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AQUATIC SCIENCES & FISHERIES ABSTRACTS AND IAMS LIC, by Denis Abbott, IAMS LIC President

Last October Richard Pepe, Editor-in-chief of ASFA at FAO Fisheries in Rome, asked me for an official confirmation of the significance of ASFA amongst IAMS LIC members because: "As you know (first hand) it is not always easy to convince ones superiors (Directors, supervisor, parent institutions etc.) as to the necessity of being or remaining an ASFA Partner. This problem came up at last Board Meeting. Richard asked for: "... a more or less official statement each year from ASFA's main user group IAMS LIC (issued at the IAMS LIC Meeting) stating the utility of ASFA . I don't mean to rig a phony statement form you, since I understand that ASFA TRULY is (or was at least once) considered by IAMS LIC as the primary source of aquatic science information. If this is still the general feeling among the IAMS LIC group, IAMS LIC would be doing itself (and the ASFA Partners) a favour by stating it somewhere and somehow. What do you think - is it feasible?"

The letter that I wrote for Richard is given at the end of this article. He has distributed it to the directors of marine institutes responsible for ASFA input centres. In replying to him I took the opportunity to convey comments about ASFA, most of which arose from informal discussion at the Mazatlan conference, or have been long-standing criticisms of the database amongst IAMS LIC members.

THE FUTURE OF ASFA

Richard Pepe's request is an ideal opportunity for IAMS LIC members to contribute to the continued development of ASFA. A major improvement occurred last year when input changed from a DOS-based interface to a Web interface after many years of investigating the development of a

MS Windows interface. ASFA users would not be aware of this, or even many IAMS LIC members, but it is the kind of change that is vital to the continued improvement of the database and its production.

A good basis for dialogue between IAMS LIC and ASFA would be to devote conference papers, or group discussion sessions to ASFA at forthcoming conferences and regional meetings.

I think it is some time since ASFA was discussed at IAMS LIC conferences, maybe 1998 in Iceland where there was a comparison of different versions of the database from different vendors.

Although there are legitimate criticisms of ASFA, I would like to see IAMS LIC provide constructive ideas for its development, extending what it does beyond being a traditional indexing and abstracting service.

Coverage, currency & source documents

The most often voiced criticisms of ASFA are:

- it is slow with indexing, including being way behind with some core titles
- it omits to index some issues from titles on the monitoring list
- indexing report literature is a feature of ASFA, but obtaining source documents is often difficult, or impossible.

Digitising report literature

In addition to establishing input centres in developing countries, we recommend that the report literature indexed by these centres be digitised and linked from the ASFA records. Additionally, CSA could include links in the ASFA records to report literature that is already

available in electronic form, mainly in the developed world.

The ASFA Board and FAO will have much greater success in convincing Directors to support ASFA input if they can see that they get quicker and cheaper access to information in their region. All ASFA users would benefit from ready access to source documents from the report literature.

Digitising report literature would build upon the developments that are occurring with regional co-operation. For example, the ASFA Advisory Board's sponsorship of a librarian from South America to the recent IAMSLIC conference in Mazatlan has been successful in playing a part in moves to form a Latin American regional group within IAMSLIC. In its action plan, this group says it will be encouraging Latin American countries to become ASFA input centres as well as seeking to improve access to information.

IAMSLIC observer at ASFA Board meetings

It was suggested that there be an IAMSLIC observer at ASFA Advisory Board meetings. The most practical and economical way to do this would be to have an IAMSLIC member from the location where the Board is meeting, although this may not always be possible. There has been no follow-up discussion of this idea and the next Board meeting will be in Cuba in June.

A complicated database?

The complexity and highly structured nature of the database was not canvassed in my message/letter to Richard, but it could be regarded as a hindrance to easy input. Simplification could ease the burden of training and extend coverage through the development of additional input centers.

