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Hello Wildlife Warriors!

Welcome to the second edition of your weekly wild update to keep you connected to nature even when you are at home.

We have **amazing films** for you to watch, tips on how to win the **Nature's Treasures Photo Competition, projects** that you can do at home to save wildlife and WIN a digital **Wildlife Warriors Junior Ranger Badge**, answers to your questions, plus much much more…

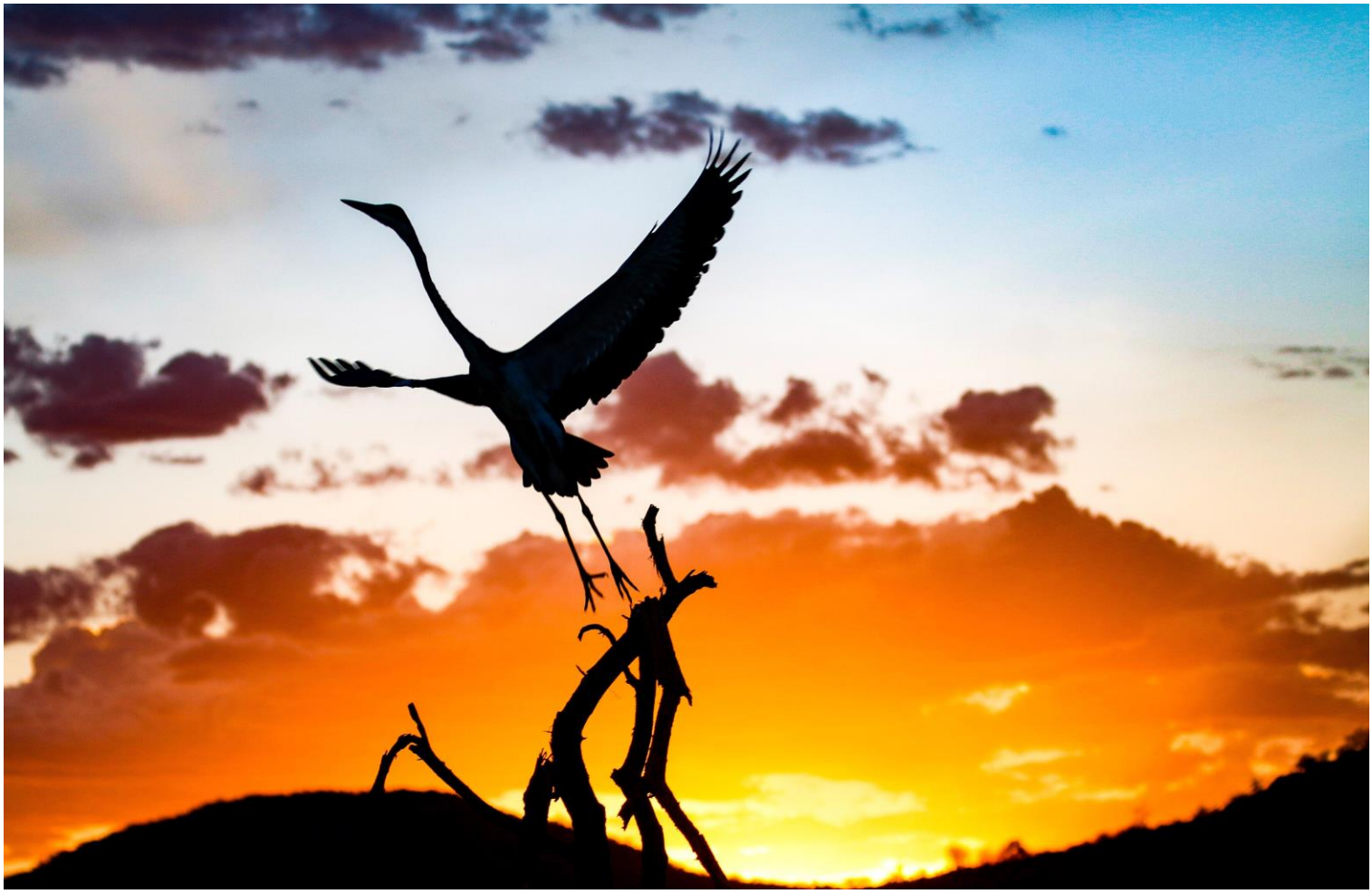
Stay with us in this fun filled adventure and share it with all your friends.

