

BRITAIN-TANZANIA SOCIETY

Fortieth Annual Report and Accounts for the period

1st July 2015 - 30th June 2016



INTRODUCTION

This is my first annual report as Chair – and I would like to thank the whole committee for their support, which has often gone beyond the call of duty and made things happen in record quick time.

It has been an interesting, if at times disturbing, year in Tanzania, in this country, and around the globe. President Magufuli was elected a few weeks before our last AGM, and quickly showed that he was prepared to make a frontal attack on corruption and inefficiency (especially in the civil service), and that he would not allow policies in Tanzania to be determined by donors and outsiders. The people of the UK voted in a referendum to leave the European Union, following a campaign that brought out some of the nastiness and racism which is not far below the surface, however much those of us who see ourselves as citizens of the world as well as of our own countries might wish otherwise. The wider world has been subject to atrocities and death, sometimes on a huge scale, and unplanned movements of people which are sad for those affected, disruptive and wasteful. One of the least publicised recent movements of people is from Burundi to Tanzania.

As a friendship society between two countries, run entirely by volunteers, there is only so much that we can do in relation to this bigger picture. But at least we can react humanely, talk, and try and understand what is happening and why people are acting as they are.

At the first meeting of the committee after I took over, we reviewed our objectives, and found much to rejoice over. Tanzanian Affairs and our Newsletter are both in fine form. Our seminars are perceived as interesting and most are well attended. We have relaunched our education group, which particularly brings together those in this country who support work in schools in Tanzania – and are very pleased that its coordinator, Janet Chapman, has agreed to take over the database of support organisations which for many years has been compiled and updated by Peter White. Our website has been updated and relaunched. The Tanzania Development Trust has become an extremely professional organisation, held back, if at all, by shortages of money to invest in our small but significant projects. Our biggest decision was to try and do more with and for the diaspora of Tanzanians living in this country. The Scottish group continues to be very active, and it now joined by a new group in Wales, with plans to extend and work jointly with friends in the West Country. The Welsh group is hoping to bring Nassra Juma Mohamed, the coach of Twiga Stars, the

Tanzanian Women's Football team, to Wales to talk about the film Zanzibar Soccer Queens in which she is the star. In the Midlands, an event (on tax justice) is planned for October with the Redditch One World Link. We also hosted two receptions in London, one to say goodbye to the departing Tanzanian High Commissioner, Peter Kallaghe and his wife Joyce and their family, and the other to welcome the new British High Commissioner to Dar es Salaam, Sarah Cooke, as she takes up her new duties and responsibilities in Dar es Salaam and to say goodbye to her predecessor, Dianna Melrose. Both of these receptions were highly sociable occasions. We were especially pleased that Dr Asha-Rose Migiro, the new Tanzanian High Commissioner, who at the time had been in London for less than two weeks, was able to join us at the second of these receptions, and that she agreed to be the speaker at our AGM.

We have a strong basis on which to move forward. We trust that we will make some small difference in building up international friendships, at least between our two countries.

Andrew Coulson, Chairman



SEMINARS AND EVENTS

We have held more seminars and events in the last 12 months than for many years – and they have all been interesting and most well attended.

Some, such as the seminar last September on Tanzania's Forthcoming General Election, were arranged in partnership with the All Party Parliamentary Group on Tanzania. For this event we provided the speakers Ben Taylor and Aikande Kwayu who presented an excellent background briefing on the general election that was then due to take place a month later.

Most of our seminars, such as the one in October where the speaker was Professor Maia Green of Manchester University, were run in collaboration with the School of Oriental and African Studies in London. Maia spoke about how 50 years of foreign aid had impacted on the culture of today's Tanzania, and in particular how NGOs which have sprung up to promote local development, many with support from overseas, add to the complexity and sometimes contradictions.



In November we celebrated 40 years of BTS and TDT with a party, dance and Tanzanian food at The Warehouse in Reading. Those who participated in the drumming are unlikely ever to forget it.

