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# Maramba River Lodge

Newsletter 14

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*Happy New Year to everyone*

## The Baby Elephant rescue at the Lodge

Russell Young, the Manager, noticed a small elephant wandering along the banks of the Maramba River, for a few days. After 7 days it became apparent that the calf was isolated from its herd and was rapidly losing condition.. After support from ZAWA Livingstone and volunteers the young elephant ( later named Maramba) was rescued and kept in Russell's garden until the Elephant Orphanage Project Team arrived

from Lusaka. Although attached by its leg, the young elephant played havoc on the garden – it was obviously frightened and one wondered why it had been left behind by the herd.

Maramba was mildly sedated, put into a padded crate and driven to Lusaka under the supervision of ZAWA vet Dr Harvey Kamboyi. The journey took many hours as there were stops on the way to allow him time to relax from the jolting of the truck. He was still very traumatised.



On arrival in Lusaka, Maramba immediately calmed down as he joined two other recently rescued elephants – Kavalamanja and Musolole who are being kept at the staging post before their translocation to the Kafue National Park Release Facility. As these elephants are under two years old, they are very vulnerable and require a high level of care, especially if they have undergone periods of starvation and stress. So these three need to stay in Lusaka until they are healthier and stronger.




Just days after his rescue, Maramba (front) is on the road to recovery and enjoying milk with his new family

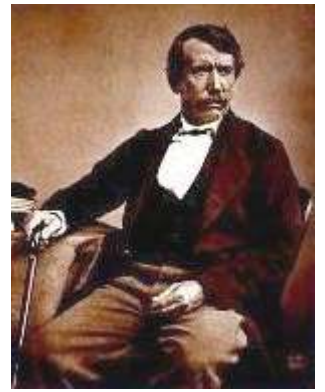
Despite all being boisterous bulls, these three young orphan elephants have already helped one another to heal their wounds and emotional scars.

Information provided by Game Rangers International's Newsflash

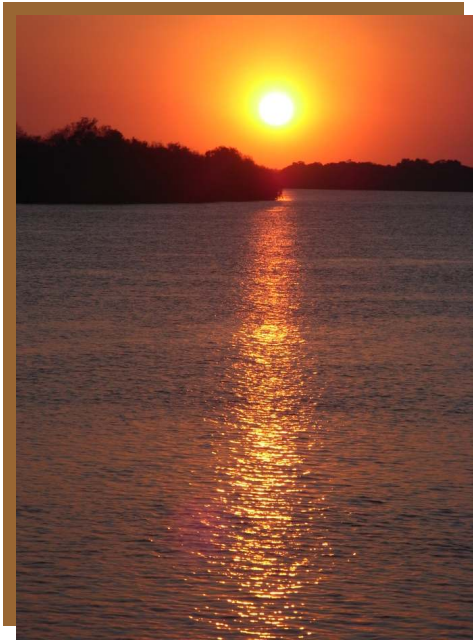





Advance warning of commemorations of the  200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of **David Livingstone's** birth in March 1813, to take place in Livingstone. Tourists may like to put this in their diaries for a special holiday in **2013**. Apart from theatre, dancing, music, sporting events of all kinds, photographic competitions and exhibitions, there



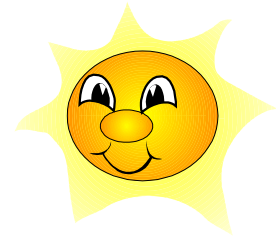
will be reflections on Livingstone's commitment to exploration, medicine, education and the eradication of slavery – all concerns pertinent today. Watch this space for further information.



Sunset over the Zambezi River 

### Weather for this period in 2012

	January	February	March
Max Temp	30 °C	30°C	30 °C
Min Temp	19 °C	19 °C	18 °C
Rainfall	174mm	141mm	80mm
Humidity	75%	77%	72%



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 Riverside  
 Restaurant  
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 the  elephants  
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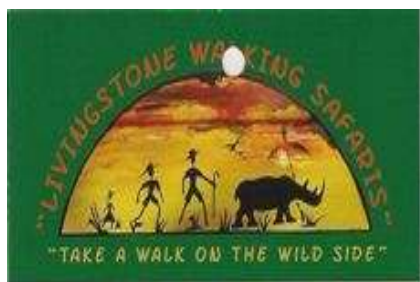
### Exchange Rates

1\$ = 5060 Kwacha, 1£ = 7928 K, 1Euro = 6616K, 1Rand = 624K



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 walk on  
 the Wild  
 Side'

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Flowers at the Lodge  
 -photos taken by Kira and  
 Nikita Young



### Where is Maramba River Lodge?

4K from the Victoria Falls in the Mosi-oa-Tunya National Park

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