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Jonathan Pereira
Board Chairman
FoNNaP

Dear Members,

This month was a quite exciting for the board. We had two FoNNaP members join the board as members. They are Francis Mwariga and Graham Wood. Both are professionals in their own capacities and we look forward to working with them and being of service to the members. Francis will head the Marketing committee while Graham will head the Events committee. Karibu Francis and Graham !

I would like to extend a warm welcome our two corporate members who joined FoNNaP this month, Hillcrest Schools and Techno Brain Ltd. Immediately Hillcrest joined FoNNaP, we facilitated a group of 35 students and 4 staff members to tour the Nairobi National Park and learn about the only National Park in the world bordering a capital city. The group had an amazing time and we are now working with the school to undertake conservation based activities in the park. Discussions are ongoing with Techno Brain for activities in the park geared towards environmental activities.

It is very encouraging to see an increase in new members across all categories of membership which will ensure the long-term sustainability of FoNNaP. I would like to appeal to all members to encourage family and friends to join FoNNaP to increase the membership base from under 250 currently to over 500. To those who have not renewed their memberships, it would be of great help as these funds are critical to the continued survival of FoNNaP.

For those who have visited the park recently it is great to see that there are a number of roads that are being upgraded, The current scope covers 54Kms of road. The road signs will also be repaired and upgraded as part of this contract. This work is scheduled to end in November, in time for the 75th Anniversary of the Nairobi National Park.

Stay safe and healthy

Regards

Jonathan Pereira

The Hybrid Waterbuck! By Gareth Jones

Waterbuck are one of those species in the Nairobi National Park that are not often seen, and are therefore not really predictable on their exact location. I do know they are seen most often in the Langata forest and along the Athi River basin, but even then, they can be elusive.

So, it is always pleasant to have a surprise sighting, as I a few days ago. As I drove through the Langata forest into an area with tall trees and open green glades, two males were resting peacefully, and one was so relaxed that he continued to remain lying down as I watched them, they were both magnificent with full bodies and thick curved strong horns, in the early morning light. Seeing them in this unlikely location made me wonder just how much do they wander in the park?



Photo Credit- Gareth Jones

Some interesting facts include:

1. Their long, spiral horns curve backward, then forward. Only the males have horns, which can grow up to 22-39" long.
2. Males typically weigh 437-578 lbs. and females 355-472 lbs.
3. The coat color varies from brown to grey.
4. As their name suggests, they have a close connection with water. Waterbuck always live near a body of water and use it to escape from a range of predators, which include lions, cheetahs, hyenas, and African hunting dogs.
5. They have an oily secretion that covers their coat that smells very unpleasant. This helps them to find a mate and makes their coat waterproof. In recent years researchers have also noted that the pungent unpleasant odor of their furry coat is also a powerful insect repellent, and is very effective against Tsetse flies. Researchers in Kenya have managed to synthetically produce a chemical product that smells very similar to waterbuck. They are using this chemical solution on cattle with wonderful results. It is hoped that the research results will allow for mass production of an insect repellent for domestic livestock that has a distinctly unpleasant waterbuck type smell.
6. They live in herds of 6-30 animals, with one male who defends his territory. Female babies stay with the herd, but males leave at the age of about 8 months and live in a herd with other young males.
7. The gestation period lasts for about nine months. After which, the female will give birth to a single calf.
8. A few days before calving, the mother will isolate herself in the thickets. After birth, it will take the newborn around half an hour to stand on its feet and to have its first suckle.
9. The young calves will remain hidden in the thickets for around two to four weeks before they join their mother in the fields.
10. Mothers nurse their calves for as long as six to eight months. They are then weaned off and both mother and calf will join the herd. Often calves find groups their age to spend most of their time with.
11. Waterbuck can live up to twelve years in the wild

There are two species of waterbuck found in Africa, the species found in the Nairobi National Park is an interbred hybrid mix of the Defassa Waterbuck, and the Common or Ellipsen Waterbuck, this is unique as there are only three places in Africa where the sub-species have interbred. The easiest way to tell the difference is to look at the white markings on their rear. In the Defassa this is almost entirely white, while in the Common or Ellipsen Waterbuck, there is a clear white ring, as if they had sat on a toilet seat with wet white paint! The Nairobi National Park waterbuck show variations of both sub-species in their markings. It is thought that the rear markings are used as locators for waterbuck to see each other, either in the dark, or when following at speed. Next time you are in the park, keep a good look out for them in the forested wet areas, but also be prepared for the unexpected.