Letter to Richard Pepe, 12 Dec 2002

Dear Richard

This letter is in reply to your request (as Editor-in-Chief of ASFA) for information regarding the use of the Aquatic Sciences and Fisheries Abstracts (ASFA) bibliographic database by the members of the International Association of Aquatic and Marine Science Libraries and Information Centers (IAMSLIC) which includes approximately 300 members in 5 Regional groupings.

ASFA is the main database used in aquatic and marine science libraries, or IAMSLIC members' libraries.

In libraries which are not part of a larger network it may be the only database available in the

library, or that institute. This situation may apply in libraries in developed countries, but it is more likely to be the case in developing countries. Libraries in developing countries still need the CD-ROM version of ASFA, because they do not have permanent, or reliable access to Web versions (this was an issue raised at the 2002 IAMSLIC Conference in Mazatlan, Mexico, 2002 with reference to doubt about the future of the CD-ROM version).

Although the IAMSLIC members value ASFA, they still see some scope for improvement such as:

- Speedier coverage (especially as regards to core titles),
- Complete coverage of issues on the monitoring list, and
- Assistance in locating source documents (particularly the report literature).

I hope the above information will be of use to you.

Regards,

Denis Abbott, President, IAMSLIC

[Editor's Note: There is talk of having a panel session on ASFA/IAMSLIC collaboration at the 2003 Mystic meeting.]

VACANCY REPORTS

Kris Metzger, Harbor Branch
[IAMSLIC:3001] **Librarian position - Bodega Marine Lab, California**
<http://www.bml.ucdavis.edu/geninfo/scilib.html>

Jean Collins, FAO, Rome
[IAMSLIC:3122] **Professional Vacancy FAO**
<http://www.fao.org/va/PROF/1148gilE.htm>



Cyamus 2003 Meeting at Kailua-Kona, Hawai'i, by Jim Markham

"Resource Management: From Oceans to OPACs", the Annual Meeting of the Cyamus Regional Group of IAMSLIC was held 5-9 March, 2003, at Kailua-Kona, on the Big Island of Hawai'i. In attendance were 25 Cyamus librarians from Hawai'i, Sonora, Baja California Sur, California, Oregon, Washington, and British Columbia, plus a representative from Cambridge Scientific Abstracts (CSA), and 3 other IAMSLIC librarians, 2 from Massachusetts, and one from Germany, as well as several Hawaiian researchers.

After a splendid reception with great pupus at the conference hotel, Royal Kona Resort (www.Royalkona.com), the next day began at the

hotel with the first presentations. In a very interesting and valuable mix of reports and discussions from both librarians and researchers, a broad range of topics was covered over the next two days. Sea turtle ecology, monk seals, and Ciguatera Fish Poisoning (CFP) provided good scientific information, while several CYAMUS members discussed the functioning of their special libraries: the Centro Interdisciplinario de Investigación para el Desarrollo Integral Regional, in Sinaloa; Promotora Industrial Acuasistemas S.A. (P.I.A.S.A.), an institute that develops aquacultural processes to produce shrimp and various fish for food; and the Alfred Wegener Institute Foundation for Polar and Marine Research in Bremerhaven, Germany.

Representatives from CSA discussed new journals now indexed by ASFA, changes in personnel, and the new input centers in Belgium, Italy, and Tunisia. Librarians, taxonomists, and programmers from the Marine Biological Laboratory, Woods Hole, MA, are developing **uBio**, the Universal Biological Indicator and Organizer (<http://www.ubio.org/>). This federally funded project is designed to serve as an online concordance to scientific and common names and is based on the Integrated Taxonomic Information System (ITIS).
<http://www.itis.usda.gov/index.html>

IAMSLIC business included a discussion by the Webmaster of the public vs. members' side of the Web site, who is authorized to do what, and various levels of passwords.

