinos and poachers, an effective informer network, and conservation education initiatives amongst local communities are now in place to turn this crisis around. There are already signs of

progress.

Veteran conservationist Prasanna Yonzon, WCN's Chief Executive says: *"I had asked CWI to have ex-police involved in addressing rhino poaching in Chitwan. A small step taken now can have a massive impact on poachers and traders. We needed to do something immediately or many more could be lost. Our team is now in place and we look forward to doing a good job to protect Chitwan's rhinos."*



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China fur update

Scottish Euro MP Struan Stevenson has been on the political forefront of the fight against dog and cat fur for six years. On an official visit to Beijing in May, senior Chinese officials described this trade to Mr Stevenson as "illegal and barbaric" and vowed that China will stamp it out. Never before has there been anything even approaching this kind of language from Beijing, which may be a sign that at least some forces inside the Chinese Government agree that things need to change. Our own contact with Chinese officials supports this view.

Speaking from the Chinese capital, Struan Stevenson said: "The State Forestry Administration in China is the government department responsible for all animal welfare issues. I met with the top officials who deal with these policy areas." China no longer denies that incidents of cruelty

occur, saying that economic factors drive this trade. This is all the more reason for the UK Government to actively promote an EU ban. Mr Stevenson added that he "will now report to the European Commissioner for Consumer Affairs, Mr Kyprianou, that there will be no opposition in China to his proposed directive banning the import, export and trade in cat and dog skins across the EU. Indeed, the senior government officials in Beijing made it quite clear that they would regard an EU ban as helpful in their fight to stamp out this cruel trade."

While there can be no doubt that this is just one of many steps along the road leading to an end to this brutal business, it must be seen as a step in the right direction. Thanks to all of you who are supporting our Chinese Fur Campaign. Some of you have even written to the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) to urge them on.

Like you, we were disappointed by their response. Instead of acting decisively on our evidence that Chinese fur, including that from cats and dogs, is here in the UK, the government now says it requires proof that cat and dog fur enters the UK in 'significant' quantities. We'll keep at it and let you know what happens.

TAKE ACTION!

It is important that the government knows how people feel about this issue. Please keep writing to the DTI urging it to pro-actively advance the EU Directive to ban this trade before the momentum is lost before the next EU election:

The Rt. Hon. Alistair Darling MP
Secretary of State for Trade and Industry
Department of Trade and Industry
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South Africa still evading canned hunting ban

As if stalking and shooting wild animals wasn't cruel enough, some countries, namely South Africa, have found a way to make hunting even more barbaric. In canned hunts, as they are often called, animals are hunted inside a fenced enclosure, making it virtually impossible for the hunter to leave empty-handed; or the animal to get away alive. Some of these facilities offer a "no kill, no pay" guarantee, and hunters can choose from a menu of species they would like to see stuffed and mounted on their walls. In South Africa, canned hunting has continued unabated for decades, often involving animals who were rounded up in national parks and reserves and sold to the highest bidding canned hunting operator. Though there has been sustained international outrage, the South African Government did nothing to stem the tide of drive-through carnage, until recently when it issued its Draft National Norms and Standards for the Regulation of the Hunting Industry in South Africa. While a step in the right direction, the



Lion cubs rescued by CWI from canned hunting breeder

document does little to confine this uncivilised and barbarous practice. Instead it provides hunters with generous loopholes which will permit the continued victimisation of animals for profit. For example, if an animal - e.g. a lion, leopard, cheetah or rhino - has spent more than two years "fending for itself", South Africa sees nothing wrong with him or her being killed in a canned hunt. CWI filed extensive comments on these draft

regulations, asking the South African Government to go much further in its attempt to regulate the country's out-of-control hunting industry. "Instead of banning canned hunts outright, as the South African Government said it would, it has codified its existence through regulation," says CWI Chief Executive in the comments submitted. "CWI fails to see any reason behind this exemption other than to placate a lucrative industry that has

caused so much misery to thousands of animals as well as harm to South Africa's reputation. CWI maintains that canned hunting should be prohibited, full stop. Only then will the public image of South Africa begin to improve. We intend to carefully track the progress of these regulations and will continue to make our views known, for the sake of the wild animals who depend on us to continue fighting for them."

WILDLIFE PHOTO COMPETITION 2005

Here at last are the long awaited results of our supporter photo competition 'Show us our Wild Side', which we featured in last year's winter magazine. All of us were impressed with the quality and variety of entries. Clearly, CWI supporters like wild animals and are good at photographing them while at home, out and about, or on holiday. We hope the winners will enjoy their prizes, and that all of you will enjoy these beautiful and sometimes surprising images of animals from around the world as much as we did.



1st PRIZE

The winner of our first prize is Ursula Fuller from Essex, whose touching photograph of an orangutan mother and baby proudly graces the cover of our newsletter, as part of her prize.

