

ROSL – NAMIBIA PROJECT



Girl of Johannes Dohren High School, near Gobabis, during the year; Enrico Slinger, who had progressed from Hippo Primary to Wennie du Plessis Senior Secondary School, was consistently in his year's top three for academic grades and Leon Matheus from Tsumeb obtained a scholarship from Namdeb Diamond Corporation for further studies at the University of Pretoria. Katrina Cwi, sister of ROSL bursary recipient Cwisa – now a teacher in Tsumkwe – is set on studying nursing so that she and her brother can eventually open a centre for San in the Tsumkwe area.

In September, Mr Dick Chamberlain and I made a monitoring visit which was supported by guidance from Ministry of Education officials, the courtesy of a University of Namibia car for our travels and help from friends at UNAM, Rossing Uranium, Namdeb and the Harnas Foundation.

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The ROSL/Namibia project, which was established in 1995 with the Ministry of Basic Education and Culture, continued to provide ROSL school bursaries for young people from settlement, farm and San communities at mainly residential schools in the north, east and west of the country. Funds of a general nature were also made available to Hippo Primary School, in the Omaheke, and Katora Primary School, in the Namib desert.

Due to the generosity of members, branches, the IBSS group of bankers and Cox & Kings, it was also possible to continue ROSL bursaries for Taleni Nghiyolwa and Leon Mateus at the University of Namibia (UNAM) and Elias Araeb and Kaijandere Kaizondjou at Windhoek College of Education.

Although not always an easy passage for learners coming from remote communities, 2004 saw some great achievements: Ellie Velskoen from Mokaleng on the edge of the Kalahari and one of the first nine ROSL bursary recipients in 1995 was voted Head

Clockwise from top left: traditional Himba village near the Epupa Falls; head girl Ellie Velskoen pictured in front of classrooms at Johannes Dohren; Kaijandere Kaizondjou from a traditional Himba village near Opuwe pictured at Windhoek College of Education; Professor Lazarus Hangula, Vice Chancellor of UNAM with Mr Dick Chamberlain, former language centre Director; Sophie Shennan right, from long standing supporters Cox & Kings presented their 2004 donation to Margaret Adrian-Vallance in the garden at Over-Seas House



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