On the second day, the meetings moved to the Natural Energy Laboratory of Hawaii Authority (NELHA) (<http://nelha.org/>). "NELHA is a state-operated, master-permitted ocean science and technology park that stimulates economic development and diversification in the state of Hawai'i." It brings ashore a continuous supply of high-quality, deep-ocean, cold seawater (6° C = 43° F) from the world's longest and deepest seawater intake pipe. It also supplies very pure, warm, surface seawater that stays within a narrow range of 24.5° - 27.5° C (76° - 82° F) year round. Utilizing the difference between cold water and surface temperatures together with nearly constant sunshine allows for development of various technologies, especially OTEC (Ocean Thermal Energy Conversion) and related applications, including energy production, freshwater production, air-conditioning, horticulture, aquaculture, etc. Presentations at NELHA included a report on the management and monitoring of Hawai'i's aquarium fisheries industry, and the UH Sea Grant Extension Agent for West Hawai'i discussed resource management within the 900,000 sq. mi. Hawai'i

Exclusive Economic Zone, where 69% of U.S. coral reefs are found.

As usual, the most valuable part of this conference was networking with old and new colleagues, which will help our work in the coming months. But the highlight for me was witnessing the formation of a new lava flow just as the sun was setting...

Join us in Vancouver, BC for the Cyamus 2004 meeting.



EURASLIC GRANTS HELP CONNECT EUROPEAN COUNTRIES

By Joan Baron Varley

During 2002/2003 aquatic sciences libraries in Bulgaria, Georgia and the Ukraine have been awarded small grants by EURASLIC - the European Association of Aquatic Sciences Libraries and Information Centres – to purchase essential computing equipment to support their information activities.

AQUATIC SCIENCE INFORMATION PROVISION

For many who work in aquatic sciences libraries access to the resources of the Internet are now commonplace, but for many libraries in European Countries in Economic Transition (ECET), these basic facilities are still a luxury. In 2002 in an attempt to assist aquatic sciences libraries in these, and other member countries, EURASLIC introduced an Annual Equipment Grant.

In 2002 the Euraslic Board received six applications totaling more than 6850 euros. The initial amount set aside (1500 euros) was increased to more than 1800 euros to enable Euraslic to assist two Member Libraries to purchase essential computing equipment. The Bulgarian Academy of Sciences Institute of Oceanology, Varna Library was awarded 700 euros, and the Library of the Georgian Marine Ecology and Fisheries Institute, Batumi received 1120 euros.

In 2003, the Euraslic Board received three applications totaling 2728 euros, again in excess of the original amount set aside. On this occasion, the Euraslic Board awarded grants to the Scientific Library of the Institute of Biology of the Southern Seas (800 euros) for the purchase of an additional PC system, and to the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences Institute of Oceanology, Varna Library (648 euros) for the purchase of a multifunctional flatbed system consisting of laser fax, printer,

copy machine and scanner. Olga Akimova, the Librarian at the Institute of Biology of the Southern Seas is coordinating the Black Sea Regional Library Co-operation Project: the Scoping Study funded by IAMSLIC. Snežina Bacheva, the Librarian at the Varna Library is the Euraslic Executive Secretary and access to adequate technical facilities were deemed essential to assist in the many tasks she is now carrying out in support of Euraslic.

EURASLIC is the only European organisation directly addressing the needs of aquatic libraries and information centres across Europe. The main source of income for Euraslic is through subscriptions by Members, so of necessity the levels of Grants awarded are small. However the Euraslic Board will shortly begin discussing the total amount of funding to be allocated for Equipment Grants in 2004 and would be pleased to hear from any organisations or individuals who would also like to contribute funding to support the activities of aquatic sciences libraries in ECET countries.

SPONSORSHIP AT CONFERENCES

The interaction of librarians and information specialists from ECET countries with other institutes in Western Europe and other geographic regions, is crucial in targeting the needs of these individual libraries and establishing joint projects which will attract funding from International and regional donor organisations. Euraslic is continually seeking sponsorship to assist staff from aquatic sciences libraries and information centres in ECET countries to attend meetings and Conferences, and very much appreciates the support it receives from IAMSLIC in this respect.