Second prize goes to Neil Malton from Peterborough for his glorious line-up of four lionesses.

2nd PRIZE



Neil Neville from Slough wins third prize for capturing this tender moment between an elephant calf and his mother.

3rd PRIZE



Tracey Laycock, from West Yorkshire, who has captured this beautiful male blackbird on film.

HIGHLY COMMENDED



Angela Humphery, from London, for her perfectly symmetrical zebra study, which made us all smile.

HIGHLY COMMENDED



Rob Ronson, from Lancashire, for this moody picture of a herd of African elephants.

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Louisa McMillan, from Oxford, who at only nine years old, shot this atmospheric image of a turtle hatchling making its way to the sea.

Mr JN Wilcock from Essex, who saw the beauty of the moment and took this unusual photo of a gecko.

HIGHLY COMMENDED



Thanks to all of you who sent us pictures. Each had its own charm. Please keep clicking away!

We are bound to run another photo competition to celebrate wild animals in the future. Apart from the joy of being out there with your camera, there will be more wonderful prizes to be won.



Star treatment for little Jumbos

Care for the Wild's elephant and rhino adoptions are one of a kind. They provide foster parents with a brand new film about our orphans at the David Sheldrick Wildlife Trust's Sanctuary each year. The film, which is available on video or DVD offers a unique opportunity to watch your orphan grow up. Making the film each year takes a lot of work. Jo Hastie, who has been part of our film team for three years, reports on the most special little elephants in the world.

Being charged by a wild matriarch, splattered in mud blown from a trunk, or being pushed about by 23 elephants is all in a day's work when making CWI's annual elephant adoption film. It is sometimes an emotional and certainly a privileged experience to be able to witness the story of each orphan on the long and daunting journey back to the wild.

When I first visited the Nairobi nursery - the starting point for most of the orphans - I was entranced by babies like Burra and Selengai, whose trunks investigate your face and neck, curious about these new human visitors. Down in Tsavo National Park, the second stage of the rehabilitation process, the orphans we are following get bigger and more independent each year. Paul, the cameraman, needs to be careful that seven-year-old Icholta doesn't barge him out of the way *en route* to a tasty bit of bush. We also need to keep an eye on the young bulls, Burra and Morani, when they become engrossed in wrestling or tussling games to test their growing strength.

Watching Morani challenge Burra to a sparring session brought home the miracle of

this project. We first saw Morani in 2003. It was a pitiful sight - in amongst the playful and boisterous baby elephants Morani stood alone next to his keeper. His trunk listlessly skimmed the floor. We learnt that he had just witnessed his mother's death at the hands of poachers. Bullet wounds were clearly visible on his tiny body. Today Morani could not be more different. Five times larger and coloured in Tsavo's red earth, Morani now towers above us puny humans. He was very curious about our £20,000 camera, repeatedly lifting his trunk towards this strange black object only to swing it round again to touch his keeper, who kept shaking his finger, saying 'NO!'. Apparently Morani was asking for permission to grab the camera! Emily too had always been curious about the camera.

Although Burra and Morani are growing fast, they are not beyond getting scared. During the last mudbath we filmed Burra, who generally likes to charge headlong into the water, suddenly trumpeted at the top of his voice, which cleared the pool in seconds. We couldn't see or hear anything and have no idea

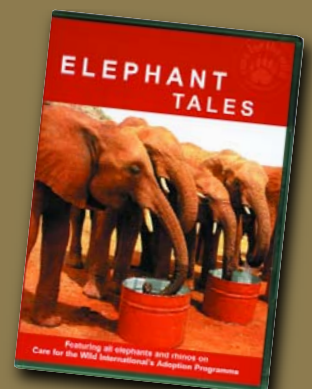
what prompted this outburst.

Up in Ithumba, the northernmost - and baking hot - part of the Park, another group of rescued elephants grow bigger and stronger day by day. As Mulika is still the largest of these orphans, she is easy to spot. The bond between Mulika and young Selengai is growing ever stronger. We watched the two spend most of their day together, except during the mudbath when Selengai vanishes in a tangle of limbs, trunks, rumps, rolling happy eyes and lots of glorious sludge.

It is a delight to witness the wonderful changes in these elephants. When rehabilitated orphans like Emily, Aitong and Sweet Sally visit the sanctuary, they show off their independence and remind the others of elephant life outside of the stockades and away from the keepers. We all hope that Burra, Morani, Icholta, Mulika and Selengai who haven't quite made it there yet, will eventually follow in their footsteps. It is an honour to be involved in the production of this film each year and I hope that as many of you as possible share our love and excitement for these little stars.



Welcome an elephant orphan into your family and receive a copy of our latest DVD or video 'Elephant Tales', which is narrated by Rolf Harris. Find out how to adopt by turning to page 8.





