

# Highlights from the world's biggest conservation partnership

## Title

Here we celebrate just a few highlights from our global partnership,  
Choose your favourite conservation success of 2013...



### **Stopping the slaughter of falcons in India.** In 2013, the

massacre of thousands of Amur Falcons in India was uncovered, which shocked the world. The Bombay Natural History Society (BirdLife in India) moved immediately to mobilise a response; organising a comprehensive programme to keep the falcons safe at their roost site at Doyang reservoir. As a result, not a single Amur Falcon was trapped during the 2013 autumn migration. The programme has mainly been implemented by a local NGO, Nagaland Wildlife and Biodiversity Conservation Trust, working with the Nagaland Forest Department.

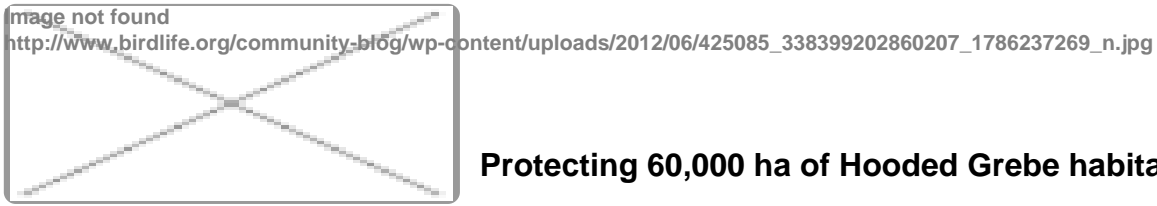
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### **Northern Bald Ibis fledge 148 chicks in the wild.** The largest fully

wild population of Critically Endangered Northern Bald Ibis had its second most successful breeding season on record in 2013, fledging 148 young. The number of breeding pairs is now at its highest since surveys began in the 1980s. Management and conservation of the Moroccan population is supervised by SEO/BirdLife (BirdLife in Spain) in conjunction with High Commission for Water and Forest and Fight against desertification and GREPOM

(BirdLife in Morocco). [Click here to read more.](#)



### **Protecting 60,000 ha of Hooded Grebe habitat in**

**Patagonia.** Last year, the Argentinian Government and Aves Argentinas (BirdLife Partner) announced plans for the creation of a new National Park in Patagonia, helping to safeguard a future for the Critically Endangered Hooded Grebe. The park encompasses 60,000 ha and covers the grebes' main breeding lakes as well as other critical habitat that is home to many endemic species. [Click here to read more.](#)



### **Removing a killer power line in Sudan.** Last year a killer power line

in Sudan, which is estimated to have electrocuted hundreds and perhaps thousands of Endangered Egyptian Vultures since its construction in the 1950s, was switched off. This decisive action follows years of work by BirdLife Partner BSPB (BirdLife in Bulgaria), and BirdLife's UNDP/GEF Migratory Soaring Birds project and its local NGO Partner, the Sudanese Wildlife Society. [Click here to read more.](#)



### **Saving Panama Bay from destruction.** One of the most important

sites for migratory waterbirds in the Americas was saved from destructive development in 2013. Panama Audubon Society (BirdLife in Panama) worked with local and international partners to successfully reinstate the protection status of Panama Bay through the Supreme Court. The site is one of the five most important stopover and wintering areas for migratory shorebirds in the entire Americas. [Click here to read more.](#)



### **Helping one of the rarest birds on the planet.** Last year the Critically

Endangered Tahiti Monarch enjoyed its most successful breeding season since Société d'Ornithologie de Polynésie (BirdLife in French Polynesia) began an intensive programme of nest protection in 1998. Ten young fledged, representing a four-fold increase on previous years, and seven new territories were established. Tahiti Monarch is Critically Endangered according to BirdLife on behalf of the IUCN Red List, with only 44 mature individuals of this flycatcher known in 2011. [Click here to read more.](#)

**Voting is now closed and the results will be announced very soon!**

*Last year was an important year for the BirdLife Partnership. Our network grew to cover nearly two thirds of the world's countries and territories – totalling 120 organisations and growing. Together, we've done some amazing things towards creating a world where nature and people live in greater harmony, more equitably and sustainably.*