FURTHERING THE CONNECTIONS: Watkins' incredible growing catalog

On Friday, 14 February, the 1000th interlibrary loan request was submitted via the IAMSLIC Z39.50 Distributed Library system after six months of operation! Requests have been submitted by 59 different IAMSLIC member libraries to 40 of the 51 participating lending libraries. 16 of the 40 lending libraries have received an average of at least one request per week, constituting nearly 80% of the total requests received. The most active lending library, Hatfield Marine Science Center in Oregon, USA, has been receiving an average of nearly 5 requests per week. With a few exceptions, the most active borrowing libraries are IAMSLIC members in developing nations, which has been the intent of IAMSLIC resource sharing programs over the years and reflects the

theme of last year's conference-- Bridging the Digital Divide.

A late breaking message from Jean Collins, FAO Library, Rome: Thanks to Steve Watkins we have been able to add the holdings of over 600 aquatic (mainly fisheries and aquaculture) serial titles held by FAO Library to the IAMSLIC Z39.50 Distributed Library system.

We included only unique titles published in the following regions

Africa - 139 titles
Asia - 223 titles
Latin and Central America - 147 titles
Oceania - 53 titles
Transitional Countries - 49 titles

Our long-term hope is that the libraries in these regions will be able to include their holdings in the IAMSLIC system and be able to provide copies - at which time FAO Library will no longer be the unique source.

We cannot lend but will provide photocopies wherever possible free of charge, within reasonable quantities. We may not always be able to respond within 24 hours - but usually get there.



LISTSERVE ALERTS FROM MEMBERS

PICTURES ON THE WEB,

submitted by Evelyn M. Poole-Kober, NERL- Atmospheric Sciences Modeling
US Environmental Protection Agency, Research Triangle Park, NC

Finding that perfect image/picture on U.S. government web sites that provide access to environmentally oriented, royalty-free pictures with proper credit given were listed in Environment, March 2002.

<http://www.photolib.noaa.gov/> NOAA

<http://www.photolib.fema.gov/photolib/index.jsp>
FEMA

<http://www.photos.blm.gov/> Dept. of Interior

<http://images.fws.gov/> Fish & Wildlife Service

<http://minerals.cr.usgs.gov/cabston/startlib.htm>
USGS

<http://ww.ars.usda.gov/is/graphics/photos/>
Agriculture

<http://nix.nasa.gov/>; <http://visibleearth.nasa.gov/>;
<http://photojournal.jpl.nasa.gov/> NASA

http://arcweb.archives.gov/arc/basic_search.jsp/
National Archives (includes the EPA's
Documerica project (perform a keyword search
for 542493) - a collection almost 16,000
photographs from 1972 to 1977.

Databases and Tools listed in Science Feb 28

<http://www.transtats.bts.gov/>-- data on different
forms of transportation and costs (download the
air-quality database to find levels of lead, sulfur
dioxide, particles, and ozone for scores of
American cities and towns since 1996)

<http://www.r-project.org/>-- open source stats

SITES AROUND THE GLOBE, submitted
by Jean Collins, FAO, Rome, Italy

One from Asia

**Network of Aquaculture Centres in Asia-
Pacific (NACA)** <http://www.enaca.org/index.htm>
is an intergovernmental organization that
promotes rural development through sustainable
aquaculture. NACA seeks to improve rural
income, increase food production and foreign
exchange earnings and to diversify farm
production.

The ultimate beneficiaries of NACA activities are
farmers and rural communities. The site provides
access to hundreds of full-text publications
<http://www.enaca.org/Publications.htm>

And a couple from Africa

Seaweed Africa

<http://www.seaweedafrica.org/default.asp> is a
project to expand AlgaeBase, a biodiversity
database of seaweed information, to include
ecological, commercial and technology data from
the whole of Africa.

Small-Scale Aquaculture in Sub-Saharan Africa

http://cdserver2.ru.ac.za/cd/011120_1/Aqua/SSA/main.htm
Written and compiled by Professor Thomas
Hecht and Irene de Moor of the
Department of Ichthyology and Fisheries Science
of Rhodes University.

