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Acting President's Report

Dear Friends:

I am still serving as the acting President, at the request President David Zeller who is unable to be in regular contact as a result of his work in Sierra Leone.

IRF Ranger Dependants Fund

We continue to receive grave reports from the Democratic Republic of Congo about the ambush and killing of rangers and the gorillas they are protecting. On October 27th, suspected Rwandan Hutu rebels ambushed rangers in Virunga National Park, killing ranger Rwiko and injuring ranger Gato. Since January, eight gorillas have been killed and over fifty are missing.

In the midst of this grim news, we have a bright light of hope from an increasing number of world citizens who are supporting rangers. As a result of the efforts of Sean Willmore (Australia) and the directors of the Thin Green Line Foundation, his documentary film, *The Thin Green Line*, has been well publicized and well received. A recent story on Australian TV generated an additional \$50,000 AUD over the \$100,000 AUD produced by the initial launch of the film on World Ranger Day (July 31st). To see the TV story, go to <http://www.abc.net.au/austory/specials/wildside/default.htm>

The Thin Green Line Foundation has made a commitment that all funds generated from the sale of the DVD and events around the film will go to the families of rangers who have been killed. The foundation has asked IRF and IUCN to consider having it act as the administrator of the Ranger Dependants Fund. We have agreed to that concept and are now developing a memorandum of understanding between the three parties. We expect the final document to be signed before the next issue of this newsletter.

On October 6th, the first payments to families of killed rangers were given at a special ceremony in South Africa. Sean Willmore, representing The Thin Green Line Foundation, presented the first payment to Girlie Ndolvu, the wife of ranger Wilson Ndolvu, who was killed in Kruger National Park. According to Sean, "it was a very emotional experience for the 70 rangers and families who attended." The proceedings were opened by world renowned conservationist and past ranger, Dr. Ian Player, and concluded with the handing over of certificates of recognition and \$1,000 USD to each family.

“Whilst it was noted this in no way compensates for their loss, we hope it goes some way to relieving the financial pressure and to recognizing their loved one’s sacrifices,” said Sean. Africa Representative Wayne Lotter (South Africa) represented IRF at the ceremonies.

Reports From Member Associations

Before the end of December, Secretary Elaine Thomas will be sending out a call for annual reports from member associations. The last time we asked for reports was just prior to the World Ranger Congress in Scotland in 2006. At that time, we received reports from only nine of our 54 member associations. A summary of those reports is attached to this newsletter.

The lack of annual reports from associations and the lack of articles submitted to this newsletter weakens the IRF. We cannot represent you if we have no information about the rangers in your country, the issues you are dealing with, or the successes and accomplishments of your association. At the Scotland Congress we amended the Standing Rules to clarify that to be an IRF member *in good standing* each member association must:

- a) submit an annual report *and*
- b) submit at least one article to **The Thin Green Line** each year

If your ranger association does not submit a report this year or in 2008 and does not submit an article to the **The Thin Green Line** this year or in 2008, the Standing Rules direct that your association will be notified at least three months before the next World Ranger Congress that you are no longer a member in good standing and that your association will be removed from membership in the IRF. We do not want to take this action – we would rather hear from you and have active associations. Please take this small step to communicate with your colleagues and strengthen all of us in our work as rangers.

Ranger Association Conferences

I was fortunate to attend two ranger conferences late this year. In this issue of **The Thin Green Line**, Rigmor Solem (Norway) reports on the European Ranger Seminar, held in Romania in September. The rangers from 17 countries were engaged and passionate about their vocation, reinforcing my commitment to this volunteer work of IRF.

I was impressed with the immense amount of time and work that organizers Florin Hălășteanu from Retezat NP (Hombre) and Mihai Gligan from the Romanian Rangers Association dedicated to the seminar, leading to a highly successful event. One of the follow-up benefits to that seminar has been the high response rate to a request for translators and for photos of rangers in action, to be used in a revision of our IRF posters.

In October, the US Association of National Park Rangers held its annual Ranger Rendezvous in Utah. I represented IRF on two panels during that week – one on an ANPR past president’s panel to discuss the future of ANPR and the other as part of an IRF session organized by North America representation Meg Weesner (USA). I attended these conferences at no cost to the IRF.

I look forward to learning more about ranger meetings your association has organized or other association news in the next issue of **The Thin Green Line**.

