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## DYNAMIC DIAMOND TRUST BANK PRE-TAX PROFITS UP BY 52 PER CENT

Diamond Trust Bank has announced record-breaking results for 2008, with group pre-tax profit rising sharply by 52 per cent, from Kshs 1.1 billion in 2007 to Kshs 1.6 billion in 2008.

The group's customer deposit base swelled by a remarkable 55 per cent, from Kshs 29 billion in 2007 to Kshs 45 billion over the corresponding period ending December 2008.

The loan book for the group went up by a significant 47 per cent, to stand at Kshs 34.1 billion.

"The results are a reflection of the sustained expansion of the customer base, complemented by a rapid branch expansion programme being implemented across the East African region," said the Bank's Managing Director and Group CEO Mrs. Nasim Devji.

This growth, she says, had seen DTB's market share of deposits, assets and profitability increase, year after year, over the last seven years.

The group asset base grew by 56 per cent to stand at Kshs 56.1 billion up from Kshs 36 billion;

the total group operating income rose to Kshs 3.7 billion up from Kshs 2.4 billion realized over the same period in the previous year.

The Bank's Board of Directors has recommended a dividend rate of 35 per cent, equating to KShs 1.40 per share, to share holders, the same level as the previous year.

During the course of 2008, DTB Kenya acquired a controlling interest in its Uganda affiliate; this followed the acquisition of majority control by the Kenyan bank in DTB

by Special Correspondent

Tanzania in 2007.

DTB Kenya also established a new banking subsidiary in Burundi late last year.

The Burundi operations are expected to commence next month.

DTB Kenya has signed up for a Kshs 2 billion financing package from IFC (International Finance Corporation).


The funding is being used by the bank to boost its ambitious expansion plans by establishing a wide branch footprint across Eastern Africa, as well as for increasing its lending to the small and medium enterprise sector.

This year the group plans to open nearly 25 new branches in the region, including a branch in Zanzibar which is due to open imminently.

DTB is an affiliate of the Aga Khan Fund for Economic Development (AKFED), the economic development arm of the Aga Khan Development Network.

Amongst the bank's key shareholders are Habib Bank Limited (HBL), an AKFED subsidiary, and the International Finance Corporation, the private lending arm of the World Bank.

**BIG DAY**



H.E. Mrs Vanessa Hynes, wife of Canadian High Commissioner to Kenya, will officially lay the foundation stone of the Dining Hall and Dormitory Extension to the Mombasa Girl Guides Shanzu camp site on Saturday, March 14 from 9.15 a.m.

Provincial Commissioner Ernest Munyi, Kisauni M.P. Hon. Ali Hassan Joho and numerous Coast and civic dignitaries are also expected to attend.

Programme includes short speeches from Kenya Girl Guides National Trustees Mrs. Honorine Kiplagat and Mrs. D.P. Shah, Chairman Susan Mudhune, Chief Commissioner Wamuyu Mahinda and entertainment provided by Coast Girl Guides.

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# Lucky Winners Of The Month Of Romance Promotion At Cinemax

# Groupers Bonanza



Seen are some of the winners of the just concluded promotion Top prize winner: [LEFT PHOTO] Kyalo Kaleli receiving his voucher from the Nyali Cinemax Marketing Manager, Sapna Sachania. [RIGHT PHOTO] Ms. Margaret Mwangi and Jitendra Sheth and his family having just received their vouchers.

Nyali Cinemax was giving out 5 romantic getaways to Kijani House in Lamu, The White-sands Beach Hotel and Spa, Sarova Taita Hills Lodge (2) and Sarova Salt Lick Lodge in during the month long promotion. Entries into the promotion were from the diners at Bollywood Bites or Scorpion Sports n Spirits

Bar and Restaurant; and moviegoers who watched

**Luck By Chance, Australia** or any of the Valentines' Day movies.

The response as expected was phenomenal, and the following were picked as the winners:

Mr. Kyalo Kaleli won the weekend for 2 at Kijani House, Lamu; Ms. Margaret.

Mwangi won the night at Sarova Whitesands;

The two safaris for 2 pax each were won by Jitendra Sheth and Nisha Devani and the Salt Lick

safari for 2 was won by Mr. Jacob Orondo.

For those who didn't win, look out for the next Nyali Cinemax promotion on going or starting very soon, and as we said last time- next time it could be you in the frame !

Oshwal Yuvak Sangh is the youth wing of Shree Visa Oshwal Vanik Community in Mombasa.

The main activities of the Sangh are to organize and host various socio-cultural, entertainment and sporting programs for the benefit of the members and the public at large.

The Sangh also provides its members with various opportunities to improve their talents and skills in sports and cultural fields, thus following our motto "Providing with Opportunities".

The Sangh is organizing a quiz on Friday 20th March 2009 from 7pm onwards at the Visa Oshwal Mahajanwadi in aid of charity for the Famine Relief Fund.

We are all aware of the current drought situation prevailing in our country and Oshwal Yuvak Sangh wants to play its part in assisting the unfortunate victims of this national calamity.

All proceeds from this program will go towards the Famine Relief Fund.

The basic aim of hosting this Quiz is to collect funds for the charity as well as to enhance the general knowledge amongst our society and bonding of fellowship and friendship between people from different races and cultures.

There will be a multitude of rounds covering various topics from all over the world and each round will have its own prizes.

As well as these there will also

be overall prizes. We are fortunate to have been assisted by various sponsors in procuring attractive products to ensure that all winners get an exhilarating feeling upon receiving their prizes.

Team registration will take place on Monday 16th March and Tuesday 17th March from 6pm to 7pm at the Shree Visa Oshwal Mahajanwadi.

Apart from this one can also register their teams at Didi Travels Ltd. in Shiva Towers or Technosoft Cyber Cafe at the Nyali Cinemax.

A team should comprise of between four to six people of any age or gender.

You can come up with an interesting name for your team to make it easy to identify your group. Registration fees are a very minimal KShs.1,000 only !

Light refreshments will be on sale throughout the evening at very reasonable rates.

There will be no entrance charges for spectators.

Viewing the quiz in progress is absolutely free of charge !

It is not often that everyone gets an opportunity to do some service for others, and we may shy away from doing so as individuals, but here is a chance to get together as one and accord every bit of support for our fellow needy Kenyan brothers and sisters.

# Interact Club Of Swaminarayan Academy Visit APDK Clinic

LIFE IS JUST A LAUGH



"He just said his first word - and he didn't get it from me !"

The 12<sup>th</sup> February, 2009 was an exciting day for the in-patients of APDK Rehabilitation Clinic - Port Reitz.

They were happy to receive students and teachers from the Interact Club of Shree Swaminarayan Academy.

The Club which creates awareness of the importance of serving the community and the less advantaged people recognizes and develops constructive leadership and personal integrity by appointing various officials to carry out certain activities such as raising will be done on 25<sup>th</sup> April, 2009 at Shree Swami-



nayarayan Academy Hall whereby the money collected will once again be used for charity.

By fulfilling their moto "Serving the Needy" they visited the APDK Rehabilitation Clinic - Port Reitz and made donations of food stuff and other items all worth

Seen [from right] the Interact Club Patron Mr. Kalume, the school Principal Mrs. A. Lazar, the Program Manager of APDK Rehabilitation Clinic Mrs. Jayne Kariuki [far right] together with some of the students.

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**APDK Rehabilitation Clinic** is the only facility that offers intensive rehabilitation for children with disability.

It also runs the largest outreach program in the Coast Province that targets children and persons with disability.

APDK is grateful to the School Principal Mrs. A. Lazar, the Club Patron Mr. Kalume for boosting the feeding program and the Coastweek for highlighting the Clinic's needs which has resulted in positive response from the local community.

# Shiekh Khalifa Takes Rotary Oratory Shield

Shamsa Yaya of Shiekh Khalifa Secondary School was declared the best speaker in the Annual Oratory Competition held by Rotary Club of Bahari Mombasa.

21 secondary schools participated from all over the coast.

The 2nd position was taken by

Mary Odiyo of Scared Heart and 3rd was Mohamed Mawiya of Aga Khan High School.

In the category for best rural schools the 1st was Benjamin Opiyo of St. Mary's, Taita and 2nd position went Micheal Chiponda of Dr. Aggrey Secondary School, Taita.



Seen [from left] Rtn. Solomon Mutungi, the convener Shamsa Yaya the best speaker accompanied by the president of Rotary Club Of Bahari Mrs. Jacqueline Waihenya-Maina.

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DIRECTOR GABRIELE MUCCINO'S 'SEVEN POUNDS' STARRING WILL SMITH IN AN EMOTIONAL ACTION DRAMA

# Two Friends Attempt To Derail The Other's Wedding

Kate Hudson and Anne Hathaway are cast with Candice Bergen, Kristen

TWO OF the prettiest and funniest women in Hollywood team up for Gary Winick's *Bride Wars* which opens at the NYALI CINEMAX this week.

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Best friends Lily and Emma have been inseparable since childhood.

Everything they have done has been with their mutual like and enjoyment.

Now at 26, they are getting married to the man of their dreams at the venue of their dreams - New York's Plaza Hotel.

Everything is set for the big event, but a typo error mixes up the dates and they are both scheduled to share the same platform on the same day.

Lily is a successful lawyer who is used to getting everything on her terms.

Emma on the other hand, has sacrificed for others all her life and feels that this big day should belong to her and only her.

Not wanting to divide the attention, the two best friends become the biggest rival in an attempt to derail the other's wedding.

Hell hath no fury than a woman scorned - and we are

looking at two, not one.

Going on for it

Going on for it's second week is director Gabriele Muccino's *Seven Pounds* starring Will Smith.

An emotional drama that shows us IRS agent who takes on the identity of his brother to cover a dark secret.

Everything falls apart when he falls in love and he has to make amends on more fronts

## CINEMAS with Anjum Asodia

than one.

Jim Carrey, Rhys Darby, Bradley Cooper, Zoey Deschanel and Sasha Alexander have three more shows in *Yes Man*, while Michael Sheen, Bill Nighy, Rhona Mitra, Shane Brolly and Kevin Greivoux in *Underworld 3: Rise of the Lycans* and Angelina Jolie, Amy Ryan and John Malkovich in *Changeling* have one show each.

For the Indian scene, carry on with the Holi celebration at the NYALI CINEMAX with each and every film going at only 250/- shillings per ticket for any Indian film.

*Delhi - 6* continues it's run at the NYALI CINEMAX with Abhishek Bachchan, Sonam Kapoor, Rishi Kapoor, Waheeda Rehman and Divya

Dutta.

Young Roshan - half Hindu, half Muslim - is brought to India by his ailing grandmother.

In the vibrant and colourful Delhi, Roshan discovers his roots and realizes what a major part of living he has missed out in all his life in America.

