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Fundraising event for Chiparamba FC at Urban Deli in Stockholm on 10 November 2015.

On 10 November 2015 from 17:00, the new Urban Deli restaurant on Sveavägen 44 in Stockholm will arrange a fundraising event for Chiparamba FC. Urban Deli's restaurateur Jesper Weidlitz has taken this initiative.

Urban Deli has – together with the companies Grodan and Nobis – set up the project “RÄTT” (i.e. RIGHT). This project is a very important part of the financing of Chiparamba Foundation. Currently, six restaurants in Sweden sponsor Chiparamba FC with a sum of money equivalent to a daily meal served at these restaurants, for every weekday. By doing so, these restaurants give many children the opportunity to go to school in Zambia.

Jesper and his colleagues believe that even more restaurants could join the project. This is the background to the event on 10 November. The well-known journalist Alexandra Pascalidou will be the night's host. We also hope for some musical performances.



Bosse Pettersson, TV commentator and football pundit and former coach of both AIK, Djurgarden and in Greece, has started ViLirare – a project to develop Swedish soccer. In ViLirare there are 300 previous professional football players. ViLirare is also helping to organize the event on 10 November, in which several of the football players will participate.

We hope to have a great evening with lots of people and even more restaurants to participate in RÄTT, and to invite many new individual members of Chiparamba.



CHIPARAMBA PLAYERS PARTICIPATE IN FOOTBALL CAMP IN SWEDEN.

By Thomas Bodström.

For one week every summer more than 120 boys and girls of different ages fill the football fields at Sudersand on the Swedish island Fårö. The children participate in Fårö Football Camp, which has been arranged every summer since 1995. Some children play at the elite level; others are beginners. The coaches – who are teenagers – have all been participants of the Football Camp in earlier years.

A few years ago we experienced a very special football week. Chiparamba FC's talented football team got the opportunity to participate in the football camp. For the Chiparamba FC team the week was a pre-training camp before Gothia Cup, in which Chiparamba FC participate every year. Gothia Cup always takes place the week after the Football Camp on Fårö. In addition to fantastic performances on the football pitch, the twelve year old boys from Zambia showed dances and other cultures experiences that neither Swedish kids nor their parents had seen before. Everyone was truly impressed and had a great time.

On two occasions Chiparamba FC has been able to be part of the Football Camp thanks to the Swedish company SKF, which is the main sponsor of the Gothia Cup. SKF made it possible for the Chiparamba FC team to go to Sweden a week earlier than planned. For the children from Zambia it was of course a great experience, both on and off the pitch. For example, they had never seen an ocean before they went on the Gotland ferry boat to Fårö. In recent years it has not been possible to arrange so that Chiparamba FC can come and play at Fårö Football Camp, but we hope to do so again in the future. While waiting for them to come back, the surplus of money from the football camp goes to Chiparamba FC. And we naturally hope that we shall soon see the kids from Sweden and Zambia together again at Fårö, both on and off the football field.



Wallance's big dream in life is to one day become a professional football player and be able to support himself, his mother and two sisters. To achieve his dream, he is fully aware of that it takes 1000's of hours of hard training.



WALLANCE'S DREAM IS TO SUPPORT HIS FAMILY.

Chiparamba FC's captain (U-18), Wallace Sakala, has left summer and the 30 degrees heat in his hometown of Lusaka, Zambia. For three weeks he is visiting Sweden and practicing with Djurgårdens IF and Lidingö FC.

By Klas Björkhagen.



At the Stockholm Olympic Stadium Wallace saw Djurgårdens U-19 team (who he trains with) beat Hacken with 3-2. In the stands, he met with Nils, the son of Henric Cederin, Sweden's newly appointed ambassador in Zambia. A couple of weeks ago Wallace met ambassador Cederin in Lusaka when he visited a Chiparamba FC training. Soon also Nils is travelling down to Lusaka and will then change his club address from Djurgårdens IF to Chiparamba FC for a few years. Wallace promised Nils that he will receive an equally warm reception in Zambia as he himself received in Sweden.



Chiparamba FC would like to thank Lidingö FC's Sports Manager – Markus Karlsson (to the right) – for his warm welcoming of Wallance and for planning his three week long stay in Stockholm. (Klas Björkhagen to the left.)



Many thanks to the generous and kind-hearted Peter Tielman and Nicholas Jederby, who made it possible for Wallance to work out at a gym – during three weeks – for the first time in his life. The name of the gym is moreover InMo and is situated at Brahegatan 42 in Stockholm.

Wallance's 11 years long journey to our northern latitudes is football's own Cinderella story which began in Lusaka in October 2004. Chiparamba Foundation's founder, Klas Björkhagen, was visiting the capital, travelling in a jeep through Kalingalinga, a densely populated area with very poor people. On a gravel yard he saw a little barefooted boy who skillfully juggled with a ball made of rags and tape. He asked the driver to stop the car and took some photos of the little ball genius.

