

OUTLOOK NEWSLETTER

A newsletter for the Girl Guides Association of Namibia



Welcome to our first Issue By the Chief Commissioner

Happy Birthday!

To Her Excellency, Dr. Netumbo Nandi-Ndaitwah,
President of the Republic of Namibia and Esteemed
Patron of the Girl Guides Association of Namibia.

The Girl Guides Association of Namibia extends its deepest and warmest
congratulations to our esteemed Patron, Her Excellency Dr. Netumbo
Nandi-Ndaitwah, on the occasion of her 73rd birthday.

As she celebrates this momentous milestone, we honour not only her
visionary leadership as the President of our Republic but also the
unwavering support and inspiration she provides to thousands of young
girls and women as our dedicated Patron. Her commitment to empowering
the next generation, instilling values of service, confidence, and
community spirit, mirrors the core principles of Guiding.

We are profoundly grateful for her guidance and wisdom. May Her
Excellency be blessed with excellent health, great happiness, and
continued strength to lead our nation and our movement forward. We wish
her a truly joyous birthday!

Yours in Guiding,
The Girl Guides Association of Namibia.

With warm wishes!

Dear Friends of the Girl Guide Association of Namibia (GGAN),
We are thrilled to share the vibrant progress and achievements of our Guides and Guiders across Namibia this month, especially as our young leaders take their place on the regional stage! This achievement is a perfect example of why we created 'Lookout.' For the first time, we have a dedicated space to share these powerful stories of impact, from our young leaders making waves regionally, to the quiet, vital work being done by our units in every corner of Namibia. This newsletter is our new campfire, a place where we can all gather to celebrate one another's successes, share challenges, and find inspiration in our shared sisterhood.

Yours in Guiding *Gretta Gaspar*



GGAN Young Leader Representing in Ghana

We are immensely proud to announce that our young leader representative, Ms. Hanna Mwaala, will be attending the "Growth Catalysts: Young Women Driving Sustainable Member Organizations in Africa!" Program.

The in-person gathering is designed to equip young women leaders with essential skills to design and implement sustainable, youth-led entrepreneurship projects. These projects align with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and aim to generate vital income for Member Organizations.

The event will take place at the Kusafiri World Centre from the 4th to 8th December 2025. We wish Ms. Mwaala a transformative and successful experience as she represents Namibia!

Support Our Guide: Vote for the African Authors Recognition Awards

Jobina Shovaleka

One of our own is making a mark in the literary world. We urgently need your support for Jobina Shovaleka (Windhoek Company), who is nominated for Best Children's Literature at the African Authors Recognition Awards (AARA) 2025. Her book, "The Aliens", captures the adventure and curiosity central to Guiding. **Let's help her shine!**

Nov. 20th!): log onto her to cast your vote.
<https://strawpoll.com/aara2025-childrenliterature>

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NAMIBIA

"THE ALIENS"
"The Aliens" follows Mia and Daisy, two adventurous girls whose curiosity leads them to discover mysterious new friends in the most unexpected way. Their journey takes an astonishing twist when their teacher becomes involved, and a shocking event changes everything.

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Highlights from Across Our Districts

Windhoek Camp Fun

Guides and Brownies from across Windhoek came together for their much-anticipated annual camp filled with laughter, learning, and friendship. The camp included exciting outdoor activities, team-building exercises, and an educational day trip that broadened the girls' horizons. Through games and challenges, the participants strengthened their communication, leadership, and problem-solving skills, all while having plenty of fun in true Guiding spirit.

Brownies Picnic & Enrollment

The Brownie units gathered at Eendombe for a delightful picnic that celebrated togetherness and growth. The day was filled with songs, games, and joy as new Brownies were officially enrolled into the movement during a heartwarming ceremony. This special occasion not only welcomed new members but also reminded everyone of the values of friendship, service, and self-development that Guiding stands for.

Okahao Guiders Training

In Okahao, over 30 passionate Guiders participated in an empowering leadership training workshop designed to strengthen local units. The sessions focused on enhancing leadership capacity, improving programme delivery, and sharing creative methods for engaging young members. The enthusiasm and commitment shown by all participants highlighted the strength of the Guiding community in the region and the shared vision of nurturing confident, capable young women across Namibia.



Guiding is thriving! From leadership training to major enrollment ceremonies, here's a snapshot of our activities



Celebrating New Beginnings: Enrollment Ceremonies

We proudly welcomed hundreds of new members during the recent Enrollment Ceremonies across the country: * Otamanzi GG; * 1st Nakayale,* Okahao GG;* Tsandi Elcin Parish;Ukwaluudhi; * Onguta Parish-Ondangwa

Congratulations to all our newly enrolled Guides and Brownies!