NEWS ALERT!!!

This Sunday at 5.30 P.M, tune in to Citizen TV for MY WILD AFRICA.

This week's film is Mzima - Haunt of the Riverhorse. Mzima reveals the intricate pyramid of life that a hippo school supports and the astonishing behavior that is hidden beneath the calm surface of Mzima spring.

PHOTO COMPETITION WINNER!



The Junior Category winner of the Nature's Treasures Photo Competition on the theme Non - Mammal Portraits is Hanain (15) from Nairobi. He says it takes patience to get a good photograph.

Nature's Treasures Photo Competition

Upcoming themes

May 25 - 31: Bizarre Beauties

June 1 -7: Our Wildlife Our Pride

Upload up to 3 photos each week by Sunday at midnight to bit.ly/WildlifeWarriorsKE	Prizes: Ksh 1000 for the winner, Ksh 500 for 2 Runner ups, Ksh 400 for the junior photographer (under 15)

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You too can enter the weekly Nature's Treasures Photo Competition with photos from a camera or phone upload your entries to bit.ly/WildlifeWarriorsKE by Sunday midnight .

Our theme this week is Bizarre Beauties. You could win Ksh400!!

MY TAKE WITH ISAAC MUTUKU (15)

I enjoyed watching the film, "Queen of Tress" and found the theme song very interesting. My favorite lines were, "malkia wa mti and mvua yaja, tazama mvua inanyesha". (Queen of Trees; the rain is coming, look at the rain falling)

I learned that the Sycamore Tree is found in Tropical Africa and it grows in Southern Kenya near river banks. My favorite scenes included; seeing ants acting as allies to the fig wasps as they protect the nymphs and monkeys feeding on figs full of parasites.

I did not know that many animals prefer fig fruits to other wild fruits. The Queen is very generous not only to insects and mammals but also to the fish.

By Isaac from Nairobi

HUMANS HELPING NATURE

Our photo story this week is about Mike Lesiil and a ranger who rescued a baby reticulated giraffe crossing the raging Ewaso Ngiro river. Mike's friend, Jelly Lolojo captured this spectacular moment.

They saved the giraffe from the jaws of a crocodile by using sticks to scare away the crocodile while crossing the river. The giraffe's mother had crossed to the other side and was waiting for her baby.

Crocodiles are very dangerous animals, please don't go into rivers on your own.

DID YOU KNOW THAT JUNE 5TH IS WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY?

WHAT ACTIONS ARE YOU GOING TO TAKE TO HELP NATURE?

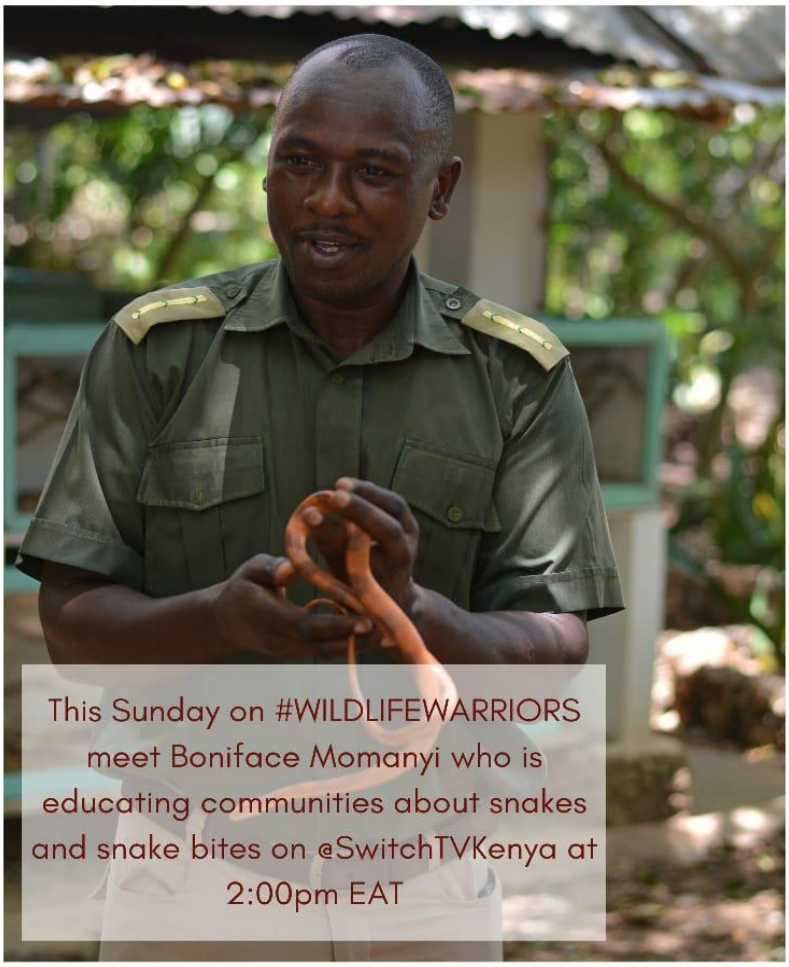
Wildlife Warriors Kids Cub at Sacred Heart Primary School in Mombasa, collect plastic bottles for recycling to keep their environment clean.

