

Positively interact with nature to meet the overall objective of this club which is to promote conservation of bird species, reduce their decline and preserve their habitats.

# MUNI UNIVERSITY AVIAN CONSERVATI ON CLUB

CLUB LAUNCH REPORT  
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## **MUNI UNIVERSITY AVIAN CONSERVATION CLUB (MUACC).**

### **TITTLE.**

MUNI UNIVERSITY AVIAN CONSERVATION CLUB LAUNCH REPORT  
CURRIED ON 17<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 2023 AT DESERT BREEZE HOTEL BRANCH AT  
MUNI UNIVERSITY.

### **INTRODUCTION**

Muni University Avian conservation club is a club which works in partnership with Avian conservation Uganda Society (ACUS) as a patron organization. The club advocates for the conservation of birds, advocating for bird habitat restoration and preservation.

### **Club motto.**

Avian life for generations.

### **Club mission**

Promoting the understanding, appreciation and conservation for Birds of Uganda.

### **Club objectives.**

1. To encourage members, especially young people, mainly bird lovers to learn about ornithology, identification and conservation of our birds through field excursions, outing meetings and the avian magazine.
2. To promote partnerships with international and local partners and friends of conservation of birds.
3. To advocate for the protection of birds and their habitats in Muni University, Arua City, West Nile and Uganda.

## BODY.

On 17<sup>th</sup> June, 2023 Muni University Avian conservation Club hosted members from Avian Conservation Uganda Society for the Club Launch. The function was successfully carried out at Desert Breeze Hotel Muni University Branch.

The club members were so delighted to receive ACUS at Muni University.

ACUS TEAM: Madam Akankunda Suzan and Mr. Joshua Mukama were warmly welcomed at Muni University where they had a long discussion with the club members sharing insights and experiences in bird conservation, bird watching and bird identification.

Muni University 8<sup>th</sup> Guild Council was represented by the deputy Speaker, Right Hon. Alezoyo Lydia in this great day for the Club Launch.

## Activities done.

### Discussion on bird conservation.

ACUS team and the club members discussed on why there is need for bird conservation. The importance of birds in the ecosystems, and the country at large were also discussed.

It was discussed that Birds live just about everywhere. Whether you are in a city, in the woods, at a lake or river, or out in farm country, you will find birds. Birds are one of life's more beautiful pleasures. Millions of people around the world enjoy watching and feeding birds.

### Birds Help Us Know if the Environment is Healthy

Because birds are sensitive to toxins and pollutants, problems detected in wild birds can serve as an early warning system that something is wrong in the environment. Then changes can be made before the problem starts affecting humans and other animals.

The gaps within the data bases on the bird distribution and abundance was also discussed where members concluded that more research and findings have to be carried out to provide the missing data and fill the gaps in the data bases.

Members also discussed that birds have a relationship with human health where they could pass some diseases to humans. The recommendation was also made that protective agents need to be enhanced while dealing with birds

## Bird identification and checklist formation.

ACUS team also guided the club members on bird identification through use of the different body parts, bird voices and location the birds. The members were trained on how to use e-bird to create the bird checklists from their field studies.



*Figure 1 Understanding bird identification*

## Certification of the registered members.

Registered members of the avian conservation Uganda Society we awarded certificates and tags to officially start executing their duties as registered members of the society.

Four members;

1. Ampumuza Baimark
2. Sande Job
3. Kwemboi Lisbon
4. Alinda Justus

Were awarded certificates as fully registered members of ACUS.



*Figure 2 members of ACUS awarded with certificates*

### **Club launch.**

The club was launched with receiving a field guide from Avian Conservation Uganda Society. The field guide was handed over the club chairperson Ampumuza Baimark with support from the deputy Speaker 8<sup>th</sup> Guild Council Muni University Rt. Hon. Alezoyo Lydia and Mr. Tatweebwa Berian a member of the club.

### **CONCLUSION.**

The day was a great one where members interacted with ACUS team, gaining expertise and knowledge on bird conservation.

Members concluded there is lot need to be done as far as conservation of birds is concerned, public awareness about bird conservation, habitat restoration and research-based activities about birds.

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