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Dear Andrew,

Thank you very much for the generous gift Fellowship Afloat received from The Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society after your visit on board *Trinity*. Please do pass on warm thanks from the staff and trustees here to all the members.

Currently, the greater need is our General fund so we have allocated this kind donation there. It can than support the Trust where needed, whether it's keeping the books balanced or providing support for staff or guests.

We were pleased to hear that your visit to our big red ship was such a success and appreciated by all whether their feet were wet or dry. You will have seen that our Trinity3 development project continues to go well. This last phase was quite a shock to see the saloon, galley and washup area all cleared out in November, wondering how it will all go back together in time for the bird watchers back in February. But so very exciting to see the work complete, improving *Trinity* and helping her to provide a service for so many more years to come. We are currently working on the accessible entrance.

You will also know that we have welcomed our new staff members to the team at the end of August, bringing energy and enthusiasm to us all. Having now completed their initial training they are busy welcoming our visitors. This week we have a school group with us from Muswell Hill. This the nineteenth year that the school has been coming to see us. It's great to have such a relationship with some of our visiting schools. So far this week they have had a trip out on the water in powerboats, had a tour of *Trinity*, learnt some seamanship skills, studied the surrounding marsh, splashed around in kayaks and encouraged each other up the high ropes. As I write this letter to you half the class are working together at team building games, while the other half are having a go at archery. Memories and experiences to treasure and share are being created by all involved and the pupils get to take new skills home too.

Thank you again for your support of Fellowship Afloat

A handwritten signature in purple ink that reads "Laura".

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A handwritten note in blue ink that reads: "Glad it was a successful weekend - thanks for all your support. Best wishes Andrew".