One of the pictures became the logo of the – at the time – newly founded foundation. Klas travelled to Lusaka on another visit to monitor how the Chiparamba program was working when he decided to look for Wallance, armed with a picture of a boy juggling with a ball. Wallance was identified by community members and at that time he was not in school. Wallance was offered to start training with Chiparamba FC and to attend school through the foundation's auspices. Wallance took the chance he was offered and has now graduated from the 12th grade with an excellent leaving certificate. He is also the captain of Chiparamba FC's U-18 team, who this summer went to the semifinals in the Gothia Cup. Thanks to his tremendous efforts in the Gothia Cup, his determination and focus on developing himself as a footballer, he was earlier this autumn drafted for Zambia's U-20 national team. An outstanding achievement by a boy who grew up under very difficult living conditions. In a small simple brick building with earth floor, with no electricity or running water and sometimes without food for the day, along with his unemployed mother, Prisca, two sisters, 16 year old Ruth and 14 year old Naomi, and two year old nephew Edward. Two tumultuous events have also meant that the family's living conditions have become even more vulnerable. In 2003 Wallance's dad Edward died and at age 14 Wallance sister Ruth gave birth to Edward.

On October 21, a tired but excited and happy Wallance landed at Arlanda Airport, proudly dressed in Sweden's national football team's shirt, with an Ajax-cap on his head and a half full training bag on the shoulder as the only luggage.



Wallance at the fantastic Tele 2 Arena in Stockholm watching Djurgårdens IF beat GIF Sundsvall with 4-2 in the last round of the Swedish premiere league.



At home in Lusaka Wallance doesn't eat any breakfast, so eating sandwiches for breakfast during his stay in Sweden is like Christmas Eve. In Lusaka nshima is served both for lunch and dinner, a porridge made of corn flour, and about once a month chicken is served together with the maize porridge. Sometimes Wallance and his family are without food for a few days. As is the hope that he can help some of the neighbors with little chores with nshima as payment.

The purpose of the trip is to showcase his skills for both Lidingö FC – that recently qualified for the 3rd division – and Djurgårdens IF that plays in the Swedish premiere league. The reception that Wallance has received by these two clubs is somewhat touching.

Lidingö FC's Sports Director Markus Karlsson has given Wallance numerous soccer gadgets, including a pair of soccer shoes, because he left his only pair at home since they barely held together. Markus has also given Wallance the opportunity to train on the Lidingö Arena's synthetic grass and in the gym from the early morning to the evening. To provide some perspective on life it can be mentioned that Zambia, with its 14.5 million inhabitants, only has two synthetic grass pitches, while Lidingö, with 30 000 inhabitants has ten.

A TYPICAL SCHOOL DAY FOR A PUPIL AT JARMY SCHOOL IN LUSAKA ZAMBIA.

By Bishop Flemings Mtonga

A school day for many pupils at Jarmy Academy Christian School in Lusaka starts between 05:30 AM and 06:00 AM, depending on the proximity of the school to the area where the pupil comes from. All preparations ought to be done before 07:00 AM because every pupil shall be in class at 07:30 AM.

Before I go further, allow me to explain from the Zambian point of view the difference between a student and a pupil. In Zambia the term “pupil” refers to primary school up to the secondary level – from grades 1 to 12 – while the term “student” is only used for those studying at college or university levels. Our pupils at Jarmy School start in grade one (1), or from kindergarten, to grade twelve (12). Pupils at Jarmy School come from different locations around Lusaka, which I find quite interesting because this calls for many to use public transport yet. We have learnt that many pupils have to walk many kilometers to school. To the school administration, this is a good sign of the school being on demand due to customer satisfaction of the good services being provided.

Before the commencement of classes at 07:30 AM, every teacher is obliged to ensure that every pupil is dressed accordingly. After this the teacher could either read a passage from the bible in order to promote good morals, or simply pray to God in the name of Jesus. Prayer could also be offered by any pupil. At times pupils choose to sing a hymn or spiritual song before prayer, as a form of response to the reading of the bible passage. Pupils enjoy these sessions a lot because this brings hope to many and assurance that God still cares and in turn grow to care for others as well.

I should also mention that these sessions have a background. Zambia was declared a Christian Nation in 1993 by the 2nd Republican President by the name Fredrick Titus Chiluba. Zambia is about 97% Christian and the fifth most Christianised Nation in the world. The declaration was simply an authentication of the many great European Christian missionaries to Africa including some Swedes who came to Zambia. Freedom of assembly was well embraced by the 1st President of Zambia Dr. David Kenneth Kaunda, whose father was himself a reverend.



The accepted number of pupils in class is 40. At Jarmy, pupils stay in one class where teachers take turns to teach their various subjects. Each subject has a period of 45 minutes. At 10 o'clock pupils go for a break up to 10:30 AM. Lessons continue up to 13:10 PM when pupils and teachers break off for lunch.

