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Dispatches

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Enjoy a Seat With an Amazing View By Sharon Waterworth

Take a seat and sit above the clouds and birds flying and gaze down from one of the highest points in the land of Zimbabwe across the central plateau almost a kilometre below. The view is of a land of mystery, of peace and of extreme beauty and it seems endless

Where can you find this amazing view? At Worlds View, a National Trust property where from an altitude of 2000 m the escarpment drops 600 m to the plain below. Mr Michael Tucker recently very kindly donated two hardwood benches which are now the crowning glory of the kopje. The benches were designed and made by Gary Goss, a local bench craftsman. Sit and eat your picnic whilst soaking up the magnificent view, there are various picnic tables for your personal use.

You can also enjoy the view from the circular Astra Toposcope with numerous plaques of black granite around the perimeter with radiating lines indicating the direction and direct distance to thirty cities, towns and places of interest. The construction of the Toposcope for the National Trust Zimbabwe was made possible through generous and public spirited contributions from the following companies: Astra Holdings Limited, Construction Associates (Pvt Ltd) and Carrara Marble (Pvt Ltd).

Take a climb up Mount Nyamtoro, feel the cooling breeze and take in fresh mountain air as you walk to the summit and delight in the 360 degree view of the plateau below and the series of lakes of the Connemara area. Worlds View is a particularly interesting area for both botanists and ornithologists, due to its altitude and vegetation types associated with either the basal granite or the dolerite cap.



Visit a unique Art Gallery that houses a large framed montage showing the construction of the Connemara Lakes and the surrounding road. The gallery also exhibits paintings by local artists. You can also buy Shona stone sculptures hand made by local artists.

Relax and explore the "Protea and Wild Flower Conservancy" established through a relationship with Kirstenbosch, the world famous botanical gardens in South Africa who generously donated the original seeds. The rains have also brought on an abundance of wild flowers and the property is looking stunning.

After wandering through the conservancy you can buy some of the flowers to take home with you from the plant sales area.

Although not always clear, due to the mist, there are traces of early stone walling in the grasslands and adjacent kopjes. The earliest stage of the Nyanga Tradition is represented by a number of large, stonewalled settlements that crown some of the major peaks in the northern Nyanga highlands between World's View and Chirimanyimo Hill. They are also found on some of the higher peaks of the Nyanga Downs. They date from the 14th to 15th centuries and lie between 2,000 - 2,400m above sea level in exposed locations unsuited to traditional occupation.

The sites are characterised by small, walled hollows scattered amongst the boulders and linked by low-walled enclosures. They are large sites suggesting nucleated villages. The most extensive site on Chirimanyimo Hill may represent the residence of the local chief.

The enclosures were built as a double line of vertical stones, earth-filled in between. These may once have supported a hedge. The larger walled hollows probably protected livestock from the elements and are the prototype for later pit-structures. They had cobbled stone floors and in one of those excavated a grave was found dug through this floor. The smaller walled hollows were probably houses, the walls supporting a low roof.

These villages were built at a time of a cooler, drier climate. They would have been very cold in winter, although it is possible that the cloud base was not as low as it is today so there was probably less, persistent mist.

What's On This Weekend

13 April: Instrumental Music Workshop, Greendale Sports Club, Harare 9am - 4pm

Targeted are teachers, school leavers, youth and praise and worship leaders interested in writing, reading, performing appreciating music, sitting and passing the Associated Board of The Royal School of Music (UK) The workshop convener & presenter Mr. Masango holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in music & is a renown music mentor, Call: 0771 054 697, Whatsapp: 0783 185 022

14 April Zumba Fitness class - KYMA crossfit gym, The Jam Tree, 8am - 9am. Every Saturday KYMAcrossfit gym @jam tree hosts a Zumba fitness class at the Mount Pleasant Sports Club.

For more info call 0772 440 809/ 0772 370 929

15 APR: Market At Queen, Fine Food & Drinks Market, Yummy local food & drinks artisans and families coming together to create something really unique

15 Apr: Make Up Masterclass On Bridal And Occassion Make Up, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Cresta Lodge Harare, Samora Machel Avenue



Directions to World's View:

In Rusape, turn left (north) onto the Nyanga road. At about 95 km peg just before reaching Nyanga village, turn right onto the Troutbeck Road. At the golf course just before the Troutbeck Hotel (13 km peg) turn left towards the Tsanga Lodge (4 km) and the circular drive towards World's View (11 km).

GPS Co-ordinates: 18° 9' 12.6" S
-32° 46' 28.62" E

Open: World's View is open every day.

Private Shona, English, and IELTS exam prep tutorials in Harare or online.

Private lessons in Harare or online (Skype/Google): Shona as an additional/second/foreign language, English for all purposes, ICDL (Ms Office Packages) and IELTS exam orientation and preparation tutorials. We tutor learners aged 7-80 years. Tutorials can be delivered as private one on one; two on one and class group tutorials. Arrangements for in-house/ in-company training can be made. Available Monday- Saturday 7am-9pm. Training room: 5 Hurworth Road, Highlands, Harare (Aroma Caffe complex) Email: freeyourmind.info@gmail.com

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What's On Early Next Week

16 April: Talk on Open for Business, George Makings as guest speaker at The Mustard Seed, 27 Ridgeway South, Highlands The informal Highlands Lunch Club presents. 12.30pm, departures 2pm (lunch at 12.30 followed by talk at 1.15) Bookings – call 0772 572620 or (0242) 498138

22 April - 20 May: Social fun Sunday Bowls mornings Avondale bowls section tabs / registration 9.30am for 10am. Bring and braai new, young, old, bowlers. Family & friends. all welcome. Bowls available. Introduction to a new fun format for the game of bowls. Jack attack, bowls cricket, music & bar, sadza and relish. Contact Tony Roberts 0712 203652 for more info and pre-booking.