With warm wishes,

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Africa Regional Representative Report

GRAA chairman Wayne Lotter will be working in Tanzania from November 4th until February 2nd as international team leader for the Selous-Niassa Wildlife Protection Corridor Project. Andre Botha will thus be acting GRAA Chairman until further notice. Wayne will be in touch as soon as possible after his arrival in the project area and he has established reliable/regular email communications there. Wayne will also let you know of his potential longer term involvement with this project as soon as there is certainty in this regard.

Jan Phelan is currently wrapping up her short term contract to develop the Protected Area Management System (PAMS) for the Ezemvelo KZN Wildlife invasive alien species program. The paper Wayne Lotter presented at the South Africa Wildlife Management Association Conference on September 18th, entitled “The potential role of certification in protected area management”, was well received and the paper that his assistant, Krissie Clark, presented (co-authored by Phelan and Lotter) on the implementation of PAMS in the Ezemvelo KZN Wildlife Invasive Alien Species Program was adjudged the second best paper at this conference. Wayne visited the Ingwelala Reserve in the Limpopo Province of South Africa between October 16th and 19th to follow up on their earlier enquiry regarding PAMS and made a presentation/proposal to their board on October 19th. The warden of the Timbavati Private Nature Reserve was also visited during this time and his interest shown in PAMS was very encouraging. It will no doubt still cost a fair amount of money to attend meetings and make visits to potential users in order to gain more necessary support and momentum and create the opportunities needed to make these ideas a reality until they can pay for themselves.

The recent visit by Sean Willmore from Australia (producer of the movie *The Thin Green Line*) to South Africa and the very successful event launching of the Rangers Dependants’ Fund held at Umgeni Valley was reported on in GRAA’s newsletter, *The Cleft Stick*, and through other correspondence between the GRAA and IRF leadership. Bryan Havemann, Don Yunnie and the rest of the GRAA team who contributed to making this event a real success are sincerely thanked for their efforts!

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European Regional Representative Report

Training Seminar in Romania

When about 120 rangers from 17 different countries finished a very eventful week on September 21st, it was the Hungarians who surprised us all by suggesting that they should host the next European Rangers Training Seminar. And not just that, they also suggested that we should come together next year, in autumn 2008. When the idea of a European Seminar was introduced during the IRF congress in Scotland in 2006, we agreed that we should meet to share experiences and to learn from each other in Europe every third year. But many of us felt the same as the Hungarians, that this seminar had been both useful and successful, and that it would be too bad to wait three years until next time.

The seminar had “Naturally, Wild” as a slogan, and naturally, we stayed most of the time outdoors in the wonderful nature in Retezat NP. Different workshops focused on three main topics during the week

1. Education and interpretation
2. Management and biodiversity conservation
3. Management of tourist activities

On the last night, our vice president, Deanne, our first president, Gordon, and I set up six questions we wanted the seminar participants to answer. The answers were made the last morning during seven different groups. Afterwards, we made an abstract from this answers:

1. What benefits did you get from the seminar?
 - Sharing experiences
 - Networking
 - Using a very nice national park for practical training /workshop
 - Learned about managing of a national park in south-eastern Europe
 - We got new energy and remembered why we do this work
 - We learned specialized English terms

2. What was missing that you wish was included in the seminar?
 - Presentation on the work in each country, a market place
 - More discussions in small groups, with focus on specific problems
 - An introduction from each member, name, country
 - Less walking and driving
 - Go deeper into discussions

3. Were the number of topics OK? Would you like more or less?
 - Everybody said that the number was okay

4. Would you like to have another European Ranger Seminar?
 - Everybody said YES

5. What topics would you like in a future seminar?
 - The topics of this seminar need continued focus
 - Communications
 - Young people with little connection to nature
 - More choices in smaller groups
 - Anything that is relevant at the time
 - The topic should be up to the host country
 - Ranger association presentations
 - Law enforcement
 - Ranger burnout
 - Modern technology as a support for rangers
 - Rangers handbook
 - Habitat management
 - Public relation and marketing the ranger image

6. What else can IRF do to help rangers other than seminars?
 - Rangers exchange (and rangers exchange before the seminar with the host country, such as in Norway/Romania this year)
 - Partnership between parks and ranger associations
 - Other training
 - Raise the public image of rangers internationally, as was done with Sean Wilmore's film
 - A list of companies who give discount on equipment to rangers
 - The IRF website need to be improved
 - Rangers associations need to contribute more to website and IRF publications

Our Ranger colleagues in Retezat worked as heroes the whole week, and we can just imagine how much they had worked before we came there. I hope they got a good rest after we left. Thank you so much!