A Male Waterbuck



A Waterbuck Family

For more information on the park link to the following website www.kws.go.ke

An advertisement for Kampi-Ya-Karin vacation rental. The top part shows a large, modern house at night with lights on. Below this, the text reads "EXTEND YOUR GAME DRIVE .. make it your home". The middle part features a grid of nine small images showing various amenities and views: a house, a person on a bicycle, a zebra, a fireplace, a view of the park, and a view of the park. At the bottom, the text reads "airbnb.com/h/KAMPI-YA-KARIN" and "YOUR VACATION RENTAL OVERLOOKING NAIROBI NATIONAL PARK".

Moms and Babies By Patricia H. Hayes



Photo credit- Patricia H. Hayes



Photo credit- Patricia H. Hayes

Two sisters in the park currently have cubs. Alamaya, has the older three cubs which were born around the end of April 2021 and Leboia who produced 2 cubs at the end of May, but sadly lost one in July sometime.

This is Alamaya's forth litter of cubs. Unfortunately she has had a bad record with her previous litters of 3 each time. She was not a good mother, she lost her first litter very early, then abandoned her one remaining cub from the 2nd litter, which was luckily adopted by her other sister Amani, and again abandoned her third litter which died. We sincerely hope that this litter of three, which are currently thriving, are the lucky ones and she has changed her ways.



Photo credit- Patricia H. Hayes

Leboia had 2 cubs a month after Alamaya. Sadly, she lost one in early July but her little female is thriving together with her litter mates from Alamaya.

Leboia has had a previous litter to this one, but again from 2 cubs she was only successful in bringing up a young female, alive and well in the park today.

The father of the cubs is Sirikoi, his first litter and a fairly attentive father but does like to have his own space after a short stint with them.

In the last month the favorite place for them has been between No 1 and 4a, in the hyena swamp area, the riverine forest around the concrete drift before 4a and hyena dam.

There is a third sister, Morana, who spends a lot of time with them helping to look after the cubs. She has mated with Sirikoi also and looking at her the other day it did seem like she may well be pregnant.

We hope they all continue to stay safe and grown well.

Silver Oak Mazingira Hub



Silver Oak Mazingira Hub is a youth led group in Nairobi that aims to change the face of conservation within the region and influence the world to sustainability. This is through conservation led programs, social inclusion, innovation programs as well as fostering economic development. This program is aimed at impacting the youths with physical and soft skills in different areas of specialization. The Hub is based in Karen Nairobi off Kerarapon Road, and is hosting a tree nursery, biogas digester, waste recycling program, among others.

The members of the group are drawn in from various universities in the country. Currently we have members from 25 different universities and the volunteers of the organization are from all over the country. We do partnerships with other organizations for the betterment of the environment.

In our recent partnership, we have joined the NNP @75 tree planting initiative whereby we aim to restore lost portions of the Greenline and enhance plant biodiversity within the remaining sections to provide a thicker barrier between the road and the Park.



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Today wildlife education is essential for our children as it enables them understand the importance of wildlife conservation. Unfortunately, today's generation are engaged in online gaming and television and they have little to no time to connect with nature.

The appreciation of our Natural ecosystems by our children are a fundamental element that will ensure the safety of our wildlife today and in future.

Teaching them about wildlife conservation can be an amazing experience especially when they realise human actions can be destructive since they have a direct threat to the future of our wildlife. It is encouraging when kids understand that we can peacefully co exist with wildlife by promoting sustainable development.

