

NEWSFLASH NO. 4

Supporting Tanzanian
STOW
Orphans and Widows

March 2007

Dear Member

Dates for your diary!

- ✚ **20th April** By kind permission of Peppery Productions there will be an exit collection for STOW at the Soothsayers (www.soothsayers.net) concert at Manor Ballrooms, Ipswich on Friday 20th April. Visit www.peppery.co.uk for more details. Tickets are available from the New Wolsey Theatre Box Office on 01473 295900
- ✚ **30th June** Following a successful dinner & cabaret at Thurstons Barn last June, this year's event is on Saturday 30th June. Tickets will soon be available.
- ✚ **19th August** 'Woolly Ascot' and Garden Party at Meadowcroft, East Green, Kelsale.

Progress with AFRIWAG

The formal STOW/AFRIWAG 2007 agreement covering orphan schooling has been signed off. However, thanks to 2 subsequent generous donations we are now in discussion with AFRIWAG about the following additional activities:

- ✚ Increasing the number of orphans we support
- ✚ Buying a project vehicle for school and home visits
- ✚ Providing emergency support to orphans and their carers
- ✚ Setting up a legal aid fund for widows

Other News

You may have heard Bob Geldof saying on Radio 4's Today programme that Tanzanian school children do not have to wear school uniforms. Having visited many schools over many years, this has not been Marie's experience! Jem and Marie will clarify the situation during the monitoring visit at the end of May.

Our chairperson and secretary met with the Tanzanian High Commissioner in London last month. She was very supportive of STOW's work and was impressed with what we had achieved in such a short time.

We are updating the STOW leaflet. VSO are kindly covering most of the printing costs.

Thank you for enabling STOW to make a difference!