



The newsletter of the Nyika-Vwaza Trust and Nyika-Vwaza (UK) Trust
"working for the environment and wildlife conservation in northern Malawi"

Welcome to the latest issue of Nyika-Vwaza News.

While we in the UK are seeing the first signs of spring, on the Nyika and in Vwaza (and, indeed, the whole of Malawi) it is raining heavily. In January, the Nyika had its heaviest rains in more than 10 years and, in Vwaza Marsh, Lake Kazuni is now in full flood.

Back in October 2007, eland reappeared on the high plateau, with herds of up to 200 (including many young) in the North Rukuru area. In January, Peter Mtumbuka (Chelinda camp manager) had the excitement of a leopard with two cubs on two occasions in daylight while, in early February, a male side-striped jackal killed a young bushbuck in the late afternoon close to the horse stables.

As the eland were making their way to the plateau, we in London were gearing up for our annual fundraising event. Held at the Royal Geographical Society, it was our biggest and most successful yet. Thank you so much to all who were able to join us and support our work.

Our fundraising efforts continue this spring and we are delighted that Paul Langton will be running on our behalf in the Flora London Marathon in April. We do hope you will be able to support him - see below to find out how.

This issue of Nyika-Vwaza News is packed with stories which we hope you will enjoy. As well as an update on our projects and a report on our achievements to date, we have a feature article by David Foot on how the Nyika and Vwaza got under his skin, a story about Sampson Luhanga, a local poacher turned gamekeeper, and an update on some of the activities of the Department of National Parks and Wildlife.

Happy reading and many thanks to all of you for your continued generous support of our work in Northern Malawi.

Jane Gallacher (Editor)

Marathon Man - Paul Langton

We are over the moon that Paul Langton, a committed supporter, is running in the Flora London Marathon on 13 April 2008. All funds he raises for the Nyika-Vwaza (UK) Trust will go to our important work in conserving Northern Malawi's precious wilderness areas. We hope that many of you will be able to sponsor him.

Paul, a 42 year old chartered accountant, was inspired to support us because of the "visible signs of the great work that the Trust has been doing" that he saw on a recent horse riding safari in Northern Malawi. While there, he was also impressed with "the appreciation that the local people had for the work of the Trust". It is these memories, he says, that keep him motivated to run the Marathon.

If you are able, please do support Paul - however little you can manage will go such a long way in Malawi!

Here's how to do it. NV(UK)T has registered with JustGiving and Paul has set up a sponsorship web page that accepts donations on behalf of NV(UK)T. Just go to <http://www.justgiving.com/paullangton> and follow the instructions.



Paul in training

Thank you for your support.

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Field news

Since the onset of the rains, the Nyika-Vwaza Trust's main activity has been control of the pine plantation (funded by the Nyika-Vwaza (UK) Trust). The current focus has been on stopping the spread of the seedlings, an activity that needs to be repeated every two to three years.

Other projects have included completion of the staff hostel (funded by the Nyika-Vwaza (UK) Trust) which sleeps 40 people. Each person has a bed and a locker and there are communal dining/kitchen areas as well as bathrooms and eight hot showers.

Excellent progress has been made on the Tusk Trust-funded vehicle workshop. The workshop covers 200sq/m and the brick section (workshop/office/storeroom) is complete. All that remains is for the main work area to have its wooden walls put up and the roof put on.

In early October 2007, Brian Parsons returned to the Nyika to plan and organise the construction of more new bridges (funded by the British High Commission in Lilongwe). By 20 October, the Zungwara, North Rukuru and Juniper Forest bridges had been re-built.

Finally, Robyn Foot has been finalising the interior of the Nyika-Vwaza Trust Manager's house (whose construction was funded by the Beit Trust) and this is now furnished, fully curtained and ready for occupation.

The warm heart of Africa in wintry London

On 8 November 2007, friends and supporters of the Nyika Vwaza Trusts met in the illustrious surroundings of the Royal Geographical Society in London for our annual fundraising and promotional event.

As in 2006, the evening showcased the work of many Malawian artists. The art exhibition added a vibrancy to our 2006 evening and it did again last year. There was also the added bonus that all the profits from the sales of the artists' work go towards funding our work. Many thanks to the artists involved for lighting up our evening. Also to Robyn Foot, Anne Hyatt, Sue Elves, Amanda Force and Nick Leadbetter for the help they gave in many and various ways in bringing the exhibition together.



