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Dear Mr Lewis

Coulam Wheelyboat V17

Our enormous thanks once again for your splendid grant of £4,000 towards the design and development of our brand new Wheelyboat model.

I am delighted to report that the first V17 off the production line took to the water in June making her debut on our stand at the Seawork commercial boat show in Southampton. The sea trials that took place during the show confirmed that our expectations for the boat's superior handling and performance have been fully realised. We are really pleased with how she has turned out – stable, responsive and a very comfortable ride. She is also quite fast for projects that are looking for more of an adrenalin rush!

The first V17 is now fully employed as an accessible trip and powerboat at Wareham Boat Hire where she is used for trips and powerboat training in Poole Harbour. Her formal launch takes place later this month. Three more V17s are on order for projects in Ireland, Surrey and North Wales. We will also be building a demonstrator. Projects for V17s in Cornwall, Scotland and Derbyshire are in hand and should come to fruition next year.

The V17 for North Wales will be going to the Conway Centre on Anglesey where filming took place for the feature about the Trust in BBC1's Countryfile broadcast last March. She will be on our stand on the marina at the Southampton Boat Show (13 to 22 September) and not only is she a brand new model that takes accessible boating a significant step forward, she will also be the 200th Wheelyboat supplied. A notable milestone that we have reached in our 35th anniversary year.

Rather than organise a formal event to celebrate the arrival of the new model, we are inviting everybody who contributed to enjoy a day out at the Southampton Boat Show as our guests and see the V17 on the water. We would therefore be delighted if you and your fellow trustees were able to join us there on whichever day suits you the best. If you could let me know how many of you would like to attend (and nearer the time the day you are planning to visit) I will organise complimentary passes.

I very much look forward to hearing from you.

Yours Sincerely
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