At our AGM, also in November, rather than have a single speaker

we invited three UK-based groups that support development work in Tanzania to tell us how they do it – and were inspired by the pluck and perseverance of the Friends of Urambo and Mwanhala who have supported work around Tabora for more than 50 years, the Redditch One World Link (with Mtwara), probably the outstanding civil twinning link with a council in Tanzania, and the Overseas Musonians who continue to bring dentists and dental equipment to villages around Musoma and use their skills to address the problems of poor teeth in Tanzania - one of the inevitably consequences of economic growth and more sugar in the diet.

In December we welcomed Dr Ibrahim Lipumba who talked about the elections that had taken place in October, and in particular the uncertain situation that had been created in Zanzibar.

In January, Dr Matteo Rizzo introduced a lively discussion on the Bus Rapid Transport System which has been constructed in Dar es Salaam, involving a widening of the Morogoro Road all the way to the harbourfront, which had, at that time, not yet started operating.

In February we held a reception to say farewell to the departing Tanzanian High Commissioner, Peter Kallaghe, and his wife Joyce and their family. Many people were able to come, and many new contacts were made.



Also in February we held a seminar on Economic Growth, Rural Assets and Poverty. The speaker was Professor Dan Brockington, from the University of Sheffield, who showed how in one specific village, near Mount Hanang, there had been real improvements in the quality of life in the last 25 years.

In March, our Education Group held a workshop to share good practice and experience with IT programmes and computers in Tanzanian schools.

We also held a seminar on the latest information about HIV/AIDS where the main speaker was Professor Shabbar Jaffar from the Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine. He explained how great progress had been made, especially with the

coming of retroviral drugs, but that there were still many problems to be overcome, not least resistance to the drugs that control HIV and TB. Professor Jaffar was supported by Dr Hamza Hassan Mohamed who has worked on these matters in Tanzania and Dr Mohammed Salim, a public health specialist, currently specialising in matters relating to addiction.

Our third event in March, East Africa through the Lens, was an opportunity for the Tanzanian and Kenyan diasporas in Wales to get together, and to meet NGOs in Wales that support development projects. There were speeches from the Kenyan High Commissioner and Acting Tanzanian High Commissioner.

In April we welcomed Professor Issa Shivji who spoke about Conflict and Consensus in Constitution-Making in Tanzania – showing how Tanzania has had a succession of constitutions since Independence, each an improvement on what has gone before.

In May members of BTS were part of a truly international collaboration, between Lithuania, Tanzania and the UK, to use modern mapping software to improve the on-line maps of part of Tanzania around the safe house in Musoma. This continues to be an inspiring way of making a practical contribution to life in Tanzania.

Finally, in July we held the reception reported on in my Introduction, to welcome Sarah Cooke, the new British



High Commissioner on her way to Dar es Salaam, and to say farewell to her predecessor Dianna Melrose. It was another well attended and friendly occasion, with many old friends and new ones able to come.

Andrew Coulson

PUBLICATIONS AND PUBLICITY

NEWSLETTER

There have been the usual three issues of the 16 page newsletter, (January, May and September) informing members of visits, small scale projects and initiatives taking place in different areas of Tanzania, past and forthcoming seminars and events in the UK, BTS Scottish Group news, updates on the projects that TDT is helping fund, regular Safe House updates, as well as providing news of our members' NGOs, such as ACTT, Kwa Mkono Disabled Children's Trust, Overseas Musomians, STOW, Mtwara Links and LTT.

A page devoted to "Swahili Matters" has continued to have an article appear in both English and Swahili, thanks to Donovan McGrath.

The newsletter of January contained a message from Andrew Coulson the newly elected chair of BTS , with reports on the $40^{\rm th}$ AGM and the $40^{\rm th}$ Anniversary Celebrations of BTS and TDT, plus a report of the AGM of the Tanzanian Chapter. Also in this issue were tributes to BTS Vice President Trevor Jaggar on his $90^{\rm th}$ birthday, plus an article outlining the achievements of Dr Elly Macha and her recent nomination to be member of the Tanzanian parliament.

