

Social documentary, photographic journey

Football Muti by Robin Goode
(Jacana, R189.95)

THE photographs are all black and white, the words appear mostly on black pages.

The collection is simply breathtakingly poignant.

Robin Goode's *Football Muti* is a photographic documentation of the game of soccer on the African continent.

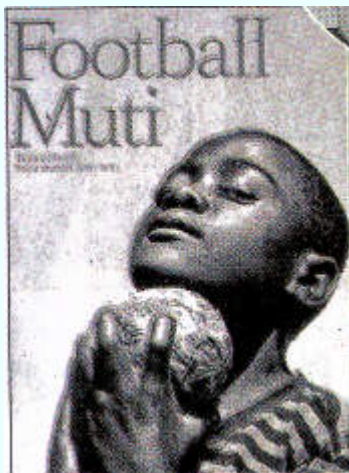
It seeks to highlight the inherent purity of the game by capturing, at grassroots level, Africa's relationship with this most popular sport.

Goode shows that the beauty and purity of the game can be found far from money and celebrity.

It can be found where balls are made from rags, goal posts are made from branches and Adidas stripes are drawn on young feet.

It can be found with the children of the poorest places on earth.

According to Jacana:
"*Muti*, both a social



documentary and photographic journey, highlights not only Africa's passion for football, but also the maladies that beset the continent, and football's potential role as a balm for those maladies."

The *Muti* project aims at raising money to supply children's charities with much-needed medicine.

It is a book well worth investing in for a whole host of good reasons.