Please click on this link bit.ly/WWKIDS and tell us what you are going to do.

SNAKEBITE AWARENESS

'Why snakes matter' Essay Competition Winner **Joseph Lesirite** from Samburu and Snake Expert Boniface Momanyi handling a python at BioKen Snake farm

Watch Saving Snakes in Watamu this Sunday on Switch TV at 2:00pm Watch on Youtube https://bit.ly/3dcw7a4 and share with your Friends to learn more.



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SNAKEBITE AWARENESS

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SNAKEBITE FIRST AID

Help yourself and others by following these first-aid steps immediately in a snakebite emergency and before reaching a health facility.

DO

DO stay calm and reassure the bitten person.

DO move slowly away from the snake.

DO rinse venom in the eyes with running water in case of spitting snakes.

DO leave the wound area (or bite mark) alone.

DO remove all tight items around the affected area.

DO lay the patient on his/her side and reduce movement of the affected area.

DO rush to the nearest health facility for medical treatment.

DON'T

DON'T panic.
Instead, calmly follow these first aid steps.

DON'T attack or kill the snake.
If you are close enough to hurt it, it is close enough to bite you to defend itself.

DON'T rub the eyes.
Rubbing causes irritation to the eye and spreads the venom.

DON'T wash, cut or suck the wound.
It can lead to infections and venom spreading.

DON'T tie the affected area to stop blood circulation.
It can lead to infections that cause loss of limbs or even death.

DON'T lay the patient on his/her back.
Lying on the back can block the airways.

DON'T use traditional methods or any unsafe treatments.
For venomous snakebites, blacksmones and herbs don't help and will delay medical treatment.

SNAKEBITE EMERGENCY?

In case of a snakebite emergency, go to a health facility **IMMEDIATELY!**

8 SIMPLE STEPS TO AVOID SNAKEBITES

1. Wear closed shoes or boots and watch your step in the bush.
2. Use a torch outside at night
3. **Keep food, water and livestock outside your house.**
   Store food and water in closed containers and livestock outside the house to prevent rats and mice entering the house.
4. **Store firewood distant from your house**
   Store firewood distant from buildings to prevent snakes hiding and coming into the building
5. **Sleep off the ground and use mosquito nets to avoid snakebites during sleep.**
6. Seal holes in your walls to prevent snakes entering the house
7. **Cut grass and clear the ground around your house.**
   Clearing the area gets rid of hiding places for snakes.
8. Find out how to get to the nearest health facility with antivenom

This poster is an initiative of Health Action International (HAI) and Global Snakebite Initiative (GSI).
HAI: www.haiweb.org/what-we-do/snakebite-envenoming
GSI: www.snakebiteinitiative.org
To order posters, email ben@haiweb.org, or download from www.haiweb.org.

ANIMAL OF THE WEEK

Caption this...

The image was taken at **Nairobi National Park** by Netty Childs who is 9 Years old.

Did you know that...

Crocodiles do not have a tongue? They therefore swallow their food without chewing it.

Join us on our next camping expedition!
Inquire at: info@wildlifedirect.org

COMING UP…DON'T MISS!

- World Parrot Day – May 31st. 2020
- My Wild Africa on citizen TV at 5:30pm
- Wildlife Warriors on Switch TV at 2:00pm
- World Environment Day - June 5th, 2020

Female bronze sunbird by June (11)

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