The front page of the May Newsletter contained a special appeal from Andrew Coulson to members to give special thought to how they could help support the work of TDT financially, in particular to consider including TDT in their wills. Also to donate to Julian and Ann Marcus' Golden safari appeal. Details of the latter appeared on the penultimate page. This edition had over a page devoted to Diaspora news, in which Fadhili Maghiya reported on the visit of the Kenyan High Commissioner and the Tanzanian Deputy High commissioner to south Wales, which included meeting the East African diasporas settled in the area, highlighting how Diasporas can play a crucial role in building bridges between here and Tanzania. There was also a small report on the reception held by BTS to bid farewell to HE Peter Kallaghe and his wife Joyce.

Thanks to everyone who has contributed to the Newsletters and to Andrew's active involvement.

Thank you to Jill Bowden for her careful proof reading of the draft copy, this is really appreciated, and for overseeing the printing and posting.

Sue Mitchell

TANZANIAN AFFAIRS

Tanzanian Affairs continues to be a high appreciated resource for a wide range of readers with an interest in Tanzania. Three more issues were produced this year by David Brewin, Ben Taylor and their team.

As with so much in Tanzania in the past year, the elections dominated. This included in-depth articles on the tumultuous process of nominating presidential candidates in June-August 2015, on the outcomes of the election itself in October, and on the high pace and often dramatic early actions of President Magufuli.

In addition, Tanzanian Affairs continued to draw attention to key developments across a wide range of topics. Coverage of the growing natural gas sector has been a particular highlight, along with reporting on new transport initiatives in and around Dar es Salaam and on the ongoing elephant poaching crisis.

Book reviews remain very popular, keeping readers up to date with the latest publications. Similarly, the sections highlighting coverage of Tanzania in the international media and in development research continue to keep readers abreast of the latest developments.

As ever, past issues of Tanzanian Affairs are available online at tzaffairs.org.

BRITAIN-TANZANIA SOCIETY ON THE INTERNET

Our website http://www.britaintanzaniasociety.co.uk/ is the source of the most up to date information about the Society.

The website for

the Tanzania Development Trust is http://www.tanzdevtrust.org/ and that of Tanzanian Affairs is http://www.tzaffairs.org/.

MEMBERSHIP

At the end of the 2015-2016 year the total active membership of BTS was 872.

Of these 593 relate to individual, group, or corporate membership.

The other 279 addresses are linked with non-paying members who include associate (honorary) members, concessionary members and journalist mailings

Where members live:

Inner/Outer London: 128

Home counties and accessible London (e.g. Oxford, Cambridge): 194

Lincolnshire, Norfolk and Suffolk: 20

Midlands: 52

West Country and S-W peninsula: 70

E Anglia: 21

Wales and Shropshire: 16

Scotland: 37

N Ireland: 5

Guernsey: 2

Tanzania: 16

Other Overseas: 32

Petronilla Mwakatuma

EDUCATION GROUP

BTS/TDT has been involved in many educational initiatives this year. A relaunched BTS Education Group has met twice at SOAS. The first meeting discussed educational technology and the second school enterprise schemes. The presentations are available on the BTS Education Group Facebook and LinkedIn pages or from Janet Chapman, <u>i.chapman@tanzdevtrust.org</u> The next meeting will be in the Autumn with a focus on teacher training.

In Tanzania we have been collaborating with Tanzania Young Scientists, SAMI Maths Camp and the Teach a Man to Fish school Enterprise Challenge. Six of our schools have now got satellite internet broadband via an initiative funded by the UK Space Agency. This has enabled them access educational resources and collaborate with other schools and universities, including from the UK to develop science education. Zeze Secondary School participated remotely in an international education conference in London organised by PiXL. This charitable organisation helps schools across the world improve their students' performance by mentoring, monitoring and target setting and many Tanzanian schools are now piloting their methods.