A couple of weeks later I visited Hungary and our colleagues in Danube-Dreva and Kiskunsag NP. These two parks will be the sites for next year's seminar, very different from Retezat NP, but no less interesting and special. So European rangers, look forward to new adventures and experiences in Hungary next autumn.

Meeting of Nordic Country Rangers

On September 19th, Norwegian, Finnish, Icelandic and Danish delegates at the European IRF training course in Honedura, Rumania, met to discuss future Nordic-Baltic cooperation within the field of nature interpretation. Rigmor Solem welcomed the participants and gave a short introduction.

In connection with its annual meeting, held last April in Bornholm, the Danish Rangers Association organized a Nordic-Baltic meeting called "After Eagle" to discuss future Nordic-Baltic cooperation in the field of nature interpretation and nature schools. The Interreg III project BSR "Eagle Nature Centres and Environmental Interpretation in the Baltic Sea Region" runs out in 2007. The conclusions of the meeting at Bornholm were that we try to follow two ways in future Nordic-Baltic cooperation in the field of nature interpretation, nature schools and nature centres:

First, we will try to organize a new Interreg project. We recognize that if we wish to continue Nordic-Baltic cooperation at “high speed” it will be necessary to find some funding. One of the visions for a new Interreg project could be to organize a common Nordic-Baltic training for nature interpreters, like the Nordic course “Nordplan” for town and landscape planners.

Second, and as part of IRF, we will set up a Nordic-Baltic Forum for Nature Interpretation. Among other things, the forum will:

- Have a responsible contact person in each Nordic-Baltic country
- Organize a seminar each second year – managed by a new country each time
- Organize a Nordic-Baltic electronic network concerning nature interpretation
- Organize jobs swaps
- Organize Nordic-Baltic education and training courses

Dorrit Hansen said that no new Interreg projects are organized for the moment. Arne Bondo-Andersen said that the Danish Rangers Association has been member of IRF from when it was founded in 1992 and has from the beginning promoted interpretation as a very important part of ranger’s work. They have run workshops on that subject at the IRF World Congresses in Australia and Scotland and have been the driving force in the “11 Shared Principles: Heritage Interpreters Promoting Sustainable Development,” which is the basis for IRF’s work with interpretation. It can be inspiring for the rest of the world if we at Nordic-Baltic level follow up on this work with concrete initiatives.

Rigmor Solem said that it was important that we were going ahead with Nordic-Baltic co-operation within the IRF family and asked how this effort would proceed and how many countries should be involved. Delegates felt that it was important to go ahead and develop concrete Nordic-Baltic cooperation within the field of nature interpretation. The focus should be on the exchange of information, study tours and training courses where we learn from each others.

It was noted that it is difficult to sit late in the evening in Rumania and decide on how to organize future cooperation, and that the boards for the responsible ranger associations in the different countries must go ahead and deal with that question. Dorrit Hansen said that it was important that nature schools be involved in the future work.

Rigmor Solem concluded by asking Arne Bondo-Anderson to make a draft of the notes from this meeting and to draft conventions for an “IRF-Nordic-Baltic Forum for Nature Interpretation.”

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Australia/Oceania Regional Representative Report

Below is the letter sent out to all of the presidents of state and territory Associations in Australia by Michael Joyce, current president of the Australian Ranger Federation (ARF), which explains the new direction of the ARF. This is certainly a new direction for the organization, but should result in a more cohesive and functional ARF in the future:

As you may have heard recently, the ARF has been looking very closely at the future of the ARF and its place with regards to the representation of rangers in Australia. After much debate and discussion, it was decided to un-incorporate the ARF and move towards a model of a ‘Council of Australian Ranger Associations’ managed by a deed of agreement between the states and territories. I believe that this is the best course of action if the ARF is to stay relevant in the future and be a conduit for mutual support between the state and territory associations.

This deed of agreement is currently in draft form and requires some modifications to better reflect the issues raised during the discussions held. Your representative on the ARF should now be looking at this document and offering changes as required. I would urge you to oversee this process and take some time to look over the detail.

We believe that the ARF will be better served by the state associations and that of a rolling facilitator who will be appointed each year to oversee the workings of the ARF via a round robin approach. As the current president is residing in Queensland, I have been appointed the first post as facilitator.

