

MWITU NA WATU CHARITABLE TRUST

END of YEAR REPORT - 2016

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“Mwitu Na Watu Charitable Trust is dedicated to raising funds for support of underprivileged adults and children in Kenya, as well as for the conservation of wildlife. We are supporting Community Wildlife Conservation as a means for landowners to profit from wildlife living on their lands, principally through tourism.”

Mwitu na Watu, its trustees Robyn Boyd & Michel Laplace-Toulouse, are working in association with African Latitude & Les Amis de Mwitu na Watu (Geneva).



1- Project Report

a) Primary School Tablets.

Over two visits in October and again in November, we based ourselves for several days near Lenkobei School where Robyn Boyd, Sophie Rocherieux and Michel Laplace-Toulouse organised the building of a 400 amps solar system. We supervised the installation of several solar panels on the roof of the school, the building of a dedicated locker to house the batteries, with inverter and solar controller fitted in one of the classrooms. A 4X4 pick up vehicle transported all equipment and 3 tradesmen with their camping equipment and food to Lenkobei.



The school is now one of the few in the area with electricity in the classrooms and a charging station for 12 Android tablets and one laptop. We also gave several days' training at the school with the children and teachers. A dedicated computer teacher/trainer came from a Kenyan NGO <http://learn.e-limu.org/> Joan set up a local network dispatching some of the applications to the tablets. The Swahili language app is based on the Kenyan curriculum and was very well received by the teachers and pupils alike.

We also loaded the tablets with a series of apps from a US company called [Infinut Software](#). These turned out to be a success, despite the language barrier, but the children do learn English at school and have been adapting to the different accents spoken. We are convinced that the tablets will help their language and reading skills. Here are a few samples of what we are using:

Kids Phonics - <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.infinut.kidsphonics>

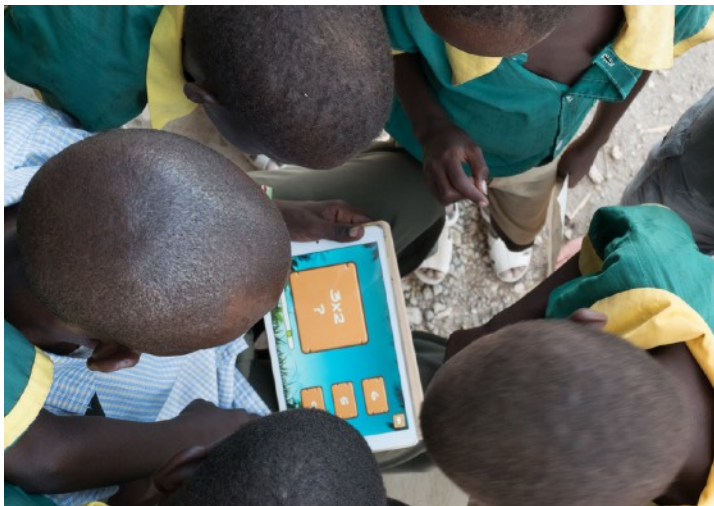
Kids Measurement Science - <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.infinut.firstgrade.measure>

Second Grade Math - <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.infinut.secondgrade.math>

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Kindergarten Word play - <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.infinut.kindergarten.wordplay>

First Grade word play - <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.infinut.firstgrade.wordplay>



[Click here for more images.](#)

The cost of the whole project was kshs1,195,301- (1 euro= 110 ksh)

kshs1,120,000- funded by Sophie Rocherieux via <https://www.ulule.com/kenya-ecoleprimaire/> and kshs75,301- by Mwituna Watu.

