# The Alice McCosh Trust Newsletter Autumn 2014

#### 2012-13 award holder - Susanne Masters

Susanne is doing a PhD at the University of Kent, looking at edible orchids in Turkey. When we first saw Susanne's application it jumped out at us as something Alice would have been really interested in. The conservation of orchids was something Alice talked about and was very much on the agenda during her time working for Turkey's environmental organization DHKD.



Photo of orchids for sale from Susanne's report

Susanne conducted her fieldwork in southwestern Turkey in April 2013 exploring how changes in land use are having an impact on wild orchid populations. A report on her fieldwork can be found on our website, while she has also had her work published in Orchid Review (December 2013 issue).



#### 2013-14 award

This has been given to Annette Fayet, a PhD student at the University of Oxford. Annette is planning to undertake a comparative study of the foraging movements of immature and adult pelagic seabirds.

#### 2014-15 award

Applications for next year are now open. The closing date is the 1st December 2014 and the successful applicant will be announced early in 2015.

#### Cards for sale

Gecko cards, Mouse cards and Butterfly cards can be ordered on The Alice McCosh Trust website, with Happy Christmas printed on the inside, or as a blank card for your own message.

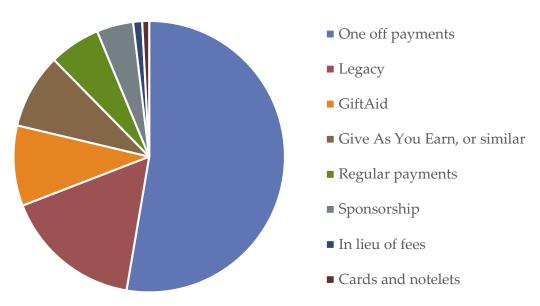
### Our Donors

Since we were established the Trust has raised money in all sorts of ways including:

- one-off donations from many friends and family;
- a sponsored walk (Sophie and Amy walked 150 miles from London to Norfolk) and a sponsored climb (Kate and the Mountain Muppets climbed 19,000ft up Mount Kilimanjaro);
- people donating to the Trust in lieu of fees, as well as a generous legacy;
- people paying small amounts every month or once a year (which really adds up);
- people giving under the Give As You Earn scheme; and
- money raised through the sale of Christmas cards and notelets.

An approximate breakdown can be found in the chart below.

#### **Donations to the Alice McCosh Trust**



This equates to just over £60,000.

## Many thanks to you all!

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