Shah Rukh Khan, Irfan Khan and Lara Dutta may be the major attraction in *Billu Barber* but the vivacious Kareena Kapoor, Deepika Padukone and Priyanka Chopra provide plenty of curvaceous attractions.

It is Shah Rukh Khan yet again, this time with Anushka Sharma in *Rab Ne Bana Di Jodi*.

*Ghajini* has placed Aamir Khan on the top of the list of Bollywood actors.

Her thrilling performance in the film earned Asin a nomination for Best Actress at the Filmfare Award night.

Emraan Hashmi a.k.a. 'The Kisser' can be seen with Kangana Ranaut and Anshuuman in *Raaz 2*.

Next week will see the release of the much-awaited *Pink Panther 2* which stars Steve Martin, Jean Reno, Andy Garcia, John Cleese, Alfred Molina and our very own desi Aishwarya Rai Bachchan.

# Relief Food Distribution By The Hindu Council Of Kenya

On Sunday 1st March 2009, the Members of Hindu council of Kenya - Mombasa branch distributed Maize Meal worth Ksh 500,000/- in the drought stricken towns of Kirangoni, Guruguru and Bamba in the Kaloleni and Kilifi districts in the Coast Province.

An estimated 5,000 needy people benefited from this Food Distribution Exercise and were very thankful to the Hindu Council of Kenya - Mombasa.

This was in response to the national food disaster declared by the Kenya Government due to the prevailing drought in our country.

Under the able leadership of the Chairman Mr. Dhirajal Shah of Hindu council of Kenya - Mombasa, the trip was successfully organised in a very short span of time.

Assisting the Chairman were Mr. Premchandbhai Shah who is the immediate past national trustee of H.C.K and his gracious wife Mrs. Shantaben P. Shah who were the Main Sponsors during the food distribution exercise.

The Chairman said in the past H.C.K - Mombasa, has responded positively to the national disaster proclaimed by the Government of Kenya and in the future will continue to support such appeals in abundance.

## Special Report by Correspondent

# Uganda's Former National Rally Champion Wins Lake View Rally

KAMPALA, (Xinhua) -- Uganda's former national rally champion Ronald Ssebuguzi has opened the 2009 season with victory in the Lake View Rally in Mbarara over the weekend.

The Jomayi sponsored driver, in a rebuilt Mitsubishi Evo 4 with his new navigator Justin Mungoma, finished in a time of

02:13:14, nearly 14 minutes ahead of second placed newcomer Nasser Mutebi in a Subaru N4.

"We drove a well calculated race, taking advantage in the opening two sections on day one.

"We built on that position," a delighted Ssebuguzi was quoted by *Daily Monitor* on Monday as saying.

"I dedicate this win to my sponsors (Jomayi) who bought me a new engine.

"I also thank my mechanics and fans," said Ssebuguzi.

Ssebuguzi is believed to have one arm on the National Rally Championship (NRC) title.

In the last three years, the winner of the Mbarara rally has gone on to win the NRC title.

## STARCAST GEMINI KILIFI

**Aquarius** (Jan. 22 - Feb. 21) Try to live up to your expectations today - responsibility is a key issue for you and all it takes is one big show for you to feel incredibly good about yourself. Of course, others feel even better about you!

**Pisces** (Feb. 22 - Mar. 21) You're working on something totally new today and should be able to get your people to see that things need some shaking up! You're building more than destroying, though, so it works out well.

**Aries** (Mar. 22 - April 21) You bristle when a friend or relative says something they think is innocuous. Don't suppress it this time - go ahead and let them have it, but make sure you're ready to make up soon!

**Taurus** (April 22 - May 21) Now is a perfect time to relax and enjoy the good energy coming your way. You may have a plateau of sorts, but it's one that you can really feel good about. Growth can come later!

**Gemini** (May 22 - June 21) It's a good time for you to look for bargains - your eye for a good deal is sharper than ever and you can save some bucks to use for fun stuff later on. Even better, you may want to start saving more.

**Cancer** (June 22 - July 21) You can read emotions much more easily today - your own included! It's a really good time for you to step up and get your people to talk about whatever they may be going through now.

**Leo** (July 22 - Aug. 21) It's the perfect time for you to start something new. You may need to shake off some inertia, but that's not so hard and you can tell that by tomorrow, you should be more energetic than ever!

**Virgo** (Aug. 22 - Sept. 21) Though at least some of your friends are housebound now, you are more interested in getting out there and socializing. It may be a good time to take out a client or meet someone totally new.

**Libra** (Sept. 22 - Oct. 21) You do have enough going on right now - there is no need for you to worry about what people will think of you if you say no to a few projects. It's a good day for the status quo, at least as far as you're concerned!

**Scorpio** (Oct. 22 - Nov. 21) Intellectual pursuits are even more appealing than usual today and you should find that you can take on even more interesting and complex material than usual. It's a good time for collaboration.

**Sagittarius** (Nov. 22 - Dec. 2) You've got some serious moodiness following you around today, but that's okay by you. As long as your family can tolerate it, things should be fine - sometimes your emotions are excellent guides!

**Capricorn** (Dec. 22 - Jan. 21) You can see big changes happening all around you - but those that are going on inside you are a little harder to figure out. Now is a good time to sit quietly and reflect to get a better sense of where you're headed.

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The story of Mariam Dawood starts with a humble upbringing and a strict Muslim back ground, writes *Okoko Ashikoye*.

She's the first born in a family comprising of three boys and three girls.

Just like any candidate who sat for the 2008 KCSE exams, Mariam believed that she would perform better considering the amount of energy and preparation she dedicated to her study.

She obtained 86.55 mean grade and emerged as the top rank girl from Sheikh Khalifa secondary, second best girl and fifth best student in the coast.

Ironically, the top 10 students that the coast province produced, six of them - i.e. Number 1, 2, 5, 6, 7 & 8 are said to be a product of Nasserpuria Primary School.

### DETERMINATION

Mariam attributes her success to sheer determination, hard work, self esteem and more importantly to God the Almighty.

"I appreciate the support I got from my parents, the teachers who sacrificed their free time, prayers from friends and family", said she.

Mariam confides that at the beginning she had low esteem and found it extremely difficult to communicate, but thanks to Sheikh Khalifa secondary school that exposed her to the outside world through a student exchange programme to the US with a theme "Leadership diplomacy and building of self esteem".

She says that the facilitators of the exchange programme noticed her low self esteem and encouraged her by giving her challenges, and further introduce her in all Social functions as the 'future president'.

This included the current U.S. President Barack Obama (then

# Meet Sheikh Khalifa's Wonder Girl Mariam Dawood

**OBTAINED 86.55 MEAN GRADE AND EMERGED AS THE TOP RANK GIRL FROM SHEIKH KHALIFA SECONDARY, SECOND BEST GIRL AND FIFTH BEST STUDENT IN THE COAST**



Mariam Dawood, top female student of Sheikh Khalifa Secondary school is congratulated by her loving mother Mwanashee Bwanashee soon after the announcement last year KCSE results.

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Illinois Senator), Kenyan Ambassador to US and the Social Reform School.

"This exposure enabled me to build up my self esteem and confidence and this made me believe that I was capable of making a difference in the society," she said.

She is looking forward to joining a local university and pursue medicine.

"I've always wanted to be the first female doctor in the entire family.

"I believe I can achieve this and then contribute back to the society".

Her quest to pursue medicine might be hampered considering the huge financial implication and she takes this earliest opportunity and requests all well wishers for financial support that will enable

her overcome the financial challenges. Her future plans is to get involved with MURAD (Move-ment Uniting Resistance Against Drugs) and in collaboration with Reach Out

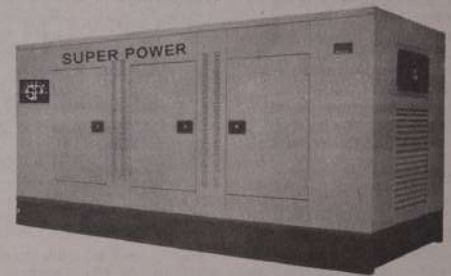
Rehab be able to raise funds in order to keep the Late Murad Saad legacy alive.

Mariam is a member of the Red Cross and enjoys Volunteer work and looks forward to becoming the first female United Nations Secretary General or even the President of Kenya!



Mariam Dawood (second left) with her student colleagues meet Kenyan ambassador to United states of America Ambassador Peter Ogego during the exchange programme that focused on leadership diplomacy and building of self esteem.

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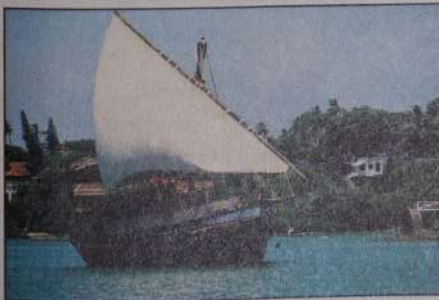
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Over the last few weeks we have covered three broad areas of speed management.

The first was why we need to focus on speed as a risk factor in accidents.

The second was on how to assess our current reality in terms of speed management.

The third was on the tools available for speed management.

We will now continue and explore what goes into designing and implementing a system for speed management.

The success of a speed management programme will require strong support by politicians, opinion leaders in a community as well as from wananchi.

This is why gathering evidence in the early stages is important.

Speed is a highly controversial and emotive issue and even when evidence is available to show that speeding is a problem in a given area or even in the country in general, support from politicians and opinion leaders for implementation of a speed management programme must not be taken for granted.

Speed management restricts driving behaviour and choices and could result in a negative reaction by some sections of the community.

Investing time and effort in involving stakeholders is worthwhile.

It is often best to begin with a 'pre-sell' process with government agency stakeholders or the people that will be the main programme implementation partners.

In this way they can assist with the broader marketing of speed management.

Wananchi will need to be given

# Road Safety In Kenya Means Getting Everyone On Board ?

time to adjust on any changes in the enforcement regime.

Ways to get wananchi engaged include the involvement of senior and well respected leaders by way of them declaring their support for the programme and also in announcing the implementation phase of speed

opposed to efforts to restrict or reduce speeds.

In implementing any programme, the roles of all stakeholders and the level of influence that they hold needs to be fully understood and taken into account.

Legislative responsibility for road safety initiatives is a very muddled area in Kenya and needs to be sorted out.

The recent utterances of our Minister for Transport and those of Internal Security only add to the confusion.

Our proposal is that all legislation to do with roads and any form of carriage on them should come from the Ministry of Transport since they are expected to co-ordinate all matters transport.

Enforcement of such legislation then lies with the Internal security bods.

There will thus be clear definition of duties.

However, where we sit now, it is who co-ordinates implementation as there are aspects that will require the Ministry of Roads to take action.

Who makes them take action and to whom will they be accountable ?

