

'Harambee Gwasssi Project' 2018 Calendar

IKSDP - International-Kenya Scout Development Project
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'IKSDP Harambee Gwasssi-Kenya' is an International Project of Cooperation and Solidarity supported by NGO Brownsea Foundation. The project, called IKSDP (Italian Kenyan Scout Development Project), was started in 1983 with the aim of improving the welfare among the communities of this area; it promotes the social, cultural and economic growth of the Nyandiwa peninsula, on the shores of Lake Victoria, one of the poorest areas of Kenya.

"Harambee" in Swahili means "Working Together" and the cry is used generically when you make an effort together, for example when the fishermen pull nets ... represents the very spirit of the project: volunteers work with the population of Gwasssi to promote global development, not welfare schemes but united by one common purpose, understanding and mutual respect.

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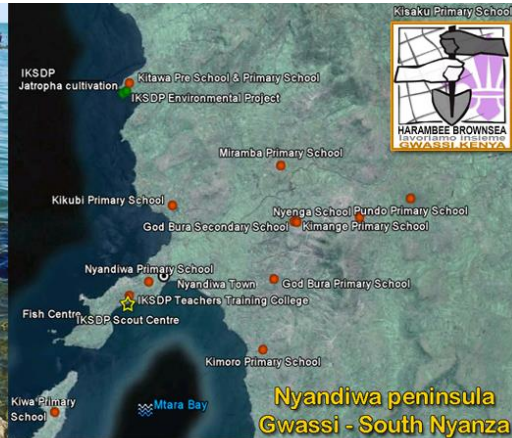
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Dedicated to **Guido Monti**, President of the Brownsea Foundation and co-founder of the Harambee Project.

'IKSDP' is a self-development, international charity project of the 'Foundation Brownsea ONLUS'. IKSDP promotes social cohesion and gender equality with artistic, recreational activities and sports competitions.



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The IKSDP project extends into the Nyandiwa peninsula from the shores of Lake Victoria to the surrounding hills, for 500 sqkm. with a density of 140 inhabitants for sqkm. It's a 'hardship' region (with a high level of poverty): since 1983 ,volunteers and local people work along side by side, successfully sharing educational interventions, social, cultural and economic, for sustainable development.

"If you want to get first run alone. If you want to go far, walk together"
(Swahili proverb)

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Harambee in Swahili language means 'working together' it's the cry used by fishermen to pull the nets to shore. It's the spirit of Project: establishing friendship without prejudice, we define together things to do for one sustainable self-development. In the Scouting Center of Nyandiwa-IKSDP (International Kenya Scout Development Project) we work together, Europeans and Africans, in mutual knowledge, through interventions shared and managed independently by the local team.

The IKSDP aqueduct in the province of Gwasssi was the first intervention carried out (1991-1993) by the volunteers of the Brownsea Foundation to solve the problem of drinking water in the region: today the aqueduct stretches for 20 km., from the Gwasssi Forest to Nyandiwa. It serves about 20,000 people.

Management and maintenance, entrusted to local volunteers, take place under the IKSDP coordination.

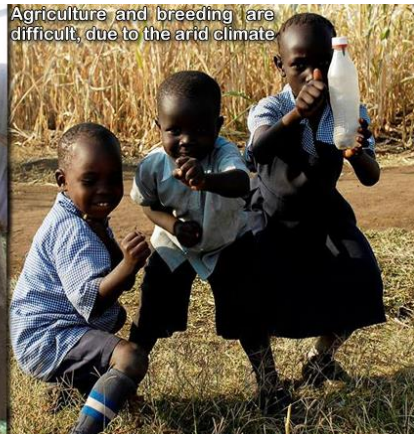


A good name shines in the dark (Swahili proverb)

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Agriculture and breeding are difficult, due to the arid climate



But experimenting with new sustainable models run by youth and women cooperatives the expansion of the IKSDP Farm continues!



The first poultry in 1989 had two hens and today it is having 250 layers. Furthermore, dairy cows, catfish and tilapia are bred in the new breeding vessels, where vegetables of all kinds also grow.

"The patient man eats the food well cooked" (Swahili proverb)

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MARCH

<http://dbrpeters.wix.com/iksdpcreativecentre>



The IKSDP Creative Center in Nyandiwa is a great success, it promotes the local crafts and the artistic talents of community, involving the students of Nyandiwa and neighboring villages. The artistic productions are various: oil paintings, baskets, statues, small furniture, decorated plates, statues, costumes, traditional jewelry and bags in straw, with banana leaves or with the threads obtained by recycling plastic bags. The products of the Center are exhibited and sold in the IKSDP Art Gallery and also in Italy, in the Solidarity Markets.



"A willing hand helps you work better" (Swahili proverb)

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APRIL



The new IKSDP 'Ongombeh Stadium' Sports Center exploits all of educational opportunities that offer sports practices: the maximum focus is on gender equality and young people in the community, that are 70% of the population. At each tournament, match and event, there is a great participation, both from the community and from the neighboring villages.

