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Debris for Doughnuts

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Between 2008 and 2013 the World Shipping Council (WSC) surveyed losses at sea and concluded that an average of 546 shipping containers are lost at sea each year. When including catastrophic events this number jumps to an average of 1,679 shipping containers being lost at sea each year.

Given that an estimated 120 million containers are shipped around the world annually the number lost (whichever you choose to use) is tiny; however, the effects are far reaching both in financial and environmental terms and the WSC is keen to improve shipping and reduce these numbers.

A storm at sea in 2014 resulted in the loss of a container of HP Ink Cartridges. These started washing up in various locations around Cornwall and Scilly, shortly afterwards, as well as in locations further afield, such as the Azores & Canaries.

The HP Beach Clean Up Fund was set up by HP in conjunction with the Marine Conservation Society and Newquay Beachcombing, to support non-profit organisations, and others, who undertake beach cleans on UK beaches in areas where HP cartridges were found.



HP Ink Cartridge washed up on Scilly

Debris for Doughnuts was made possible by this fund; applied for and put to good use by the Isles of Scilly Wildlife Trust. Below are some of the key numbers:



2 ~ the number of Islands cleaned



25 ~ the number of bags of Marine Debris collected



40 ~ the number of doughnuts eaten



140kg ~ the weight of the Marine Debris collected!

To find out more and read the full story go to:

www.ios-wildlifetrust.org.uk/news/2017/05/18/doughnutters



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