BTS SCOTTISH BRANCH ANNUAL REPORT

The Group has not been very active this year. However 42 people are on our yahoo group, and another 39 on a separate mailing list and in this way we are able to share notices of members' activities and projects, and of other news items related to Tanzania.

On April 9th we had a lively meeting at the Akva Restaurant attended by 10 members, 5 of whom were new. Albert Mkony raised the possibility of arranging for group members to meet his Kiswahili students from the University of Edinburgh in order to give them some grounding in the realities of living/volunteering in Tanzania. Vera Mugittu, who has just completed her PhD, outlined her idea for gathering oral histories from elderly citizens in various areas of Tanzania before those stories are lost. The project is still at an embryonic stage at present. She hopes the group may be able to help her prepare questions to jog memories around particular events. Photographs from members who knew Tanzania in 'the old days' could be used as a stimulus. The purpose of future meetings was discussed and it was agreed to continue as a social form at which 'development' issues could be discussed.

The Chair of the BTSS is Ralph Ibbott. For more details contact Ann Burgess annpatriciaburgess@yahoo.co.uk, Jennifer Sharp js@satv.co.uk or Ralph Ibbott at 01875 818658.



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2015

The 40th Annual General Meeting was held on Saturday 14th November 2015 at 2.00pm on at The Central Hall, Westminster.

The Chairman, Mr William Fulton welcomed the 53 members present. All present were pleased to welcome H. E. Peter Kallaghe, High Commissioner for Tanzania.

The Chairman reported that the highlight of the year had been TDT's support for the Safe House for young women at risk of Female Genital Mutilation at Mugumu, near Mara. BTS member David Nichol was instrumental in the successful campaign to have a permanent memorial to the Kings African Rifles to commemorate the significant part played by British West, East and Central African Imperial forces in the defence of the British Crown. This memorial is based at Sandhurst. The Chairman extended the Society's congratulations to Elly Macha who is now a Member of Parliament, having been selected to take up one of the Special Women's seats. She is particularly concerned with the rights of the disabled. Elly Macha was supported through her education by BTS members.

The other highlight of the year has been the 40th birthday celebration of the Society and of the Tanzania Development Trust.

The chairman paid tribute to the service to the society of Valerie Leach who has contributed to Tanzanian Affairs and Dan Cook who makes an invaluable contribution to TDT as Vice Chairman and looking after applications. Both have come to the end of their term of office and will not be standing for re-election.

Andrew Coulson paid tribute to the chairmanship of William Fulton who has used his connections in the Church, in medicine and diplomatically to the benefit of the Society. The meeting expressed its thanks to Ann Brumfit for 15 years of loyal and efficient service as membership secretary.

The meeting unanimously agreed that Fadhili Maghiya, Albert Mkony, Connor Moore, and Alex Behan be elected to serve for the next three years. We look forward to the contributions that they will make in the coming years.

Trevor Jaggar, Vice-President of the Society took the chair for the election of the Chairman. Dr Andrew Coulson was elected Chairman. Mr William Fulton then resumed the Chair. Mr William Fulton was elected as Vice-Chairman, Dr Elizabeth Taylor as Executive Secretary, Mrs Petronilla Mwakatuma as Membership Secretary and Mrs. Jill Bowden as Hon. Treasurer.

Julian Marcus presented the report of the Tanzania Development. Sam Macaulay then presented the accounts of the Trust.

The meeting thanked Mr Sam Macaulay who is standing down as treasurer; he will continue to assist Jeanine Tsobgny-Naoussi who has been appointed as TDT treasurer.

The meeting received excellent presentations from speakers, from three active support organisations in the UK, these have already been discussed on p.5. Each of these organisations make positive contributions to Tanzania.

The presentations concluded with an impressive presentation by Julian Marcus of 40 years of TDT.

