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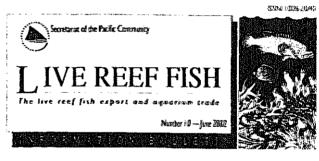
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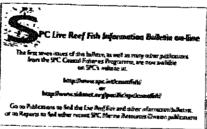
FROM THE PIMRIS DESK.....

The year 2002 passed successfully with users seeking assistance at PIMRIS Coordination Unit and PIMRIS cooperating partners. The 2002 annual account of activities of the Unit is presented in this issue. The issue also provides some recent information releases and announcements:

- Abalone Reference Guide" [CDROM format;
- Recent fisheries publication from FAO of the UN;
- Regional publication from SPC special Interests Groups

Ganeshan Rao PIMRIS Coordinator





REQUEST

This is a request to you to deposit copies of any of your publications (published or unpublished - reports, research papers, technical papers, etc.) with PIMRIS. The annual reports are especially important. The items will be added to the Pacific Collection of USP Library.

PIMRIS has been continuously soliciting for documents (published or unpublished) on Marine Resources (living as well as mon-living), specific to the Pacific Island countries. This is essential in order to create a centralised location in the Region where most of the marine related documents could be found.

PIMRIS COORDINATION UNIT

2002 ANNUAL REPORT

Introduction

PIMRIS is a regional marine information network of the Pacific Island countries' fisheries departments and South Pacific regional organisations (Secretariat of Pacific Community (SPC)), South Pacific Applied Geoscience Commission (SOPAC), Forum Fisheries Agency (FFA), South Pacific Regional Environmental Programme (SPREP), and The University of the South Pacific (USP)) to facilitate marine information dissemination and sharing.

Information Requests at PIMRIS Coordination Unit

The requests included both quick reference and research type reference questions as well as literature searches. This also includes users just using the

library (staff and students).

library (staff and studen	2002	2002
Type of User		%
Fisheries Officers	90	0.8
Researchers	36	0.3
USP Staff	1406	12.3
USP Students	9890	86.3
Govt. Officers	12	0.11
Schools	3	0.03
Librarians	3	0.03
Others (busi, etc.)	15	0.13
TOTAL	11455	100%
	(excludes 721 students for Info Literacy class)	

Pacific Is Region	11424	99.7%
Outside Region	31	0.3%

Library Instructions

Library tutorials were conducted for science students of the University on the usage of scientific indexes and abstracts. These included: *Biological Abstracts*, *Aquatic Sciences & Fisheries Abstracts (ASFA)* via Internet and CD-ROM versions, and *Chemical Abstracts*. Instructional sessions were also conducted on the use of reference publications, web-searching, and research skills The tutorials were organised in liaison with lecturers and the Reader Services of the USP Library. 721 students benefited from specific information literacy sessions coordinated and/or conducted by PIMRIS staff.. A specific display was done in PIMRIS to educate users on mutilation.

SEMESTER 1

COURSE	ATTENDANCE
MS111 (PIMRIS Library Orientation)	25 (21/2/02)
MS 305 (Marine Biology) searching skills	48 (2 sessions) (6-7/3/02)

MS312 (Marine Pollution) ""	36 (2 sessions) (6-7/3/02)		
SSED Post Graduate Orientation	50 (8/3/02)		
SE412 SSED Post-Grad	45 (28/3/02) (38 P-G; 6 UG; 1		
searching/writing skills	staff)		
SPAS Post Graduate Orientation	35 (16 March 02)		
BI104 (Biology) (Basic Orientation)	95 (detailed sessions will be held		
	later)		
MS211 (Marine Sedimentology)	12 (4/4/02)		
BI207 (Invert Bio)	84 (various sessions) - NV		
CH301 (Chemistry) Chemical Abstracts	61 (3 sessions) (13-15/3/02)		