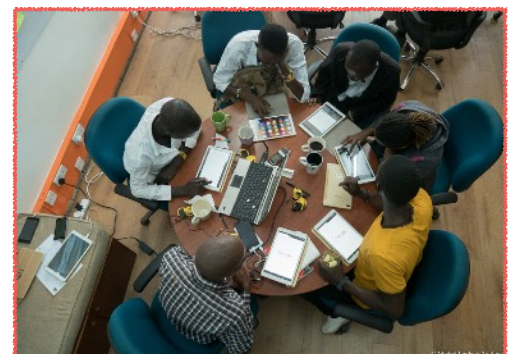
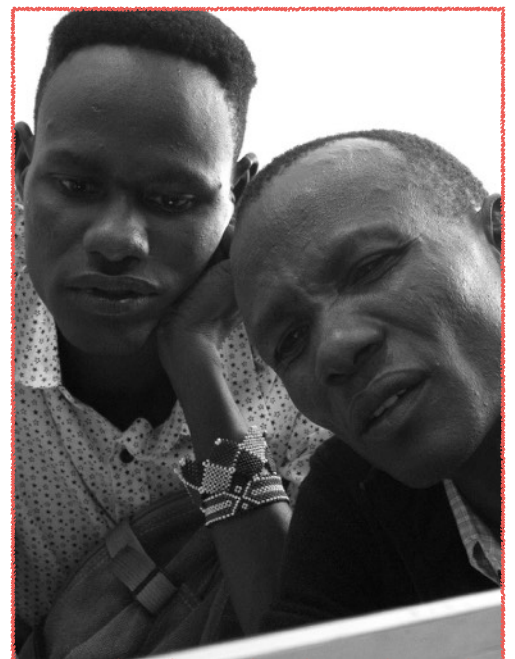
More details of the expenses can be seen at 3) documents/annexes

b) Training of Lenkobei Teachers in Nairobi

Now having electricity and a laptop computer is one thing, but knowing how to use it, is another challenge. Two of the teachers already have smartphones and some basic IT knowledge.

So we organised to have the 4 teachers from Lenkobei School to come to Nairobi for a two days training session at the Elimu center. The training was done by Joan, who had come to Lenkobei and knew the teachers. The emphasis of the training was on handling the laptop computer and setting it to beam a wifi network, which will allow all tablets to connect to some of the applications on the laptop. The system allows easy update and distribution to an unlimited number of tablets, if we plan to purchase more in the future.

The teachers also learned to use the excel application on the laptop to create school reports and grades. The handling of the formula was quite a challenge.



The cost of the operation was kshs72,318-, which was partly funded by the “Foundation Insolites Batisseurs” kshs58,568- and kshs13,750- from Mwituna Watu donors’ fund.

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c) School lunches Program in Lenkobei School

We have been very keen to establish a proper lunch program for the children since our early visits to the Lenkobei School, when we witnessed the entire school being told that there was no lunch due to lack of supplies. With the help of the Foundation Insolites Batisseurs of France, we have been supplying each school term: 450 kg of beans, 450 kg of maize, plus cooking oil. Transport for delivery to the school was also paid.



The cooking is done on a roster system by the mothers of the students. Firewood is provided to school by the community.



The cost of food supplies + transport for the three terms: kshs135,800-.



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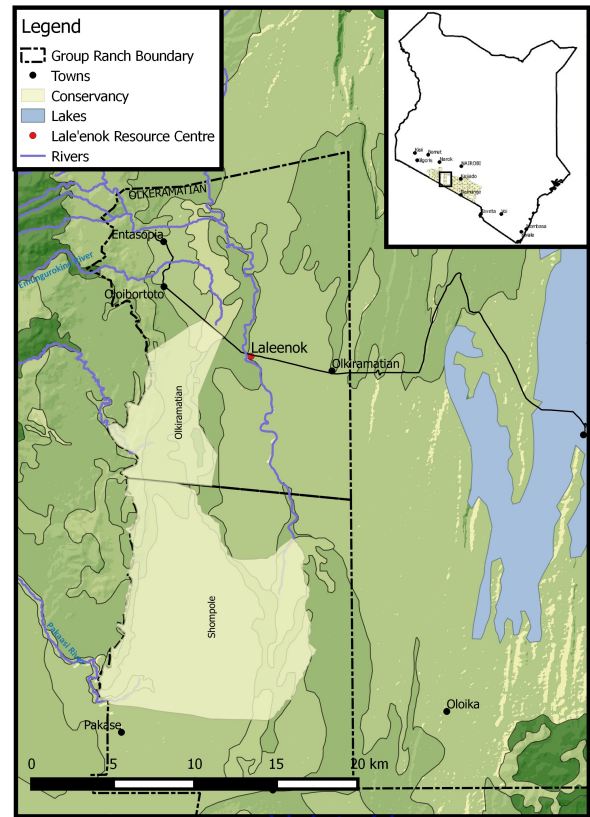
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d) Shompole Wildlife Scouts

The 25,000 acre Wildlife Conservancy owned by the Shompole Community still remains a management challenge. There are large numbers of wildlife living in this area, such as elephant, lion, giraffe, zebra, and eland just to mention a few. Surrounded by the forested Nguruman escarpment & Loita Hills on one side, and the soda lakes Magadi & Natron to the east & south, [the area is an elephant migratory corridor between Amboseli National Park & Maasai Mara Game Reserve.](#) The Game Rangers patrol and prevent poachers from entering the Conservancy, as well as assisting in lion and herdsman conflict resolution.

