

### 1 Website

Now online at [www.soos.aq](http://www.soos.aq)!

Features: Subscriber database, calendar of events, resources database, news, science and data information - among others.

Comments/thoughts are welcome.

### 2 New IPO Sponsor



Antarctica New Zealand are now a sponsor of the SOOS International Project Office! We thank

ANZ for their support and look forward to our continued collaboration with them and with NZ researchers.

### 3 Recent SOOS publications

Newman, L., et al., The Southern Ocean Observing System, **CLIVAR Exchanges**, 58(17 No. 1): 49-53.

Schofield, O., et al., Implementing a Southern Ocean Observing system, **Eos**, 93(26): 241-243. - Correction to be printed for error in IMAS name.

Upcoming publications include a recent submission to Oceanography, and preparation of the SOOS 20-year vision manuscript, journal still to be decided.

### 4 Upcoming meetings

SOOS will be presented or discussed at the following meetings in 2012:

- SOOS DMSC
- ASPeCT
- APECS
- SCAR OSM
- COMNAP AGM
- SCAR Delegates meeting
- SCOR general meeting
- Argo Science workshop
- UK Antarctic Science workshop
- SOOS Under Ice workshop

If you are aware of additional meetings, please notify **Louise Newman**.

### 5 SOOS Under Ice workshop

The SOOS Under Ice workshop will be held from the 22 - 25 October 2012, in Hobart, Australia. Visit the **SOOS Calendar** for more information.

Australia's CSIRO Wealth from Oceans Flagship is the principle sponsor of this workshop. Other sponsors: POGO, Antarctica New Zealand, CliC, the Institute for Marine and Antarctic Studies and the Australian Antarctic Division.

### 6 Call for photos

We are constantly on the look out for images showing SOOS science to include on the website, and in SOOS documents and products. Please send high resolution images of equipment deployment, sample collection and relevant scenic shots to **Louise Newman** and include a short description and credit.

### 7 Report to ATCM and CEP

Mike Sparrow (SCAR) and Louise Newman recently reported on the SOOS at the Antarctic Treaty Consultative Meeting and Committee for Environmental Protection. The report was very well received, with unanimous support and a verbal recognition of its importance. An official CEP report should follow shortly.

### 8 SCOR WG proposal

SOOS has led the submission of a proposal for a SCOR Working Group on identification of Ecosystem Essential Ocean Variables, to be led by Andrew Constable. This proposal is currently under review, with the decision to be announced following the SCOR EXCOM meeting in October.

This proposal is available on request from **Louise Newman**.

### 9 SOOS Data Management

Membership of the SOOS Data Management Sub-Committee (**DMSC**) has now been finalised. The DMSC will hold their first meeting via video hook-up on the 16th July.

For more information on the SOOS DMSC, visit <http://www.soos.aq/index.php/data>

### 10 National representatives

SOOS will develop a list of National Representatives to assist with communicating to national communities that are not represented on the Steering Committee. Representatives will be selected as required, in collaboration with SCAR and SCOR.

SOOS currently has one National Representative, Ed Butler from New Zealand.

**More information.**

### 11 Subscribe to SOOS

SOOS now has a database of subscribers. Please **subscribe** to SOOS, via the website, to ensure you are included in our members **database**, which is searchable for names, expertise etc. and is an important communication tool for the IPO and the SOOS community.

### 12 Maternity replacement

Louise Newman (SOOS Exec. Officer) will be on maternity leave from Sept 2012 - Mar 2013, and a short-term replacement is currently being sought. Interviews of potential candidates will be held in the coming weeks, led by Mike Coffin (IMAS) and Louise, among others.

Please contact **Louise Newman** if you have any comments/questions on this news update.