Let us inform our children that all animal species, all nature and people have the right to life and we should instill love and appreciation of nature in their hearts as they grow up.

To engage youth in learning about NNP, FoNNaP has started an education program with neighboring learning institutions. This initiative targets over 1000 students in a period of one year which will be achieved by partnering with Kenya Wildlife Service's education department.

On 25th September Hillcrest students visited Nairobi National Park for a four hours game drive. It was the first visit to the park for some of the students.

We had an amazing learning experience and the students had this to say:

Emma Langeveldt, Yr 13 Hillcrest Secondary School.

On the 25th of September, the Hillcrest Secondary School Scholars Society set out on an adventure in Nairobi National Park... working together with Friends of Nairobi National Park (FONNAP), we as scholars, went on an informative experience we will never forget!

In order to fully grasp our escapade, you need to understand FONNAP and its crucial role in our community. FONNAP is a non-profit member society, dedicated to protecting Nairobi National Park and its wildlife, while managing the urbanisation and rapid expansion of the city. The organisation helps by supporting KWS through projects and aid campaigns; through clean-ups, game counts, conflict mitigation, biodiversity research and educational excursions. FONNAP acts as a key link between the Park's protection and the public. We as scholars, have volunteered to be members, in the hope to aid in the mission to conserve the ecosystem within the Nairobi National Park.

Buses drove off in the early hours on Saturday morning, carrying excited scholars ranging from year 9-13, all eager to learn and help wildlife within the Park. We started with a guided game drive through the Park, where students were hanging off the edges of their seats, impatient to spot the majestic wildlife around us. Our guides informed us about the history of the Park and how it is the only animal reserve within a city, in the whole world! We spotted zebras, waterbuck, a secretary bird, lions, giraffes, hippos, crocodiles and may more beautiful animals, while learning how to identify them, the several habitats present within the Park as well as finally settling the debate; that zebras are black with white stripes!

Making a brief stop at a picnic spot, we acknowledged the beauty of nature, which once again reminded us how urgent the need for conservation is. The most impactful occurrence on our trip was the Ivory Burning Site. The ashes of 105 tonnes of elephant ivory is a vision that will forever be engraved in my mind. This extreme action to prevent poaching is a world-renowned memorial site and example to us, a reminder that we must do all we can to save the world around us.

This expedition gave us an insight into the importance of conservation and we eagerly look forward to working with FONNAP to preserve our cherished heritage: The Nairobi National Park.

Rediet Taye Yr 13 Hillcrest Secondary School.

My visit to the heart of Nairobi

The Nairobi National Park is the heart of the city, and it is a wild, thundering heart. It is the manifestation of every conservationist's dream: the coexistence of wildlife and society. It is the only place in the world we get to live amongst the greatest gifts of our continent. As I gaze at the park from the viewpoint, it looks deceptively empty. For a moment, I forget that it is the liveliest place in the whole of Nairobi.

The short summer rains are like fire, quenching the primitive desire in every impala to breed. Even the rattling of my car on the rough road cannot overpower the sound of horns clashing throughout the park. That sound of kingdoms being usurped and losers being banished and conquerors reaping their victories. Even the common Eland, whose weapons are comically disproportionate, spar like noble soldiers; all are pawns in this great battle of natural selection.

It is a searing afternoon sun and the leather coat on my car seat is glinting with my sweat. I readjust my position because my knees are starting to ache and my neck is starting to cramp, but just as I am about to surrender, I meet a curious expression in the shadows of a bush. I can only see his eyes, slits in a sea of copper, except one slit was missing; it was Kitili, the lion who is King of Nairobi National Park. From that single eye, he looked at me with an expression that stole the air from my lungs. I didn't realise he was moving towards me until the full frame of his figure stood like he meant to take on my Toyota Corolla.