The Rangers are of vital importance to the Shompole Wildlife Conservancy. They have increased to 7 Rangers for Shompole Conservancy and 6 Rangers for Olkirimatian Conservancy. Mwituna Watu paid the salaries of 2 Rangers this year, while others were paid under the umbrella of SORALO/African Conservation Centre. - kshs168,000 was spent on this project.

Map of Shompole and Olkirimatian Conservancies



[Link to bigger map](#)

SORALO
South Rift Association of Land Owners

Rangers at SORALO Training facility.

[Read more](#)

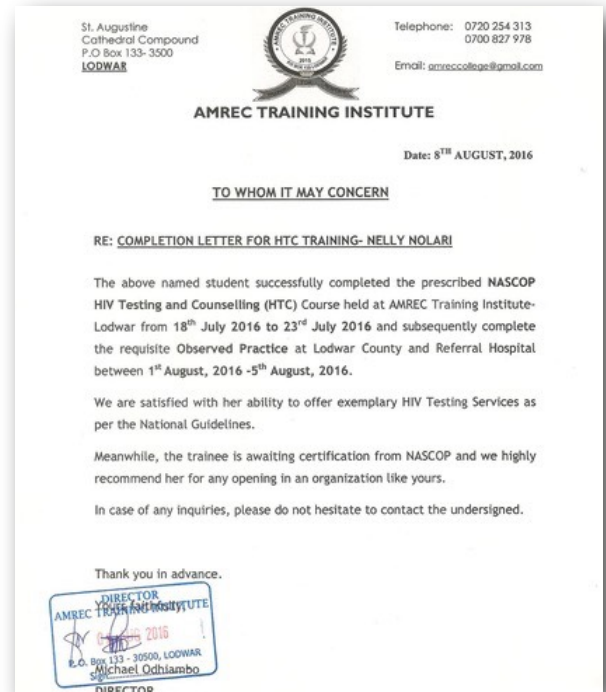


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e) Independent Education Projects

- 1) Daniel Lochomin has been receiving our support for his studies for several years. He is a Village Chief in the northern Kenya area of Turkana and is very committed to his community. He has just completed a Bachelor of Development Studies. Mwituna Na Watu assisted him this year with kshs 64,000.
- 2) We assisted also a destitute orphan student Esinyen Nollar, from the same Turkana area to complete a nurse training course specialising in HIV Testing and Counseling. The training was done at the Amrec Training Institute in Lodwar and cost kshs 12,500.
- 3) Examination fees for Siloam Orphanage was paid as previous years for the pupils of Kibera. Kshs 103,900- was paid directly to the Ministry of Education.



Daniel Lochomin (white shirt) at his home in Todonyang, where he is currently working on his thesis on Trans border Conflict between the Dashanesh and Turkana Tribes. If you have forgotten about the difficulties in the area have a look at this short video: <https://vimeo.com/60738675>

A total of kshs180,400- was spent on Independent Education projects. See details on "documents/annexes"

1- Project Report continued

f) Lenkobei Primary School Shompole repairs

Various repairs have been undertaken at the school during the last few months.

- The floor was totally rebuilt in one of the classrooms.
- Doors fitted to some of shelves built last year.
- Water pipe repaired.

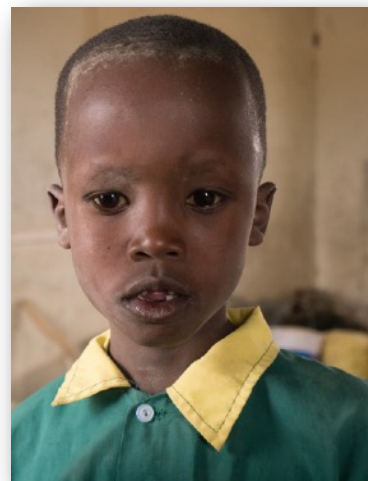


We have also provided scholarships for 2 primary school students, Pose Kirate and Lengolie Kintalei. [A few more images of Lonkobei School.](#)

- kshs54,950- was spent on this project to date. See details on “documents/annexes”



Lengolie Kintalei



Pose Kiratei

ART in the Heart of CONSERVATION

We have built a mutual support scheme with a very talented Kenyan artist, Peter Kenyanya, who has been struggling to market his works. Peter is a sculptor, specialising in abstract work using very unique rocks and stones.

