

MAY 2023



ABCA

Australian Books for
Children of Africa Ltd

**Welcome to the ABCA May
newsletter.**

**Our two ABCA shipments have arrived
in Johannesburg and Kenya and we
look forward to sharing with you news
of allocations and distributions over
the next couple of months.**

**This month Robyn Kanowitz shares her
connection to ABCA as we continue our
"Spotlight on our Volunteers"
segment.**



ABCA NEWS



ABCA books have arrived in Gauteng - report from Lauren Klevansky, Director ABCA Africa

Seventy-one boxes of ABCA books have finally arrived in Johannesburg! Twenty-four of those boxes are being sent to the Union of Jewish Women in Cape Town for them to distribute in the area.

We are very excited that the books are here and look forward to distributing them and sending through photos and feedback.



ABCA books have arrived in Kenya

Our books have arrived in Kenya. We look forward to receiving lots of photos, videos and thank you notes from our ABCA Africa Director Rosemary Odongo as they get distributed.

This is our first shipment to Kenya in 6 years which would not have been possible without the patronage of the Harry Cohney Charitable Foundation, ABCA Africa 2023 Patron.





Robyn Kanowitz's ABCA connection

A few years ago , a friend invited me to join her on a Saturday morning packing books for the children of Africa and that casual invitation started my involvement with ABCA.

I really do believe that the gift of education is the key to empowering people, and reading and books are the building blocks of education. To be able to literally provide these building blocks to those who would otherwise not have access to them, is crucial. And it all starts with showing the children the power and pleasure of reading. That opens a world of opportunities for them.

For me personally, being involved with ABCA, provides a connection to Africa which I crave and value. Despite having left South Africa 29 years ago, and feeling lucky and grateful to be living in Australia, the deep emotional connection to my African roots remains. Volunteering for ABCA enables me to feel I can repay, in a very small way, the country where I was born and grew up and spent a very privileged childhood.

And so the inspirational volunteers of ABCA provide me with the platform to engage with other like-minded people to enable the provision of opportunities and enjoyment to the children of Africa.



THANK YOU



Books delivered to Hippo Hollow Edu-care in Xola Village in Queenstown (Eastern Cape)





SAVE THE
DATES



**Save these dates
for our ABCA book
packing:**

Our next book packing will take place on Saturday 12 August

11.00am - 1.00pm

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**ABCA BOOK
PACKING
DATES FOR
2023**



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- 18 FEBRUARY 2023
- 1 APRIL 2023
- 1 JULY 2023 **Cancelled**
- 12 AUGUST 2023
- 14 OCTOBER 2023
- 25 NOVEMBER 2023