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The International Solidarity Project 'Harambee Gwasssi Kenya' was started in 1983, on the shores of Victoria Lake, in one of the poorest areas of Kenya, supported by the volunteers of 'Brownsea Foundation' and 'Kenya Scout Association'. The project takes place in the Nyandiwa peninsula, in the Gwasssi Division, and it covers an area of about 500 sqkm.

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The project name 'Harambee', that means "Work Together" in swahili language, expresses the intention to avoid any charity, working all together !!!



The Italian and African people, work together with the same level of dignity, with the aim of improving the welfare among the Kenyan communities, but also to understand and grow each other...



The main feature of project is that one to avoid welfarism and, on the contrary, to help local people to develop independently. The first problem to resolve in order to carry welfare was that one of the water: the aqueduct built has led... drinkable water available on a large region for about 20.000 people and the decrease of infectious diseases!

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Since 2002 was born the twinning plan of collaboration between the Italian and Kenyan schools (primary and secondary). The work of building for new schools is continuous and requires great aid and assistance, to give everyone the opportunity to study and grow together!



Up to now, the schools involved in the region of the Gwassi are thirteen; eleven Primary Schools: God Bura, Kikubi, Kimange, Kimoro, Kirambo, Kisaku, Kiwa, Miramba, Nyandiwa, Nyenga and Pundo. The Secondary School of God Bura and the College IKSDP.

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MARCH



The Internet Service Point of Nyandiwa attract thousands of people from all over Gwassi region and its outskirts: there is a well trained personnel that really assists the users over the internet and the net. Nyandiwa population has confirmed the initiative validity, using with great satisfaction the service offered to the public: typewriting of documents especially for administration and commercial use, photocopies and e-mail.

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APRIL



**"SECOND TO NONE!"**

Something to look at in our vision and mission is the task to produce first class teachers in this nation and in the world.



Under the big umbrella of the 'IKSDP Harambee Gwasssi project' was born the Teachers College, the first of its kind in the whole of Suba District.

Our school was founded to provide new job opportunities for young people and sees a continuous increase of registrations: it's only under good management with professional tutors that can find a good academic excellence!

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**MAY**



The Tailoring Laboratory, near the Scout centre of Nyandiwa, was prepared with the intention to reach the professional training and to promote the self-development, the small local enterprises and the self-sustaining of the Centre and of the project. The laboratory started working with 6 employed people, making the Scouts' uniforms of Kenya, of the schools and also now does the production of bags which are sold both locally and internationally.

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**JUNE**



Inside the Scout Centre, they have chosen to realize structures and activity of public utility: the Social Room has really become a gathering place for both local population and many groups of young people applying for to use spaces and facilities for meetings and conferences. It's furnished with the teleconferencing items for over 1000 people. The Hall is rented at Ksh.1,500 per day (about 17 \$).

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JULY



The Medical Dispensaries of Kiwa (in the picture) and Kisaku (about 20 km far from Nyandiwa), were built in Harambee Gwasssi Project, and they are self-managed by local communities.



The structures of IKSDP-Nyandiwa International Scout Centre are used periodically for specialized health interventions carried out by Kenyans doctors (an example is the Temporary Eye Clinic for the South Nyanza people, from November 28 to December 2, 2011). At the dispensary Nyandiwa, addition to the normal health activities, are carried out campaigns prevention and hygiene education.

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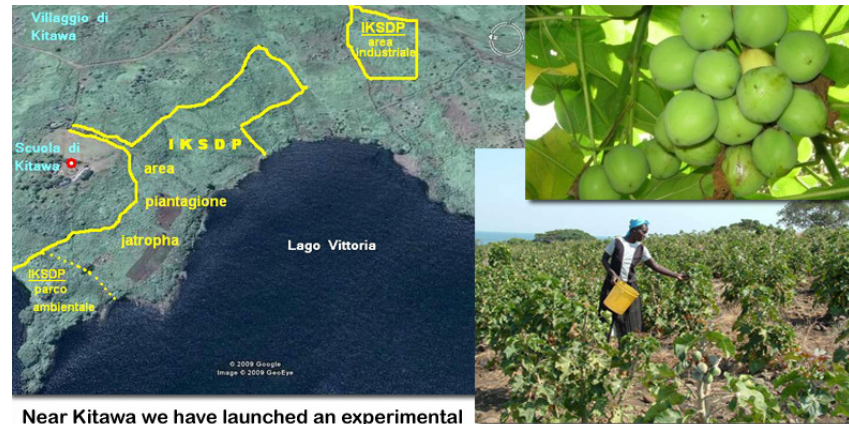
AUGUST



The conditions of the breeding and fishing in the Nyandiwa peninsula are always worrying and can cause serious consequences for the basic feeding of the population. The projects to increase the products available for the population are very important: the Nyandiwa IKSDP farm now includes: raising chickens, raising cows and breeding of fish. In Kitawa has been extended the vegetables cultivation between the rows of jatropha trees.

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SEPTEMBER



Near Kitawa we have launched an experimental cultivation of 'jatropha curcas', suitable for cultivation in tropical and subtropical regions. The collection of seeds produced by plants serve to draw an oil that can be used as alternative energy for lighting, cooking food, the production of biogas and biodiesel.



Other derivatives are soap, glycerine, candles and agricultural fertilizers. In the area has been built an irrigation system and a building for the storage and the equipment for processing of seeds. From 2011 began the production of vegetables planted between the trees of jatropha and the results are encouraging. In addition, a portion of land was reserved for an Educational Park due to its rich flora and fauna.

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OCTOBER



The coastal area near the Scout Centre of Kitawa, on Victoria Lake, has great value in terms of wildlife and the environment. It was therefore initiated a project for a 'Natural and Teaching Oasis' in order to carry out actions to protect the environment and start the local population, especially young people and teachers, to care, to respect and to defend this great heritage.



In the pictures: 1) Umbretta - Hammerhead (Scopus umbretta)  
 2) Nettarinia pettirossa - Scarlet-chested Sunbird (Chalcomitra senegalensis)  
 3) Labiata flowers

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NOVEMBER



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DECEMBER