SEMESTER 2

COURSE	ATTENDANCE		
CH102 (intro : all modules of Info	10 min lecture (U8) re: Info Lit.		
Literacy)	Students to sign up during Sem 2		
	with Reader Services.		
PH101 (all modules of Info Literacy)	10min sessions during lab times -		
	week 4. 5 sessions. Students to		
	sign up during Sem 2 with Reader		
	Services.		
MS307 (Fisheries Bio) Subject guide &	42 (2 hr session) (26/7/02)		
writing			
MS203 (Fisheries Economics and	26 (2 sessions *13 stud.)(17		
Management)	&24/7/02)		
BI102 (Biology) (Internet &writing	111 (6 sessions - Internet; 6		
Skills)	sessions - writing) Weeks 3-4		
CH301 (Chemistry) Chemical Abstracts	51 (3 sessions) (16/7/02)		

Major Activities

- PIMRIS continued its regular activities: running the Resource Centre/Library and Audio-Visual Collection; Publishing Work for PIMRIS & MSP; and providing a regional information service in co-operation with other member libraries.
- Collection Development. A sum of \$10,000.00 was committed by the Library towards purchase of marine related publication in order to strengthen the collection. During 2002 a total of 261 items were collected for the PIMRIS collection.

Assistance to Countries.

PNG

The PNG National Fisheries Authority and PNG Fisheries College were provided with in-country technical assistance in marine information management from 28 January to 13 February. Their libraries were organised, library database was setup and staff training was provided.

Fiji & Samoa

Akosita Seru (Fiji Fisheries) and Ulusapeti Tiitii (Samoa fisheries –sponsored by SPC) for an attachment PIMRIS Co-ordination unit. – 18-29 November. The skills covered during the training included: basic library skills, internet searching, library database development using CDS/ISIS software and networking to facilitate information sharing.

PIMRIS WEB PAGE

As part the main library's web page review project, the PIMRIS page has been updated. This time a number of subject and institutional website links have been created. Special subject guides on marine topics are being developed which will be made available to users in the near future.

Photocopying Services

Marine Studies Programme (MSP) provided a new photocopier while USP Library provides paper and ink for card operated machine — a service similar to that offered in the main USP Library.

- Inter-Library Loans Requests were mainly received from post-graduate students. These were fulfilled mostly through PIMRIS bilateral links with overseas institutions.
- Traveled to Fiji Fisheries twice this year for a day each to train the new library assistant.

REEF FISHES: A Guide to their Identification, Behavior and Captive Care.

Volume 1, by Scott W. Michael, 1998. Item: #32M Price: \$69,95

This is the first of a three-volume set, covering all fish families and species associated with coral reefs. Highlights include as many as 30 individual color photos of a single species to accurately portray its color variation.

Michael's photographs and descriptions make identification easy and his coverage of behavior and habitat make it perfect for students, aquarists, biologists, and scuba divers alike.

It has been added to the website at - www.seachallengers.com as the "Book of the Month". In addition to this new book, we have also added 17 new Natural History titles. These are listed under "New Additions" on our Home Page. Please direct any questions to us at the e-mail below.

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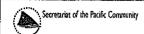
Gender study for tuna management and development in Fiji Islands