(... and we thought ODM and PNU had a problem ?)

It is always advisable to get together an implementation group for any cross-functional programme like speed management.

For as start, we will need to get the Ministries of Transport,

Roads, Finance, Health and Internal Security on board.

We would also need several private sector organisations such as the Automobile Association, the Kenya Transporters Association and other similar organisation to come on board.

Though an implementation body, such a group in our context in Kenya should also be formalised into a national policy co-ordination and implementation organ so that all aspects

of road transport can be handled in one place despite having different mandates from different Ministries and other arms of the government.

It will ensure that issues and actions do not fall between the cracks.

It is important that this group quickly take responsibility for managing the programme.

They would need to instigate effective actions in a timely manner, act as strong advocates

and have a clear focus on results. The group will need to establish effective communication channels to ensure that all stakeholders are well informed.

As in any area that deals with issues that affect the public, it would also be beneficial if there were a public stakeholder body that acted as a watchdog over the activities of the implementation and co-ordination group.

This would ensure that there are checks and balances and that potentially contentious issues are given the right amount of discussion before being disposed of.

As Kachumbari says, there are always views upon views on any subject but the important thing is to take them into consideration when balancing the design of the implementation.



management initiatives.

This will also strengthen their commitment and ensure that they are fully briefed on the details of the initiatives.

Opinion leaders have an additional role in that they can be used to moderate debate arising in the popular media.

They can be pivotal in maintaining community support as the impacts of change are felt.

There are a variety of other people and organizations that are likely to have an interest in issues related to speed management.

Some, such as government agencies, will have a responsibility for speed management.

Motoring and transporter associations will not have any formal responsibility but may want to see something done to reduce speed related injury.

Other stakeholders may be



Destroying our rich inheritance - charcoal burning means the end of our trees and forests.

## THE ENVIRONMENT IS EVERYONE'S BUSINESS

The continuing and serious environment degradation caused through Kenya charcoal burning MUST be addressed.

We need not look any further

as to why the rains have refused to come when we destroy all the trees.

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from 200 Rupee which is equivalent to K. shs. 350/= yet we pay K. shs. 1,800/=.

As long charcoal is viewed to be cheaper our forests and trees will continue to be destroyed.

One day there will be no more trees to cut and burn.

River Sabaki where the water for North coast comes from is now drying up and soon there will be no water.

That is the reality: the environment is everyone's business.

Mohammed Hersi, National President Skål Kenya, Chairman Kenya Association Of Hotel-keepers and Caterers Coast

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# Brave Neta Peal Never Gave Up In The Face Of Adversity

Sad news has reached me of the passing of an old friend from my Mombasa days, and someone I owed a great deal to - having

inspired me to take up writing myself.

Neta Peal, a 'fixture' in Mombasa in post independence days

and in fact until the time of her passing late last year, was for decades the journalistic face of the coast's tourism sector.

I met her first when I came to Mombasa and besides her regular articles in national dailies, various coastal weeklies and later on in the *Coastweek* she used to do successful public relations work for hotel and safari companies, including the one I used to work for in those days.

For ages she used to drive an old beaten up Fiat 127 and many a company and individuals periodically contributed to have the vehicle fixed up again, as her income never was enough to cover all those extra and unbudgeted expenses, leave alone to buy a new car - she simply loved that old thing.

At one time, while serving as a committee member for the Mombasa and Coast Tourism Association [MCTA] I learned that she was doing MCTA's public relations for free - a service she also extended to the Skål Club of Mombasa for a long time in her desire to make a difference.

Together with the then MCTA Chair, Lorna Hayes, she was never afraid to speak up on controversial issues, in particular matters impacting on the tourism industry, and many a politician harboured grudges against her and as far as I recall even threatened her when her articles did put a thorn into the sore side of misleading politicians and 'do nothing' Mombasa municipal councillors.

Yet, Neta always put her perspective and her own interpretation to things and her truthful articles all stood the test of time.

I recall one particular incident, when Neta had joined me and my wife Esther (who was expecting our first child) on a charter flight from Kilimanjaro Buffalo Lodge just outside Amboseli after a Skål weekend, for which we had offered her a seat in the small *Cessna 186*.

Just after becoming airborne the plane lost power - we later on learned it was 'too hot' at the time - and the instructor pilot miraculously brought the plane down on the strip again from some 15 feet up, and then evaded the rocks at the end of the strip by diving into the 'bush' where we came to a full stop not a foot from a tree.

As we got out of the plane to stagger back to the lodge, the late John Arkie came running along with some others, all glad to see us unhurt.

Neta and I dived in quick succession some glasses of brandy at the bar while the pilot inspected the plane and brought it back to the parking area, not a scratch on it either.

And then, undeterred, Neta declared that the drinks had steadied her enough to start getting back home and so we did, although we split ourselves and the bags into two planes; Esther and I in the *Cessna* and Neta and the bags in a *Seneca*, which was passing through to drop off a passenger.

As the story is told, we all made it back to Mombasa safely of course and this was the beginning of a fast friendship which spanned decades.

It is one of the unforgettable stories I remember her for, never one to give up in the face of adversity and ever ready to meet another challenge just as soon as she had dispatched of a previous one.

I use this article to express my sincere condolences to the family

and friends of the late Neta Peal, a good soul sorely missed and a reminder just how fast time has been running through our hands.

Prof. Dr. Wolfgang H. and Mrs. Esther C. Thome (former Mombasa residents and long time friends of Neta Peal), Kampala, Uganda.

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# An Exciting And Historic Visit To 'Fort Jesus' By President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad Of Iran

On a routine visit to the Fort one morning a couple of weeks ago I found everyone dashing around, policemen everywhere - President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad of Iran was visiting Fort Jesus and everybody was getting ready to give him a warm welcome, Mombasa style, which is exactly what happened.

No doubt you saw it on TV or in the press!

As a mark of Iran's friendship the Museum was presented with a magnificent model of a dhow named 'Irani'.

It is at present in the reading room but we hope that it will soon be on public display for everyone to see.

The most exciting event that I have to talk about this month is the launch of the "Heritage Visits", featured in the February Newsletter, brainchild of Taibail Hamzali. The first visit is planned for Saturday, March 21, 2009.

Four schools, in the Shimba Hills area, have been selected by WWF. [Marlene Reid - Chairman]

## PAST EVENTS

**Bird Walk Saturday February 21:** An amazing walk at Ngumi Sanctuary - 52 species seen in around 2 hours.

The main reason for so many birds being that the surrounding area is so dry.

Unfortunately hardly any of the small migrant waders; probably due to the deterioration of the edges of the ponds, so no wading space, and the lack of reeds, which have been eaten by the waterbuck.

In the wooded area which always has lots of Robin Chats, mostly heard and not seen, we were able to see, White Browed Robin Chat and White Browed Scrub Robin at close quarters, also several Spotted Flycatchers (my first of the season).

The wetland area which was flooded last time we went there was about half full and so many birds of the large, easily-spotted variety.

Most exciting species Pink Backed Pelicans, a rarer African Spoonbill, Goliath, Grey, Green Backed and Black Headed Herons.

African Jacana, Little Grebe, Spur Winged Plovers, Malachite and Pied Kingfisher, Carmine Bee-Eaters, Scarlet Chested Sunbird (hardly seen these days) and a lovely group of Yellow

Billed Storks.

At the farm Yellow Wagtails were running around, lots of Zanzibar Bishops, Red Billed Queleas, Greater Blue Eared Starlings, Bare Eyed Thrush and a lone female Violet Backed Starling sitting with the Queleas.

Carmine Bee-Eaters giving us a better view as they circled overhead and a magnificent Sulphur Breasted Bushshrike hopping around in a tree.

A pair of Black Headed bats flitting around and lots of Northern Brownbills.

So easy to see birds when there are few leaves on the trees!

Hardly being able to tear ourselves away, lingering in the car park, we spotted a Gabon Nighthawk dust bathing, something I have never seen before.

Reporting this on Birdsnet I got a comment from another much more famous birder than me that he had once seen a European Nighthawk doing the same thing.

Birds are always full of surprises.

The real treat, of the walk, for me at least, was the Northern Wheatear which walked across in front of us just before we got in

That so many people (mostly Kenyan) are working to preserve the wildlife habitat in such a way that wildlife corridors are kept open while at the same time trying to ensure that communities benefit more or at least as much as if they fenced off the land and used it for agriculture, was a revelation to most of us.

A really great presentation! Thanks to Southern Cross Safaris for helping to sponsor this speaker's visit.

FFJ will become a member of AWF so we can keep informed of their projects.

Visit to Mr Patel's Flower Farm Saturday, March 7 - This was such a beautiful and interesting place.

Two dozen members 'oohed' and 'aahed' as we entered the sheds full of these beautiful lilies 'Antheriums'.

We had all seen them in the flower shops in Mombasa but had no idea that they were grown in Mtwapa.

Beautiful colours, red, pink, white, green, different species and so many.

Mr Patel told us that when he had to close his coir factory he was left looking for an alternative business and decided to try growing Antheriums.

He started with 300 plants and now has over 6000, each plant bearing many flowers and sending out shoots in a similar way to banana plants.

This is such a great initiative and to be much admired.

It is in fact a shame that the coir factory which used to turn out mats, bags and other products is now closed, its machinery standing idle.

In its heyday 6,500 husks (a 10 ton lorry) were processed in one hour 15 mins, separating fibre from dust.

The huge pile of dust, left from that time, is now used as a growing agent for the lilies.

The only coir product now produced is string from local coconut husks whereas in the past husks were collected from as far away as Malindi. A lost

industry and lost income for local farmers.

Our sincere thanks to Mr Patel (who gave us all a lily to take home) and to Mr Ismail Sumra

for their guided tour.

We want to go there again, if only to see the flowers and maybe to visit the joint communities' feeding pro-

gramme which takes place every Sunday with over a thousand children being given lunch.

Mombasa people never cease to surprise.

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT



Late Mrs. Shirin Khanu Haiderali Merali Nathoo

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Qaalu Inna lillahi wa inna ilayhi raji'un

Say! Lo! We are Allah's and lo! Unto Him we are returning. (Holy Qur'an 2:156)

We, the Family of Late Mr. & Mrs. Haiderali Merali Nathoo would like to express our sincere gratitude to all relatives, friends, well-wishers and family members living abroad who favoured us with spiritual and moral support in person, and through messages of condolence, floral tributes, emails and phone calls on the sad demise of our beloved Mother.

Mummy's pleasant, loving and kind nature, her words of wisdom and guidance will forever be etched in our hearts. We will eternally cherish memories of the wonderful life she gave us all.

May Allah SWT rest her soul in eternal peace. Ameen

## Newsletter Notes From The Friends Of Fort Jesus

the cars: My first of the season, and one of my favourite birds.