Painting by
William Mwale



Prof. Colin Baker and Lady Toulson Chairman of the UK Trust

The headline event of the evening was Professor Colin Baker's lecture, "By Water to 'the Warm Heart of Africa': Lake Malawi and the Shire River in the history of Malawi". In the course of the evening we learned about the historical development of the Waterway route that Dr. Livingstone pioneered from the mouth of the Zambezi River into the heart of Lake Malawi, together with the importance of that Waterway for the development of Malawi since that time. We are deeply grateful to the Professor, and his wife Shirley, for the time and effort put in to preparing and delivering such an insightful lecture at no charge; also, for the free gift of the proceeds from published, illustrated copies of the lecture. Such has been the demand that this has already been reprinted. Copies can be obtained from Harry Foot,

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Email stowfoots@southdevon.org. Price £7.50 plus £1.20 p&p in the UK or as per overseas postage.

All in all, the evening was our most successful to date and, with donations, raised over £10,000 for our conservation work in Northern Malawi. We are enormously grateful to all who helped make the event so successful - Denise Prior and the RGS staff, Quinton Connell for his pre-lecture presentation and Claire Grimshaw and our band of volunteers for keeping the show on the road on the night.

Lastly, many thanks to all of you who braved a chilly November night in London to support us.

The Hornless Wildebeest

Editor's Note: Few readers of this Newsletter don't know David Foot's name. For many of us, myself included, he is the reason we have become involved in conservation in Northern Malawi. His contribution to the work of the Nyika-Vwaza Trust is immense. I asked David how he came under the Nyika's spell, and what his hopes are for its future...

I first visited the Nyika as a child in 1972 when Major Ian Gordon was the Park Warden (Ian is now a Trustee of the Nyika-Vwaza (UK) Trust). My abiding memory of that trip was borrowing an enormous pair of binoculars from Major Gordon (they seemed enormous to me at 10 years of age!) and spotting on a far hillside an unidentified antelope. On approaching closer by car it was seen to be a hornless wildebeest! Well, that's my memory - but, as wildebeest have never occurred on the Nyika, the rest of my family cannot corroborate this memory!

My next visit was in 1988 when, with three others, I drove the whole of Malawi looking at the potential for setting up a safari company. After three years working in the Zambezi and Luangwa river systems, I was really not sure what to make of the environment of the Nyika. In particular, since we only had a single cab Toyota Hilux, two of us had to sit in the open back and, even in November, it was cold!



Roan antelope

Over the next few years, I led numerous safaris to the Nyika and I grew to love and appreciate the area despite it being so different to the "typical" African bush. As a safari guide, it was incredibly exciting to explore and get to know such a wild place. At that time, the Parks Department was trying to promote wilderness trails into the remote Chipome Valley and I hiked into that section of the park many times. It was completely wild but over the next few years I discovered that there was wild and wonderful country throughout the Nyika!

It was always thrilling to come across large herds of eland and roan antelope, which are rarely found in many of Africa's famous parks, and on every safari we had excellent leopard viewing. We once stalked a herd of 100 eland to try and photograph them, spotted a leopard whilst doing this and then had the leopard stalk us! Many guests were amazed by the spectacular array of wildflowers and this ignited my interest in them too (a little different to the big game of the Luangwa!). As an avid birdwatcher, the Nyika forests were very rewarding, if rather challenging!

In 1993, I was fortunate enough to be granted a concession to start horseback safaris based at Chelinda and as a result my family has had the privilege to live in the heart of the park for the past 15 years. Over that time, the horse safaris have allowed me to explore vast tracts of the park. In recent years, they have given us many opportunities to find the last of the Nyika elephants (approx 50), to begin to understand their movements and to enjoy the excitement of just us, the horses and the elephants, together in some remote, rarely visited valleys.



David and Robyn Foot

I have been privileged to have worked in or visited many of Africa's great game parks but I have had some of my most precious wildlife moments here on the Nyika, in particular with leopard and hyena. It is hard to beat sitting in the grasslands, late in the afternoon watching adult hyenas and cubs at their den with a view stretching far into the distance, lit up by the magical evening light and knowing there is not another soul for miles around.

Despite these good times, there has also been a constant worry about the conservation of the park. When I first moved to the Nyika, the Parks Department had very limited resources but the situation improved enormously with the start of the Nyika-Vwaza Conservation Project, funded by the German government. A lot of good work was done but it is never enough when it comes to conservation and, with the closure of the project, it was clear that

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further assistance was needed. With this in mind, a group of concerned individuals in Malawi established the Nyika-Vwaza Trust and, with the fantastic contributions (financial and otherwise) from all of you, the Trust has been able to make a very important contribution to the conservation of not only the Nyika but also Vwaza Marsh. All of us involved here on the ground have been staggered by the interest shown in the Trust and more so by the huge amount of work put into it by so many people on a voluntary basis. I hear that one supporter is even running the London Marathon in aid of the Trust this year! Fantastic!

