



# The Weaver



## CHAIRLADY REPORT (written by Agnes Albrecht-Röhme)

Dear Ladies

After the latest committee meeting and the brainstorming coffee morning at Karin's place, I'm happy to share with you the following and I will ask you for some help and input. You will find deadlines - please stick to them, as I would love to have all information before the 24th of April when the committee meets again, so that first selections can be done, which I can propose to you in the next Weaver.

### **1. Meaningful photos needed**

We are updating the IWAN web page <http://iwan.com.na> and are therefore looking for **meaningful pictures** from coffee mornings, functions, deliveries, our projects etc. Do you have nice high quality photos of IWAN members in action? If yes, please send no more than 5 photographs to Janine who is working on updating the webpage. You may also approach any committee member during coffee mornings to hand in your picture on a USB-stick or other data storage. Please don't WhatsApp them as quality will be reduced. Deadline 2nd April 2019 as we will then still need to ask people in the picture for permission to publish them and we would like to have the webpage finished by end of April.

### **2. Graphic Designer needed**

We would like to have a more appealing and feminine logo showing that we are a charity. We are looking for **graphic designers** in our midst to prepare and present **enhanced versions of the IWAN logo** to the committee. If you are able to help us on that matter with your expertise, please write an e-mail to our secretary Janine or approach any committee member during coffee mornings as soon as possible, so that we can have first ideas and samples of logos by mid April. The committee will scrutinise the logos first and once we have the 3 / 4 best you can have a look at them and vote on which one identifies IWAN best.



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### 3. Merchandise products

We are trying to make IWAN better known and therefore we want to get quotations for T-Shirts, Sweaters, and other items bearing our new logo, for purchase by all IWAN members. If you are aware of any merchandise companies, please ask them for quotations or let the committee know, so that we can get quotations. We are also looking for eco-friendly shopping bags as it becomes more and more urgent to move away from plastic! Deadline mid April.

### 4. Take away packaging for next Bio-market

At the Bio-market plastic is NOT allowed and as we all know, we need to find ecologically friendly solutions. Please have a look at the following link <https://youtu.be/cblaaoYO7KM>, which shows how to make a little paper box out of newspaper. Although in German, the video is self-explanatory and making the bag takes only about 30 seconds. Please try it out. We just need to make it more hygienic for food. If you have any ideas, please let me or the committee know. Deadline 5th April, then I can test it during Mammadu's bio-market on the 13th of April.

### 5. IWAN Clothes Sale Procedures

There has been a lot of discussion over the last weeks, if not months, regarding the procedures of IWAN ladies shopping at the clothes sale. It is impossible to make everybody happy, however we decided to try the following approach. IWAN members will NOT be allowed to purchase items donated for the second-hand sale, NOT during the sorting and NOT during the sale itself. Instead, during the coffee morning before the clothes sale, members can bring items for sale and other members can choose to buy them at a price fixed by the sellers. (The proceeds will go to the seller and they will give a percentage to IWAN). What isn't sold can either go to the clothes sale on the following Saturday or be taken back by the seller. At the clothing sale, the items are reserved exclusively for the local community invited to the sale.

### 6. Events

The committee has set out the calendar for all the events until the end of the year:

May 25 <sup>th</sup>	Skittles to be confirmed
June 1 <sup>st</sup>	Bio-market confirmed
July 6 <sup>th</sup>	Second Hand clothes sale confirmed
September 21 <sup>st</sup>	Games Night (venue to be confirmed)
October 26 <sup>th</sup>	Sunset Dinner confirmed - dress code business casual
November 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Bio-market confirmed

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You will get more detailed information closer to the dates, but for now please save the dates, so that you won't miss them.

Thanks for reading, if you got until here ...

Waiting for your feedback and input.

Have a lovely day!

**Agnes**

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### **CHARITY REPORT (written by Marianne Mackenzie)**

Charity group committee members are Daria Ivanova, Foibe Lukas and Sabine Erwig (contacts at the end of this report).

#### **Food Delivery**

Every fortnight IWAN volunteers deliver fresh food to Katutura Old Age Home (OAH) and CLaSH Pre-Primary School.

Thank you very much to all the volunteers for this month: Sue Wassung and Riham Abdelwareth. Due to Independence Day on 21 March, we did not deliver that week.

Thank you to all the ladies that have signed up to deliver so far. **We need your help** so sign up either at the next coffee morning or contact any of the ladies on the charity group!

#### **Bio-Market**

Next Bio-market of the year is on **Saturday, June 1<sup>st</sup>**. We will again need donations of baked goods, as well as help of volunteers to work on the day.

#### **Clothing Sale**

IWAN's first clothing sale of the year was held on 2 March 2019. After having it at the Old Age Home before, we chose a new venue for it this time at Mammadu Trust, which was a great success. Thanks to Agnes and her team for the great support! We tried to make the sale as sustainable as possible and instead of plastic, we used recyclable carry bags, as well as paper bags for the smaller items.

Thanks to all the volunteers for your help and donations. The sorting at Megan's house was really fast and we were a great team at the sale itself. The net takings were just over 8500 NAD!

The next clothing sale will take place on Saturday, 6<sup>th</sup> July 2019, again at Mammadu.

### **New Charity Team**

We are still looking for more charity team members. Please contact Daria if you have any interest in helping with charity projects.

### **Recommendations**

If you know of a local NGO, school, clinic etc. that you think IWAN should support, please contact Daria, Foibe, or Sabine. Thanks again for your help.





## PEANUT BUTTER CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIES



*A very American recipe adapted to Windhoek*

### Ingredients:

1/4 c. white sugar  
1/2 c. light brown sugar  
1/4 c. treacle (dark brown) sugar  
1/2 c. smooth peanut butter  
1/2 c. + 1 Tbsp butter (130g), softened  
1/2 tsp vanilla  
3 large eggs  
1 3/4 c. cake flour  
1 tsp baking soda  
1/2 tsp salt  
1 c. chocolate chips

### Directions

Mix sugars, peanut butter and butter until smooth.  
Add vanilla and eggs - mix until smooth.  
Add flour, baking soda and salt. Mix until everything is just moistened. Take care not to over-mix.  
Fold in chocolate chips.  
Bake 175 degrees C for 10-11 minutes (cooking time varies by oven).

*Note: for a special version, substitute regular M&Ms for half the chocolate chips, totalling 1/2c. each of chocolate chips and M&M's.*



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