

**SCHOOLS MARCH FOR MUKUVISI  
FUNDRAISER FOR MUKUVISI  
WATERFOWL PROJECT & SCHOOLS  
ENVIRONMENTAL CLUBS  
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1ST, 2011  
@ MUKUVISI WOODLAND**



We at Mukuvisi Woodland would like to invite Harare's schools to a day of fun as well as educational activities. Together, we will raise funds for your Environmental Club as well as the rehabilitation of Mukuvisi's Wildfowl pond area. As you can see from the pictures, it does need a facelift! Our Wildfowl pond area needs at least \$8,000 for this plastic surgery and we have \$2,000.

This is how Mukuvisi and your school both gain from the day's events. Your school invites the general student body and members of its Environmental Club to take part in and form a team of maximum 20 students. You team will compete with other schools in

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a set of combined athletic "Pond Rehab" and environmental "Discover Mukuvisi" disciplines. Primary and Secondary Schools will participate in separate contests and not compete against each other.

We at Mukuvisi also need the participation of a staff member and/or parent, ideally your Environmental Club teacher, or physical education coach (with stop watch!) to coordinate your team during the day's events and to liaise with us at Mukuvisi during the preparation period.

**The Schools March for Mukuvisi** will take place starting at or near the wildfowl pond area, go into the park and cover a distance of approximately 5kms. Along the 5km path, we'll have the activities spread out, but clearly marked and monitored. "Discover Mukuvisi" activities will include educational elements such as flora and fauna identification and or collection, depending on the age group of the participating team. We will also have fun athletic contests, or "Pond Rehab" activities to symbolically rehabilitate and rebuild the pond area of the Wildfowl project. These "Pond Rehab" activities will include everything from "leaf lifting", three legged races, cement sack races and some genuine fun with water balloons. We have loads of good stuff in the works, and are happy to let teachers and staff in on details, if your school expresses an interest in participating.

To make this not only a fun raiser, but also a *fund* raiser, we ask each participating school to organize financial sponsors for their teams, amongst the business community as well as the parent body. Businesses willing to sponsor large amounts are welcome to contact us about displaying their banners on the day at Mukuvisi. Winning teams of the combined disciplines as well as of the most funds raised will be recognized

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on a plaque to be displayed prominently at the Wildfowl Project for all of Harare to see. And yes, there will be prizes for the winning team members. What's in it for your school? Of all the funds raised for your team, your school's Environmental Club gets to keep 25% and Mukuvisi will use 75% to rehabilitate our Waterfowl Project pond area.

The aim is have an enjoyable day raising as many funds as we can, and there will be so many opportunities to help us raise funds on the day. All participants and accompanying teachers and spectators will be further supporting the rehabilitation project with their entrance fee of \$2.00 for the day. The day's entrance fees go "in the pond". Meal tickets will be sold for lunch packs of good food and drink for \$5.00, of which 25% will go "in the pond", but you are welcome to bring your own picnic if you like. Drinks and snacks will be available for \$1.00 tickets, again of which 25% land "in the pond".

**A RECAP OF WHAT WE AT MUKVUISI NEED FROM YOUR SCHOOL IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE**

1. A team of maximum 20 students willing and able to participate in the "Discover Mukuvisi" and "Pond Rehab" activities.
2. The participation of a teacher and or parent.
3. Promotion among the entire parent body for financial sponsorship of the team which will represent the entire school. If all parents are encouraged to donate small amounts you will be surprised how much adds up. And remember 25% of funds your school raises go to your Environmental Club. Perhaps this could be organized with the school cashier to accept donations.
4. Designation of a teacher or adult volunteer who will liaise with Mukvusi during preparation
5. Indemnity
6. Donation of \$2.00 entry fee for each team member, accompanying teachers and spectators.
7. A full day's participation in fun at Mukuvisi, bring a picnic or contribute even more to "Pond Rehab" by purchasing \$5.00 lunch tickets.
8. Your school colours so we can prepare headbands to match.
10. Please contact Celesta von Chamier or Education Officer, Gibson Nhokwara to find out more as quickly as possible as the event is on October 1st. Cell: 0775 701807, 0772 104 286 or Land line: 747111 or 747123 e-mail: [mukwa@zol.co.zw](mailto:mukwa@zol.co.zw) or [vonchamier@gmail.com](mailto:vonchamier@gmail.com).

