

*Welcome to our first SAUSSA Newsletter.*

## Meet our SAUSSA MANCO 2022-2023



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### FOREWORD BY SAUSSA PRESIDENT

Welcome to the first newsletter of the Association. This newsletter comes as a result of the communication gap that existed between the Association and members. The ExCo meeting held on the 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> of April 2023 approved the initiative to use this tool to communicate with yourselves. This newsletter will be issued twice a year by the Publicity and Marketing team of the Association which is led by Ms Bothole (SAUSSA PRO) and other team members whose names will be shared in this document.

As the President of the Association, I must say I am very excited to be sharing this wonderful moment of launching the newsletter with yourselves. As affiliates of SAUSSA let us please make sure that we use this newsletter to share memories with other members of the Association. A channel of how information from affiliates is shared on this platform, will be communicated with yourselves.

This is the inaugural edition of the SAUSSA Newsletter. The purpose of the newsletter is to share information on the Association, promote and market the Association and all its endeavours, including attracting potential affiliates and sponsors. It is a communication tool that will keep members abreast with news and activities of the Association and its affiliates.

Today, we are happy to present to you the 1<sup>st</sup> edition of the SAUSSA Newsletter. Enjoy reading it and also keep it alive with news from your institutions. Your Editorial Team is ready and at your service.

Lastly, I would like to thank the Publicity & Marketing team for the sterling work they are doing for the organization.



# news

## 21st EDITION OF THE SAUSSA GAMES: BIUST, PALAPYE, 4 – 10 December 2023

Congratulations to BIUST for hosting a successful 21st edition of the SAUSSA Games. 18 universities from 8 SADC countries participated in the games. The BIUST Deputy Vice Chancellor, Academic Affairs, Prof. Elisha Shemang, officially opened the games on the evening of 4 December, with the keynote address delivered by Ms. Boineelo Hardy, the Vice President of the Botswana National Olympics Committee.



## CULTURE NIGHT

Universities celebrated their cultural heritage through their regalia and enjoyed Tswana culture served to them by BOSETU Cultural Group and band, and Khuduthamaga Cultural Group. The closing curtain on the games rolled in on the evening of Friday 9 December. The closing remarks were delivered by Prof. Abraham Ogwu, BIUST deputy Vice Chancellor Research, Development & Innovation; with entertainment provided by the legendary guitarist Mr. George Swabi. Participants departed for their respective homes on Saturday morning.

## 22nd EDITION SAUSSA GAMES: PREPARATORY MEETING, Mafikeng Campus— 14 –15th April 2023

The SAUSSA 22nd edition of SAUSSA games' preparatory meeting was held at North West University, Mafikeng campus. The purpose of the meeting was to ascertain the host's readiness as well as inspect the facilities to be used.



# PROJECTS

## CHARITY PROJECT : PALAPYE SWALLOWS FC PROJECT

The 21st edition brought a first for SAUSSA and the community, with a lasting memento left for the community; a memento that stands to benefit the community in years to come. This time around, the community give-back was a donation of an ablution block at Palapye Swallows grounds. SAUSSA with the help of sponsorships and the Botswana International University of Science and Technology managed to build an ablution block for Palapye Swallows Football Club, at the football grounds. The structure will help both the players and spectators. The handover of the block was steered by BIUST Vice Chancellor Prof. Totolo, who together with the SAUSSA President, Mr. Simon Makena, unveiled the plaque, symbolizing the handover and the official opening of the ablution block on 7 December 2022.

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### **SAUSSA Chairperson's Meeting**

Date: 07-09 Sept 2023

Venue: Northwest University,  
Mafikeng Campus

### **AGM**

Date: 22-23 Sept 2023

Venue: Zimbabwe Open University

### **22nd Edition SAUSSA Games**

Date: 10-16 Dec 2023

Venue: Northwest University,  
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