"There is no distance that has no end" (Swahili proverb)

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MAY



The biggest challenge is the instruction that is realized with the help of all. At Nyandiwa's IKSDP Center, the training course cycle begins and ends for girls and boys of the village and the region. Nursery School and College are the excellence activities that characterize the educational area of the Harambee Gwasssi Project. Some young graduates from our college are really the children who attended primary school in construction, in the first years of the project!

Here you will find our eBooks of African tales:
<http://www.conquistaweb.it/harambee/eng/ebook.htm>



"It's through education that the daughter of a peasant can become a doctor, that a son of a mineworker can become the head of the mine, that a child of farm workers can become the president of a great nation. It's what we make out of what we've, not what we're given, that separates one person from another." Nelson Mandela

"Kid's smile it's the home foundations" (Swahili proverb)

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JUNE



The internal WiFi network in Nyandiwa is completed! Now the IKSDP Center has an Internet connection broadband 3 Mb, spread throughout its area and with a 3G coverage. Our thanks to the companies that made this important work possible: GEICO, INNEX and FIDOKA. The Center also has an Internet Service, powered by solar panels and offers to the community E-mail services, photocopies and fax.



"Where there is will there is also the way" (Swahili proverb)

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JULY



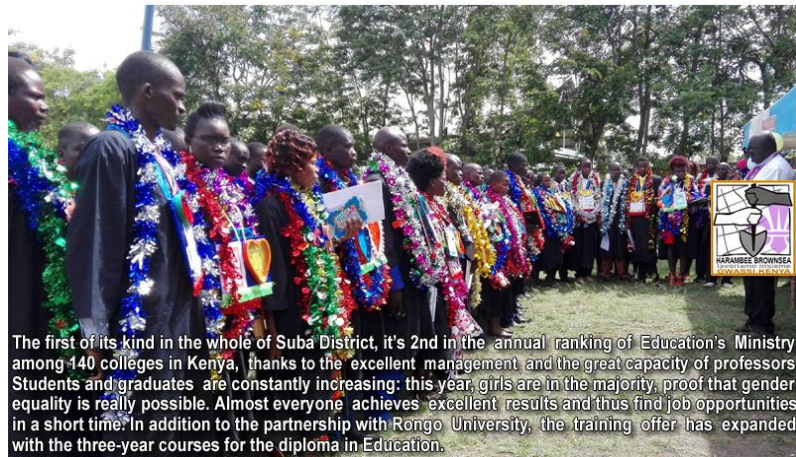
The IKSDP Hostel is able to accommodate single, families and groups: all rooms are comfortable and sober, with meals served in a large hall. The Center has also a Social Hall, ideal venue for meetings, conferences, for community events, theater show, and also for weddings. The amphitheater can accommodate about 500 people, with smaller classrooms for seminars: it is equipped with an amplification system, computer and WiFi connection broadband. All facilities and services contribute, with the other activities, to self-finance the projects of the IKSDP Center in Niandiwa.



"Patience will be rewarded" (Swahili proverb)

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AUGUST



The first of its kind in the whole of Suba District, it's 2nd in the annual ranking of Education's Ministry among 140 colleges in Kenya, thanks to the excellent management and the great capacity of professors. Students and graduates are constantly increasing; this year, girls are in the majority, proof that gender equality is really possible. Almost everyone achieves excellent results and thus find job opportunities in a short time. In addition to the partnership with Rongo University, the training offer has expanded with the three-year courses for the diploma in Education.

"Knowledge is power" (Swahili proverb)

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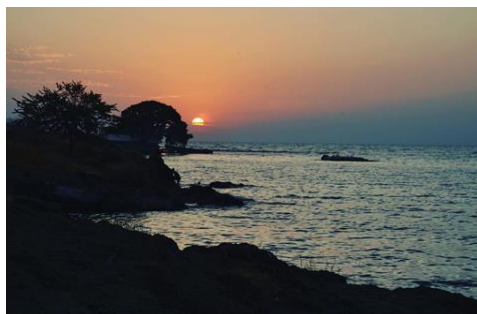


The experimental cultivation of sunflowers began in 2014 in our Kitawa fields: after one series of small productions, in the summer 2017 the oil production went to full capacity. A real success, made possible by the squeezing system donated by the 'Calabria for Harambee'. Also this year we made 2 excellent crops in our Kitawa garden!



"One drop after another fills the glass" (Swahili proverb)

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The IKSDP project has exploited all of renewable energy resources (solar and wind) and natural ones. In Kitawa, the 'Environment and Development' project is active, for the cultivation of Jatropha, from which seeds is obtained the fuel oil (for kitchen and lighting). From this oil, appropriately filtered, it is obtained Biodiesel fuel for Diesel modified engines. Soap, glycerine, lubricant and fertilizer are obtained from the scraps. 17 hectares of arid land, now irrigated, produce excellent fuel oil. A part of the land is a Didactic Park for students, given the wealth of local flora and fauna.



"Better delay and get there" (Swahili proverb)

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"Do today what's to do today" (Swahili proverb)

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DECEMBER