The meeting was informed that Julian Marcus, Chair of TDT, now wishes to stand down. The meeting paid tribute to his work as Chair of TDT. Thanks were also offered to Ann Marcus for her support.

The Chairman announced that the BTS Executive Committee has elected Mr Jonathan Pace to succeed Julian Marcus as Chair of TDT.

Those present were then able to network together.

FINANCE

The accounts for 2015/16 show a year end deficit of £1540.36. This was mainly due to exceptional items of expenditure on the website and on events.

During the year the Development Trust undertook a much-needed overhaul of its website, towards which BTS contributed £2000.

The events referred to were the reception to bid farewell to Peter and Joyce Kallaghe and a celebration in Reading of BTS's 40th anniversary. Despite the success of these events, expenditure exceeded income by a little over £2000.

Costs for the AGM and printing rose slightly, but postage costs and room hire were down on the previous year. The figure for BOND membership reflects 2 years' subscription.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Executive Committee and the Tanzania Development Trust each met on four occasions during the year: 17th September, 25th November, 21st January and 12th May, and the Tanzania Development Trust held an additional meeting on 24th March. The Society is most grateful to the management of Central Hall Westminster for allowing us to use one of their committee rooms on a regular basis.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

THE UK EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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Fadhili Maghiya Ben Taylor

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Evelyn Leonard

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Note: The next Annual General Meeting will be held on Saturday 19th November 2016 at Central Hall Westminster at 2.00pm. We are honoured that our speaker will be H.E. Asha-Rose Migiro, High Commissioner of Tanzania to the UK.

BRITAIN-TANZANIA SOCIETY INCOME AND EXPENDITURE A/C Year ending 30th June 2016

		2015-16		2014-15
INCOME				
Subscriptions	10674.50		11900.50	
Sales of Tz Affairs	524.56		448.13	
Events income	1252.94			
Bank interest	3.30		3.16	
Sundries	23.34		109.89	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		12478.64		12461.68
PAYMENTS OUT				
Bond Membership	390.60			
OPERATING EXPENSES	4=0= 00		1000.00	
AGM	1765.39		1333.60	
Stationery	69.15		0740.40	
Postage	2591.63		2712.19	
Printing	1699.99		1647.60	
Seminar expenses	0.00		80.00	
Website	2486.90		540.00	
Events expenses	3406.62 6.00		814.00 4.00	
Bank charges Room hire	247.38		286.80	
Sundry expenses	247.36 51.20		387.00	
TANZANIAN AFFAIRS	31.20		367.00	
TA expenses			18.00	
TA printing	1304.14		1427.30	
TA bank charges	1304.14		1427.00	
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TOTAL OUTGOINGS		14019.00		9250.49
Net Surplus/Deficit		-1540.36		3211.19

BALANCE SHEET as at 30th June 2016

		2016		2015
FUNDS				
Balance brought forward		11958.03		8746.84
Surplus/Deficit for the year		-1540.36	_	3211.19
		10417.67		11958.03
ASSETS				
Current a/c	4787.72		7029.90	
Deposit HSBC	5629.95	10417.67	5626.65	12656.55
Creditors				
TDT			-698.52	-698.52
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NET ASSETS		10417.67	_	11958.03

Notes to Accounts

- 1 BTS received £2679.60 on behalf of TDT (£3294.52 previous year) and paid TDT £3378.12 (£2804.00 previous year)
- 2 Membership subscriptions are taken into account on a cash basis
- 3 Expenditure is included on a cash basis

Examiner

I have examined the above statement of assets and liabilities and the accompanying income and expenditure account which are prepared and drawn up in accordance with the books and vouchers of the Society and from explanations given to me.

J E H Olivier [signed] 30th July 2016





The Britain-Tanzania Society aims to increase mutual knowledge, understanding and respect between the peoples of Britain and Tanzania through seminars, events and publications, and through the development of education, health, water and sanitation and other self-help community development activities and the promotion of gender equality.