

## THE GLOBAL PENGUIN SOCIETY AND OUR BALANCE FOR 2010

The Global penguin Society made great progress in their challenging task to protect penguins worldwide, with several achievements during 2010. Among its highlights:

GPS launched its website: <u>www.globalpenguinsociety.org</u>, which contains information on what we do, who we are, goals, activities, updated information on all species of penguins in the world, and news.





Dr. Borboroglu received a Whitley Award given by Princess Anne of England at the Royal Geographical Society of London.

The Rufford Small Grants Foundation provided new support to expand activities to more countries with an interest in protecting penguins.

GPS conducted a global strategic planning with the Pew Environmental Group in Washington.

Dr. Borboroglu participated in the Symposium on Penguins in New Zealand, giving the opening Keynote Presentation.

Members of GPS visited the endangered yellow-ey penguin in New Zealand and met with agents of the Department of Conservation and other NGOs.



Dr's. Boersma and Borboroglu worked with the organizing committee of the International Penguin Conference (Boston, USA). GPS organized the Penguin Conservation Status Symposium where experts from 12 countries presented the status of 17 penguin species.

GPS scientist gave papers at the 1st World Conference of Seabirds in Victoria, Canada, and met with members of Birdlife International and colleagues.

Members of GPS attended the Pew Fellows in Marine Conservation meeting in Barcelona, Spain, participating in workshops to discuss the future challenges to maintain the health of the oceans.

GPS continued its work to create the Penguins Specialist Group of IUCN and had a meeting in Cambridge to advance this idea.



GPS was invited by the South African government to participate in the workshop to design the management plan of the South African penguin, involving 63 people from 28 institutions.

GPS is working on a book: "Biology and conservation of the penguins in the world", containing 17 chapters and involving 52 authors from 12 countries. The book is to be published by the University of Washington Press. It will have 260 pages in color and will be available online.

GPS contributed in the preparation of educational and scientific materials for museums and interpretation centers.



GPS activities (including television documentary films) were covered by the media in Argentina and several countries: Boston Globe, Washington Post, New York Times, The Telegraph, Clarín, Perfil, TN Ecología. Stories were in the media in Argentina, Brazil, Germany, France, England, the Netherlands and the United States, among others. Together with the Marine Conservation Program of Dr. Laura Reyes (University of Patagonia) and South Africa SANCCOB, GPS took children to visit a penguin colony near their home. Only a small fraction of these children had visited the penguins, and in the future they will decide about the fate of these birds and their habitat.



GPS improved the management of several Magellanic penguin colonies in Patagonia by designing management plans and is currently working with stakeholders to help implement them.

## YOUR INTEREST AND SUPPORT HELPED US TO ACCOMPLISH ALL THESE GOALS. YOU HELPED US IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR PENGUINS AND PEOPLE.

## Thank you!!