One of the biggest issues faced by this change is that some rangers cannot join the state association in which they reside. I would urge all presidents to investigate and make appropriate changes to their constitutions so that other rangers within your state or territory borders are able to join your Association.

Further to this, I am aware that Queensland, New South Wales and Victoria are able to accommodate any members, so if you are unable to provide rangers in your state or territory with membership then please direct them to one of these state associations.

It is the will of the ARF executive that the ARF be unincorporated as soon as possible, and that all monies are held in trust by the Victorian Rangers Association until such time as required. The name 'Australian Ranger Federation' will be registered as a business name to protect the name into the future.

It is also the will of the executives that the ARF web site continues to provide a conduit for all rangers. To this end, I have requested a representative from each state and territory from the executive group to get involved in the discussions taking place with our current webmaster. If you believe your association is not being represented, then please get in contact with me with an appropriate person.

The ARF will be resigning as members of the International Ranger Federation within the next few days. This will mean that each state or territory will need to apply for membership under their own association. As most of you are already members, this should not be a difficult process. If you have any questions in relation to this, please contact Paul Lawless-Pyne, the Australian/Oceania delegate for the IRF, at paul.lawlesspyne@epq.qld.gov.au

The deed of agreement will need to be signed by all the member states to ratify the agreement. It is the will of the ARF executive that this takes place at the Queensland state conference in late April 2008. The deed of agreement will be finalized by this time for all presidents or their representatives to sign the agreement.

The 2008 conference marks 100 years of national parks in Queensland and will be held in the Tamborine Mountains south of Brisbane. I therefore invite you to this conference to sign the deed of agreement and enjoy what will be a great conference. I will forward more details to you as they come to hand.

I would like to thank you for your support while president of the ARF and for your input into this change process. We still have a little way to go to finalize this new direction and with your support I believe we can make an even stronger federation in the future. If you have any questions or comments please feel free to contact me. I look forward to seeing you all in 2008."

I would like to conclude by wishing everyone an enjoyable festive season and a prosperous, safe and healthy 2008.

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Draft Program For 2008 European Ranger Seminar

The draft program for next year's European Ranger Seminar, which will likely be held in September, follows. Additional information will appear in future newsletters:

Day 1

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	Arrival at at Pongrácz-major, Kerekegyháza or
1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	Arrival and registration at the Visitor Centre (House of Nature) of the Kiskunság National Park, Kecskemét
3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Seminar opening, welcoming and keynote speeches (House of Nature, Kecskemét)
6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Travel to Pongrácz-major, Kerekegyháza
7:00 p.m.	Dinner

Day 2 – Day 5

7:00 a.m.	Breakfast
8:00 a.m.	Departure of four groups by bus to four different sites in the Kiskunság and Danube-Dráva National Parks (<u>see details below</u>)
6:00 p.m.	Arrival back at Pongrácz-major (Kerekegyháza), followed by dinner and 1-1.5 hour presentations introducing the Ranger Services of different protected areas or countries. On one of the evenings, there will be a "European table" where national food, drinks and customs of different countries will be introduced by the participants.

Day 6

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Assessment and feedback session, country by country (House of Nature, Kecskemét)
10:00 a.m. – Noon	Evaluation of the seminar, closing lectures
12:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Lunch
3:00 p.m.	Departure

The sites to be visited and the programs to be held during the conference follow:

Danube-Dráva National Park 1. Introducing the Ranger Service, site visit to Gemenc.

9:30 a.m.	Arrival at Érsekcsanád, sailing on a river craft to Veránka Island on River Danube. Canoeing down on Rezinka-Duna on a 13 km river section, taking about 2.5 hours. Watching game (wild boar, reed deer) along the river.
Noon	Sailing back to Veránka Island on the river craft. Lunch (local fish soup, pasta with curd cheese).
2:00 p.m.	Sailing to Buvat (approximately 10 minutes). A 1 hour walking tour in the forest reserve. Introduction to the Gemenc area, in field discussion about the operation of the Ranger Service.
3:30 p.m.	Departure back to Kerekegyháza from Érsekcsanád

Danube-Dráva National Park 2. Ecotourism, environmental education.