Can't promise you such a walk every time but birding is always great! Feel free to join in next time! (M.R.)

Kateleen Fitzgerald **Kilimanjaro Heartland** Tuesday, February 24 - This was such an interesting talk, very well attended, which was very gratifying, seeing that Kathleen had come down from Nairobi.

The work that the African Wildlife Foundation does is truly overwhelming and hearing of all the myriads of agreements that have to be negotiated with communities, farmers, squatters, not to mention officials, makes one realise that a job like this is not just a job but a vocation.

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## Thai 'Visa' Payments 'On Hold'

A prominent South Coast hotelier has written to *Coastweek*:

Many people in the Kenya tour industry must have read this recent article from Thailand and wondered to themselves:

'If the Thai Government can do this to support their biggest single earner of foreign exchange ... why cannot the Kenya Government similarly apply an equally far-sighted approach to getting our tourism back on its feet?'

**BANGKOK, March 05, Xinhua** - Foreign tourists' visa exemption earlier approved by the Thai cabinet has been effective from March 05 to June 04, 2009, according to Thanit Charungvat, Director-General of the Department of Information of Thailand's Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

The Thai cabinet approved on January 20, 2009, the tourist visa exemption for all foreign nationals for three months to boost the country's tourism industry as parts of the government's economic stimulus packages, the Thai News Agency reported.

The government has hoped that revenues from the tourism industry will help offset the sharp falling revenues on the country's exports, which have been hit by the rising global economic turmoil.

Prior to the global economic slump, for years the revenues from the tourism and export sector had largely contributed to the country's economic growth.

## So Many New Buildings - But Coast Water Board Is Asleep

It is no wonder that the cement factories are expanding - because so many new buildings are coming up all over Kenya.

*But the Coast Water Board is asleep.*

It is no wonder the Power people who light our homes are expanding because they have realized the potential of making money by expansion.

*But the Coast Water Board is asleep.*

It is no wonder that Telephone companies are making money in a big way because they too have discovered that people want their services.

*But the Coast Water Board is asleep.*

It is no wonder that banks are making money in a very big way because they have realized that money is to be made from grass root levels.

*But the Coast Water Board is asleep.*

If the Coast Water Board cannot supply water constantly

to the Mombasa suburbs and industrial parks then they should supply area wise at certain times on daily basis by giving a timetable in the local papers.

This would help households get fresh water for daily needs: And of course much more money for the Coast Water Board.

**Shanti Shah, Box 85455-80100, Mombasa.**

## BOOST FROM THE 'GUARDIAN'

The *Guardian* newspaper in England recently carried a story about Kenya and featured a write up about our establishment in Mtwaya called the Beach Bar Restaurant and Camp Lodge.

The link is:

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/travel/2009/feb/14/lamu-kenya-africa-travel-boat-dhow?page=all>

So far we have recorded an increase of British travellers to our place due to this.

We have a unique set up that has become a part/ stop over for a different kind of travelers on their way to Lamu Pilgrimage.

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## 'BEAUTIFICATION' A BIG JOKE AND A WASTE OF USEFUL RESOURCES

Long rains are around the corner which will be a big relief to all living things.

Everyone is looking forward to plant trees to enhance the environment and help mankind.

Trees have many uses besides making countryside look green.

We desperately need trees. For Mombasa city there are

elaborate schemes to plant trees and groups of people and business organizations are roaring to go.

These efforts are most welcome.

"Why not make Mombasa City like Nairobi City?" asks Abdalla Bin Ali, a resident of Kizingo.

However whatever we do to green and improve the environment in Mombasa City we must ensure sustainability.

Planting of trees or shrubs on Islands as it has been done along Nkurumah road is a big joke and a waste of useful resources.

Firstly the area is overflowing with human traffic crossing from one side of the road to the other.

This cannot be stopped unless steel grill is erected.

Secondly the base on which the plants have been planted is made of hard materials including compacted concrete, where will the roots of these trees and shrubs go?

Thirdly the choice of plants is not correct.

The planted trees and shrubs cannot withstand engine smoke.

The plants will be autotoxic and leaves discoloured.

The hard working and no-nonsense Town Clerk of Mombasa should direct his department of Environment to seek expert advice in the effort to beautify Mombasa City.

The officials supervising the current tree planting exercise have failed.

The trees and shrubs that have been planted along Nkurumah Road need to be moved elsewhere and the Island restored suitably.

We hope common sense and good plant husbandry will prevail to save the seedlings and protect the environment.

**Z. K. Nderu, Chairman Environmental Trust Of Kenya, Mombasa.**

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## SOMALI HERDSMEN HAVE INVADED TSAVO NATIONAL PARK

As a regular visitor to Tsavo National Parks I was shocked to see the amount of not less than 20000 cows grazing.

The moment I finished paying for my park tickets I was looking forward to seeing some wildlife but I was wrong this time and for the first 20 kms I saw nothing but huge amount of cows and their herdsmen roaming freely in the park.

This is not normal at all and I am rather worried that if the trend continues very soon and I mean

very soon we shall have no more Tsavo Parks and our heritage.

The "theatre of the wild" as Tsavo is known will truly be a theatre of dreams.

As a tour operator for over 30 years we have been observing and following all the rules laid down by Kenya Wildlife Service.

Tour drivers are not allowed to drive off the tracks and when spotted by KWS rangers heavy penalties are imposed upon the victims as well as being banned from all parks in Kenya yet these

herds are allowed to graze freely in the parks in front of the KWS rangers?

What are the authorities concerned doing about all this infiltration of these Somali herdsmen?

Where is Mr Balata and his Tourism Ministry, where is KWS and where are Friends Of Tsavo?

Are you sleeping and allowing this destruction to go on?

It seems that none of you has voiced your concerns or

commented on this issue.

You have either opted to ignore or are a part of this ongoing total destruction of Tsavo National Parks.

I refer to your headline in your *Coastweek* issue on how poachers have returned to Tsavo.

It doesn't surprise me a bit as Kenya Wildlife Service has been napping.

One has just got to drive into Buchama and see the destruction caused by cattle grazing in the

park. If KWS cannot get rid of cattle grazers do you expect them to get rid of poachers.

This is just the beginning wait till you see the end of it.

Total destruction of our wildlife.

It is not too long we are just waiting for the time bomb to explode.

I pity the Wildlife and I am not sure if our grand children will have the opportunity to see any.

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The Board of Directors of Diamond Trust Bank Kenya Limited is pleased to announce the audited Group and Bank results for the year ended 31 December 2008