Sustainable Fisheries Livelihoods Programme

<http://www.sflp.org/>

A partnership between the Department for
International Development (DFID),

the Food and Agriculture Organization of the
United Nations (FAO) and 25
participating countries in West Africa.

International Network for the Availability of Scientific Publications (INASP)

INASP is a co-operative network of partners
aiming to improve world-wide access to
information.

<http://www.inasp.info/> (Submitted by Tom Moritz,
AMNH)

California Explores the Ocean (CEO) Website <http://ceo.ucsd.edu/>

A new UCSD Libraries website - California
Explores the Ocean (CEO) - has been publicly
opened. CEO features photographs, reports and
other related materials from several historic
Scripps expeditions, photographs on marine
topics from the San Diego Historical Society, and
a digital version of the California Dept. of Fish &
Game's Fish Bulletin spanning its entire run from
1919. Fish catch statistical datasets have been
extracted from the Fish Bulletin, digitized and will
soon be available for analysis and downloading
through the CEO site. The goal of the site is to
improve access for scientists and the public to
these unique resources relating to oceans and
oceanography in California. This website grew
from a collaboration between the UCSD Libraries
and the San Diego Historical Society with funds
from the Federal Library Services and
Technology Act (LSTA). Take a look at
thousands of photographs from Scripps
expeditions and seaside life in San Diego, audio
files and other content. The URL for the Fish
Bulletin (<http://oac.cdlib.org/dynaweb/etext/fbull/>
) is not yet permanent, due to server work
underway; I will announce when its URL is
permanent for those wishing to catalog it. (Peter
Brueggeman, Scripps)

The **MetaMap** is now online at

<http://mapageweb.umontreal.ca/turner/meta/english/index.htm>
!

The MetaMap is a pedagogical tool in the form of
a subway map, the goal of which is to help
people understand metadata standards, sets, and
initiatives related to information studies. With the
exponential
development of the World Wide Web, there are
so many metadata initiatives, so many
organisations involved, and so many new
standards that it's hard to get our bearings in this
new environment. The problem is exacerbated by
the fact that the names of most of these new
standards are represented by acronyms. The
MetaMap exists to help gather in one place

information about these metadata initiatives, to try to show relationships among them, and to connect them with the various players involved in their creation and use. (Betsy Simpson, University of Florida)

The **Locally Managed Marine Area**

Network <http://www.lmmanetwork.org/> site is great for information on community-based marine conservation efforts. (Jane Barnwell, University of Hawaii at Manoa)

The **International Marine life Alliance**

<http://www.marine.org/> site provides excellent links to a wide range of projects and activities worldwide. (Jane Barnwell, University of Hawaii at Manoa)

You've Got MAIL from:

[For fuller information go to the mail message indicated. URLs are to the subject content not to the message.]

Jenny Peterson, BLM/FWS Interagency Library
[IAMS LIC:2969] **JAKE: jointly administered knowledge environments**
<http://jake-db.org/>

Joe Wible, Stanford
[IAMS LIC:2971] **new ISBNs in 2005**
[IAMS LIC:3010] **Taylor & Francis buys CRC Press**
[IAMS LIC:3118] **Promoting ocean exploration**
<http://www.nandotimes.com/technology/story/860711p-6017969c.html>

Janet Yasumatsu [janety@hawaii.rr.com]
[IAMS LIC:3111] **NOAA RELEASES DETAILED MAPS OF CORAL REEFS IN THE MAIN HAWAIIAN**
http://biogeo.nos.noaa.gov/products/hawaii_cd/startup.htm

Brian Voss, NOAA Seattle Office:
[IAMS LIC:2855] **Raymond J. H. Beverton Lectures at Woods Hole, Massachusetts**
published in book form on the science relating to fish population dynamics. An on-line version in PDF form is available at
<http://spo.nwr.noaa.gov/BevertonLectures1994>