ACTIVITY	MEN'S ROLES	WOMEN'S ROLES	IMPLICATIONS/ ISSUES
Harvesting	Company and boat owners and managers (mainly non-Fijian)	Company and boat owners and managers (non- Fijian)	Occupational health and safety
1	Business partners	Business partners	Labour regulations
	Captains and crew on local and foreign vessels	Office and administrative staff	Worker awareness of labour rights
	Office and administrative staff		Job and wage insecurity (contract crew)
	Shore-based support staff (workshops, freezer workers, maintenance, etc.)		Lack of training for new recruits
	Stevedores Artisanal and subsistence fishers		Social and health problems (alcohol abuse, HIV/AIDS and STDs, etc.) Family and community stability
	Customary fishery owners receiving royallies for bait		Costs and benefits of trading semi-subsistence quality of life/standard of living for formal employment
			Unequal distribution of wealth, lack of investment and employment opportunities for rural people and women
			Conflict with customary (ishery owners over payment for bait (ishing rights, and impact on inshore resources used by men and women
Processing	Company owners and managers	Company owners and managers	Occupational health and safety
	Cannery and loining plant workers	Cannery and tolning plant workers	Labour regulations, labour reform
	Support staff (cleaners, freezer workers, security, maintenance, etc.)	Support staff (cleaners, freezer workers, security, maintenance, etc.)	Worker awareness of labour rights
	Office and administrative staff	Office and administrative staff	Lack of training and opportunities for promotion
			Social and health problems (alcohol abuse, HIV/AIDS and STDs etc.)
			Low pay for Jobs predominantly done by women, & unequal pay for women
		,	Family and community stability
			Reproductive health of female workers
1			Child welfare and health
			Multiple work loads of women
			Costs and benefits of trading semi-subsistence quality of life/standard of living for formal employment
			Unequal distribution of wealth, women's involvement restricted to low paid work
Marketing	Marketing fresh tuna	Markeling fresh tuna	Food safety
ű	Marketing non-export grade luna and bycatch	Marketing non-export grade luna and bycatch	Sustainable development
•	- bycarcii		Food security
Indirect activities	Private and public sector workers linked to fisheries	Private and public sector workers linked to fisheries	Lack of women involved in fisheries development and management at the decision-making level
	Sex trade workers and procurers	Sex trade workers and procurers	Risk of STDs and HIV/AIDS for sex workers and families
			Underage teens involved in sex trade
			Violence and exploitation
			Problems arising from the sex trade (health, protection from violence, etc.)

SPC Women in Fisheries Information Bulletin #10 - April 2002

"Abalone Reference Guide" [CDROM format]: is an excellent reference book on abalone biology. The CD contains information on all known abalone species in the world and is useful to anybody working in any field with abalone. There is information on abalone biology, aquaculture, fisheries, marketing, systematics, etc. If it concerns abalone and it happened after 1989, then it is on the CD.

The CD has five sections. These are: 1) research papers with abstracts, 2) patent abstracts from US, Japan, Taiwan, China, Ireland, 3) information on all the known abalone species, 4) information on the proper culture methods with step by step procedures and other information necessary for operating a culture facility, and 5) information on reference books available at bookstores. For a complete description of the contents and features, please go to: Kirk Hahn, e-mail: abalone2@earthlink.net. http://home.earthlink.net/~abalone2/



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Editor's mutterings

Stamine the victims

Corruption, as we have pointed out before in this column, can be a huge impediment to cleaning up the live reet food fish trade. Indonesia, which Economic Risk Consultancy Ltd (1998) found to be the most corrupt of the twelve Asian countries it considered, has suffered enormously from this problem.

Although the World Bank, Asian Development Bank, International Monetary Fund and many other organisations and individual observers have focused recently on the need for broad policy changes to address corruption in Indonesia, there seems to be little research available on how corruption actually works at the will be added. the village fevel.

One recent major national policy change has been the decentralisation of buneaucratic authority. The stated philosophy behind this is that local people are more likely in make political and buneau-cratic decisions consistent with their needs, and corruption is less likely to flourish. But if the appropriate local invituitions are not in place, or are malfunctioning, this is wishful thinking.

We are pleased to publish here an article by Dr Lowe (p. 7) that shows how this malfunctioning actually forces villagers to engage in cyanide fishing for live rect fish, ever though they do not want to. They are forced into doing so by a system that is corrupt from top to bottom.

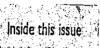
Such infirmate studies are few in the corruption literature. In China, for example, about which there are many research publications in corruption, most of the information comes from newspapers! With Dr Lawe's study we have a fare situation in which a research wurker has been in the field observing from close up in the field observing from close up just haw corruption operates.