BALANCE SHEET	GROUP		BANK		PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT	GROUP		BANK	
	Dec 2008 Shs 000 Audited	Dec 2007 Shs 000 Audited	Dec 2008 Shs 000 Audited	Dec 2007 Shs 000 Audited		Dec 2008 Shs 000 Audited	Dec 2007 Shs 000 Audited	Dec 2008 Shs 000 Audited	Dec 2007 Shs 000 Audited
<b>ASSETS</b>					<b>INTEREST INCOME</b>				
Cash (both local and foreign)	791,015	442,354	318,920	327,350	Loans and advances	3,874,004	2,603,992	3,232,032	2,377,550
Balances due from Central Banks	3,097,787	1,847,121	1,829,604	1,401,559	Government securities	586,738	354,341	465,911	319,098
Kenya Government securities	7,173,957	5,041,974	7,173,957	5,041,974	Deposits and placements with banking institutions	235,243	127,152	186,852	83,315
Foreign currency Treasury bills and bonds	2,986,741	450,824	-	-	Other interest income	-	-	-	-
Deposits and balances due from local banking institutions	950,910	803,931	950,910	803,931	Total interest income	4,695,985	3,085,485	3,884,795	2,779,963
Deposits and balances due from banking institutions abroad	4,504,525	2,239,163	3,354,059	1,017,575	<b>INTEREST EXPENSES</b>				
Government and other securities held for dealing purposes	-	-	-	-	Customer deposits	2,233,321	1,352,724	1,946,149	1,250,748
Income tax recoverable	-	-	-	-	Deposits and placements from banking institutions	23,930	12,100	19,981	9,723
Loans and advances to customers (net)	34,063,359	23,181,871	25,460,278	19,753,654	Other interest expenses	-	-	-	-
Investment securities	45,902	-	45,902	-	Total interest expenses	2,257,251	1,364,824	1,966,130	1,260,471
Balances due from group companies	-	-	-	-	<b>NET INTEREST INCOME</b>				
Investments in associates	-	97,843	-	25,002	OTHER OPERATING INCOME				
Investment in subsidiary companies	-	-	897,228	366,719	Fees and commissions on loans and advances	278,671	128,835	203,627	104,890
Investments in joint ventures	-	-	-	-	Other fees and commissions income	430,023	297,397	294,411	248,662
Investment properties	-	-	-	-	Foreign exchange trading income	487,934	190,062	365,914	152,647
Property and equipment	1,049,289	488,064	495,736	349,309	Dividend income	-	-	10,106	3,484
Prepaid lease rentals	3,661	3,850	3,661	3,850	Other income	39,851	23,299	36,501	23,298
Intangible assets	79,499	36,500	48,222	28,281	Total Non-Interest Income	1,236,479	639,593	910,559	532,981
Goodwill	173,372	60,521	-	-	<b>TOTAL OPERATING INCOME</b>				
Deferred tax asset	126,990	111,715	126,990	114,122	OPERATING EXPENSES				
Retirement benefit asset	-	-	-	-	Loan loss provision	196,939	72,460	177,006	74,677
Other assets	1,096,158	1,191,840	886,582	1,080,037	Staff costs	880,900	591,921	633,913	520,168
Total Assets	56,145,697	35,997,571	41,592,049	30,313,363	Directors' emoluments	29,690	23,380	23,654	22,450
					Rentals charges	118,231	70,820	84,893	61,580
<b>LIABILITIES</b>					Depreciation charge on property and equipment	126,157	79,746	85,008	67,093
Balances due to Central Bank of Kenya	-	-	-	-	Amortisation charges	32,920	28,251	21,371	24,057
Customer deposits	45,023,186	29,102,977	32,689,208	24,409,474	Other operating expenses	663,565	417,636	466,965	357,294
Deposits and balances due to local banking institutions	102,568	98,342	102,568	98,342	Total operating expenses	2,048,402	1,284,214	1,492,810	1,027,319
Deposits and balances due to banking institutions abroad	727,566	145,988	555,466	31,376	<b>Profit from operations before exceptional items</b>				
Other money market deposits	-	-	-	-	Exceptional items	1,626,811	1,076,040	1,336,414	925,154
Borrowed funds	1,958,015	-	1,958,015	-	Profit from operations	1,626,811	1,076,040	1,336,414	925,154
Balances due to group companies	-	-	-	-	Finance costs	(31,280)	(56,053)	(31,280)	(56,053)
Current income tax payable	35,110	90,674	41,572	97,849	Share of associates profit after tax	8,765	35,283	-	-
Dividends payable	-	-	-	-	Profit before tax	1,604,296	1,055,270	1,305,134	869,101
Deferred income tax liability	9,324	-	-	-	Current tax	(480,647)	(367,478)	(405,336)	(325,850)
Retirement benefit liability	-	-	-	-	Deferred tax credit	2,816	52,162	5,321	55,054
Other liabilities	1,269,511	1,080,885	911,483	1,006,708	Profit after tax	1,126,465	739,954	905,119	598,305
Total Liabilities	49,125,280	30,518,866	36,258,312	25,643,749	Minority Interest	101,976	48,993	-	-
					Profit after tax and minority interest	1,024,489	690,961	905,119	598,305
<b>SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>					Earnings per Share (Shs per share) - basic and diluted	6.28	4.24	5.55	3.67
Paid up capital	652,148	652,148	652,148	652,148	Dividend per Share (Shs per share)	1.40	1.40	1.40	1.40
Share premium	2,197,735	2,197,735	2,197,735	2,197,735					
Revaluation reserve	205,398	296,145	10,848	28,459					
Retained earnings	2,582,523	1,677,745	2,244,754	1,563,020					
Statutory loan loss reserve	39,458	-	-	-					
Proposed dividends	228,252	228,252	228,252	228,252					
Capital grants	-	-	-	-					
Total Shareholders' Equity	5,905,514	5,052,025	5,333,737	4,669,614					
Minority Interest	1,114,903	426,680	-	-					
Total Equity	7,020,417	5,478,705	5,333,737	4,669,614					
Total Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity	56,145,697	35,997,571	41,592,049	30,313,363					
<b>OTHER DISCLOSURES</b>									
<b>(1) NON -PERFORMING LOANS AND ADVANCES</b>									
(a) Gross non-performing loans and advances	660,306	428,027	505,212	373,271					
(b) Interest in suspense	265,380	251,586	236,009	243,736					
(c) Total Non-Performing Loans and Advances (a-b)	394,926	176,441	269,203	129,535					
(d) Loan loss provisions	283,133	108,802	244,724	85,717					
(e) Net Non-Performing Loans (c-d)	111,793	67,639	24,479	43,818					
(f) Discounted Value of Securities	111,793	67,639	24,479	43,818					
(g) Net NPLs Exposure (e-f)	-	-	-	-					
<b>(2) Insider Loans and Advances</b>									
(a) Directors, shareholders and associates	727,472	608,785	630,140	537,725					
(b) Employees	173,507	42,656	110,827	30,225					
(c) Total Insider Loans and Advances	900,979	651,441	740,967	567,950					
<b>(3) Off-Balance Sheet Items</b>									
(a) Letters of credit, guarantees, acceptances	2,918,021	2,343,455	2,095,488	1,983,258					
(b) Other contingent liabilities	7,272,365	1,898,364	7,128,821	1,898,364					
(c) Total Contingent Liabilities	10,190,386	4,241,819	9,224,309	3,881,622					
<b>(4) Capital Strength</b>									
(a) Core Capital	-	-	4,456,798	4,278,571					
(b) Minimum Statutory Capital	-	-	250,000	250,000					
(c) Excess/(Deficiency)	-	-	4,206,798	4,028,571					
(d) Supplementary capital	-	-	1,183,197	8,277					
(e) Total capital (a+d)	-	-	5,639,995	4,286,848					
(f) Total risk weighted assets	-	-	28,526,427	22,397,991					
(g) Core capital/total deposit liabilities	-	-	13.6%	17.5%					
(h) Minimum Statutory Ratio	-	-	8.0%	8.0%					
(i) Excess/(Deficiency) (g-h)	-	-	5.6%	9.5%					
(j) Core capital/total risk weighted assets	-	-	15.6%	19.1%					
(k) Minimum Statutory Ratio	-	-	8.0%	8.0%					
(l) Excess/(Deficiency) (j-k)	-	-	7.6%	11.1%					
(m) Total capital/total risk weighted assets	-	-	19.8%	19.1%					
(n) Minimum Statutory Ratio	-	-	12.0%	12.0%					
(o) Excess/(Deficiency) (m-n)	-	-	7.8%	7.1%					
<b>(5) Liquidity</b>									
(a) Liquidity Ratio	-	-	41.3%	33.4%					
(b) Minimum Statutory Ratio	-	-	20.0%	20.0%					
(c) Excess/(Deficiency) (a-b)	-	-	21.3%	13.4%					

#### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND DECLARATION OF DIVIDEND

Based on the year-end results achieved, the Directors will recommend to the shareholders at the Annual General Meeting to be held at the Kenyatta International Conference Centre, Aberdare Hall, Nairobi, on 29 May 2009, payment of a first and final dividend of 35% (i.e. at the rate of Shs. 1.40 per share) for 2008 on the issued and paid-up share capital of Shs. 652 million, subject to withholding tax, where applicable.

For purposes of payment of dividend, the Share Register of the Bank will be closed from 29 May 2009 to 5 June 2009 both dates inclusive and payment of dividend due to Shareholders on the Register as at the close of business on 29 May 2009, will be made on or about 18 June 2009.

By order of the Board

Habil Waswani  
Company Secretary  
6 March 2009

#### MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTORS

The above balance sheet and profit and loss account are extracts from the group's financial statements approved by the Board of Directors on 6 March 2009. The financial statements have been audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers and have received an unqualified opinion. The results for Diamond Trust Bank Uganda Limited which had previously been accounted for as an associate, have been accounted for as a subsidiary from 6 October 2008. This follows the increase in the Bank's shareholding in Diamond Trust Bank Uganda Limited from 26.7% to 51% on the same date. A full set of financial statements will be available from our offices once they are approved by members at the Annual General Meeting.

Mahmood Manji  
Chairman

Nasim Devji  
Managing Director



Bahari Member of Parliament, Hon. Gunda congratulates the Managing Trutee of Sun N Sand Trust Mrs. Shahinoor Visram, just before he flagged-off the lorry carrying food and crockery valued at more than a million Kenya Shillings that was distributed to six villages within Kijipwa sub-location courtesy of the Sun N Sand Beach Resort and its well-wishers. To the MP's [left] is his wife Alfeet Gunda and looking on [left] is Sun N Sand's General Manager, Andimilleh Makumbi.



Seen [from left] immediate past national Trustee of H.C.K Premchandbhai Shah, Mrs. Shantaben Premchand Shah gracious wife of Premchand Shah, Hindu Council Chairman of Kenya - Mombasa Branch Dhiraajal Shah, Chief of Kaloleni, past Chairman of H.C.K Narrotam Khataw, Committee Member Madhukant Shah and Residents of Kaloleni District who benefited from the exercise.



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Ashram Salim [right] and his younger brother, Adam Salim of Al-farsy Education Centre training under their coach, William Mwaura [centre]. The two brothers qualified for the competition to be select to the Coast team to participate in the Tanzania Invitation tournament scheduled to be held from April 10-13.



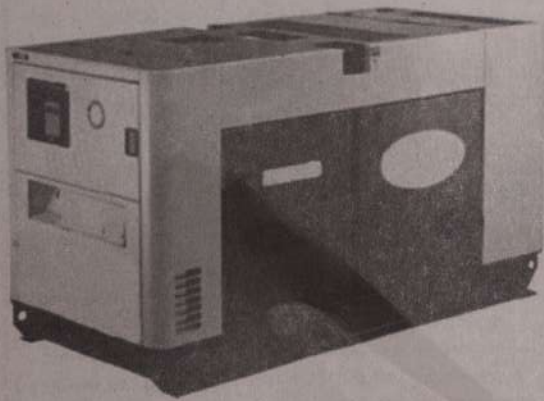
WORLDS OF THE INDIAN OCEAN. Ed Cross [centre], an artist, explains his work to the French Ambassador Elisabeth Barbier [right] and Dr. Raffque Keshavjee [left], Head of Planning, Faculty of Arts and Sciences at the Aga Khan University, during the official opening of the Worlds of the Indian Ocean exhibition at the National Museum. Under the theme "Connecting the Past to the Future", the event was sponsored by the Aga Khan University.



Seen [above] children from Ozone Kids club having a great time as they cut a cake prepared by Sarova Whitesands. It was a career week for the ozone club at Sarova Whitesands Beach Resort and Spa. Theme of the outing was: Mentoring children and encouraging them to aspire for their future careers.

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# Mombasa Academy Junior Swimmers Win 42 Medals

The 9 years and under Mombasa Academy swimming team comprising of 15 girls and 14 boys took part in the CASA junior swimming gala over the weekend and came out with some excellent results.

The event was held at Oshwal Nyali swimming pool.

The team managed to win a total of 42 medals comprising of 13 gold, 15 silver and 14 bronze medals.

Overall the team was awarded a 1st runners up trophy in the girl's category and the 2nd runners up award in the boy's category.

Highlight of the event was when the youngest participants in the event swam the one length freestyle race!

All spectators stood to cheer them up.

Among the Mombasa Academy youngest swimmers in the event was the 3 years old Aryen Muravej and Allysa Jamal, the 4 years old Amreen Somji, Enola Swigger and Mishal Lalani.

Some excellent results was witnessed from all the young swimmers but special mention goes to 5 years old Max McReed who displayed some very good swimming strokes.

Max took part in three individual events where he won gold in each one of them.

Max also won a bronze medal in the 4x25m Freestyle relay.

Another one was Maria Brunlehner who is following the foot steps of her older sister Sylvia Brunlehner 'the record breaker!' Maria competed in 12

events and managed to win a medal in each one of them.

Maria won 5 gold, 5 silver and 2 bronze medals.

Mombasa Academy full team - In the 5 years and under category Mombasa Academy was represented by Allysa Jamal, Aryen Muravej, Amreen Somji, Enola Swigger, Mishal Lalani, Msa'a Mgavana, Kirtan Gor and Max McReed.

In the 6 years category there was only one swimmer and that was Juhaina Ismaili. In the 7

years category the Mombasa Academy team had Aileen Ram, Samira Oberson, Mike Mutaki, George Harvey, Armaan Jamal, Aryen Gor, Sote Chemgorem, Baraka Wandario and Danilo Rosafio.

In the 8 years category the team had Simone Patel, Juliet McReed, Melody Chiu, Swaleh Talib and Maria Brunlehner.

The 9 years squad was comprised of Alex Turcanu, Vanessa Mayer, Janki Bhattia, Matteo Rosafio, Reemi Shah and Immanuel Okafur.

"I would like to extend my appreciation to Jack McReed who was the assistant coach during the event.

