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FES is a charity that does not twist arms. It allows you to pitch in to our activities at your own level. Please contact me if you wish to get involved more in any way. We need champions, volunteers and secretaries to fulfil a number of roles. Recommendations and applications are welcome for these positions. Get in touch via contact details above for more detailed information.

A warm welcome to our new members. We hope you enjoy the magazine. Many thanks to FES Technical Adviser, Dan Morgan.

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Andy Mydellton
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The Capercaillie

The Capercaillie, a Scottish Turkey-like bird, is on the increase, according to an RSPB survey. 30 years ago there were 20,000 breeding pairs, but now sadly, they are down to around 1,000 which makes the Capercaillie one of the UK's rarest birds. However, there could be signs of a recovery, as numbers in certain areas increase and expand their range. This is due to much hard work from conservationists geared towards saving the species, which is now coming to fruition.



Tetrao urogallus: Numbers of Capercaillie are on the increase

Breeding Cranes

Cranes are breeding again in the UK – after a gap of 400 years. They are breeding at Leckenheath Fen, East Anglia which has been extensively worked on by conservationists. The gap, in addition to other wildlife destruction was caused because the Fens have been drained since around the year 1600.

UK's Wildlife Habits

Some bad news; the United Kingdom has failed to protect many of its wildlife habitats, according to advisory board, the Joint Nature Conservation Committee (JNCC). The results were published when European Union identified sites throughout the country were audited. This means that some vulnerable habitats and the animal species that live in them are at risk from destruction and ultimately local extinction. 90% of habitats and 50% of species could eventually disappear – quite staggering totals! Find out more at www.jncc.gov.uk



Recycling & Climate Change

Have you got any unwanted items that are cluttering up your home? If so, and you do not mind doing someone a favour and letting them have it for nothing; get in touch with *Conserving Wildlife* and we will advertise it for you in the magazine. Then all you do is to organise its collection or delivery. This will solve two people problems - and stop some unnecessary landfill.



THE FOUNDATION NEWS

The Foundation have become partners in the "Stop the Climate Change Chaos" organisation, and now stand with other high profile Environmentalists, such as Greenpeace, Friends of the Earth and RSPB. We advocate recycling (see the Recycling Column), Green Energy and raising awareness as part of our daily activities—because issues such as Climate Change will ultimately cause the 'Mass Extinction of the Species' in the near future. As the Foundation's object is to protect and to promote the physical and natural environment, any destruction of any species is our main concern.

Nepal

Andy Mydellton led a Conservationist group to Nepal in June, and set up the Chitwan Collaboration.. Briefly, the Foundation aims to build a Tiger Swamp, a Rhino Watering Hole and Observation Towers to help eco-tourism flourish. The project is still early in its infancy, and much more consolidation needs to be done; even so the project shows great potential. The Foundation's Friends in the Earth Charter International met up with Andy in Kathmandu, and could be our agents in Nepal. A new organization ANEEF (Anglo-Nepalese Environmental and Educational Forum) are also helping us with the project's supervision in Nepal. Visit www.ffes.org.uk for all the latest information and progress about the **Chitwan Collaboration** in Nepal.



Conserving Wildlife in the media

In order to keep the Foundation's website uncluttered of so many differing items and subjects, Andy Mydellton has created 'myspace' and 'youtube' websites. These are mainly autobiographical in content dealing with many issues and activities that concern the environment, conservation and wildlife. Andy has spent a great deal of time setting up these websites. Many difficulties have been overcome, and the pages still need some updating. Despite this, much has been achieved in a relatively small amount of time. Briefly, Andy's 'myspace' page reveals many activities that are of interest to like-minded people and also provides links to 'youtube' content. Currently a number of video clips that illustrate certain subjects as the Foundation's new projects in Nepal are available. There is also a glimpse of Andy broadcasting his live radio show *The Wildlife Zone* from the Radio Wexham studios. Parts of this award winning programme may also be podcasted in the near future.

If you wish to view these sites, then visit www.myspace.com/andymydelton to explore Andy's page. With links to the afore mentioned youtube videos. Check the Foundation's web site for regularly updated news about new content: www.ffes.org.uk.



The Wildlife Zone: Andy live on air from the Radio Wexham Studios

Availability of Conserving Wildlife

As many of you are aware, the **Conserving Wildlife** is available as an e-zine, for those of you who have requested it by email. You may also download a copy from our website. Opting to receive the magazine in electronic form saves trees from being cut down, the charity a lot of money and also saves unnecessary landfill for those who do not yet recycle. However, not everyone has a computer and not everyone wants to read publications from a computer, even if they do possess such a device! So, we produce hard copies. The magazine can still be read free at **Uxbridge Library** or can be purchased at **AMMA Convenience Stores, Oxford Road, New Denham**. We also sell copies from our exhibition stalls and by post for those who wish to subscribe annually.

Subscriptions

For those who wish to receive a hard copy of **Conserving Wildlife**, annual subscriptions are available at £6.00 including p&p. Please write to the address on page 1, making cheques payable to **Foundation for Endangered Species**.

THE FOUNDATION NEWS

Champions and Volunteers

As the Foundation becomes more involved more environmental programmes and schemes, we become more dependent on volunteers and champions to help us achieve our goals. So having read our magazine, if any readers would like to get more involved with us as a volunteer or a champion (where more time and commitment is needed) then by all means get in touch. We are now looking for people to assist in areas such as fundraising, accounts, sales and merchandise, IT, administration and promotional work.

In the meantime I would like to welcome some newcomers to the Foundation. In particular Lucie Forster, who has taken up the position of Fundraiser and is making some progress for FES with the preparation of future funding claims. Hopefully, organisations such as the Heritage Lottery Fund and other charities will look upon us with a friendly eye, to enable us to continue and increase our important work.

Musician One Eskimo has also joined us. A supporting artist and recording partner for Faithless, One Eskimo has had a number of Top 10 hits under



another name. The artist is interested in a number of issues concerning wildlife, such as Climate Change, Global Warming, Pollution. Hear him on Andy's page at www.myspace.com/andymydellton. Lucie and One Eskimo on are great assets for the Foundation and our work.

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