

Sean Willmore's World Ranger Day 2017 Video Transcript

Hello, this is Sean Willmore, the proud President of the International Ranger Federation and Founder and Director of its charity arm, The Thin Green Line Foundation. On this World Ranger Day July 31st 2017, we ask you to once again pause and reflect on the brave work being done by Rangers all over the world in protecting wildlife, nature, communities and the very planet we live on. Sadly, we also ask you to pause and honour the 105 brave souls who gave their lives on the front line of conservation in this last year. You can see their names on our Honour Roll which is downloadable on our World Ranger Day page with an e-pack that contains also a sign that says, "I stand with the world's Rangers". We ask that you hold up this sign, post it on your social media and show the world's Rangers that you stand with them. If you are a Ranger, let your colleagues know that we are one family. If you're a supporter of Rangers, we thank you and we ask you to share this with your friends and ask them to do the same and let the world's Rangers know that they have supporters like you all over the globe.

On this World Ranger Day, I want to let you know that the family of Rangers is growing, more Rangers Associations are joining the International Ranger Federation, more Ranger Associations are in the pipeline of being formed, and with the help of our charity arm, more Rangers are being equipped, trained and the widows and orphans of Rangers killed are being supported.

We are making a difference but we must do more. So together, Rangers and supporters of Rangers this World Ranger Day, let's make some noise and let the world know that Rangers are out there doing this brave work each and every day.

To the Rangers, my personal message to you is: You are my heroes, you are my inspiration, I thank you every day for the work you do, I know the world thanks you to.

Have a good World Ranger Day.

