

Recent changes in *Small Carnivore Conservation*

We have made a couple of recent changes in the dissemination of *Small Carnivore Conservation*. The first is that beginning with this issue (Volume 45), we will make *Small Carnivore Conservation* available online immediately after publication. You will find on our website (see http://www.smallcarnivore-conservation.org/scc/Recent_issues) that articles from Volumes 36 to 44 (i.e. the most recent issue, of June 2011) are available as individual pdf files for download. This volume, and subsequent ones, will be added there at the same time as the printed copies are sent by post. This change is to make the journal freely and fully accessible to all who share interest in small carnivores. As before, Volumes 1–35 remain available online as pdf documents.

The second change is that printed copies of future volumes of *Small Carnivore Conservation* will be sent only to individuals and institutions with paid subscriptions and others who have made arrangements with the Editorial Board. A secondary purpose of our decision for rapid online publication was to address the continually increasing costs of printing and mailing the journal. We have received generous support for publication of *Small Carnivore Conservation* from several organisations over the last few years, most notably Columbus Zoo, Conservation International, Newquay Zoo and Smithsonian Institution. However, with financial markets and econo-

mies as they are, we cannot expect this generosity to continue indefinitely. The end result is we can no longer afford to send complimentary copies of the journal to many members of the Small Carnivore Specialist Group (SCSG) and various institutions as we have done previously. Each SCSG member and institution sent Volume 44 of *Small Carnivore Conservation* also received a letter to this effect. Current subscriptions costs are €33 (US\$45) for one year or €90 (US\$135) for three years. We would welcome members to sponsor subscriptions of people you know who would be interested to receive a copy of this journal.

As you will have noted from recent volumes, the number of contributions to *Small Carnivore Conservation* has increased considerably. Overall, the number of pages printed annually has increased about 60% since 2008, relative to pages printed during 2005–2007. The increased interest in publishing in *Small Carnivore Conservation* is strongly beneficial to understanding conservation status and needs, so we encourage you to submit additional manuscripts on any and all aspects of the study of small carnivores. As always, we thank the reviewers and the members of the editorial board for their contributions in making *Small Carnivore Conservation* possible.

— *The editors*