The conservation of Nyika and Vwaza is a massive, never-ending challenge. Both areas face huge pressures from the ever-growing populations surrounding the parks and there is no way this Trust (funded primarily by individual donations) could provide all the necessary assistance needed. It was therefore very exciting for all those concerned with the future of the parks when the Peace Parks Foundation appeared on the scene wishing to assist in the creation of the Nyika Trans-Frontier Conservation Area. Their interest has given enormous exposure to the Nyika and Vwaza.

I am hopeful that, over the next few years, the necessary resources will be made available to conserve the Nyika and Vwaza long into the future for the benefit of the Malawi nation, the local communities and the visitors who come to appreciate this very special place.

The Elephant Poacher turned Gamekeeper

Today His Honour Angus Macdonald, a former judge, lives in retirement in Newcastle upon Tyne. But in 1958 he was the resident magistrate in the Northern Province of Nyasaland (Malawi). He recalls hearing an extraordinary case of elephant poaching, prosecuted by Inspector Ray Punter, Officer in Charge of Police at Rumphu. After outlining the case for the prosecution, Inspector Punter produced to the court some of the dead elephant's stomach contents in sacks, which he emptied onto the court room floor.

Ray Punter, from his retirement in New Zealand, takes up the story: -

"This was in the days before the Vwaza Marsh was officially gazetted as a Game Reserve. Vwaza was in the area of Themba Katumbi (Chief Katumbi) and he was personally very keen to protect it from poachers. Themba Katumbi was a man named Timothy Chawinga (that was his ordinary name before he became the Chief and it was under this name that he gave evidence in court). He it was who reported to me at Rumphu Police Station that a man named Sampson Luhanga had shot an elephant in the Vwaza area. To investigate, of course I had to visit the scene.



Elephants at L. Kazuni, Vwaza Marsh

Sampson Luhanga's story was that the elephant kept eating their crops - predominantly maize. At the time of my visit, the stomach of the elephant was still intact so I obtained some sacks (about ten in all) and collected the entire contents of the stomach, which I transported back to Rumphu. I then got the Rumphu Agricultural Officer, Roger Orpin, to examine the stomach contents and he subsequently gave evidence before Angus Macdonald that there were no signs of maize or other crops therein! Luhanga was not authorised at all to shoot the elephant (which he had freely admitted doing) and so he was duly convicted.

Years later I believe Sampson Luhanga was appointed a Game Ranger in the Vwaza/Nyika area."

The story continues, now in the words of Major Ian Gordon:-

"When I was Warden of the Nyika National Park in the mid-1970's, Sampson Luhanga was employed by the Department of Forestry and Game as a government hunter based at Chikangawa in the Viphya highlands. His responsibilities were to protect crops from marauding animals. He had the gift of the gab and, on occasion, he would take

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pleasure in exercising his duties on the edge of the law. When he retired, he handed to me the firearms that had been issued to him by the government - a 12-bore double barrel shotgun, a heavy duty rifle and a 0.375 rifle, but no ammunition; that, he said, had all been fired!

After Sampson's retirement, my wife, Averil, and I often visited him in his village near Bolero when he always gave us a great welcome. Sampson Luhanga was a truly engaging character."

Oli Force, a former Nyika-Vwaza Trust Manager, now back in England, reports that he recently met Sampson's younger brother, William, who recalled Sampson's case in front of Angus Macdonald, adding that Sampson had learnt to become a crack shot during his World War II service in "Japan and North Africa"! William confirmed Sampson's subsequent employment by the government as a professional hunter "to kill a man eating lion near Chikangawa." Now in his 90's, Sampson lives peaceably cultivating maize, tobacco and tasty groundnuts at his home village.

Editor's Note: I am grateful to Angus Macdonald and Ray Punter for recounting the story of the court case but, intrigued by Ray's suggestion that Sampson became a game ranger, I also wanted readers to know what became of him. So I am also grateful for Ian Gordon's contribution and Oli Force's research.

Our achievements to date

It is some four years now since the Nyika-Vwaza Trust and the Nyika-Vwaza (UK) Trust were established. This is a good time, perhaps, to assess our achievements to date. As you will see, it is an impressive list. That we have achieved so much in such a short time is a tribute to the dedicated support and generous donations you have given us. Thank you very much.