18 – 21 May: Seldomseen Bvumba: Bird Life Zimbabwe Mashonaland Branch birding week end at Seldomseen, Bvumba. ALL BLZ members are invited on this birding trip – first come first served. For further information contact Tony Alegria 0772-438697 or (0242) 490375 or e-mail tonyalegria47 at his gmail.com

18 - 22 April Ironwill Charity Eco Challenge 2018 visit www.ironwill.co.zw for more information

Girls Soccer At Harare International School: Women's Wellness Center
Football Classes, Get Active and join our football session with the girls aged between 13-25, Sessions are free of charge, running every Saturday 9am – 11am Register today email programofficer@phoebecentre.org.uk

27 April to 1 May: Mountain Club Zimbabwe - PUNGWE TRIP
Nigel Short will be having the Convivial at the Club on 11 April at 7.00pm for the trip

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19-22 April: Zimopen Championship: Royal Harare Golf Club

Eastern Highlands Events

Every Saturday 9 – 12 noon: Saturday Morning Market at Claremont Golf Club, Juliasdale: Just past Montclair Hotel on the right hand side. A beautiful venue to stop in when you're up in the mountains of the Eastern Highlands on a break. Wonderful views across the golf course to the mountains, friendly people and staff. A relaxing, convivial morning with great products and produce to take home. Always a variety of stalls selling products that are home- or artisan-made with care and quality, and many other goods. Claremont Golf Club (catering operated by Montclair Hotel) sell coffee, tea, sandwiches and breakfast, and there is a pub lunch menu and stocked bar in the Club House, swipe and Ecocash available. To book a stall, email chris.pocock2009@gmail.com or whatsapp 0772 306 390. Coming up for a short break? Take a stall for a single morning- you will be welcomed!

Eastern Districts Second Saturday of every month The Vumba Walk: These vary from Upper to Lower Vumba areas and occasionally into Penhalonga, Burma Valley, and Chimanimani. Many birders join in too. Usually hosted by a Vumba resident or venue such as Tony's Coffee Shop, Forest Hills Lodge, White Horse Inn or Botanical Gardens and walks often traverse private properties not always accessible by the public. Call 0779 408 557 for info.

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SPCA Bulawayo Shop now has Ecocash! We have lots of good novels and other lovely bargains. PLEASE donate your unwanted goods for resale to raise funds to keep SPCA going! **Hours:** Mon 2-3.45pm, Tues and Thurs 9am-12pm, 1.30pm-3.15pm, Wed 9am-12pm, 2pm-3.45pm, Fri 9am-12pm, 1.30-3.15pm, plus First Sat of each month 9am-10.45am.

2018 School Terms

Second Term - 8 May to 9 August -
Half Term 22 to 25 June.
Third Term - 11 Sept to 6 December -
Half Term 19 to 22 Oct.

Indigenous Tree Seedlings for Sale: Ready for Planting, Pod Mahogany, Red Mahogany, Mchibi, Brown Ivory, Pink Ivory, African Ebony, Camel Thorn, Mopani, Paper Bark Acacia, Buffalo Thorn. From Olive Grove. All \$2 per seedling.
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2018 Public Holidays

- Wed 18 April - Independence Day
- Tuesday 1 May - Workers' Day
- Friday 25 May - Africa Day
- Monday 13 Aug - Heroes' Day
- Tuesday 14 Aug - Defence Forces Day
- Saturday 22 Dec - Unity Day
- Tues and Wed 25 & 26 December - Christmas
- Tuesday 1 Jan 2019 – New Year's Day.

Advertising opportunities with Zimtrader

'Zimtrader Dispatches' is weekly 'What's On' Bulletin which goes out to 15 000+ strong emailing list, who previously received the PDF version of our magazine. Former readers of our hard copy magazine have been joining this list too.

Advertising opportunities in Dispatches:

Banners 1 to 4, 205 mm x 35 mm.

Banner 1 - Booking Open.

Banner 2 - Booking Open

Banner 3 - Sold out

Banner 4 - Booking Open.

APRIL SPECIAL OFFER

Biz Card Ads - 52 mm x 30 mm - \$10

Biz Cards follow Banner 4 on the page.

Small Ads - 41 mm x 25 mm - \$6

Smalls come after Biz Card ads.



Rate: \$40 per emailshot

Zimtrader Emailshots were launched in 2013 and have been going strong ever since.

These are flyer ads which go out in the email body. **They now reach over 15 000 readers!**

We can design your flyer at modest cost, if you do not have artwork. Just ask for a quote.

We limit these to 15 shots per week - so that we retain our subscribers, by ensuring they are not overwhelmed by our emails. Subscribers can easily unsubscribe from this list, while opting to remain on the Zimtrader Dispatches list.

In practice, we lose very few subscribers, and are constantly inviting and welcoming new subscribers aboard. Our list is well-respected, well-managed and maintained. Our advertisers consistently report favourable results from their emailshots.

To Advertise in Zimtrader Dispatches, or to use our emailshot advertising service which reaches our 15 000+ subscribers:

email zimtrader@wildimaginings.net

Notices for Dispatches must reach us by Wednesday evening weekly.

We look forward to hearing from you at zimtrader@wildimaginings.net