9:45 a.m.	Arrival at the Nyéki-Holt-Duna (oxbow lake along River Danube).
10:00 a.m.	Nyéki Nature Trail. Introducing the oxbow together with local products of craftsmen. Introduction to the ecotourism and education program of the park directorate.
12:30 p.m.	Departure to Lassi on a narrow gauge train.
1:00 p.m.	Lunch in the forest.
2:30 p.m.	Leave for Malomtelelő Lake, walking along the nature trail including a bird watching tower.
4:30 p.m.	Arrival at Pörböly on the narrow gauge train and departure back to Kerekegyháza.

Kiskunság National Park 1. LIFE project management of protected areas by the park directorate and local farmers

9:00 a.m. Walking-tour from Kunpezér village to the Hungarian Meadow Viper Conservation Centre. Introducing the related LIFE project, management of habitats. Nature friendly agriculture on grasslands in co-operation with farmers.

1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Lunch

2:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Management and agricultural use of alkaline grasslands in the different designated areas (National Park, ESA, Natura 2000) in and around the Kiskunság National Park. The Great Bustard LIFE project. Bird watching on different restored habitats.

Kiskunság National Park 2 (Pusztaszer Landscape Protection Area). Habitat management and restoration

9:00 a.m. Arrival at Pusztaszer Munkástelep. 3 km walking tour to Bődös-szék (natural alkaline pond), introducing habitat management and restoration activities. Historical aspects of the last thousand years related to the untouched alkaline grassland wetland mosaic. Grassland management with old Hungarian domestic animal species (Hungarian grey cattle, water buffalo)

12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Lunch

1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Visit to the National Historical Park at Ópusztaszer

Aid To Brazilian Rangers

Paul Lawless-Pyne has sent along this note about an Australian effort to help out our colleagues in Brazil.

The Protected Area Workers Association of NSW (Australia) is raising funds to purchase equipment and build capacity within the indigenous park ranger ranks in the Brazilian Amazon. One of the ways they are raising funds is through an auction on Ebay (link below). This auction is for a shirt made by the widows of park rangers from the Democratic Republic of Congo. It was obtained at the Fifth IRF World Congress in Scotland in 2006, for those that were there, you may remember these shirts. Please consider making a bid and please forward this information on to people in your own networks. If you have any questions or would like additional information, please contact Tegan Burton via email at tegan.burton@environment.nsw.gov.au. The Ebay link: ebay.com.au/Short-sleeve-shirt-handmade-from-Africa

NEWS FROM NATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

England and Wales

Countryside Management Association

The Countryside Management Association (CMA) is planning to register itself under the UK Companies Act. By doing this, it will both protect the assets of the existing CMA and will also minimize the personal liabilities of its members. This move recognizes the fact that the CMA needs to change the way it conducts its business as a modern, forward-looking organization. Once formed, the "new" CMA intends to seek full charity status, which will enable it to collect future membership subscriptions under "Gift Aid" (and thus reclaim the income tax already paid by its members).

Over the past year the CMA has continued to work with key organizations and to raise the profile of our industry in general and our profession in particular in England and Wales. Our full colour flagship magazine, *Ranger*, is published four times per year and we have recently improved our website www.countrysideassociation.org.uk, an electronic newsletter and the CMA e-group are used to keep members informed and to exchange views and ideas between members.

However, CMA membership has remained static over the past few years and we have struggled to fill some of the key posts on our executive committee. Recently, several new organizations have emerged in England and Wales that share a number of similar objectives to CMA, and this has undoubtedly impacted upon our membership numbers. It is to be hoped that membership numbers do not fall to a level that will jeopardize the continuation of CMA. The challenge we face is not dissimilar to many small professional organizations, namely to be absolutely clear about our role within a changing world and to ensure we have the resources to deliver those aims.

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United States Association of National Park Rangers

First European Ranger Seminar, Romania

ANPR had two representatives at the September 2007 European Ranger Seminar in Romania, IRF Vice-President and former ANPR President Deanne Adams represented IRF and Tony Sisto attended as the ANPR international affairs representative. For five days, from 17 - 21 September, Romanian rangers hosted the first conference for European rangers in Retezat National Park in the Transylvanian Alps. Fifteen countries were represented at this gathering of 119 rangers. Thanks to IRF European representative Rigmar Solen for her work in initiating this seminar. Congratulations for the excellent job done by the Romanian rangers!