"Jack made sure that all the swimmers did their warm up properly and cheered them up when swimming" Coach Fakhry commented.

"Special thanks also go to Mr. Mahmoud Soud who has done so much for the team and for sure the huge success of the swimming squad could not have been possible without his efforts and dedication towards the team.

Thanks also go to all the parents for the support and team work.

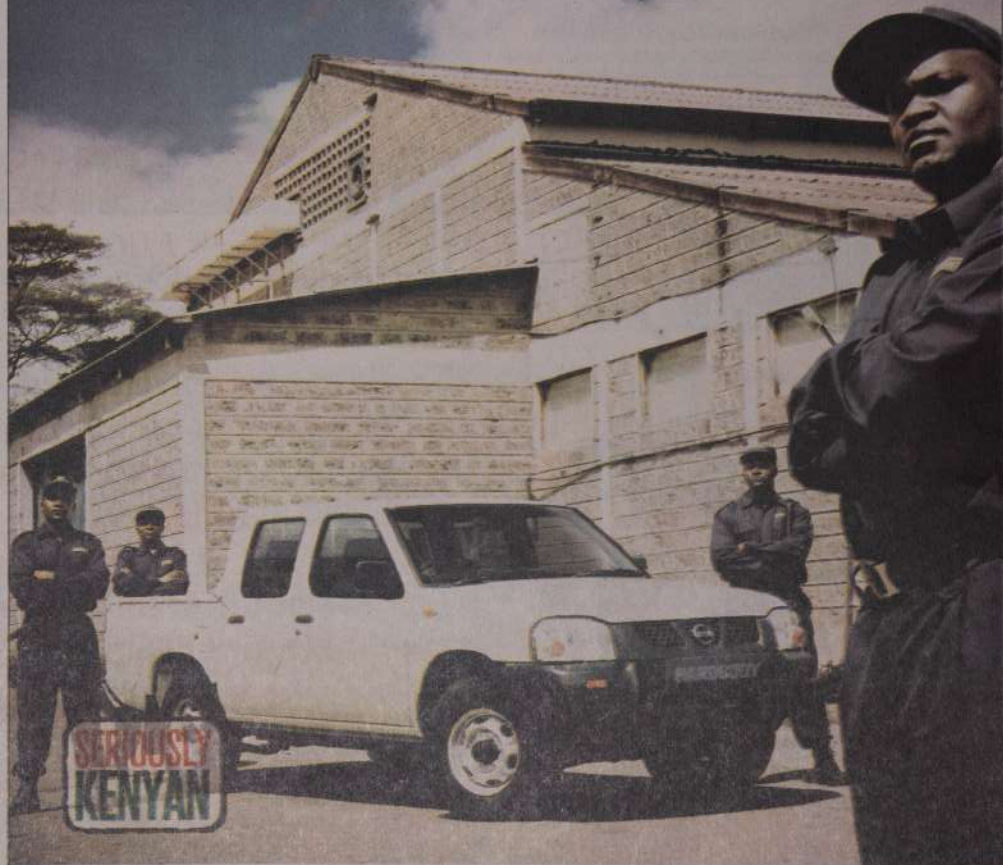
Like what Mr. Uppal had earlier stated in one of his speeches that success is like a three legged stool; the three legs represent the Coach, the Parent and the student, if one leg is missing then the stool will not stand" added the Coach.

Seen [right] Junior Mombasa Academy swimming team comprising of 15 girls and 14. The team won a total of 42 medals.



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## Little Flower Inter-House Swim Gala

Young swimmers of Little Flowers Nursery and primary School flooded the waters of Mombasa women's Swimming pool at the recently held swimming gala, writes SAKINA VAJIHI.

For most parents this was the day that made history to see their young ones diving deep and swimming like fish.

Four houses- Kilimanjaro, Kenya, Elgon and Ruwenzori competed against each other.

The chief guest of honour was Mr. Quresh Zakir of Fairdeal Group of Companies.

The Ruwenzori team emerged winners and proved to all that they were capable to apply the back stroke, free style, butterfly and the breast stroke to perfection.

Trophies and medals were awarded to winners and all participants by Mr. Quresh Zakir.

"Swimming and sporting activities are encouraged in the school and it is good to see the

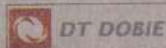


Quresh Zakir presenting a medal to a winning student. Looking on is Director of Little Flowers Mrs. Azra Taheralli.

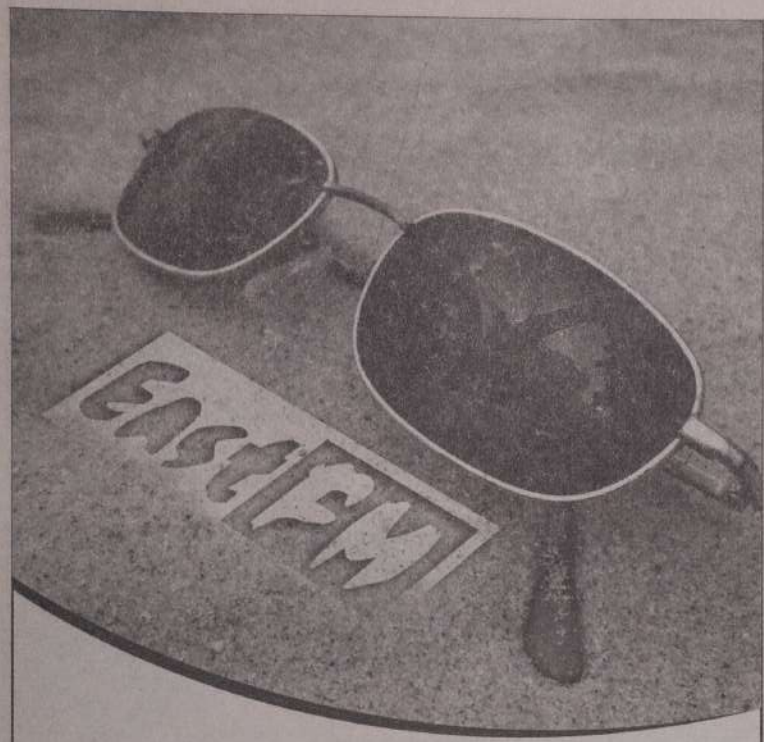
children responding to it well" commented Little Flowers Nursery and Primary school Director, Mrs. Azra Taheralli, who has been running the school for 18 years now.

The school also emerged 5th in Mvita division with its outstanding K.C.P.E. results.

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## United States Businessmen Are Encouraged To Invest In Kenya

NAIROBI, (Xinhua) -- Kenyan Prime Minister Raila Odinga on Monday assured U.S. business people and tourists that Kenya is safe and ready for investment.

Speaking when he met former U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs Jendai Fraser and Rosa Whitaker, founder of the Whitaker group in Nairobi on Monday, Odinga said Kenya is ready to host the Africa Growth

and Opportunity Act conference in July.

Odinga said he had spent his first 10 months in office trying to convince the world that Kenya is back on track and he is confident it will pay off.

He said he had intended to lead a big delegation of Kenyan business people to the U.S. just before last year's elections but was advised by U.S. authorities

to wait until after the elections.

Saying he still intends to lead business delegation to the U.S., the PM asked American investors to attend the international investment Kenya is to host ahead of the AGOA conference.

"The message we are sending is that Kenya is ready for business. We are addressing the corruption, bureaucracy and security issues that have made it difficult for people to invest in Kenya in the past," he said.

Odinga said the impact of the economic recession is being felt in Kenya, with falling number of tourists, lower exports of tea and horticultural products and lesser remittances from Kenyans abroad.

He said all this is happening after the country lost a crop season in last year's election violence, forcing the government to dig deeper into its foreign exchange reserves to import food.

"I believe things are going to change for the better.

"Whatever the case, I believe that Africa does not need aid.

"We need investment," the PM said.

## Tanzania Fighting Offshore Fishing

DAR ES SALAAM, (Xinhua) -- Tanzania has stepped up its measures in the fight against illegal fishing off its Indian Ocean coast by either fining caught trawlers with 16 million U.S. dollars each or confiscating the fishing boats altogether.

The measures have been announced by Tanzania livestock and fishing development ministry when the country launched a special six-day patrolling operation to fend off unregulated and unreported fishing.

"We are tired of illegal fishing done by foreign nations," said Livestock and Fishing Minister John Magfululi at the campaign launch.

Fisheries from Lake Victoria earns Tanzania an annual income of 186 million dollars whereas fisheries off the country's Indian Ocean coast generates only 742,500 dollars a year, according to the minister.

South Africa, Mozambique and Kenya are also taking part in the ongoing marine patrolling campaign aimed at fighting illegal fishing in these countries' Exclusive Economic Zones.

## Eight Dead In Zanzibar Bus Crash

DAR ES SALAAM, (Xinhua) -- Eight people have died while 16 others seriously injured when the bus they were travelling in overturned on Sunday in southern Zanzibar, according to reports reaching here.

The bus overturn was caused by a burst of one of its tyres which caused the bus to lose control and to ram into trees before overturning.

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## Uganda's Makerere University Introduce Swahili Staff Course

Kampala, (Xinhua) -- Uganda's Makerere University has introduced a new Swahili language course for its staff members to promote the language in the East African country, local media reported on Tuesday.

Prof. Oswald Ndoleriire, Director of Institute of Language, was quoted by the Daily Monitor saying the institute has introduced the course for all lecturers at the university free of charge in order to promote Swahili language.

"Given the fact that it is the second official language in Uganda, everyone should be able to speak," said Prof. Ndoleriire, adding that it is unfair

to leave the course to only students offering it at the university.

He said given the fact that many secondary schools in the East African country are now teaching the language, the university should not be exceptional.

The lecturers, who are already teaching students Kiswahili, are the ones to conduct lectures to those teachers pursuing the course.

According to Dr Wangotta Masakala, a lecturer at the institute, Swahili classes are expected to begin next week and so far 30 lecturers have enrolled for the program.

He, however, said the institute is first extending the services to its teaching staff but other staff members willing to enroll for the course can as well apply given that it is voluntary.

Lecturers said it was a good move as it will enable them understand the language and hence be able to communicate efficiently with their colleagues in the East African region whenever they meet.

Kiswahili is spoken and used by a fairly large proportion of people in Africa.

Ugandan Parliament amended constitution in 2005, enlisting Kiswahili as an official national language apart from English.

In Uganda, only a relatively small percentage of the population speaks English, while Kiswahili is relatively widespread as a trade language.

The Swahili language was later made a compulsory subject from Primary Four to secondary level in the country.

## German Navy Hands Over Suspected Somali Pirates

Mombasa (Xinhua) -- German Navy on Tuesday handed over nine more suspected Somali pirates to Kenyan police for trial, five days after seven others were brought into the country by the United States.