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Editorial

In this issue of the Huffelin, we present several original articles:

Jeff Kinch provides detailed information on the historic, social and economic aspects of a sea cucumber fishery in Papua New Guinea along with its management options (p. 2).

Few papers have been published on operations in the Philippines, the subject of an article by Akamine Jan on page 17.

Peter Funkboner describes an unusual biological phenomenon, salinity-related seasonal atruphy of the viscera in a temperate species, Parastichopus californicus (p. 22).

No inventory of the sea rucumbers of Regulion Island, Indian Ocean, had ever been made before the article by Chanlat Conand and Perrine Mangion (p. 27). The article also provides information on abundance and population structures for the dominant fringing register provides. fringing reef species.

The problems encountered by Mexican fisheries are presented in an article by Alonso Aguilar Ibacra and Georgina Ramirez Suberón un page 33.

Andrew Morgan describes problems related to farming certain saa rucumber species and explains how his work is developing (p. 36; also see previous issues of the Bulletin).

At the end of the Hulletin, year will also find the regular teatures, such as Carrespondence (p. 38) and Abstracts, Publications, Wird-deep & Merings (p. 41), along with the addresses of the new members of our Special Interest Group (p. 43).

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Introduction

Welcome to the tenth issue of the Wanter in Fisherics Special Interest Croup Bulletin.

This issue reports on the activities of the Community Fisheries Section, and includes an article about the departure of typ Lambeth, SPC's Community Fisheries Officer and former coor-dinator of this bulletin. Section activities include a gender study dinator of this fullent. Section activines incline a gritter study for time management and development in Fiji Islandis; participation in the global symposition on women in fisheries held it Raobsiung. Taiwan in November 2001: a new community-based lisheries management programmu in the Marshall Islandis; arid a New Zealand fisheries training course that specifically largest trainiers of women engaged in small-scale, post-harvest fishing activities.

From the region, we have articles and news briefs covering a variety of topics, including an PAO study urging the promotion of sustainable fishing practices, a batt on phosphates designed to save coral reefs in CNMI, the presence of high levels of PCIs in lish from Guam, a bar on scuba fishing in American Samoa, women and set turtle conservation in Palau, Australian native lith and those and lower. women and sea turne const title and the sea, and more.

From outside the region we include a report on 'Where are the women in fisheries?', red tides in Kenyan waters, fisheries management in the Plulippines, a workshipp on (HV/AIDS for Malayskin fishing communities, and tishermen replanting man groves in Malaysia.

Lencourage you to submit contributions in the forms of articles, technical papers, or news briefs to future issues. Acticles used

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Editor's note

It is not protoundly said duty to inform those who have not yet heard that Robert E. Johannes has possed away. Bob died on 4 September 2002, after a long and valuant stonggle. All of us miss from deeply, but none more than the soft Christa and son Greg. We send them our deepest sympathy.

Many things are being planned in Bob's memory. One is that stany manys are reing planned in 600's memory. One is that the next issue of this intermation bulletin will be devoked to him. Many contributions have been already promised, and we invite all readers who wish to contribute something about flob to e-mail their contribution to me at itsk-riddfeasthi-netarap. Please send it as soon as possible, as we'd like to have the next osue ready by the end of the year.

Bob Johannes contributed greatly to the establishment of this information fluilletin, and he was a frequent contributor. So it is fitting that he is an auditor of two of the three articles in this issue.

In the lirst, 'Did indigenous conservation others exist?' Boty to in the 1934. Our Indigenous conservation office exist?, Bot re-addresses one of his strongly held beliefs, that establishing whether a conservation ellic exists in an indigenous culture is a vital first step in determining how to help its people five within their natural resource limits. Some societies understood that their marine resources were limited and unroduced that their marine resources were limited and introduced appropriate marine enservation measures, whereas othershal no need to because their abundant marine resource base always received harvesting pressure. 'A worldwide survey or relevant theratime would show,' But suggests, that sweties that developed constitus conservation practice, were usually small and relied in outland resources that were circumstribed and thus easily depleted. Would somebody kindly indictake this topic as a doctoral dissertation?