I make my way through the park, enjoying each moment, each blade of grass, for it promised to hide the most extraordinary animals. I could swear I saw a serval, move so swiftly it looked like it flew, like a spotted Icarus darting through bushes, but even the most certain encounters with that peculiar animal feel like an illusion. The sun is starting to set now, so I make my way to the place I visit each week. I sift the ivory ash through my fingers and the image of the beast they once belonged to forms in my mind. This pile of invaluable dust is the greatest reminder of why I come to Nairobi National Park ³/₄ a reminder of what I am fighting for.

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We have now successfully filled the 2 board vacancies following the resignation of Ms. Gaye D’Costa (Events) and Mr. Fizan Chaudhry (Marketing).

As you are aware, the board called for volunteers amongst the membership to fill the vacancies. We are therefore pleased to introduce Mr. Graham Wood and Mr. Francis Mwariga who were the only two members that offered their services to the members.



Graham Wood

Graham Wood is the CEO of Hattrick Advisory Services, based in Kenya. He is currently a Director of Nairobi City Stars Football Club under the Jonathan Jackson Foundation. He is also a member of the Academy of Executive Coaches. Graham has a wealth of expertise in areas of humanitarian assistance as he has worked for over 25 years with vulnerable populations within and outside Africa. In addition, Graham has impacted development globally through publications, the media, and senior representational work with governments, the United Nations, and academic institutions. He brings to FoNNaP a passion for conservation and landscapes including NNP.



Francis Mwariga

Francis Mwariga is a long-term conservation enthusiast. He has for over 30 years been in the Tourism Industry as a marketing specialist in Hotel and Lodges industry as well as the broader Tour and Travel industry. Francis has therefore traveled extensively within East Africa and the world visiting parks and industry-related installations. Francis in his own words loves NNP and is dedicating himself to help tackle the many threats to NNP and its larger dispersal areas.

Please welcome Graham and Francis and look forward to getting acquainted with them during forthcoming member activities and events.

This 10-year management plan for the Nairobi National Park (NNP) is not an entirely new plan. It is a rewritten plan that carries forward the existing policy direction for the ecological integrity of (NNP) and incorporates new content relating to visitor experience and public appreciation and understanding contained in the previous approved NNP Management Plan (2005-2010). The current review of the NNP Management Plan (2005-2010) provided an opportunity to build on a strong foundation of policy direction while aligning the plan with the KWS Protected Areas Planning Framework (PAPF)I and KWS Strategic Plan 2019-2024. In line with the PAPF and the Wildlife Conservation and Management Act, 2013, the NNP plan has been developed in a participatory manner, incorporating and building on ideas from a broad cross-section of NNP stakeholders.

The NNP plan is designed as a practical management tool supporting NNP management in carrying out their duties. In order to achieve this, the plan sets out strategic guidance on the goals (the purpose statements and subsidiary objectives) towards which management is working, and a series of prescriptions and management actions that need to be implemented in order to achieve these aims.

The plan builds on the previous NNP Management Plan 2005-2010 and the recently developed Nairobi National Park Experience Masterplan, where relevant aspects of these plans were adopted as appropriate.

The NNP plan structure is set out according to the PAPF specifications, and aims to ensure the plan can be easily understood by stakeholders and implemented by NNP management. At the heart of the plan are the zonation scheme and the plan’s five management programmes. These programmes are:

- Ecological Management Programme
- Tourism Development and Management Programme
- Community Partnership and Conservation Education Programme
- Security Management Programme
- Park Operations Management Programme

Purpose of the plan

To provide NNP managers and stakeholders a practical framework for conserving and protecting natural resource values at the NNP and its wildlife dispersal area.

The purpose of NNP is:

To provide NNP managers and stakeholders a practical framework for conserving and protecting natural resource values at the NNP and its wildlife dispersal area.

The vision of Nairobi National Park is:

NNP is a natural jewel in Nairobi City, showcasing best practices in maintaining ecological integrity and ecosystem conservation that uses scientific based evidence, cultural values and knowledge to promote excellence in park management, ecological services, economic and social values. The park offers genuine memorable wilderness experiences to its visitors.

