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## **SATURDAY 24 FEBRUARY 2007**

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## RESULTS: RÖSSING NAMIBIA MARATHON CHAMPIONSHIP & 10 KM RUN / WALK ON SATURDAY 24 FEBRUARY 2007

Simon Shigwedha of the Namibia Defence Force is the 2007 Rössing Namibia Marathon Champion, running the 42.2km in 2:27:16.

In the second place was Erich Goeieman (2:28:21) and short on his heels in third place was Robert Kaxuxuena (2:28:33).

Four-time Marathon Champion in 2001, 2004, 2005 and 2006, Salomo Padrao David, of the Windhoek Welwitchia 77 Athletics Club, did not participate this year. His best time was 2:22:28 set in 2005.

Luketz Swartbooi still holds the Rössing Marathon Championship record time of 2:11:23 set in 1992.

This year's event in Swakopmund started in overcast conditions, which soon changed to sunny and hot conditions with the marathon athletes experiencing temperatures in the midtwenty degrees Celsius out on the Henties Bay road.

Forty-five athletes in the Marathon and 107 athletes in the 10km race participated in today's event. The race was run from the parking area near the Mole and on to the Henties Bay Road and back.

The Ladies Open winner was Beate Naigombe in a time of 2:54:27, which gave her an overall ninth place in the Marathon. She was followed by Seglinde Gontes (3:48:45) and Adele de la Ray (4:11:04). Adele also took third place in last year's event.

This year was the 16<sup>th</sup> year that the Rössing Marathon Championship was hosted.

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In the 10km Hosea Frans took first place (00:30:17) – he was in second place in the 2006 event. In second place was Tomas David (00:30:35), followed by Johannes Naitembu (00:31:06).

Selma Shiimi was the first female in the 10km event in a time of 00:40:34.

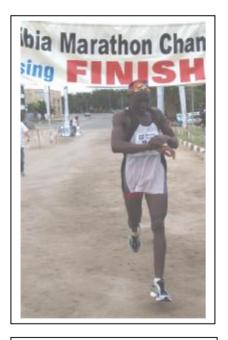
Rössing Uranium's Manager Human Resources, Maryke Kröhne, congratulated all the runners on their excellent performances. "You have made the most of your abilities and showed that you are fine sportsmen and women."

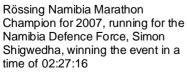
She said that through the event Rössing Uranium hopes to promote a healthy lifestyle among all Namibians.

"Rössing is committed to continue our sponsorship of this important event on the Namibia athletics calendar as we have done for the past 16 years. Just as Rössing is a supplier of energy to the world for more than 30 years, we would like to see ourselves as a supplier of energy in long distance running in Namibia by continued sponsorship of this event."

About 50 walkers participated in the 5km Charity Walk for the Cancer Association of Namibia.

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Female Rössing Namibia Marathon winner Beate Naigombe in 02:54:27



Start of the 2007 Rössing Namibia Marathon Championship & 10Km Race Rössing Uranium Limited 28 Hidipo Hamutenya Avenue Swakopmund, Namibia Registered in Namibia No. 70/1591



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Winners Marathon 2007				
CATEGORY	PLACE	NAME	Time	
Marathon Masters Male	3	John Cuff	3:40:55	
	2	Andre Bester	3:28:28	
	1	Achim Herma	3:05:08	
Marathon Veteran Ladies	3	Elize Fick	4:15:37	
	2	Adri Coetzee	4:02:35	
	1	Lourencia Elago	3:53:14	
Marathon Veteran Male	3	Norbet Fleidl	3:51:28	
	2	Charlie du Toit	3:40:37	
	1	Max Schafer	3:23:31	
Marathon Open Female	3	Adele de la Ray	4:11:04	
	2	Seglinde Gontes	3:48:45	
	1	Beate Naigombe	2:54:27	
Marathon Open Male		Leonard Namupala	2:35:40	
	3	Robert Kaxuxuena	2:28:33	
	2	Erich Goeiemann	2:28:21	
	1	Simon Shigwedha	2:27:16	

Winners 10km 2007					
CATEGORY	PLACE	NAME	Time		
Rössing Team Event	3	Plant Four	0:44:21		
	2	Big Five Plate Shop	0:40:30		
	1	Fine Crushing	0:37:57		
10 km Junior Female	3	Ruusa Theodor	0:50:31		
	2	Priscilla Beukes	0:46:24		

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	1	Julia Shimondi	0:41:33
10km Junior Male	3	Immanuel Awene	0:37:42
		Richard April	0:36:57
		Ligomena Mbungu	0:35:49
		Ligorneria Mbariga	0.55.45
10km Walk Female	3	Anja Volkmann	1:30:03
	2	Celine Namushelo	1:09:41
	1	Senia Aitewa	1:06:34
10km Walk Male	3	Johan Rossouw	1:27:15
	2	Willem Katana	1:02:53
	1	Mutotu Mathais	1:01:53
10km Grand Masters Male	1	Jimmy Gallagher	0:54:49
10km Masters Female		Wilma van Niekerk	1:03:19
	2	Hester Cuff	0:56:28
	1	Glenys Rugmann	0:53:30
10km Masters Male	3	Abbey Mbako	0:49:44
	2	Hennie Fourie	0:48:48
	1	George Mukuahuma	0:42:28
10km Veteran Ladies	3	Desire Tuit	0:47:28
	2	Usla Burd	0:46:14
	1	Zoe Mitchell	0:41:23
10km Veteran Male	3	Petrus Matheus	0:41:29
	2	Pineas Haufiku	0:41:15
	1	Buys Steenkamp	0:38:18
10km Open Female	3	Robyn van Niekerk	0:49:54
		Shilumbu Demetria	0:45:45
	1	Selma Shiimi	0:40:34
10km Open Male	3	Johannes Naitembu	0:31:06
		Tomas David	0:30:35
		Hosea Frans	0:30:17