LETTERS/ England

Dear Friends,

The Assembly of the World Forum of Fish Harvesters and Fish Workers at Loctudy in Brittany, France in early October began really well and many friendships were made. Even though an unfortunate split occurred between peoples from the southern and northern hemispheres, those friendships are very important, and I hope they will be lasting. Since then I have received e-mail messages from many of them. Of course they were about fish and the worries and problems everyone, everywhere has, just to make a living. But they were also made even more lively by incidents in everyday life —even some greattraditional fish recipes!

This gave me an idea for a possible book—entitled FISHNET—which I think encapsulates several things all at once! Fish...conversations on the net and, because I've heard mostly—but not entirely—from women. I really would like this to work, partly because it would open up the eyes of other people—not just us 'fish' people, but it could be one way of uniting us all across the world, across the oceans—in a way we somehow failed to manage to do in Loctudy. Through the back door, as it were!

I hope this might strike a chord with you, who are reading this now, in this really wonderful global magazine. If it does, and I hope so, please get in touch with me. My e-mail address is jill.jago@virgin.net.

Love to you all and I really do look forward to a flood of e-mails—backwards and forwards across the fishing world.

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