Working with the Department of National Parks and Wildlife - and many other organisations and individuals - the Nyika-Vwaza Trust has achieved the following:

1. An administrative base at Chelinda.
2. Employment and accommodation for a workforce of some 40 Malawians.
3. Accommodation for a Trust manager.
4. A fleet of four vehicles.
5. A programme to restore or build new 13 bridges within the Nyika National Park.
6. Road repairs and road cutting in the Nyika National Park and Vwaza Marsh Wildlife Reserve.
7. Within the Nyika National Park, 50 stone direction sign pedestals carrying approximately 225 signboards.
8. An annual programme of early burning to protect the relic forests (including juniper) on the Nyika National Park high plateau.
9. An annual programme of clearing sections of the pine plantations around Chelinda.
10. Trial plots laid out to research methods of controlling the spread of bracken on the Nyika National Park high plateau.
11. Elephants in both parks were collared as part of a PPF project and their movements were then monitored over a two year period by NVT.
12. In Vwaza Marsh Wildlife Reserve, the re-opening of the Hewe Channel.
13. In the dry season of 2006, the construction of a bund across the South Rukuru river to protect Lake Kazuni from drying up.
14. A borehole has been sunk to serve the Chigwere Cultural Village.
15. The water supply system to the Chelinda Youth Hostel has been renovated.
16. Assistance has been provided to Malawian artists by promoting their work whilst fund raising in the UK.
17. Promotion of the two parks, and Malawi tourism generally, at fund-raising events in the UK.
18. The development of a VHF radio network with six hand-held radios being given to the Department of National Parks and Wildlife.



Road cutting at Lower Chelinda

DNPW Corner

Mr P Simkoko, Assistant Parks and Wildlife Officer at Chelinda, has sent us this report on how, by undertaking one small task, the Nyika-Vwaza Trust has helped the Department of National Parks and Wildlife in its efforts to promote conservation within local communities.



The Nyika-Vwaza Trust funded the rehabilitation of the water supply at the Chelinda Youth Hostel in 2007. As a result, this facility was able to successfully host many more people including school wildlife clubs and researchers.

A highlight of the year was a very successful WILDLIFE CLUB WORKSHOP held from 17-20 December with over 40 participants from primary and secondary schools surrounding the Nyika National Park. The workshop was led by Mr T.Mhango (Divisional Manager North, DNPW) and assisted by Mr O.Mkandawire (Head of Education and Extension North, DNPW).

In his opening speech Mr Mhango told the participants that the Malawi Government recognises the role youngsters take in wildlife conservation and as future leaders they should always strive hard to ensure that bush meat is not sold or consumed in the villages.

Joe Zimba—NVT plumber

The objective of the workshop was to discuss the role of wildlife clubs in wildlife conservation and over three days there were lectures on "HIV and its impact on wildlife conservation" and "The importance of wildlife conservation in Malawi". The participants also had the opportunity to go out into the field and watch some of the Nyika's wildlife.

All the participants found the workshop extremely beneficial and the comments from Francis Chilenga of the Henga Valley Private Secondary School reflected this:

"Ignorance is a real disease. Without this workshop I would not have realised that wildlife conservation is so important to the economy of the country. I hope we can create a poaching free environment and that National Parks can hold this kind of workshop every year."

This report just goes to show how, through one small effort, the Nyika-Vwaza Trust is helping the DNPW to promote its own vital work in the field of conservation.

Co-operation between fellow charities in Northern Malawi

Editor's Note: Successful conservation is a collaborative effort. The achievements we have listed elsewhere in this Newsletter are not ours alone and we are enormously grateful to all of those who have helped us get where we are. In this regard, The Peace Parks Foundation has offered valued assistance. Mike Labuschagne, the PPF's Law Enforcement Adviser based at Chelinda and running the Law Enforcement Support Project, explains what this has involved to date.

The Peace Parks Foundation's 'Law Enforcement Support Project' (LESP) provides committed and varied support to the Nyika Vwaza Trust (NVT) on the Nyika. Assistance is provided in various forms, including the following:

Free Internet Services

The reason the Nyika Vwaza Trust has not needed to spend a cent on their excellent satellite internet services over the past few years is partly due to the LESP. Between July 2005 and November 2007, in conjunction with the Nyika Safari Company, a wholly free satellite internet service has been provided to the NVT. Since the 15th December 2007 the LESP is covering the complete cost of the NVT's satellite internet service.

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Construction of Staff Hostel

The Staff Hostel, referred to in this newsletter and in the Autumn 2007 edition, was constructed by the LESP's 'Nyika TFCA Construction Team'. In addition the LESP's Hydra-form Blockmaker was used to mould all the building blocks used in this construction. With transportation costs being quite prohibitive the use of the Blockmaker resulted in a considerable savings in the Trust's construction costs.