New Updated Maps of Nairobi National Park

Map of Nairobi National Park

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**Plugging Kenya
By Zablon Ogolla**



PHOTOS CREDIT- Plogging Kenya

Plogging Kenya is a youth led NGO established in May 2019. Our main focus is to organize for out- door workouts (walking, jogging and cycling) while collecting waste along the trail for a cleaner and healthy environment. We also carry out other environmental conservation activities and run programs that contribute to the set out Global Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) to be achieved by year 2030

Our Programmes

We also have other programmes we are running on sanitation and hygiene, climate changes, smart agriculture, school waste program.etc

As an organization, we have partnered with FoNNaP in a number of events from animal census, 25th FoNNaP Birthday 2019, Park Clean Up among others.

**Zablon is the founder and CEO- Plogging Kenya,
He is also a co- founder TAWANDA TRAVELS AND TOURS**

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By Emmanuel Kibet

Let's all give it a thought,
 The fascinating southern scenery ,
 Making the rowdy city look like an haven.
 Concealing the unfriendly streets .
 The major source of the almost timely rains
 bounding our capital.
 The ultimate destination to our foreign friends
 A home to our precious wild lifes
 Calling it jungle is an insult
 ,
 I would rather sit under those lovely shades .
 Below that towering giraffe
 Graceful devouring those ever green vegetation
 And definitely drowning in the lovely vocals
 of those ever happy birds
 This park is our home,
 Our goldmine and our pride.
 Nairobi city is a fairy land
 But the park makes it Shangri la.
 Keep the park safe !
 Keep Nairobi dreamy



By Tamara Juma

With age has come beauty,
 Seventy-five years of serenity,
 Nairobi National Park a prodigy,
 A jewel to behold in its entirety.
 Making people all around aware,
 For the animal's welfare,
 Creating an environment full of care,
 Where our wild can be healthier.
 A task not so easy,
 Patrolling and keeping busy,
 The staff have been diligent,
 A trait so eminent.
 We celebrate you today,
 A moment worth the praise,
 Nairobi National Park, a glass we raise,
 Seventy-five and still on the rise



By Denis Njoroge

Animals our concern
 We got the best view
 Quite refreshing habitats
 With the ordeal greatness
 We pursue the best in the ozone
 For the endangered we offer a home
 Because animals are family.
 Our friends be the species
 For in you we found solace
 Great and super within us
 The big five nature we roam
 Not even the little species
 We offer habitats too.
 Environment be our concern
 Survival of the fittest be our motto
 Fine we deserve day and day
 Taking care of God's creation



