**CALL FOR ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS!**

The Animal Welfare Magazine, Issue No. 18 - January to June 2024

*Exploring the Animal Welfare Interlinks: Arid and Semi-Arid Regions*

We trudge on to explore the interlinks - animal welfare, environment and sustainable development, venturing into the vast dry landscapes of Africa. We delve into the often-neglected issues faced by communities and their animals in arid regions, semi-arid regions and in lands adversely affected by the climate crisis.

We invite writers, photographers, cartoonists and illustrators to contribute articles, photographs, cartoons and illustrations for The Animal Welfare Magazine, Issue No. 18 - January to June 2024.

We unveil the theme of The Animal Welfare Magazine, Issue No. 18 - January to June 2024 to be: ‘Addressing Animal Welfare in African Communities of the Arid and Semi-Arid Areas and in Regions Adversely Affected by Conflict and/or Climate Crisis.’

We would like to receive articles, photographs, illustrations, and cartoons on the following topics:

- The Socio-economic and Cultural Value of Animals in Pastoralist Communities
- Learning About Biodiversity Endemic to the African Arid and Semi-Arid Lands
- Indigenous Animal Welfare Customs and Practices by Africa’s Pastoralist Communities
- The Geography and History of Arid and Semi-Arid Landscapes in Africa: The Resilience of the People, The Animals and Their Adaptive Norms
- The Impact of Droughts, Floods and Fires on Animals Globally and the Interventions to Care for and Protect Animals in Crisis.
- Interventions and Care for Animals in Conflict Zones.
- Addressing Zoonotic Disease Transmission in Livestock and Wildlife in arid and semi-arid regions.
- Undertaking and/or implementing research studies that will make/has made an impact on animal welfare.
- Livestock Raiding, its history and how it affects the welfare of animals.
- Gender and animal welfare in arid and semi-arid regions
- Emerging issues, studies and innovations on Animal Welfare
- One Welfare: The connection between the welfare of animals, human beings and the environment.
- Animal Sentience and Intelligence
- The Psychology of People and Animals in Crisis
- Psychological Impact of Climate and Conflict Crisis on People and Animals.
- Focus on Animal Presence in Therapy and Support
- How animal welfare, wildlife and environmental conservation supports and impacts on livelihoods and education in arid and semi-arid areas.
- Development in animal welfare education, humane education and veterinary practice in Africa
- Policy and Advocacy: Laws, Bills, Regulations, Standards and Resolutions on animal welfare and related topics
- Celebrating animal, sustainable development and environment days and events
- Lessons from Children on caring for Animals
- Odd, hilarious and fun stories and pieces on animal welfare in the arid and semi-arid regions.

It is encouraged that contributors send good photographs accompanying articles shared for publishing.

Africa Network for Animal Welfare (ANAW) gives writers, photographers, illustrators and cartoonists an opportunity to have their articles, photographs, cartoons and illustrations in our biannual magazine. Work submitted should include feature articles, investigative articles, research briefs, opinion pieces, interviews, news articles, profiles, and photo stories. Fiction pieces including short stories, poetry and futuristic fiction are welcome.

Writing about animals will go a long way towards enlightening the world on the importance of protecting, caring for, and advocating for animals, and promoting good animal welfare. We write about wildlife, domestic animals, companion animals, working animals, animals in science, animals in entertainment, and marine animals.

If you are interested, you can send your articles, photographs, illustrations and cartoons to Catherine at communications@anaw.org, and/or cc kate@anaw.org and sharon@anaw.org by **November 10, 2023**.

Join us as we journey towards a world that protects, loves and cares for animals.

- From The Animal Welfare Magazine Team