What many children eat during the 10 hours break, and at lunch, tells a lot about their home financial situations. It is easy to deduce off the poverty levels of many parents to pupils, because many do not afford even some cheapest snacks during the morning break let alone a good small affordable lunch (which could be a burger, a packet of Chips or a meat pie and bottle of Coke). In fact, many do not even have breakfast before coming to school hence, affecting the expected levels of concentration during class. This is for many pupils a factor for poor performances at the end of the term's assessment tests.

However, the above ordeal can be understood because some of the pupils are orphans and adopted in the traditional African formal ways of "automatically" assuming responsibility of the deceased's children regardless of one's ability to provide or not. I can simply state here that, many parents assume responsibility of children of their deceased relatives without a choice but add to their already overburdened family and struggling to earn decent incomes. This negative aspect is not exclusive to Jarmy School alone, but to many schools in Zambia. This is why at Jarmy, we are very mindful to not increase school fees every now and then, because we know most of our clientele's financial

status. This is where Chiparamba Foundation comes in very handy, to help as many boys and girls as possible to attain the much needed quality education through its various partner organisations, families and individuals.

Subjects include English, Mathematics, Science – divided into Biology, Physics and Chemistry – Religious Education, Commerce, Social Studies, Civic Education, Geography, History, Music, as well as Computer lessons that are compulsory by the Ministry of Education of Zambia.

As for daily class management, each class is assigned a class teacher who knows each pupil well. Further, the class chooses a class captain or monitor who ensures that, there is order in class and a required teacher present at the right time for the designated subject. After every subject is taught, teachers are required to sign in a log book witnessed by a class monitor who later submits the same to the school Manager or the Headmaster. This is used to monitor each teacher's input towards the targeted number of lessons taught in a particular subject required in a month later on for the term which is after every three months.

There are days at Jarmy School when classes only go for half a day. This is on every Friday. However, examination classes – like grades 9 and 12 – are required to stay for longer hours, in order to enable the pupils catch up on every topic they need to by consulting with their class teachers.

At the end of each day, the school gets filled with pupils' noise going in all directions in twos, groups of four or more, as the Chiparamba FC soccer players are seen with their kit bags ready to go for soccer practices.



Chiparamba FC to the semifinals in the Gothia Cup.

This summer Chiparamba FC participated in the Gothia Cup with it's U-18 team, after winning a qualifier in Zambia this spring. Travel and subsistence was sponsored by SKF , Gothia's main sponsor. Chiparamba FC won their group and took four more victories before they lost in the semifinal against Torslanda IK by 1-0.





THE CHIPARAMBA FOUNDATION HAS SINCE 2004 SUPPORTED CHILDREN AND YOUTHS IN ZAMBIA.

The Zambian government funding opportunities are limited, due to low tax revenues and a very rapid population growth. About 6.5 million – of Zambia's population of ca 14 million – is children under 18 years old. Government schools are free for children in grades 1-7, although the children have to provide their own books and school uniforms. Unfortunately, many families have difficulties to pay for these expenses. Furthermore, all schools charge tuition fees for grades 8-12. Consequently – due to lack of money – only 35% of the children complete their education and graduates with a high school diploma.

To ensure the children's education, Chiparamba supports the children for their attendance through grades 1-12. This means that when leaving Chiparamba the 18-year old will have a better opportunity for a decent life in one of the world's poorest countries.

The Chiparamba Foundation has since 2004 supported children and youths in Zambia, with a special focus on participants in the football activities of Chiparamba Breakthrough Sports Academy in Zambia.

The Chiparamba Foundation collaborates with and receives financial support from the Swedish non-profit association Chiparamba Football Club. The joint website is found at <http://chiparambafc.com/>

The Chiparamba Foundation's financial support is done mainly by paying for children's and young people's schooling. The Chiparamba Foundation pays school fees, school books and school uniforms.

Further, the Chiparamba Foundation is under the control of the Swedish Fundraising Control and holders of so-called 90 account (Swedish Plusgiro no. 90 00 58-9).

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THREE WAYS OF SUPPORTING CHIPARAMBA.

BECOME A MEMBER OF THE CHIPARAMBA FC, SWEDEN.

Chiparamba is supported by individual members of the Chiparamba FC. The membership fee is SEK 125/month (i.e. SEK 1500/year). For a family the membership fee is SEK 400/month (i.e. SEK 4800/year). To become a member: please visit <http://chiparambaafc.com/>



“RÄTT”: RESTAURANT BUSINESS SPONSORS OF CHIPARAMBA.

RÄTT is a concept aimed at restaurants, supporting Chiparamba. The participating restaurants donate the same amount that they charge for a daily special, every weekday – 52 weeks x 5 days per year.

Urban Deli, Nobis Group and Grodan jointly founded the concept RÄTT. They have made a common cause and support Chiparamba FC when this project is dear to them, not least because of the love of football. The driving force is the desire to promote the education of Zambian children, and at the same time enabling them to play football.

The following restaurants support Chiparamba:



INTERESTED IN JOINING RÄTT?

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