



SERVAS SOCIAL: Friday 7th March @Jenny's in Namiwawa. Jamaica – Is it all reggae and white beaches?

Jenny gave a really interesting power-point on Jamaica with some really great images but Demelza rudely slept through it and awoke saying ok 'let's get on with the talk! – where does Servas Malawi get its naughty members from? Luckily forgiveness was in the air but it may not always be – so come with your eyes wide open! Food was great and yummy. Tx!



Servas Malawi Socials are an opportunity to hear what is going on in Servas and have a chilled evening of nice food, good company and something interesting to listen too. It's also an opportunity for members to bring their friends who may also be interested in joining in Servas . We want to keep our membership fresh with new ideas.



**SERVAS
SOCIAL
Friday July 7th
@Sara's in
Nyambadwe
-Zanzibar
- World Masters**

Even though this was quite a last minute meeting. It turned out to be a lot of fun.

Billy and Sara hosted it in Nyambadwe close to the Peace Garden for Sonia McFadden.



We started off having a drink, chatting and then Ben gave his powerpoint presentation upon the World Masters Event that he attended in New Zealand.

Challenging anyone over 35 to consider attending the next one to be held in Japan.

Then Taron Aged 10 (helped by Dad) gave a presentation upon



Thank you to Sara Samanika for hosting the Servas Malawi Social get together – 7th July meeting at your house and providing ‘warmth and great food!’ Thankyou everyone for coming and welcome to new members Marko, Kulsum and Tiyana!

Then Taron aged 9years old gave a presentation on a holiday he'd recently had in **Zanzibar** - an island just off the Tanzanian coast.

He told us about the super white beaches and the promenade eat anything you want food stalls.

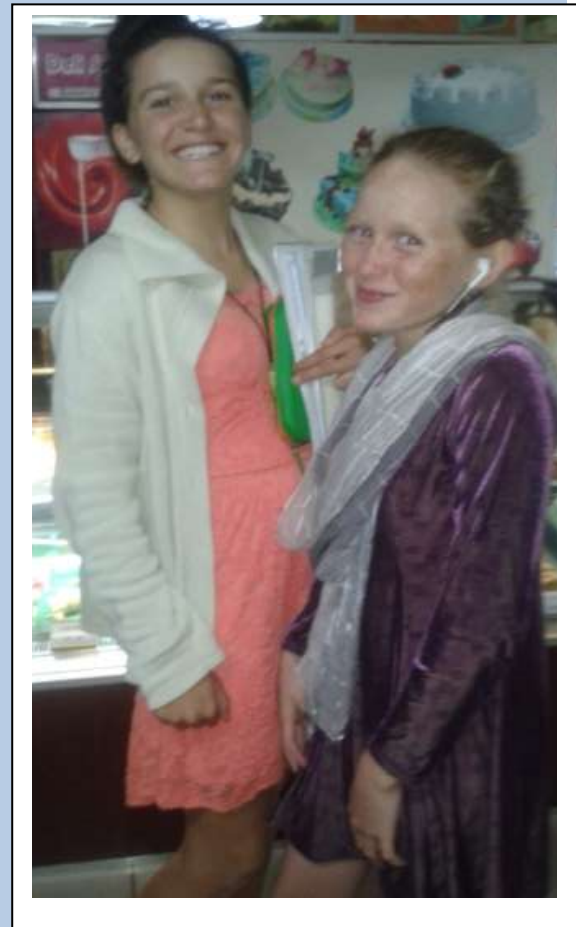
By the end of it we all wanted to go to Zanzibar – and their is a host there too!



EXTRA-ORDINARY DECISION: Members asked for a vote of 'no confidence in the present national secretary siting they'd not seen her attend any meeting since her return from New Zealand 2years ago or received any contact from her by email or whatsapp. **Demelza BENBOW** was asked to stand in as **Interim National Secretary** and **Francis MIJIGA** as **Interim Deputy** (unanimous vote) until our 2018 AGM.



He said the hotel where they stayed was very peaceful and chilled and he liked it. the best because it had a nice warm swimming pool for him to play in. His mum mentioned his 'mom i think i am dying' when he experienced his first episode of 'sea sickness' and talked about the slave trade that operated at that time.



NEXT SERVAS SOCIAL = AGM
Saturday 13th January 2pm Demelza's house.
PRESENTATION: Rwanda Regional African Meeting

Servas SYLE-Volunteer Experience

Come on think about it! Could **'MALAWI'** be for YOU

- Country: MALAWI - Southern Africa area.
- Length: 1 month.
- Stay with National Sec' x2 days (settle in).
1st: Stay 2 nights each @ 5/6 Blantyre hosts
hosts will:- a) Take you to work with them for a day. b) Orientate you to taking minibuses etc. c) Help you study Chichewa.



bascs; d) Advise/go help you 'get to know Blantyre' by visiting St Michaels, Carlsberg, Queens Hospital, Thyolo & Zomba.

2nd: Longer-stays of 1+1week+volunteer work
Stay 1 week with 1 host & 1 week with a 2nd While completing voluntary work with an allocated NGO's which could be:-

- Blood Donation Service – collect testimonies.
- Queens Hospital – Accountancy, finances.
- Namasimba Day Centre – teaching 3-8yrs.
- Chichiri Prison – Ladies section – English.
- Open Arms - baby care feeding + playing.



Evenings: what is there to do? study, cook, chat: Monday Hash fun run. Choir 7-9pm. Weds: 4-5 Water polo. Volleyball 7pm.

3rd: 2 weeks self-funded travel @ lake or around Malawi & back for debrief with N/S



Requirements: YOU MUST BE ABLE TO ✓ be a 'model-Servas-traveller', ✓ give a powerpoint presentation upon a) your life, b) your country; ✓ have traveller/hosting experience ✓ Buy/pay your own plane ticket to and from your country.

✓ Be +18yrs. ✓ Able to pay for x4-5 lessons of Chichewa=\$30. ✓ \$160 admin fee, ✓ Have travel Insurance. ✓ Pocket money; ✓ Able to communicate well/ok in English.

✓ \$ Have funds to buy lunches and or local travel.

✓ Funds to shop, make & cook 1 dinner each week at your 'long-stay' hosts home.



- ✓ Funds to travel in Malawi in your last week.

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