

# GIRL GUIDES ASSOCIATION OF NAMIBIA

## NEWSLETTER



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### illuminating "Our Story" A New Chapter for the Girl Guides Association of Namibia

Dear Guiding Family,

Welcome to the very first edition of our quarterly newsletter for the Girl Guides Association of Namibia!

We are thrilled to launch this exciting new platform that will keep you informed, inspired, and connected as we continue our journey of empowering Brownies, Guides, Young Leaders, and Guides Leaders across the regions. This newsletter marks a new chapter in how we share our stories, celebrate our achievements, and highlight the incredible work being done by our Guides, volunteers, and Leaders in every region.

In each issue, you can look forward to news, updates, special features, and opportunities that speak to the heart of our mission to help girls grow into confident, responsible, and resourceful citizens of the world. Whether you're a Guide, a parent, a leader, or a friend of the movement, this space is for you.

Thank you for being part of our growing family. Let's continue to shine our light, uplift one another, and keep the Guiding spirit alive in everything we do.

Kind regards,  
Gretta Gaspar  
Chief Commissioner



### Thinking Day 2025: "Our Story" Unfolds with Our Patron

#### A Special Celebration with Our Patron, H.E. Dr. Netumbo Nandi-Ndaitwah

We were incredibly honoured to celebrate a very special day with our esteemed Patron, Her Excellency Dr. Netumbo Nandi-Ndaitwah. On October 29, 2024, we marked her birthday in a truly memorable way. Her Excellency graced us with her presence, bringing wonderful goodies that humbled us all. Her continued involvement and commitment to guiding, despite her demanding schedule, is a testament to her enduring belief in our movement. Indeed, "Once a Girl Guide, forever a Girl Guide!"



Our privileges continued with Her Excellency's presence in Northern Namibia, where she headlined our Thinking Day 2025 celebrations on May 3, 2025, in Ongwediva. In a truly guiding spirit, she delivered a powerful statement that resonated with everyone present.



# Expanding Our Reach: New Chapters Opened !

## Ambrosius Primary School , Orandjemund.



Continuing our mission to reach more girls across Namibia, we are delighted to announce the opening of two new Chapters!

On April 25th, we officially opened a new chapter in the Khomas region at Namutoni Primary School in Windhoek. Following this, on June 6<sup>th</sup> & 7 we established another new chapter in Orandjemund, Karas Region. These new additions signify our commitment to providing the Guiding experience to even more young girls.

## Upcoming Events

Ready for an adventure?

Join the Girl Guides for a fun day trip just outside of Windhoek on

September 6, 2025!

Details:

- Date: Friday, September 6, 2025
- Cost: N\$50 per girl
- Sign-up & Payment Deadline:

Saturday, August 30, 2025



## Strengthening Our Global Ties: Africa Regional Conference

The Girl Guides Association of Namibia proudly participated in the Africa Regional Conference of the Girl Guides on July 26th and 27th. This invaluable experience allowed us to share our progress and strategies from Namibia, connect, share, and learn from our sisters across Africa. We also had the privilege of participating in voting in new leadership and transformational policies, further advancing our global agenda for the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS).

## Orandjemund Private School



## Namutoni Primary School

### Looking Ahead: Our Mission Continues

As we move forward, the Girl Guides Association of Namibia remains dedicated to its core mission: to empower girls and young women to reach their full potential as responsible citizens. We strive to provide a safe, supportive, and engaging environment where girls can develop leadership skills, cultivate a sense of community, and make a positive impact on the world around them.