Joan Parker, Moss Landing Marine Laboratory
[IAMS LIC:2912] **Web version of Zoological Studies (Taiwan)**
<http://www.sinica.edu.tw/zool/zoolstud/content.htm>

Pauline Simpson, Head of Information Services, Southampton Oceanography Centre
[IAMS LIC:2918] **Open Source Systems for Libraries**

<http://www.oss4lib.org/>

[IAMS LIC:2917] **Directory of Open Access Journals**

The Information Program of the Open Society Institute, along with SPARC (The Scholarly Publishing and Academic Resources Coalition) and Lund University Libraries, Sweden, today announced the establishment of the Directory of Open Access Journals (DOAJ, <http://www.doaj.org>) The project will create a directory of open access journals and will be completed in late spring 2003.

[IAMS LIC:2991] **e-Prints and Publishers agreements**

The UK JISC-funded RoMEO Project has made available the first version of their listing of academic journal copyright agreements now available from

<http://www.lboro.ac.uk/departments/ls/disresearch/romeo/index.html> (click on Copyright Policies) The list provides information about 70 + journal publishers self-archiving policies. Entries in green indicate that self-archiving is allowed.

Jean Collins, FAO, Rome
[IAMS LIC:2998] FW: **World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) - PrepCom2**
What will be the role of libraries?

Snowdy Dodson
[IAMS LIC:2932] **Chronicle article: Control Issues**
Microsoft's new secure computers may lead to restricted access.
<http://chronicle.com/free/v49/i24/24a02701.htm>

Susan Berteaux
[IAMS LIC:2938] FYI: **Expansion of '.Edu' Domain Name Approved**
http://news.findlaw.com/ap/ht/1700/2-12-2003/20030212120004_04.html

Peter Brueggeman, Scripps
[IAMS LIC:3014] **a streaming student-made library orientation video that presents an interesting approach**
http://www.lib.virginia.edu/student_video/librvideo.html
[IAMS LIC:3084] **Marine Invertebrate Larvae: A Study in Morphological Diversity web site**
<http://scaa.usask.ca/gallery/lacalli/>
[IAMS LIC:3090] **New Zealand Journal of Marine and Freshwater Research ejournal**
<http://www.rsnz.org/publish/abstracts.php>

Natalie Wiest, Texas A & M
[IAMS LIC:3097] FW: **4/11/2003 Daily Report from The Chronicle of Higher Education (Concern over Cuba's libraries and librarians)**
<http://chronicle.com/daily/2003/04/2003041105n.htm>

Adele Crispoldi, FAO
[IAMS LIC:3022] **FAO Fisheries Statistics : 2001 data in Fishstat Plus**
<http://www.fao.org/fi/statist/FISOFT/FISHPLUS.asp>

Joan Parker, Moss Landing
[IAMS LIC:3108] **press release about Denis Abbott**
<http://www.marine.csiro.au/PressReleasesfolder/03releases/19mar03.htm>

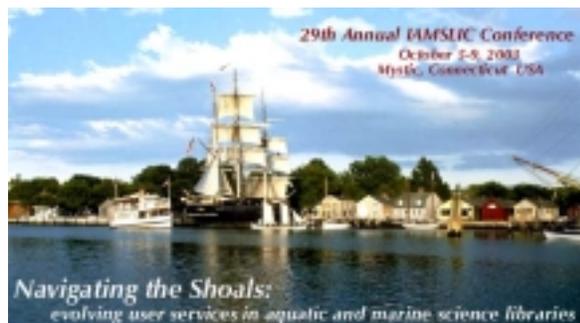
Eleanor Uhlinger, Woods Hole
[IAMS LIC:3113] **Greenspan's comments re Intellectual Property**
<http://www.federalreserve.gov/BoardDocs/speeches/2003/20030404/default.htm>



Jeff Rothal, Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, CA
[IAMS LIC:3124] **Peeps in the Library**

http://www.millikin.edu/staley/fluff/peep_research.html

On the Conference Front



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<http://www.nefsc.noaa.gov/nefsc/library/2003iamslic/2003home.html>

EXTENDED CALL FOR PAPERS

Deadline Extended to 23 May -- still a chance to submit a proposal for a paper, panel or poster session.

