MEET OUR DEDICATED FIELD OPERATIONS TEAM

THE ZAMBEZI SOCIETY - April 2021

We are delighted to introduce the people doing all the Zambezi Society's hard work on the ground in the Zambezi Valley - focused currently in the **Charara Safari Area** and in **Mana Pools National Park**.

Our Operations Team provides assistance to ZimParks, with ranger anti-poaching deployments and patrols, rapid reaction to poaching incursions, ranger welfare, ranger training, road clearance and opening, provision of supplies for clinics and schools, snare removal and much much more. The work involves long hours in remote areas in very harsh conditions, and logistics and funding have to be managed very carefully. This team does an amazing job!

Amy Wolton conservation and project director



Strategic planning, Reporting, Financial management, Research, Donor liaison , Partner relationships, Fundraising / Events / Marketing

Background: Bachelor Science, majoring in both Conservation Biology and Zoology, University Western Australia. 3 years with African Wildlife Conservation Fund, Assistant Project Manager, before joining the Zambezi Society.

Mitch Riley operations project manager



Operational planning, Operational team management, Training, Infrastructure development, Asset Management, Partner relationships, Field media, Marketing

Background: Holds a Professional Zimbabwe Hunter/Guides licence. Has been involved in the safari industry and conservation for the past 13 years as Manager of Spurwing Island. He owns his own professional guiding business – Mitch Riley Pro Guide and Photography – which he runs whilst heading up the Zambezi Society's operational projects (since June 2020).

Simba Kandiero team leader, head driver and coxswain.



Oversees operational logistics and reporting from the field. Head driver (vehicles) and coxswain (patrol boat). Learner Guide (studying for full Guide's licence).

Background: 2006 to 2007 worked with Lues construction in Kariba. 2007 to 2008 Lake Harvest bream farm Kariba – working on production and later in the factory (processing). 2009 to 2017: Sovereign houseboat on Lake Kariba, starting as a deckhand and becoming Captain in 2015. 2018 joined the Zambezi Society as driver and coxswain.



Mika Muzezewa (left) DRIVER & MECHANIC

Deploying ranger patrols with the Zambezi Society vehicle in Mana Pools National Park. Also studying for his coxwain's licence

Background: formerly with HHK Safaris and African Bush Camps.

Greymore Arumenda (centre) DRIVER & TRACKER

Deploying ranger patrols with the Zambezi Society vehicle in Charara Safari Area. Studying for his coxswain's licence.

Background: has worked with Mitch Riley for 12 years

Moffat Siamarabi (right) RELIEF DRIVER

Assists with Zambezi Society vehicles when the other drivers are away. Also holds a coxswain's licence.

Background: Worked on houseboats in Kariba

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