Rocky Mountain National Park Signs Sister Park Agreement with Poland and Slovakia

In a ceremony on September 12th with the park directors of Tatrzański Park Narodowy (Poland), Tatranský Národný Park (Slovakia), and Rocky Mountain National Park (USA), along with the participation of the U.S. ambassadors to Poland and Slovakia, a three-way sister park agreement was signed. This is the most recent sister park relationship for the U.S. National Park Service's Sister Park Initiative, which currently lists 31 NPS areas with sister park relations in 21 countries. ANPR member and IRF Vice President Deanne Adams represented IRF and presented letters of congratulations to each park director. For more information on the NPS sister park initiative, see <http://www.nps.gov/oia/topics/sisterparks/sisterparks.htm>.

ANPR Assists World Ranger Congress, Bolivia, 2009

At the October ANPR Ranger Rendezvous in Park City, Utah, the ANPR board approved the loan of \$2,000 USD to the Bolivian Ranger Association for launching the World Congress website for the 2009 gathering. Bolivian ranger Ana Carola Vaca, the lead organizer for the Congress, sent her thanks to ANPR for the loan and support. The Congress depends on early registrations to assist in the initial funding costs of organization. Once the website is established for taking reservations, everyone who believes they will be attending the Bolivia Congress should register as soon as possible.

Travel well.

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CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

2008

- April 18 – April 19 “Interpreting the Cultural Heritage,” Annual General Meeting, Scottish Countryside Rangers Association, Holyrood Park, Edinburgh, Scotland. For more info, go to <http://www.scra-online.co.uk/>
- July 31 World Ranger Day.
- December 10 – December 15 31st Annual Ranger Rendezvous, U.S. Association of National Park Rangers, La Fonda Hotel, Santa Fe, New Mexico. <http://www.anpr.org/anprrr.htm>
- September 2008 European Ranger Seminar, Kiskunság National Park, Hungary. Registration details to be finalised.

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The following is for quick reference only and does not include the names of individual ranger associations. Where more than one name is listed for a given nation, it is because there's more than one ranger association in that country. For a complete list, please contact Elaine Thomas, IRF secretary, at the address below. If you find any error, please contact Bill_Halainen@nps.gov

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*	IUCN World Commission on Protected Areas	**	The World Conservation Union
#	Fauna and Flora International	##	Int. Center for Protected Landscapes
+	Royal Society for the Preservation of Birds	++	Great Apes Survival Project (UNEP)

Summary of Annual Member Reports - 2007

	NAME OF ASSOCIATION	NATION	YEAR BEGUN	NUMBER MEMBERS	ANNUAL DUES	COMMUNICATION METHODS	PRINCIPAL CONTACT
1	AIGAP - Associazione Italiana Guardie dei Parchi e delle Aree Protette	Italy	1991	300	10 Euros	Bulletin 4 times/year Yahoo groups mailing list	guardiaparco@quipo.it guidobaldi@iol.it
2	SCRA - Scottish Countryside Rangers' Association	Scotland	1974	120	£25 Full, £20 Associate	Bulletin 3 times/year Email, web site, mailings	nefrs@craigtoun.freereserve.co.uk
3	GRAA – Game Rangers Association of Africa	Africa	1971	750	ZAR 150	Magazine twice per annum E mail newsletter 26 X per Nahum www.gameranger.org	snowman@ewt.org.za
4	Asociacion Boliviana Agentes de Conservacion	Bolivia	2001	420	ninguno No member fee	Si, correo electrónico, publicaciones eventuales, teléfono, radiocomunicación. electronic mails, other periodic publications, telephone, radios	v.salazar@infonet.com.bo
5	CSPRA – California State Park Rangers Association	USA	1967	657	\$97 active \$36 retired	Bulletin 6 times/year Website: www.cspra.com an email list serve exchange among members	laura@cspra.com
6	Victorian Rangers Association	Australia	1968/ 1986	~100	AUD \$30	Bulletin 3 times/year Email	fsmith@parks.vic.gov.au
7	ANPR – Association of National Park Rangers	USA	1974	871 paid	Varies, but avg. \$50 US / annual	Bulletin 4 times/year E-mail; occasional first-class post; telephone conference calls	Tsisto47@aol.com ANPRpres@aol.com
8	Czech Rangers Association	Czech Republic	1998	63	200,- CZK (cca 7 EURO)	by mail and on annual meeting	skalka.michal@seznam.cz
9	AGUA - Asociación Costarricense de Guardaparques	Costa Rica	1996	130	None	Designing a bulletin; Email, radio	ronald.mora@sinac.go.cr
	Total number of Members reported by 9 Associations			3,411			