CALL FOR PAPERS

Navigating the Shoals: Evolving User Services in Aquatic and Marine Science Libraries
29th Annual IAMS LIC Conference
Mystic, Connecticut, USA, 5-9 October 2003

This is an extended call for the submission of proposals and abstracts for papers, poster sessions, thematic panel discussions or workshops for the 2003 IAMS LIC Annual Conference. The theme of this year's conference focuses on the users of marine and aquatic science libraries and the library services that

support and guide their study and research. All potential conference attendees are encouraged to submit proposals, which should include: the name(s) of the presenter(s), the title of the presentation, the type of presentation being proposed (paper, poster, panel, workshop) and a brief abstract.

Suggested Topical Areas:

Unique services offered by different types of IAMS LIC libraries

- solo librarians and small research facilities
- branch or departmental libraries
- comprehensive universities
- large research institutions
- government agency libraries

Services to geographically dispersed users

- remote research stations
- island nations
- distance education and distant learners
- technological innovations

Library and information literacy

- instruction programs for students and researchers
- instructional resources for librarians and users
- librarian/faculty partnerships
- web-based tutorials and curricular materials

Technology-based user services

- remote or virtual reference services
- resource sharing and interlibrary loan
- enhanced access to electronic publications
- finding aids and topical research guides

IAMS LIC support for member libraries

- collaborative development of user services
- availability of resources and expertise
- discussion of ideas for programmatic support

Proposals on other topics related to user services are welcomed.

Deadline for submission of proposals and abstracts:

Proposals received by 23 May 2003 shall receive first consideration by the conference Program Committee.

Submit proposals by email to:

Steve Watkins, IAMS LIC President-Elect 2004
steve_watkins@csumb.edu

Tasmania On My Mind...IAMS LIC 2004

Why wait to get excited...suggested reading on Tasmania submitted by Kris Metzger:

<http://www.iht.com/articles/93674.html>

10th Deep Sea Biology Symposium

<http://darkwing.uoregon.edu/%7Eoimb/deepsea/fronpage.html>

(B. Butler, Oregon Institute of Marine Biology)



2003/04 IAMSLIC Grant Update- \$10,800 total

The following amounts have been approved for use by regional groups:
\$1400 for Cyamus
\$2000 for Euraslic
\$2000 for the African regional group. Full support for their first meeting.
\$900 for SAIL
Total of \$6,300 for regional groups
Still to be allocated is \$4,500 for Conference allocation

From the Jacket Pocket: new books

Contributed by Daniel Belich, Ernest Mayr
Library, Harvard University

Aquatic ecosystems : interactivity of dissolved organic matter. Edited by Stuart E.G. Findlay and Robert L. Sinsabaugh. Amsterdam; Boston: Academic Press, c2003. 512 p., illustrated. \$99.95.

"The health and proper functioning of aquatic ecosystems depends in part on the abundance and composition of dissolved organic matter (DOM). The fluxes and pulses of organic matter influences practically every aspect of stream ecology, biogeochemistry, and productivity. *Aquatic Ecosystems* addresses crucial questions emerging from the latest research on DOM." -- from the back cover.

Conservation of freshwater fishes : options for the future. Edited by M.J. Collares-Pereira, I.G. Cowx, and M.M. Coelho. Oxford: Fishing News Books, 2002. 462 p., illustrated, with bibliographies. \$154.99.

Proceedings from the international symposium "Freshwater Fish Conservation : Options for the Future" held in October-November 2000 in Algarve, Portugal.

