

Slums Derby 2017, what a weekend !

The Slums Derby turned out just amazing, thanks to concerted efforts. The on-field training by Coaches Across Continents (CAC) is here. The Primary Schools League resumes. Football 4 WASH comes to schools in Kampala. The Primary Schools girls' gala has been scheduled and we are already excited. All that and more; we welcome you to the Watoto Wasoka Newsletter – May 2017 edition where we also share with you the photo-highlights from the #SlumsDerby2017

Enjoy this one!

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Slums Derby 2017, what a weekend !!

723 boys and girls, 50 teams (42 boys, 8 girls), two days, one venue ! We organised football games, food & drinking water, Football 4 WASH workshops, and more.

We didn't pull off all this on our own. We thus are grateful to everyone who managed to support in every capacity – time, resources and funds. Most especially, we are indebted to Rene & fam, Andrew Kanagy, and to Sheila for the kind donations you extended towards the success of the Slums Derby 2017.

We thank the crew in Nordhorn (AG Nordhorn, Bau München, Bau Rhein Main, Invest Nordhorn, LRD Oldenburg, Ingenieure Bielefeld) who organized donations for the Slums Derby.

We are very thankful to Viva con Agua St. Pauli who supported the weekend with over 800 litres of drinking water and also supported the Football 4 WASH workshops.

We thank Alive & Kicking who donated 23 high quality footballs to the Slums Derby 2017, the kids enjoyed every kick.

We also thank Badru and Emma, from [The Lens Foundation](#) who captured the story behind their camera lens. To the 20 amazing volunteers who physically organized the Slums Derby to such a great success, thank you for your time, and for your energy.

The full report [how it went down](#), is [here](#). Keep a look out on our [Facebook](#) page too.



Coaches Across Continents

As we have communicated in our earlier bulletins, we have committed to a Hat-Trick Partnership Program with Coaches Across continents (CAC).

As such, we will host a team from CAC to conduct on-field training 19 – 23 June 2017 in Kampala.

The training will take place at Uganda Martyrs High School grounds, Lubaga during the said dates.

For the five days, the trainings start 9am till 12noon.

We invite you to take part in this training that will equip community coaches, teachers and Football for Development organisations with the essential skills of using football as a tool for community development.

To take part in this training in Kampala, email us at info@watotowasoka.ug or directly call Kennedy at +256702726810.

Only a few places are left.

Football 4 WASH in schools

Starting this month, we will be making outreaches to schools, especially those in the Primary Schools League to conduct Football 4 WASH workshops with pupils.

We are looking forward to over 10 outreaches in the next months, reaching out to over 500 pupils with health education on water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) using exciting football drills.



Girls' gala

When we started the Primary Schools League this season, we wanted to have a girls' league running concurrently with the boys'. For varied reasons however, this did not come to fruition as envisaged. Nevertheless, we have embarked on organizing a Primary Schools Girls' gala.

We have already set the date. The weekend of 29/30 July 2017 will see us host the girls' soccer gala that will also have non-football workshops for the girls. The best two teams from the gala will qualify for the finals which will be played alongside the boys' finale.

Get in touch to register your school girls' team for this one.



Primary Schools League

The school term has begun, and the league is back too.

After concluding the preliminary (group) stages last term, we are back with the knock-outs. Out of the 16 schools that started out in March, only eight made it to the quarter finals. We are excited to get the rounds started already. However, this will not be so until the CAC training is done.

We will make the draws on the weekend of 24/25 June 2017. The first leg of the quarters will be played on 1/2 July and the second leg will take place 8/9 July 2017.

The semi-finals will take place 15/16 July 2017 (first leg) and 22/23 July 2017 (second leg).

After the semis, we will allow the players to concentrate on the school term and exams which take place during the month of August before the holidays.

The grand finale of the league is slated to take place over the first weekend of the third term. The date has been set for 23/24 September 2017 for the finale that will be hosted by Uganda Martyrs Primary School, Lubaga.





Get Involved...

Volunteer / intern with us....

You are currently in Kampala, Uganda or planning on going there and want to do some voluntary work? You are a hobby or professional football player or coach who like to kick the ball with our kids? We seek enthusiastic people passionate about children's rights, football and girls, with willingness to interact with others, and increase their hands-on experience of football, children and girls. Put your ICT and tech skills to test by running our website.

The list of opportunities is long; we would love to hear from you soon.

- Attend the Grand Slums Derby and/or the Christmas Camp
- Getting to make a real difference applying your personal skill set to better the world, you help improving daily training work
- And so much more...

We need your support....

Your monetary contribution! Every Shilling counts for us!
Sponsoring of tournament or WATOTO WASOKA in general, single or frequent contribution
Support through material and commodities
Any other activity that would help us to get an inch closer to our organization's goals!

And we offer....

Accountability & Transparency: You will know where your contribution was spent / used for
Visibility (if desired): We will mention your support on our website and tell everybody we know :)



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Football Made In Slums!

Watoto Wasoka was founded in 2009.

Watoto Wasoka – football made in slums, is a local NGO based in the heart of Kampala's biggest slums. We are a non-profit, community – led youth development organization which uses soccer as a vehicle for positive change in the life of slum children in Uganda. The organization aims to promote street and slum kids through their love for football, and tries to provide them with an alternative to street life for a better future perspective. We offer shelter, education and school support.

Upon realization of our first model centre, we intend to include health services & job training for those, who do not obtain scholarships.