

These are a few of my fa-vour-ite things

"Raindrops on roses and whiskers on kittens". OK, this is a particularly nauseating song, but it did inspire us to ask the managers of the field programmes we work with to tell us about a few of their favourite things. As you'll read in this issue of *The Horn*, it's quite a mix.

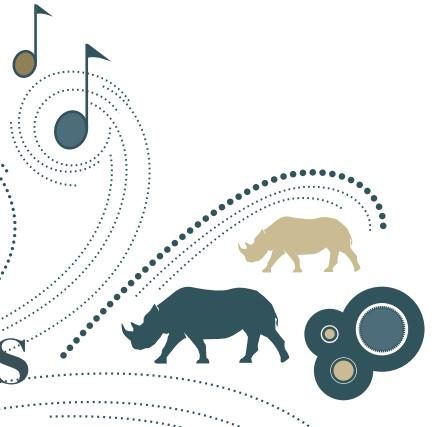
Cathy Dean
Director

I was thinking about my favourite things in the rhino world. There are the rhinos themselves. Who couldn't resist the sight - and sound - of a baby black rhino calf squeaking for its mother, as we saw and heard at Chester Zoo in August, on our annual staff outing? Way back in 2001, in my second month at Save the Rhino, I had a meeting at Port Lympne, when I first experienced the joy of scratching a rhino behind its ears, and seeing its back legs buckle in ecstasy. I've still seen fewer than 50 black rhinos I guess in the field, but every one has been a treat.

There are the people we work with in the field. They are truly amazing, and it's a joy when they get the recognition they deserve, as did Jackson Kamwi, Senior

Rhino Monitor for the Lowveld Rhino Trust in Zimbabwe, who received one of the Disney Conservation Hero Awards in 2009. Jackson and the rest of his team do a difficult job, and have seen the wrong end of AK47s.

And, but this is going to sound very twee, there are you, our supporters. Over the 15 years that we've been in existence, we couldn't have achieved all that we do without your help. When I think of all the marathon miles in rhino costume that have been run, all the beers drunk at our parties, all the ridiculous swimming / climbing / cycling challenges that people have done in our name, and all the proposals we've worked on together, I am truly impressed. It's been a joint effort.



This black rhino at Chester Zoo had us all entranced

Bring on the next 15 years, and let's hope those rhinos are off the Critically Endangered list by then.

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Events Schedule:

Last Chance to See with Stephen Fry and Mark Carwardine	Tuesday 27 October 2009
ING New York City Marathon	Sunday 1 November 2009
Hornucopia: Save the Rhino's 15th birthday auction	November 2009
3 Peaks 3 Weeks Challenge Africa	January 2010
Douglas Adams Memorial Lecture: Marcus du Sautoy	Thursday 11 March 2010
Virgin London Marathon	Sunday 25 April 2010
Rhino Mayday	Wednesday 5 May 2010
Comrades Marathon	Sunday 30 May 2010
Rhino Trek South Africa	21-28 August 2010
Go-karting	(Date tbc)
Rhino Climb Kilimanjaro	Dates to suit

For more information about any of these, please email events@savetherhino.org or alternatively call + 44 (0)20 7357 7474.