He is a rare artist who chooses to work on granite, basalt, lava and other incredibly hard stones. Fascinated by his work, we have sold this year two of his granite statues with profits going to Mwituna Watu.



[More images of Peter's work](#)

2- 2017 Projections

a) Shompole Group Ranch

- 1) To pay Rangers salaries in the Shompole Wildlife Conservancy
kshs 20,000- x 12 months = kshs 240,000- (2400USD)
- 2) Building of a bridge on the Ewaso River. Old bridge has been destroyed by the floods.
kshs 4 M (40,000USD)
- 3) Repairs on Rangers Post at gate 1 in the Conservancy area
kshs 1.5M (15,000USD)

b) Education Sponsor Projects

- 1) Daniel Lochomin
Master of Development Studies, part of fees at Lodwar University
kshs 100,000- (1000USD)
- 2) Pose Kiratei and Lengolie Kintalei School fees kshs 20,000- (200USD)
- 3) School Outreach Program for Lenkobei School in partnership with the African Conservation Centre (teaching the kids about their own environment, the wildlife, and their traditional cultural links with their land. The children will be taken to wildlife conservancies with elders. Despite living in an area rich with wildlife, they in fact rarely or never see any of the wildlife.)
Estimated in 2017: kshs 200,000- (2000USD)

d) Lenkobei Primary School

- 1) Provision of lunches for the children:



Monthly minimum needed currently is kshs 50000- X 3 terms = kshs 150,000- (1500USD)

- 2) Provision for supplement to 4 teachers. 50000- X 3 terms = kshs 150,000- (1500USD)

3- Documents - Annexes

a) Lenkobei School Solar and Tablets Project.

Cheque	26-09-2016	000179	Elimu tablets computer and setup	150,000.00	300,000.00
Payment	29-09-2016			-1,120,000.00	-820,000.00
Cheque	05-10-2016	000182	Accommodation for Lenkobei Solar	60,000.00	-760,000.00
Cheque	06-10-2016	000183	Food supplies for Lenkobei solar	20,282.10	-739,717.90
Cheque	10-10-2016	000184	Elimu tablets computer and setup	150,000.00	-589,717.90
Cheque	12-10-2016	000186	\$352 transfer to purchase Apps for Lenkobei	36,080.00	-553,637.90
Deposit	20-10-2016		Donation fr Fatio Regis via Roland 100 USD	-10,000.00	-563,637.90
Cheque	28-10-2016	000187	Transport for tablets and Lenkobei Repairs	127,600.00	-436,037.90
Cheque	03-11-2016	000188	Transport for tablets and staff	103,395.00	-332,642.90
Cheque	04-11-2016	000189	Elimu tablets computer and setup	39,300.00	-293,342.90
Cheque	21-11-2016	GP117	All cash expenses on project see excel file for details	235,954.19	-57,388.71
Cheque	21-11-2016	000193	Lenkobei solar tablets	132,690.00	75,301.29
General Journal	01-12-2016	1221201...	Donation to Lenkobei Tablets	-75,301.29	0.00

b) Training of Lenkobei teachers in Nairobi

Cheque	08-04-2016	GP104	Donation towards teachers salaries Term 1	48,000.00	95,800.00
Cheque	22-04-2016	GP105	5 bags Maize & 5 bags bean + transport Lenkobei	44,000.00	139,800.00
Payment	29-05-2016		Received from Fondation Insolites Batisseurs	-333,568.59	-193,768.59
Cheque	09-08-2016	GP110	Donation towards teachers salaries Term 2	48,000.00	-145,768.59
Cheque	26-08-2016	GP111	Term 3 food supplies	44,000.00	-101,768.59
Cheque	01-12-2016	GP121	Accommodation of 4 teachers for Nairobi training	24,000.00	-77,768.59
Cheque	02-12-2016	000195	Teacher training	34,568.00	-43,200.59
Cheque	13-12-2016	GP124	Donation towards teachers salaries Term 3	48,000.00	4,799.41
Total Lenkobei Sch/Fondation I. B.				4,799.41	4,799.41
Lenkobei School					-70,447.72
Cheque	24-04-2016	000172	Davika bookshop/text books Lenkobei Sch	13,990.00	-56,457.72
Cheque	27-04-2016	GP106	Pikipiki messenger	500.00	-55,957.72
Cheque	27-09-2016	GP107	Hardware materials	9,960.00	-45,997.72
Cheque	27-09-2016	GP108	6 plastic chairs	4,500.00	-41,497.72
Cheque	09-10-2016	GP114	3 volleyballs	2,000.00	-39,497.72
Cheque	09-10-2016	GP115	Parking fee at village market	50.00	-39,447.72
Cheque	01-12-2016	GP125	Transport for teachers to Elimu Training	1,750.00	-37,697.72
Cheque	02-12-2016	GP122	Joel, Boniface, Solomon and Nkuni-Transport to Nairobi and ...	12,000.00	-25,697.72