Editors Note. The LESP Construction Team was paid for by NVT and assisted by the NVT workforce.

Water Connection to Trust Manager's Cabin

The newly constructed Trust Manager's Cabin is connected to a water supply reservoir and plumbing supply repaired and rehabilitated at considerable cost to the LESP. It gives the LESP great pleasure to be able to assist in ensuring that the new Trust Manager will be comfortable in his new home.

Cement Haulage to Bridge Construction

The transportation of construction material to the site is a real challenge in any construction work on the Nyika. When Brian Parsons was doing such excellent work in bridge construction on the Nyika it appeared, at one point, that he would run out of time to complete the construction work due to a lack of cement. The LESP was delighted to assist, at its own cost, in transporting a load of cement to one of Brian's construction sites.

The LESP is therefore deeply committed to assisting its fellow charity - the Nyika Vwaza Trust. The LESP believes that cooperation between all those committed to the conservation of the Nyika TFCA is important and must continue in the interests of the wonderfully varied natural ecosystem.

Appreciation from afar

We were delighted to receive the following letter recently from Jim and Betty Chapman, now living in retirement in New Zealand:-

"We thank you for Issues 4 and 5 of the Newsletter for 2007. Very interesting and heartening to read. We found Lady Toulson's address at the November 2006 Evening just right. How much we wish we could come and see all that is being achieved by the Trust. ---- Anyway, it's really great to be able to follow all these exciting developments in the Newsletters. ---- good news about your successful controlled burning programme. That brings back vivid memories of 1952/53 when this was first initiated and staff were very thin on the ground. --- All good luck in your great efforts on behalf of that very special corner of Africa."

Jim Chapman served in Nyasaland/Malawi as a Forest Officer from 1952 to 1965. His first posting was as District Forest Officer Rumphu/Karonga and for three years he and his wife Betty lived in a house alongside the Rumphu Boma. His introduction to his work was on the Nyika plateau burning the first trace to protect the juniper forest from the ravages of wildfires.

Thank you, Jim and Betty. Just to know that you and many of our readers and benefactors enjoy Nyika-Vwaza News and appreciate the work of the Trusts gives all who are involved considerable encouragement.

New Patron

The Trustees of the Nyika-Vwaza (UK) Trust are pleased and honoured to announce that Professor Colin Baker MBE has accepted their invitation to become a Patron of the Trust.

Making Donations to the Trust – guidance by our Hon.Treasurer

Our work depends on your continued generosity. You can make a donation:-

- by using the forms attached to this Nyika-Vwaza News; or
- via our website www.nyika-vwaza-trust.org (click "Support Us" on the tool bar or the orange oblong that invites you to donate); or
- by completing the donation form at the back of our information leaflets; or
- by posting a cheque to us at the address at the end of this Newsletter.

Gift Aid

A donation given by a UK taxpayer can be increased by the donor completing a "Gift Aid Declaration". This authorises the Trust to recover from the Revenue the amount of tax at the applicable rate that the donation attracts. The applicable rate changes from 22% to 20% as from 6th April 2008 from which date a donation of £10 from you will be worth £12.50 to the Trust.

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The Trust depends upon you

Every donation that is given to the Trust supports our work in assisting the Government's Department of National Parks and Wildlife with the conservation of The Nyika National Park and Vwaza Marsh Wildlife Reserve and with the involvement of the local communities. Your support is our lifeblood. Thank you for your generosity.

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Trust Manager Vacancy

The trustees of The Nyika-Vwaza Trust in Malawi invite applications for the challenging and highly responsible post of Trust Manager based at Chelinda within the Nyika National Park (7000+ feet asl) in northern Malawi.

This exciting opportunity would suit a volunteer prepared to offer short-term (6 to 8 months) service whilst a permanent appointment is advertised. The post will become vacant at the end of March 2008.

The position would be ideal for a mature and self-reliant person with practical experience of working in East/Central/Southern Africa.

Free accommodation in a delightful 2-bedroom new, furnished log cabin (first occupant) and a basic Living Allowance are part of the package.

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A date for your diary

We shall be holding our annual promotional evening at The Royal Geographical Society, London again on Tuesday 25th November 2008.

Please put the date in your diary and make it a "must not miss" event.

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The Nyika-Vwaza Trust can only continue with the vital task of helping to conserve the Nyika and Vwaza Marsh with the continuing support of generous donations. We welcome further donations from current Friends of the Trust but we also endeavour to widen our scope for funding so please pass on copies of the newsletter to your friends and relations.

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