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FAO Paula Nicol, Deputy Chief Executive, Inverness Chamber of Commerce

It is hard to put into words how incredibly humbling and encouraging it is to know you have an incredible business community supporting your work. The Inverness Chamber of Commerce Highland Business Dinner is a shining example of the astonishing support that the Highland Business community gives in abundance.

The event itself was an absolute triumph and every person at ICC should be incredibly proud of what should rightly be described as their flagship event.

From the inspirational Gordon Buchannan who had the audience captivated with his stories, images and footage of his incredible 30-year career that has taken him around the globe. He drew laughter, gasps, and the odd squeal (most vocally from Leigh-Ann) as he showcased the various animal encounters he has had, including some colossal (Leigh-Ann's description) spiders!

The glorious Liam Christie who hosted the event with an unwavering enthusiasm, hilarity, and compassion. Keeping everything running to time and encouraging everyone to dig deep and show their support.

To Stewart Nicol, we would like to extend a special note of thanks. The work you and your team have done to support businesses over your 15-year tenure has been outstanding. Speaking personally, the support you provided ourselves during the Covid pandemic and subsequent flood we faced at The Oxygen Works was truly incredible. We would like to wish you all the very best in your future endeavours. To Colin Marr, welcome. We look forward to working alongside you and seeing how the next evolution of the ICC takes shape under your leadership.

Now, arguably the most important thank you. To every single person in the room on Friday night. Thank you for your generosity, the total amount raised on the night of £3,870 has kicked off our fundraising campaign to purchase a soft-shell chamber that will expand the support we can provide; both in terms of age range and geographical reach. We were incredibly grateful for the kind words of support, encouragement, and praise for the work we do from many people in attendance who came and spoke to us.

As a small, self-funded charity we face a potentially deadly cocktail of rising costs, reduction in public donations and increased competition for funding. The support you have given will help us to transform lives. We have a growing task ahead of us, as more people face diagnoses of long-term health conditions. You can help us ensure they know where to find us, by liking, sharing or commenting on our content on Facebook, LinkedIn and Instagram and by carrying on the conversation about who we are and what we do. If any of you would like to know more about the services we provide or would like to pop in and see us, we would be delighted to host you. Please feel free to get in touch with us at contact@theoxygenworks.com.

On behalf of the clients, team and Board of The Oxygen Works – two small words with huge heartfelt meaning, thank you.

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