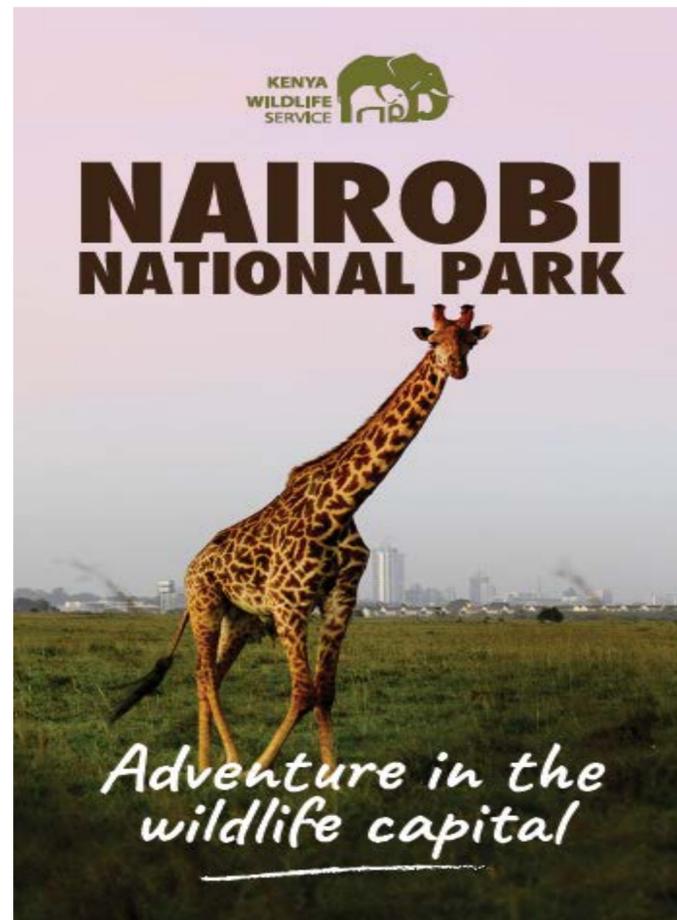
By Nimrod Fadhili

IF EARTH COULD SPEAK

If earth could speak
 She would warn ungrateful beings
 Of their thirst to procreate
 For "mother nature" will die,
 So will "father nature".
 If earth was to speak,
 She would first puke
 Of the odour from phlegmy streams
 Blurry intoxicated air
 Fertile soil rendered sterile
 By humans whom she feeds and carries.
 If earth was to speak,
 She would beat her own chest
 As the capa dei capi of planets.
 Her words would strip all traitors,
 Mascots baptised as her activists
 For no deed chaperons their actions.
 If earth was to speak
 She would first sue the galaxies,
 Of sabotage and back stabbing
 And the sun for its covert invasion
 Melting away her beauty.
 And polar bears would testify.
 What if she is speaking?
 Through volcanic eruptions
 Eerie avalanches, tsunamis
 Unforeseen earthquakes,
 Diabolic blizzards and typhoons.
 What if she's speaking but,
 No linguist comprehends her tongue!

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About Techno Brain BPO ITES:

Techno Brain BPO / (ITES), is an ISO 9001:2015 certified business process outsourcing and IT-enabled services division of the Techno Brain Group -Africa's leading ICT solutions and education and training provider. Techno Brain BPO / ITES offers specially tailored, affordable, quality and high-end solutions in the areas of call center management, back-office services, knowledge process management, digital media services and shared services utilizing the latest technology and state-of-the art infrastructure to clients across the globe.

Techno Brain's new relationship with FoNNaP:

Techno Brain BPO ITES is excited to join FoNNaP in its efforts to conserve Nairobi National Park in its cohesive conservation strategy allowing wildlife and community members to coexist. As a corporate entity we are committed to be part of a community that support and inspire current and future generations to keep Nairobi National Park alive, through engaging with KWS and government bodies, the FoNNaP membership, partner organizations and neighboring communities to take action to protect and conserve Nairobi National Park and its ecosystem.

Thoughts about the future of NNP.

We align ourselves with FoNNaP's vision to be a leading voice in positioning Nairobi National Park as the world's greatest city wildlife park.

Our Experience with FoNNaP as a corporate member and areas in which you feel we can work together to safeguard the future of our National Park.

FoNNaP has created a platform to create awareness on conservation of wildlife. Together with a team of young people that forms 98% of our workforce we endeavor to be part of any initiatives that aims at conserving NNP by creating time and mobilizing resources for all its activities.

Techno Brain participated in NNP@70 tree planting initiative recently. "This will restore lost part of the Greenline and enhance plant biodiversity within remaining sections to provide a ticker barrier between the road and the park" said our CEO Mr. Manoj Shanker who is passionate towards nature conservation.

Techno Brain has also been part of environment conservation in Tanzania National Parks Authority (TaNaPa) having immensely participated in tree planting. TANAPA wished to manage and regulate the use of areas designated as National Parks by means and measures to preserve the country's heritage, encompassing natural and cultural resources, both tangible and intangible resource values. Techno Brain provided TANAPA a comprehensive organization-wide project to integrate information and communication technology (ICT) in all its functions. The Integrated Management Information System (IMS) consists of General ledger, Cash-book and bank reconciliations, Accounts receivables, loans, advanced and other receivables, Budgeting and budgetary controls, Campsite & Mountain Climbing Booking, Ecology Management and Conservation and Fleet Management Modules. The IMS system is rolled out in 14 National Parks of Tanzania. The whole system has been deployed over de-centralized architecture with continuous synchronization and consolidation at the TANAPA Head Quarters at Arusha. The database at each National Park site is consolidated at the Head Quarter.



