



Recent News

Joseph Luganda International Man

CFU Spring Ball
raised £2087

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Derby Donations

The large donation of furniture, bedding and other goods will finally be making its way to Uganda in August, thanks to a charity shipment from Aprile. A huge thanks to the New York office for arranging it and to Alan Holloway and the rest at Derby for the donation.

Foster Training

The CALM Africa Christmas Newsletter covered the foster training a CFU Director did with SFAC Charity. Great news—a year later, in September 2012, the partnership will be visiting CALM Africa again to continue the fantastic work.



A new era at CFU

Welcome to the first issue of the Children First Uganda newsletter, summer edition!

This year has been extremely exciting for us all at Children First Uganda and we're only half way through! Some of you heard about the developments at CFU earlier in the year at our Spring Ball, but here is an update for everyone on the events of 2012 so far and what we have coming up.

Firstly, there have been some significant changes to the CFU Team. We did have some sad news earlier in the year as we bid farewell to our Chair Sara Coate. She has done a fantastic job as our Chair since the beginning and helped to bring us to where we are today, so a massive thank you to Sara from us all.

So, now we warmly welcome our Trustee Suzanne Duce into her new role as Chair. We also warmly welcome several new Trustees and Members that make up the CFU Board as we go forward into new and prosperous times!

The new CFU structure is enabling us to progress and develop. We have been making some great connections with other charities and gaining supporters, to further the work we do, which could be seen at the Spring Ball in March. This event was a huge success and we were overwhelmed by the support given. Coverage of the event and the benefits from it are on page 2.

We'd like to thank everyone for the support this far and please have a read on to see what a difference it has been making!

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What was it all for?

- ◇ We raised awareness
- ◇ We made friends
- ◇ We raised funds

...and Joseph, at last, truly became International Man!

We raised £2087 from the event, which has since supported:

- ◇ The new boys' dormitory
- ◇ The school/ community hall
- ◇ Maintaining staff
- ◇ Moore Water project
- ◇ CALM Africa's Deborah rebuilding her home

CFU Spring Ball 2012



SATURDAY 31st MARCH 6.30PM–2:00AM

CFU Spring Ball was our first ever large event in honour of our friends at CALM Africa and the work that they do.

We wanted to host an event that would both raise awareness and funds for CALM Africa and the fantastic work that they do. In doing this, we wanted to show why CFU exists and what we can do to further CALM Africa's work even more.



Of course, we also wanted to give those people who have given so much support to CALM Africa already, through volunteering or funding, to come together for a night of fun and reunion with old friends!



Joseph is a hit with the ladies as always, showing them his dance moves!

Everyone enjoyed the event, with a 3 course meal, quiz, raffle and disco. It was fantastic for us to see so many people attending and of course, stars of the show, James Ssekiwanuka and Joseph Luganda able to join us.

We hope this may be the first of more events to come for people to stay in touch and stay involved, and help our friends in CALM Africa at the same time. Take a look on the next pages to see more about the outcome of this Spring Ball and how to get more involved...

Fundraising and what it can do...

The tickets for the ball included a donation to CALM Africa. But we wanted to give people a choice over how their donation was spent. So, each guest was given a token to put into the box of their chosen area to support.



We used this to work out the amounts to donate to the development of the JMLC Community Hall, the JMLC boys' dormitory and the staff allowances of all those who work so hard to achieve what CALM Africa does.

With the fantastic support received, construction of the hall and dormitory have been well underway and, more recently in just the last few weeks, volunteers at CALM Africa have been spending their time helping to paint the buildings.



The new hall and dormitory building work gets finished and CALM Africa volunteers help brighten up the place!



But, it's not all about donating money to help the causes that CFU support at CALM Africa.

Take a look on the next page for how you can help in other ways.

Upcoming Events



Skydiving
Saturday 28th July

Volunteer Louise Preedy is doing a sponsored skydive in aid of her project Lou's Loos.



York 10k Run
Sunday 5th August

CFU Trustee is leading the CFU Runners team in doing the York 10k in aid of the Moore Water project. Runners are still very welcome to join the team! Get in touch if you are interested.

Get Involved!

Find out more about events, the projects they are in aid of and how to donate by visiting our Facebook events page, following us on Twitter @childrenfirstug and on our website.

If you would like to run your own event, please contact us for help and support by emailing the Fundraising Team on the email overleaf.



The Future...

CFU have been growing from strength to strength over the last few years thanks to the support of some very kind and generous people; so, thank you. We are all very excited for what is in store and the progress we can help CALM Africa make.

How can you help us make a difference...?

Keep in touch and spread the word!

One the best and most important things you can do to help the future of CFU and CALM Africa is to keep in touch with us, keep involved and keep telling other people about us! For us to continue to help in Uganda, we need to expand our network of support. Tell your friends about us, get people Liking us on Facebook, following us on Twitter and joining us in events and projects.



Donate—for free!

CFU have signed up with Easyfundraising, an online fundraising tool. If you sign up with Easyfundraising and do your online shopping through this site, they donate a percentage to us, at no cost to you! Easy-peasy-fundraising!

They also donate fixed amounts if you download their toolbar to your browser and if you use their search engine 'EasySearch—Google isn't the only way to find things! Take a look and don't hesitate to contact us if you need some help.



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Tell us what you want...

We're keen to hear from you what you would like to see from us to help CALM Africa. We'd love to hear from you what you thought of the Spring Ball and what you would like if we did this again in future. Do you want to run your own events? Would you like an annual Newsletter or more frequent? Would you like to be notified about all events, to see if you want to take part? Let us know what you think!



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