Kenyan marine police commandant Stanley Lemai said the suspects were arrested on March 3, 2009, in the Gulf of Aden by the German Navy as they attacked a ship *MV Courier* owned by a company based in Germany.

"The suspects were caught in the act by security agents patrolling the Indian Ocean and arrested."

"They were in possession of dangerous weapons including rifles and rocket propelled grenades," Lemai said.

The handing over of the sus-

pects brings to 33 the total number of Somali nationals in Mombasa either in jail or being tried for crimes relating to piracy.

The European Union last Friday signed an agreement with Kenya providing for the handover of pirates seized off Somali waters for trial in the country, three days after the nine suspects were seized.

The United States entered into such agreement with Kenya in January, 2009.

As the suspects - brought aboard a German Navy warship *Frigate Rheinland Pfalz* - were led into the port police cells, they joked to each other and laughed, and looked healthy.

The arrival of the ship was witnessed by senior port police officers and covered by a battery of local and international

journalists, with German Navy officers dishing out brochures detailing the vessel's history, the number of crew members on board and artillery capabilities.

Lamai said the suspects would probably be arraigned in court on either Tuesday or Wednesday after a charge sheet had been prepared.

"The suspects cannot speak English and there are procedures to be followed as we carry out investigations," he added.

Last week, seven suspects were handed over by U.S. Navy after 22 days since they were arrested on February 11, 2009.

Dressed in orange overalls and bare feet, the suspects who looked frail and tired were under tight guard.

Currently there are nine pirates serving a seven year sentence

at the Shimo La Tewa prison and who have filed an appeal at the high court, while eight others arrested late last year are being tried for the crime at a Mombasa court.

Although there has been constitutional issues raised in regard to pirates being tried in the country, there is a provision in the Kenyan constitution which allows trial for international sea crimes.

The section under which suspected pirates are charged in the country is contained in section 69 (1) as read with section 69 (3) of the penal code.

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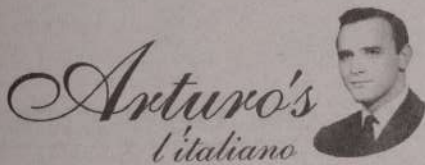
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# Rekonstruktive Operationen für die Brandopfer

IN KENIA wurde der Jahreswechsel ausgiebig gefeiert und der Amtsantritt des Präsidenten der Vereinigten Staaten **Barack Obama**, dessen Vater aus Kenia stammt, führte zu einer Hochstimmung im ganzen Lande.

Leider folgte kurz darauf eine Katastrophe der anderen, als in einem Nakumatt Supermarkt in Nairobi am Nachmittag ein Feuer ausbrach und es vielen Leuten nicht gelang, sich rechtzeitig in Sicherheit zu bringen, bevor in einem Nebenraum gelagerte Gaszylinder explodierten.

Es gab 29 Tote, an die hundert Verletzte und 20 Vermisste in den Trümmern des ausgebrannten Gebäudes.

Und am 31. Januar ereignete sich auf der Straße zwischen Nairobi und Nakuru bei Sachang'wan ein Verkehrsunfall, als ein Tankwagen von der Straße abkam und umstürzte.

Viele Leute aus den nahen Dörfern eilten zu der Unfallstelle, um Benzin aus dem Tankwagen zu entnehmen.

Kinder, die in der Nähe mit Fußball und anderen Spielen beschäftigt waren, wurden von dem Trübel angelockt, als plötzlich der Tankwagen explodierte.

130 Tote wurden gezählt und

hundert Verletzte, die in die nahen Kliniken gebracht wurden.

Einige Schwerverletzte wurden nach Nairobi in Krankenhäuser geflogen, die bald überfüllt

waren und nicht identifiziert werden konnten, wurden sie in einem Massengrab beerdigt.

Das Kenya Red Cross führte die Koordination und logistischen

(Spezialist für Narkose und Brandfälle) gingen nach Nakuru, wo mindestens 50 Patienten behandelt werden sollten.

Unter den Ärzten aus Indien befanden sich **Dr. M. Sheikh** (Plastic Surgeon), **Dr. Manar Swiri** (Plastic Surgeon) und **Dr. Nitin Parmar** (Chirurg), alle von Ahmedabad.

Dr. Sheikh blieb im Kenyatta National Hospital in Nairobi, wo 25 Brandpatienten aufgenommen waren, während seine Kollegen sich mit den französischen Ärzten nach Nakuru begaben.

Zwei weitere Ärzte aus Neu Delhi waren in Nakuru für rekonstruktive Eingriffe.

Die französischen und indischen Ärzte mussten zuerst abklären, wie schwer die

Brandwunden waren, bevor sie die Art der Operation bestimmen konnten.

Dr. Sheikh erklärte, dass die gesamte Operation für einen Patienten, einschließlich Nachbehandlung, zwischen US Dollar 40.000 und 50.000 kostet.

Die Eingriffe in Kenia wurden zu subventionierten Kosten durchgeführt.

Red Cross Deputy Secretary General **Dr. James Kisia** begleitete die Spezialisten bei ihrer Arbeit.



**HILFE FÜR DIE BRANDOPFER - (v.r.n.l.) Dr. M.F. Sheikh (Plastic Surgeon), Dr. Manar Swiri (Plastic Surgeon), Dr. James Kisia (Kenya Red Cross), Ainaud Pierie (Spezialist für Narkose und Brandfälle) Chateua Frianjals (Plastic Surgeon) vor dem Red Court Hotel, Nairobi.**

waren. Das ganze Land war erschüttert von den beiden Brandumfällen und die Regierung kündigte eine Woche der Trauer an.

Es gab Gedenkfeiern in vielen Kirchen.

Da die meisten Opfer im Feuer zur Unkenntlichkeit verbrannt

Maßnahmen durch für die Ärzte aus Frankreich und Indien, die nach Kenia kamen, um plastische Operationen vorzunehmen, vor allem an Opfern des tragischen Unfalles in Sachang'wan in der Rift Valley Provinz.

Zwei Ärzte aus Frankreich, **Chateua Frianjals** (Plastic Surgeon) und **Ainaud Pierie**

## Hungersnot droht an der kenianischen Küste

AUS EINER von der Erzdiözese von Mombasa durchgeführten Erhebung geht folgendes hervor:

Die meisten Leute, die in den ländlichen Trockengebieten und in den City Slums leben, können sich gerade noch eine einzige kärgliche Mahlzeit pro Tag leisten.

Die erwarteten Regenfälle sind leider ausgeblieben und die Ernte ist entsprechend schlecht ausgefallen.

Es treten auch mehr

Krankheiten auf, die zu Todesfällen führen können, weil die Leute unterernährt sind und ihnen die nötigen Abwehrkräfte fehlen.

Die Regierung versucht Kshs 32 Milliarden aufzubringen, um das Leben von rund 10 Millionen Hunger Leidenden zu erleichtern.

Es besteht eine riesige Nachfrage nach Mais, das Hauptnahrungsmittel in Ostafrika.

Es wäre an der Zeit, dass sich die Leute umstellen und mehr andere Lebensmittel wie Bananen, Cassava, Hirse, Kartoffeln und Sorghum essen.

Nach einem Aufruf für Hungerhilfe hat das UN World Food Programme (WFP) bestätigt, dass Ende März die Verteilung von Lebensmitteln aufgenommen werden soll.

Die Küstenregion ist am meisten betroffen, weil die Ernte fast zu hundert Prozent

ausblieb, was zu akuter Hungersnot geführt hat.

Schüler, Eltern und Lehrer von der Coast Academy spendeten Lebensmittel im Wert von Kshs 200.000 für das Hilfsprojekt, organisiert von der katholischen Erzdiözese von Mombasa zur Verteilung an Dorfbewohner in Kilifi, Kinango, Taifa Taveta und Kaloleni, ungeachtet ihrer Religion und Stammeszugehörigkeit.

## 172 Tonnen Lebensmittel für die Bewohner

### in Trockengebieten

IN PARTNERSCHAFT zwischen Radio Africa, Nakumatt Holdings und Kenya Red Cross (KRC) konnten 172 Tonnen Lebensmittel und Kshs 600.336 gesammelt werden durch MPesa Account (10.000) nach einem Aufruf, um rund 2 Millionen Leuten zu helfen.

Die Lebensmittel im Wert von Kshs 8 Millionen sollten ausreichen, um mindestens 20.000 Personen einen Monat lang zu ernähren.

Media Owners Association (MOA) Chairman **Martin Khafata**, flankiert von **Caroline Mutoko**, Moderatorin von **KISS 100**, **Carol Radull**, Moderatorin von **Classic 105**, zusammen mit Vertretern von Nakumatt und vom Kenianischen Roten Kreuz, gaben vor dem Hauptsitz von KRC in Nairobi gemeinsam das Startzeichen für die Lastwagen, die mit Lebensmitteln beladen waren.

Spenden wurden gesammelt im Rahmen der Aktion '24 Stunden für Kenia' in Nakumatt Supermärkten im ganzen Lande.



**Nakumatts Director Of Operations Thiagarajan Ramamurthy, zusammen mit Caroline Mutoko und Carol Radull, Moderatorinnen von KISS 100 und Classic 105, geben den mit Lebensmitteln beladenen Lastwagen vor dem Hauptsitz von KRC in Nairobi das Startzeichen.**

Angestellte vom Kenya Red Cross standen in allen Supermärkten neben den Sammelkisten, als die Aktion

durchgeführt wurde, während Lastwagen die gespendeten Lebensmittel in die verschiedenen Lagerhäuser transportierten.

Ein großer Teil davon wird an die Bewohner in der östlichen Region der Küstenprovinz verteilt.

KRC erhielt die Bewilligung von der Regierung, 10.000 Säcke mit Mais vom National Cereals Produce Board zum günstigsten Preis von Kshs 1750 pro Sack zu kaufen für Verteilung an die Opfer der gegenwärtigen Trockenheit.

Der Generalsekretär des Kenya Red Cross, **Abbas Cullet**, lobte Radio Africa und Nakumatt für ihre wertvolle Hilfe in der Not.

Der Lions Club of Mombasa Central unterstützte die Aktion des Roten Kreuzes mit Kshs 50.000, um Lebensmittel und andere notwendige Güter zu kaufen.

Die Verteilung von Lebensmitteln wird zur Zeit in verschiedenen Teilen des

# Robert Kalisa's 'Maimuna' Wins The Diani Dog Show

After five years the Diani dog show was back on Sunday, March 8, 2009, reports *Marlene Enz* of the KSPCA Mombasa.

It seemed like everybody had enjoyed the event, Dogs, dog owners, guests and especially us from KSPCA.

We have been so touched by the reception and support of all the people at the south coast.

We want to thank you all for your support and kindness.

Special thanks go to Pauline Mc Kenzie who organized this event and without her I am sure it would have never been such a success.