Making compassion stick: How Tibetans are doing it for themselves



Tesi Environmental Awareness Movement (TEAM) is the world's first Tibetan environmental group. Founded in 2005 and based in Dharamsala, TEAM took up the challenge to help curtail the involvement of Tibetans in wildlife trade. TEAM's staff is wholeheartedly committed to this message of kindness and compassion. Their work complements CWI's existing Tibetan Conservation Awareness Campaign perfectly. We are therefore proud to support the efforts of this extraordinary group. Thinley Norbu (pictured middle) reports on his organisation's work.

His Holiness the Dalai Lama has strongly counselled Tibetans to shun the use of furs and pelts on their traditional robes, or 'chubas'. One year after the launch of the campaign to protect endangered species such as tigers, leopards and otters, there have been considerable positive developments inside and outside Tibet. TEAM has taken on its responsibility to highlight the harmful environmental, social and moral implications

of this terrible trade.

TEAM has been in touch with many Tibetans from inside Tibet who confessed their former misdeeds and expressed deep remorse. Some even wept, admitting that they had been unaware and requested we convey their confessions and regret to His Holiness the Dalai Lama. Many took conservation education materials back to Tibet to spread the word. A TEAM volunteer reported that some Tibetans tore the pelt trim off their robes and burnt them there and then. Thousands signed a formal promise never to use endangered species products again in their life. A Tibetan woman who had saved 2,000 Chinese Yuan (£132) to buy ivory, was moved to tears by our campaign and pledged never to buy ivory again.

Ever since the Dalai Lama's impassioned appeal to his people, there have been eruptions of environmental initiatives among Tibetans inside and outside Tibet. Some of these were marked by the voluntary public burning of thousands of animal pelts. These events provide hope for an end to the tragic plight of these unfortunate animals. The world has welcomed the burnings as a Tibetan's contribution towards conservation. Tibetans outside

Tibet too have shown their solidarity by organising similar events in Dharamsala in India. We received many donations of fox hats, a chuba trimmed with Himalayan tahr (a relative of the wild goat), one made from the pelts of fifteen foxes, an otter coat, a leopard skin, two fox pelts, 111 ivory beads, twelve otter chuba trims and two marmot pelts. We cut these furs into small pieces and mixed them with clay to make funeral Tsa-Tsa, a traditional votive tablet to pay respect to the dead animals and held a special prayer vigil.

Thousands signed a formal promise never to use endangered species products again

These developments are very encouraging, but there is no room for complacency. Tibetans must sustain this campaign to give wild animals a chance to recover in the wild. Many Tibetans mistakenly believe that tiger/leopard/otter skin trimmed robes are part of preserving their culture, but this is mainly due to a lack of awareness. TEAM would not only like to see Tibetan communities turn their back on all endangered species products but take a leadership role at the

very forefront of conservation.

With help from Care for the Wild, TEAM has planned a series of new conservation activities. They involve the translation of conservation literature into Tibetan and the creation of educational materials against the use of endangered species for distribution amongst all major Tibetan, Ladhaki, and Kashmiri communities. In addition, we have approached the office of His Holiness the Dalai Lama with a request to send direct appeals to known Tibetan smugglers. We aim to transform at least a dozen wildlife traders into wildlife protectors in the next twelve months. Needless to say, our conservation awareness workshops and training sessions will continue as before. Our collection of traditional Tibetan stories on wildlife protection and peaceful co-existence between animals and humans will help us in this task.

TEAM will use every opportunity to appeal to all Tibetans and social groups to educate their families and community members about the plight of animals whose skins adorn their dresses, and about how their actions not only cause the death of individuals, but contribute to the extinction of entire species.

Thank you to all our fundraisers!

If you care about wild animals, why not raise some funds to help save them. You might be sporty, a good cook, have green fingers or a creative streak, or simply would like your home to shed some clutter - the possibilities are endless. Take a look at what some of our supporters have been up to.

Sharman House stars!

We would like to say a huge thank you to all those in Sharman House at Highworth Grammar School for Girls who selected CWI to be their house charity. This year's fundraising events included a Pancake Day party, a dance competition as well as selling tasty cakes, ice-creams and cookies and raised over £700! A special thank you is due to Jaqueline Mallinson, the captain of Sharman House. In addition to organising all events, Jaqueline raised £100 by jumping into the sea on Boxing Day! Well done and thank you all!

Taking sail for whales

A very special thank you goes to the Brooke family who set sail to raise funds for CWI's marine work in memory of their son Simon. As part of an Atlantic yacht rally, their 2,800 mile intrepid ocean voyage, 'Sail4Whales', took them from Gran Canaria to St Lucia and raised £2,000 for whales and dolphins - one of Simon's passions.



Braving the tank!