NEW MEMBERS SECTION



My name is Ode Oduogo, currently a student in Kenyatta University pursuing a bachelor's degree in Industrial chemistry with management. Taking back as child we lived in the countryside and would go play with grasshoppers and even feed them grass. There was this big tree next to our house that had lots of weaver birds' nests. At times it would rain and the nestlings would fall. I'd pick them up and try feed them and keep them, either way I guess I wasn't good at it because they would all die in my hand, and that was painful.

Later on, I visited Nairobi and on my way to Rongai I saw a sounder of warthogs, a family I suppose, and it really took me back and I was happy to relate to that moment given that I would only see them in Nat Geo wild.

That is when I later met Jennifer Migwi who introduced me to FoNNaP and its activities. I gladly joined hoping that this time I would care for wildlife and nature and that this time they will not die under my watch.

I am Isaiah Kilerai, a student at Catholic university of Eastern Africa pursuing Bachelor of Economics and Finance.

I am an environmentalist, a Climate Activist. I have participated in various environmental projects such as tree planting, cleanups and Climate strike movements. Am more connected and passionate about Wildlife Conservation since high school.

I joined FoNNaP because I love participating in animal census events. The activity is an amazing learning opportunity for the youths. It is important in monitoring the well being of wildlife and moreover keeping a reliable data source about wildlife numbers, it should be a constant activity.

I aspire to protect the park and anticipating in engaging in other activities like tree planting and clean ups. Not only holding a perfect future for our generation and ourselves, Nairobi National Park hold a great future for the life of Flora and Fauna.



My name is Celestine Kiseet a student at Catholic university of Eastern Africa CUEA. Am doing Bachelor of arts in Geography. My connection to nature is wide and passion, hence my residence is few kilometers from Maasai Mara Game Reserve. I grew up visiting the Game Reserve. As a Geographer student, I practiced GIS map location in Maasai Mara in various activities. The great unique about National Park is that is the only park Located in the center of the City. We have no doubt to protect the park from corporates and governments in actions of endangering the Flora and Fauna. I would love participate in mapping and location hence am passionate about it.



FOR EVERY 10 FOLLOWERS ON INSTAGRAM, I PLANT A TREE



I am Mustafa Adamji,

I am 14 years old- I enjoy planting trees and I appreciate what mother nature holds.

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For every 10 followers I plant a tree.

Nairobi National Park is the only Park in a capital city worldwide and I am happy to be a member at FoNNaP as it gives me an opportunity to work with the team helping save NNP for future

FoNNaP UPCOMING EVENTS

EVENT	DATES
OCTOBER 2021	
3rd October	GAME COUNT
17th October	TREASURE HUNT
NOVEMBER 2021	
6th November	MEMBERS MEETING
TBA	INVASIVE SPECIES REMOVAL
DECEMBER 2021	
5th December	GAME COUNT
16th December	NNP 75 YEARS ANNIVERSARY

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Africa animals

1. (→) wildebeest 1. (↓) warthog 2. zebra 3. buffalo 4. anaconda 5. antelope 6. gazelle 7. monkey 8. elephant 9. ostrich
10. rhino 11. crane 12. meerkat 13. giraffe 14. hippo 15. cheetah 16. hyena

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“True Colors”

If you stumble upon a caterpillar,
take good care of it.
Keep it safe, and let it eat,
so one day on the wind,
a colorful fluttering butterfly
will brighten up your day.
The joy you'll find when butterflies
visit on their way.

The same is true of people.
There's a magic there to find.
Inside us all is a butterfly
waiting for the time
we allow ourselves the chance to change
and leave the old behind.
With a burst of color, and a flap of wings,
we finally learn to fly.

NNP MAMMAL SIGHTINGS



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BIRD SIGHTINGS



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