In a perfect ocean : the state of fisheries and ecosystems in the North Atlantic Ocean. By Daniel Pauly and Jay Maclean. Washington, DC: Island Press, c2003. 175 p., illustrated. \$25.00

"*In a perfect ocean* is the first in a series of assessments of the world's marine ecosystems. In this first comprehensive, empirical portrait of the North Atlantic, the authors use traditional catch data and cutting-edge scientific techniques to provide an indisputable picture of an ocean whose food webs have been dramatically altered. They then explain how the North Atlantic arrived at this state, and how we can return it to health."-- from the back cover.

Sensory processing in aquatic environments. Edited by Shaun P. Collin and N. Justin Marshall. New York: Springer-Verlag, c2003. 446 p., illustrated, with bibliographies. \$149.00.

"Research on aquatic sensory processing--the way animals see, hear, smell, taste, feel, and electrically and magnetically sense their environment--has advanced a great deal over the last fifteen years. This book discusses the most recent and important themes that have emerged from research in the areas of neurobiology and sensory physiology." -- from the back cover

About your colleagues

AWARDS

In case you have not yet heard the word, please join me in congratulating Janet Webster who was selected as this year's OLA Librarian of the Year. Those who nominated Janet talked about her commitment to the profession of librarianship; her work with the Oregon legislature to improve funding for libraries; her involvement in her local community; her willing support of her colleagues throughout Oregon and many roles in the Oregon Library Association.

OSU Libraries is very proud that one of our own has received the highest award our state association can present. Congratulations and thank you Janet.

Karyle Butcher
University Librarian
Deputy Vice Provost for Information Services

MOVING ABOUT

Peter Brueggeman reports Amy Butros has been appointed to Assistant Director & Instructional/Outreach Librarian of Scripps Institution of Oceanography Library. Amy was previously at the UCSD Biomedical Library. Amy starts at SIO Library on April 21st.

RETIREMENTS

Charles McFadden is retiring from his position as library director at the Virginia Institute of Marine Science on June 30. Chuck has been at VIMS since April of 1991. Information about the search for a new library director for VIMS will be announced in the IAMSLIC newsletter and on the IAMSLIC email list.

Martha Andrews retired, as of Jan. 31, after 21 years as librarian at the Institute of Arctic and Alpine Research, University of Colorado Boulder. Martha says she plans to maintain her connection with IAMSLIC.

Natalie Wiest reports that Diane (Watson) Verrett, who had worked for 14 years at Texas A & M, Galveston retired in January 2003. Her position was Public Services Librarian, one of three professionals in the library. Diane attended several of the SAIL meetings and at least one IAMSLIC annual meeting, in Washington in 1990.

SABBATICALS

Jean Crampon, University of Southern California, has been granted a six month sabbatical to complete publication of the *Velero IV* station data. The *Velero IV* cruises collected data on the Pacific coast from 1948-1983. No publication of the entire station data set has ever been done, so this publication will parallel the format of information published from the complete voyages of the *Velero III* in the Atlantic and the Pacific. A digital version of the data is planned as well. As part of this project she will also be researching the history of the ship and its scientific contributions. If anyone has information about the voyages, they are encouraged to contact Jean at crampon@usc.edu.

MEMORIES

Ann Bowman Manooch died Saturday, April 12 at her home at 2900 Dogwood Lane, Morehead City, NC. Mrs. Manooch was born in Kentucky, the daughter of James F. and Ruby Wilson Bowman. She received a degree in Library and Information Science from the University of Kentucky. She began her career in Library Science at the Margaret I King Library, the main library of the University. The last 30 years of her career as a research librarian were spent at the NOAA Beaufort Laboratory where she was instrumental in developing the Rice Library and from which she retired in April of 1994. She was a founding member of the International Association of Aquatic and Marine Science Libraries and Information Centers and served as an officer of the professional organization and mentor to several marine science librarians. She is survived by her husband, Dr. Charles S. Manooch, III, 3 daughters, 2 sons, her mother, 2 sisters and a brother. Cards may be sent to the home at the address above. (From Patti Marraro, NOAA, Beaufort, NC)

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