c) Lenkobei School lunch program

Lenkobei Sch/Fondation I. B.					0.00
Cheque	10-01-2016	GP99	5 bags of Maize and 5 bags of beans First term food supply t...	47,500.00	47,500.00
Cheque	04-04-2016	GP103	Food supplies	300.00	47,800.00
Cheque	08-04-2016	GP104	Donation towards teachers salaries Term 1	48,000.00	95,800.00
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d) Shompole Group Ranch Game Scout

Game Scout					-93,758.50
Cheque	02-01-2016	000163	Ranger's donation Jan	14,000.00	-79,758.50
General Journal	23-01-2016	1207201...	Allocated to Scouts Project from Siloam	-74,241.50	-154,000.00
Cheque	02-02-2016	000164	Ranger's donation	14,000.00	-140,000.00
Cheque	18-03-2016	000167	Ranger's donation March & April	28,000.00	-112,000.00
Cheque	05-05-2016	000173	Rangers donation for May 2016	14,000.00	-98,000.00
Cheque	06-06-2016	000174	Rangers donation for June 2016	14,000.00	-84,000.00
Cheque	27-07-2016	000175	Rangers donation for July 2016	14,000.00	-70,000.00
Cheque	26-08-2016	000176	Rngers donation for August + September 2016	28,000.00	-42,000.00
Cheque	04-10-2016	000181	Rangers donation for October 2016	14,000.00	-28,000.00
Cheque	07-11-2016	000190	Rangers Donation for November and December	28,000.00	0.00
Total Game Scout				93,758.50	0.00

Education Projects					0.00
01-04-2016	GP100	SCHOOL F...	Fees Esinyen Eyanae	12,500.00	12,500.00
26-08-2016	GP112	SCHOOL F...	Daniel Lochomin-University fees assistance	64,000.00	76,500.00
30-08-2016		Bruce Wilso...	Donation Bruce Wilson 800 AUD	-61,000.00	15,500.00
15-12-2016		Bruce Wilso...	Part donation from 500\$ Wilson	-15,500.00	0.00
Total Education Projects				0.00	0.00
Siloam - Other					-270,702.18
General Journal	01-01-2016	1207201...	Allocated to Scouts Project	166,962.66	-103,739.52
Cheque	10-02-2016	000165	Exam fees Siloam primary Sch.	10,400.00	-93,339.52
Cheque	10-02-2016	000166	Exam fees Siloam Secondary Sch.	93,500.00	160.48
Total Siloam - Other				270,862.66	160.48
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Lenkobei School Lengolie & Pose					-17,450.00
Cheque	02-04-2016	GP101	School fee Pose + Lengolei	3,000.00	-14,450.00
Cheque	09-08-2016	GP109	School fee Pose + Lengolei+ uniform	4,200.00	-10,250.00
Cheque	02-12-2016	GP123	Posei and Lentolei term 3 school fees	3,000.00	-7,250.00
Total Lenkobei School Lengolie & Pose				10,200.00	-7,250.00

g) Sponsors 2016

- Bruce and Dianne Wilson, Australia
- Regis Fatio, Switzerland
- Robyn Boyd & Michel Laplace-Toulouse, Kenya
- Fondation Insolites Bâtisseurs, France
- African Latitude Ltd, Kenya
- Rajni Shah & Co, Kenya (complimentary audit of accounts)
- Patricia & Nicolas Maitre, Switzerland
- 'Friends of Mwituna Watu', Switzerland
- Sophie Rocherieux and her sponsors via Ulule