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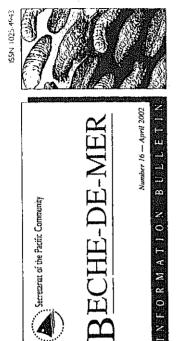
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Welcome to the 16th issue of the Bulletin. In this issue, Steve Purcell et al. present the three-year ICLARAM project on Optimal Release Strategies for Sea Cucumbers. This project has started its activities at SPC Nounnea and arms to determine the best strategies for releasing standfish (Holothuria scaro) mto the wild into the purpose of restocking and stock enhancement of inshore Pacific fisherres.

Developing optimal strategy restoding sandfish a rollah stroject in New Caledonia

Division of Fish and Witome, we are that took place between October 1995 and May 1996 on the same in Rota. You will also find articles about the sexual reproduction and farming of larvae of a little-studied species in India and articles are also a place of a little-studied species in India and arrange. by Mike Trianni, from the CNMI describes a sea cucumber fishery at 1995 and May 1996 on the island ue, an article by Mike and Wildlife, describes Also in this issue, an Division of Fish and V

tracts of the sea cucumbers presentations made during European Conference on Echinoderms in Banyuls (2001). other press articles are also included in this issue 당

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evious issues of the Bulletin are available on the SPC web s www.spc.int/coastish/ in both French and English. Issue I of the Echinoderms Newsletter is now also available on I

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Fishery manager's quidebook, (A). Management measures and their application. FAO Fisheries Technical Raper No. 424 Rome, 2002, 238 pp. ISBN 92-5-104773-1 ISSN 0429-9345 TC/M/Y3427/E \$24.00

Fisheries management is a complex and evolving discipline and much is still being learned about what it involves, what works and what does not. The problem is compounded by the fact that fisheries management as a coherent discipline is still poorly defined and frequently equally poorly understood. This publication strives to identify the primary tasks in management of capture fisheries, with particular emphasis on sustainable utilization of the biological resources, and to demonstrate how these tasks should be integrated and coordinated to obtain the desired benefits from the biological resources in a sustainable and responsible manner.

Report of the Pilot Workshop on the Application of Biotelemetry to Fish Studies for the Management of Inland Fisheries in West Africa. Sélinqué. Mali, 29 January - 10 February 2001. FAO Fisheries Report No. 654 Rome. 2002, 40 pp. ISBN 92-5-104641-7 ISSN 0429-9337 TC/M/Y1972/E \$12.00 The aim of the workshop was to improve understanding of, and disseminate. biotelemetry, which is a very useful tool for the collection of the more precise information essential for improved sustainable management of aquatic resources. The participants came from Benin, Burkina Faso, Côte d'Ivoire, Guinea and Mali.

Report of the Reykjavik Conference on Responsible Fisheries in the Marine Ecosystem. Reykjavik, Iceand, 1-4 October 2001 FAO Fisheries Report No. 658. Rome, 2002, 136 pp., Trilingual (En/Fr/Es) ISBN 92-5-004729-0 ISSN 0429-9337. TR/M/Y2198/Tri \$12.00.

The Conference adopted the Reykjavik Declaration on Responsible Fisheries in the Marine Ecosystem, given in Appendix I to this report.

Stopping illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing. Rome, 2002, 22 pp. ISBN 92-5-104760-X. TC/M/Y3554/E. \$8.00

This booklet describes, in a non-technical manner, some important aspects of the International Plan of Action to Prevent, Deter and Eliminate Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated (IUU) Fishing. The purpose of this booklet is to help familiarize FAO Members and others with the tools for use in dealing with IUU fishing, to suggest which tools to use in particular circumstances and to provide guidance on how to use these tools effectively.

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