Animal Care students at Lowestoft College held a sponsored 'survival tank' event to raise money for CWI. The 15 students learned how to work as a team in a survival situation as they battled to make it to a life raft in a range of simulated weather conditions. Thanks to our adventurous students for braving freezing wet conditions to raise £140 to save the lives of animals!

Car boot fun(d)raiser

A big thank you to Lesley Pyke, a stalwart CWI supporter and fundraiser. Lesley raised £104 for tigers by manning her car boot stall in Gosport in Hampshire - come rain or shine. Thank you Lesley!



Break time bonanza

Ten year old Alexandra Haines and her friends sold cakes and biscuits in their school breaks. Their dedicated efforts raised £70 - so thank you very much indeed. We just hope that Alexandra and her friends managed to have a break during their break times too! Our thanks go also to Alexandra's family, who kindly supplied the cakes and biscuits.

Tiger-tastic

Lauren Fahy loves tigers so much that she has adopted all of ours! Lauren also makes greeting cards, which she sell to friends, family and even teachers to raise funds to protect her beloved tigers. Thank you Lauren and keep up the fantastic work!

Marathon woman

We salute Lucy Edwards for her outstanding commitment and determination to go the distance for CWI at this year's London Marathon. Lucy's athletic performance raised a fit £1,182. From all of us here Lucy - thank you and put your feet up!

Vacancies for London Marathon 2007

Are you looking to run the London Marathon for a good cause in 2007? Are you worried you may have missed the registration deadline? Well, don't despair, because we are looking for seven people to tackle the 26 miles for CWI. If you are interested and would like to know more get in touch on 01306 627900 or email us at info@careforthewild.com.

Congratulations raffle winners

Thanks to everyone who bought and sold tickets for CWI's Ocean SOS raffle, which has already raised £28,000!

Congratulations to the £2,000 top prize winner, Mrs H. Sandys from Ulverston. Second prizes of £500 went to Mrs J. Pipkin from Alford and Mrs S. Charlton from Milton Malsur, and third prizes of £250 to Mr P. Gower of Keighley, Mr F. Glueckshann of London, Mrs Atkins of Astill Lodge and Mrs T. Cabrera of Enfield. Twenty lucky runners-up received a beautiful limited edition wildlife print and are listed on our website.

Please keep selling tickets for our most recent Antipoaching Raffle - we really do need funds desperately. And don't forget, by buying tickets you are not only helping animals but could win a superb first prize of £2,000 or a second prize of £500. If you would like some extra raffle tickets please call us on 01306 627900, email us at info@careforthewild.com or write to us at Care for the Wild International, The Granary, Tickfold Farm, Kingsfold, West Sussex, RH12 3SE.

Remembrance

We would like to remember Colleen Cooper, wife of Adrian Cooper, who passed away earlier this year. Both Colleen and Adrian have been very dear supporters of CWI for years and share our love for animals. Our thoughts and hearts are with Adrian and his family. Colleen we miss you!

We would also like to express our sincere thanks to all those individuals, companies, schools and colleges who not only donated their hard-earned, but also their precious time, enthusiasm and expertise to help us in our animal welfare and conservation work over the past year. Without your tireless support we could not hope to save the thousands of animals who would otherwise have to face pain, neglect, abuse and even death. There are so many kind people out there who share our vision for a more compassionate world that we cannot fit everyone in who has helped, but here's a selection. Our apologies if we haven't been able to squeeze you in!

Everyone at CWI would like to thank His Holiness the Dalai Lama and his Offices; Tsering Dorje; Tsering Yangkey; Pasang Lhamu Bhutia; Ashok Wangdy; our friend Zhou; Rolf Harris; Paul Hodgson-Hutton; Adrian Hilliard at Hunkydory Productions; Jo Hastie; Ashok Kumar; Esmond Martin; Daniel Stiles; Liz Slooten; Steve Dawson; Justin Hando; TANAPA; Rudi van Aarde; Sandra Altherr and Daniela Freyer at Pro Wildlife; Jonathan Miller; Janice

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In the past year we have saved animals from cruelty, suffering and death in over 20 countries. Because Care for the Wild relies entirely on donations to conduct its work, the charity's successes are also the successes of our supporters. Wild animals face many challenges. In many cases there is no quick and easy fix.

This is why legacy gifts are so important to us. Much of our work could not have been accomplished without them, which means that many animals have been saved or protected because an animal lover remembered us in their will. Legacies allow us to plan ahead and tackle emergencies quickly and effectively.

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Making a Will, or including additional provisions (a codicil) in your existing Will can seem daunting. This is why we have prepared a legacy guide to provide you with all the information you need. If you would like a copy of this guide, more details about CWI's work or simply speak to someone about leaving a legacy gift, please fill out part A of the form and return it to us at the FREEPOST address opposite. Alternatively you can call Dr Barbara Maas on 01306 327900 or email fundraising@careforthewild.com.

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