

# 15th anniversary events

**ELEPHANT SAFARI TO KENYA:  
November 1999**

Join Will Travers or Virginia McKenna on two special elephant safaris to Kenya. Visit Born Free's projects and meet the people involved, at Amboseli, Shimba Hills and Tsavo National Parks. The two safaris will combine to celebrate a 15th Anniversary

See Kenya's magnificent wildlife



Party with Will and Virginia. Don't miss this unique opportunity.

**£3,395 per person, (includes a generous donation to Born Free). For details contact Spencer Scott Travel on 0171 225 2988.**

**CLIMB MOUNT KILIMANJARO:  
August 1999**

Join Born Free's intrepid leader Will Travers on an expedition to Africa's highest mountain, in Tanzania.

**Estimated costs £2,200, plus £2,000 sponsorship. Call Will on 01403 240170. Please sponsor Will's climb. Return any funds to Born Free.**

## accessible to all

Born Free magazines are now available both in braille and on audio tape. To borrow either version, please call 01403 240170.

## MARATHON GIRL

After months of training, Born Free's Becky Harris-Jones led a ten-strong London Marathon team in April. Becky completed the run in 4 hours and 36 minutes. Born Free would like to congratulate everyone who took part. *Please return any outstanding sponsorship to Born Free with a cheque or postal order. Many thanks!*



Thanks to: Louise Aspinall, team co-ordinator; and the Born Free Runners: Kevin Hale; Steve Greenwood; Heather Stevens; Michelle Ball; Chris Moore; Stuart Erskine; Alan Mariott; and Hugo Rutland.

**Becky Harris-Jones**

## mink misery

Worldwide, 30 million mink and fox are bred and killed in fur factory farms. Britain has 13 mink farms producing up to 100,000 skins each year. Cramped in tiny cages these intelligent animals become highly stressed, often mutilating themselves and each other, before being gassed or electrocuted. A Parliamentary bill to ban fur farming has moved to 'committee' stage, so please both urge your MP to support the ban, and ask the Leader of the House, Margaret Beckett for sufficient Parliamentary time: House of Commons, Westminster, London SW1A 0BE.

For more details call Respect for Animals on 01159 525440.



Suffering for fashion:  
Mink in a fur factory farm

## born again

Redesigned and newly written, Born Free's extensive new website is accessible, packed full of information and updated daily. Check it out on [www.bornfree.org.uk](http://www.bornfree.org.uk)

## UK rhino group

All five species of Rhino are endangered and the UK Rhino Group is a forum for 26 organisations to discuss conservation and lobby collectively. The UK government is currently being encouraged to support rhino conservation, and stamp out the illegal trade in rhino products. This year's annual Rhino MayDay raised awareness and funds at the Royal Geographic Society.

'Muddy Retirement'



Auctioned at the MayDay: limited edition prints of Steve Parsons' subtly detailed picture (size: 590 x 420 mm) can be ordered by calling 01403 240170: **JUST £35!**

## cashing in on cruelty

Animal campaigners are appalled by the 'paltry' fines imposed on Mary Chipperfield and her husband in April. Despite horrifying evidence, the circus couple were not banned from working with animals. In January, Mary Chipperfield was convicted of cruelty to Trudy, a baby chimpanzee she had kicked and beaten. Her husband Roger Crawley was found guilty of whipping Flora, a sick young elephant. The couple received just £8,500 in fines, but reportedly made £120,000 selling six elephants, including Flora and other victims of Chipperfield abuse.

# A WILD NIGHT OUT



*Helen Worth, Allison Hood & Gary Hodges*

At the Born Free Ball in Brighton in April, a wild time was had by all. Over 400 guests joined in the fun including many celebrity friends: Martin Clunes raised over £50,000

as the auctioneer and added to the merriment; Joanna Lumley hosted our 'Save the World' Game; and Helen Worth, Philippa Forrester, Mark Williams, Sally Gunnell, Andrew Lynford, Wendy Turner, Gary Webster, Rula Lenska and Stuart Miles helped pull winning raffle tickets. A magnificent £80,000 was raised on



*Gary Webster, Wendy Turner, Andrew Lynford & friend*

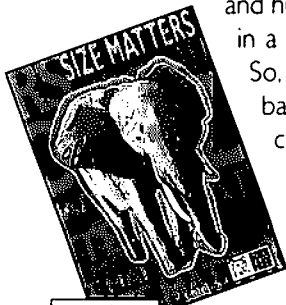
the night ... our thanks to all who donated prizes, gave help and bought tickets. Special thanks to Camelot, the National Lottery organisers, whose wonderful Reigate office helped mastermind the proceedings, and the Camelot Foundation who very generously donated a grand total of £20,000, which will fund disabled facilities on Eilean Ban.

## write on!

Look out for a fab new range of stationery from Collins over the summer in all major shops including W. H. Smiths, Staples and Woolworths. The notebooks, lever arch files, ring binders, and telephone and address books feature wild animals and humorous captions in a distinctive design.

So, if you're going back to school or college, or you just write a lot ... don't be seen without them!

Collins are very generously donating 10% of all sales of the stationery to the Born Free Foundation.



*Corrine O'Brien (Camelot Foundation), Virginia McKenna & Andrew Newton (Camelot)*



*Philippa Forrester & Stuart Miles*



## GENTLE NATURE

The family and friends of the late Julie Ward took the exhibition of her photographs and book to her home town of Bury St. Edmunds over the Easter weekend, raising nearly £8,000. These important funds will help Born Free create a Big Cat Sanctuary in Uganda, in Julie's memory.

## GET AWAY TO FRANCE

Thanks to Vivienne Swan who donated a magnificent 13th century manor house holiday in the Loire Valley as a prize at our Ball. Now Vivienne would like to extend this opportunity to all Born Free members and offers a 10% donation to Born Free with each booking.



The house is tastefully restored and decorated, sleeps up to 10 people (cot also available), has a lounge with TV & video, kitchen with freezer, cooker and dishwasher, and laundry room with washing machine. It is set in 10 acres with breathtaking views over the rolling French countryside and prices start at £295 low season to £450 peak season. Call Born Free on 01403 240170.

## T-SHIRT COMPETITION

We need your help! New T-shirt designs for adults and kids are urgently required for Born Free's new range of merchandise. Prize-winners will be invited to Born Free to meet the team, receive a Born Free bag of goodies and have their photo taken wearing their winning design. Your design can feature Born Free's logo or one of our projects, but please keep it simple. Send your designs (including your name,

address and phone no.) to 'Born Free T-Shirt Competition', at our usual address (on pg 2) by July 1st 1999.

A panel of judges select the winning designs and their decision is final. No fee is payable and winning designs will become the property of Born Free. No designs can be returned unless a prepaid addressed envelope is enclosed. Winners will be notified by July 8th and published in Autumn's Wildlife Times News Update.