Other special thanks go to Leisure Lodge for giving us their venue free of charge and Lain Leckie the master of ceremony who even did an auction for a few of the raffle prizes which was a great success.

And we don't want to forget to thank all the people who donated such fantastic raffle prizes and people have been busy buying tickets and we raised nearly ksh.70,000/= in this category.

The last big thank you goes to Karim Kara (0733776366) who volunteered to document the whole event in pictures free of charge.

There were seven classes to enter:

Best puppy winner: Nala owned by Petra, Best pedigree winner: Rex owned by Niels, Best KSPCA dog winner: Ghingin owned by Sigi Jogschat, Shaggiest dog winner: Grace owned by Mullens family, Judge favorite winner: Maimuna owned by Robert Kalisa, Waggiest tail winner: Dudu owned by Helen Ferguson, Best veteran winner: Toby owned by Lesley.

Champion of the day had been Maimuna.

Next to the class won, she was second in best puppy class and third in the best Pedigree class.

But anyway all the dogs have been so marvelous and I am sure it was not an easy decision for all the judges, to whom we also want to give a big thank you.

Like mentioned we have been so touched by the kindness and support of everybody at this event, and we were able to raise exactly 200,000/= shillings (including memberships) which we have never raised before in such an event.

We had a target of 100 new members in 2009 and thought we are very enthusiastic with this figure.

But by end of the 8<sup>th</sup> of March we managed to get 20 new members just on this event which made our figure to add up to 126 members and we know there are some more to come.

Perhaps a miracle will happen and we can reach the magic

figure of 200? I have to admit we all from KSPCA Mombasa thought we had been forgotten by the members of the public, and we will not exist a long time anymore.

Our hearts have been hurt and sad and we lost hope. What ever we tried there was not much response.

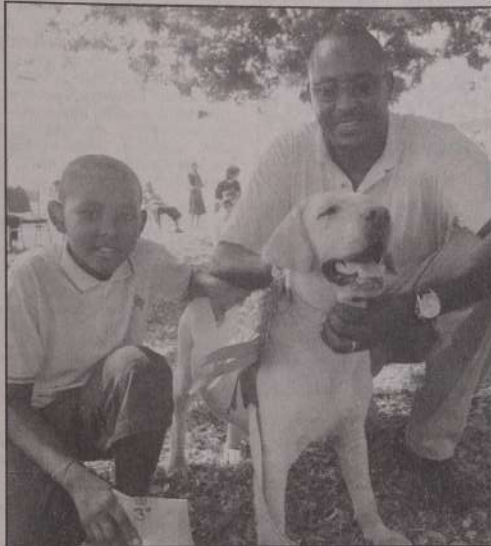
But now our hearts are filled with joy and we have realized that we are still in the minds and in the hearts of many many people and they all care about

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Champion Maimuna owned by Robert Kalisa. PHOTO: KARIM KARA

the ones who need our help – all the lovely cats and dogs.

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7	3	9	2	4	8	5	6	1
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# Oshwal Academy Swim Team Shines

Sitting [from left] Abduhalim Abduhakim (1 silver) Afrah Tung, Mihir Bhundia, Saahil Charania (1 bronze 2 silver) Simran Lagadia, Shammar Doshi, Sifti Singh and Merlin Bosse (2 bronze 1 gold). Kneeling: Mohamedali Husein (1 bronze) Taheer Pirbhai, Lakhvir Sohal (1 bronze) Fatma Hamza (1 bronze, 3 silver, 2 gold), Harshil Shah (1 bronze), Morgan Kagwira and Neema Mumo. Sitting: Irfan Dhanji (1 silver) Haytham Buran, Binal Jaysinghe, Marcus Mtango (1 silver) Vatsal Shah, Irshan Esmal (1 silver) Meer V. Shah, Harsh M. Shah, Dhurv Vekaria, Nabha Shikely (1 bronze, 2 silver and 3 gold) Zaeema Kurji, Afreen Fazil, Priya Patel and Shivani Chhaya. 1<sup>st</sup> row standing; Smrutl Bharsar (1 bronze), Ambar Michaelo (13 gold), Devki K. Shah, Kathryn Silveira (2 gold), Diya Shah (2 gold), Melaney Humer (1 bronze), Mahima Patel (2 bronze, 2 silver and 2 gold), Naima Ali, Aaleef Alibhai, Liam Alibhai (1 silver), Nabli Shikely (3 bronze, 2 silver and 3 gold), Gideon Mtango, Aayush Bhudia, Anagad Singh (1 gold) and Azfar Esmal (2 gold). Standing last row: Ridhwan Abubakar (1 silver) Riya Savadia (2 gold), Devina Hajela, Alisha Doshi, Firdaus Omar, Vanshi Patel, Shreya Shah (2 gold), Mohamed Taib, Aziz Khozima, Akshay Maru (1 silver and 1 gold) Meer A. Shah (2 bronze, 2 silver and 2 Gold) and Coach William Malalo.



Once again Oshwal Academy swim team dominates the C.A.S.A Junior 9yrs and under swimming championships held at the Academy swimming pool.

Oshwal Academy swim team proved their prowess in the sport by winning this championship for the past 10yrs running. Both the Boys and Girls team

emerged 1<sup>st</sup> in their respective categories, consequently putting them 1<sup>st</sup> overall. Congratulations to the Swimmers, Parents and Coaches.

## BRIDGE RESULTS

Duplicate Bridge Results played on 9th March at United Sports Club.  
1. A. D. Shah : C. D. Shah 131, 2. Mahendra Shah : Koki Shah 127, 3. Rohit Shah : Rohit Chandaria 125, 4. P. Gandhi : Dr. J. D. Shah 122, 5. Ketan S. Shah : Meghji Shah 121, 6. Vibha Shah : Ketan R. Shah 103, 7. Rasik Shah : Manju Shah 102, 8. Ramnik Shah : Anubhai Shah 98, 9. Janak Babla : Neemaben Babla 77, 10. D. D. Shah : Kanchan 74.

# Ladies Battle It Out On The Golf Course

The ladies were at it again, starting their weekend on Friday 6th March with a Medal at Mombasa Golf Club.

This was the first medal under the captaincy of the new Lady Captain Margaret Mugambi and was well supported by the faithful band of ladies who always turn up for the monthly challenge at

the Front Club. It was "desert storm" all over again. Eight ladies, including a guest, battled it out on a hot, humid afternoon, the stiff breeze not helping matters, only adding to the difficulties as Kellen Weku, the long hitting guest player discovered much to her consternation when two well struck balls off the 5th tee were blown straight out towards Florida Night Club.

Suhas Gudka brought the best nett score of the day to win the Bronze Division, followed by Margaret Mugambi. Alice Wahome took the best gross. Florence Karimi won the Silver Division, followed by Diana Munyao who also took the best gross, while Florence also claimed the best putting prize. Perhaps it is already noted by some observant eyes that the facts in the above reports are not accompanied by figures.

Well, it is not an accidental slip but a deliberate omission in deference to a request by the ladies to keep mum about the figures. The reason for this reticence is not difficult to understand considering that Suhas Gudka was the only lady with a score in the seventies, 79 to be precise willing to have her number made public. After a long hiatus of almost three weekends, except for a rather low profile charity golf competition in support of Junior Golf on Sunday 1st March, as a sign of respect for the outgoing Lady Captain and the Captain at Mombasa Golf Club for their end of the year competitions the previous two weekends respectively, Nyali Golf and Country Club came to life with a bang on Saturday 9th March.

This was the Coast qualifying round of the South African Tourism Board sponsored Golf Talent Foundation Competition. True to the name, the event is a talent spotter, Nyali's young

new pro, Kopen Timbe being one such talent emerging from a past competition. Not so young, in fact a veteran, but talented Davies Mulli, still playing off 7, emerged the winner with 40 stableford points, with a slow start at 17, gathering pace to amass 23 points in the back nine, not only to ensure a good count back, in case there was any but as it happened an unbeatable overall score. The swing has remained pretty much the same, a good, working swing that produces consistently good result for Davies over all these years, allowing for a slight adjustment to accommodate a slightly enlarged girth of late. But what explains this sudden burst of brilliance? Reportedly an investment in a new set of clubs!

## Golf Report by THE DRIVER

Davies was followed closely by an in form Margaret Mugambi with 39 points, counting out Kush Malde on the same score and five more players within six shots up to 36 points to qualify for the finals at Windsor Golf Club on 28th of this month to try for the eventual top prize of a holiday to Johannesburg with a few rounds of golf thrown in. These were not the only lucky players however. Everyone who entered was rewarded with tee shirt in a SATB colour with a matching cap and hand towel, three golf balls and the lunch, tea and dinner after the prize giving. Thanks a lot SATB for a thoroughly enjoyable day.

# COAST BRIDGE with C.P. SHAH

In the following hand Declarer made a thin Six Heart slam, overcoming plenty of pitfalls.

DEALER: SOUTH NEITHER SIDE VULNERABLE BIDDING:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
PASS	PASS	ONE SPADE	THREE DIAMONDS (1)
DOUBLE (2)	PASS	FOUR DIAMONDS (3)	PASS
FOUR HEARTS	PASS	SIX HEARTS	PASS
PASS	PASS		

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West did well to stay off the Ace of Diamonds, expecting Dummy to be void on the bidding.  
Declarer won the Eight of Clubs lead with Dummy's Ace, and led a low Trump.  
East won with his singleton Ace and led a Second Club.  
Declarer won with Dummy's

NORTH

A	K	J	10	5
K	10	7	3	2
A	Q	3		

WEST

Q	8	7	4	2
J	9	4		
A	2			
8	7	6		

EAST

6	3					
A						
Q	9	7	6	5	4	3
J	10	5				

Queen then cashed the Ace-King of Spades and ruffed a Spade, seeing East discard.  
At trick Seven, Declarer made the key play of leading a low Trump and successfully finessing Dummy's Ten.  
He ruffed the Fourth Spade with the Queen, ruffed a Diamond, cash the King of Trumps felling West's Knave, then lead over to his King of Clubs (observing the 3-3 split) and cashed the promoted Nine Twelve tricks and slam made.

SOUTH

9			
Q	8	6	5
K	J	10	8
K	9	4	2

# South Africa Golf Series THE COAST QUALIFIERS

Results of the Competition played on 7 March 2009 at Nyali Golf and Country Club  
Competition Results: Qualifiers: 1 D.C.K. Muli 40 pts (08), 2 Margret Mugambi 39 pts (25), 3 Khush Malde 39 pts (13), 4 Alice Wahome 38 pts (22), 5 Kibe

Ngunje 38 pts (22), 6 Alnoor Dhanji 38 pts (15), 7 Atul Patel 37 pts (08), 8 Eric Nyongesa 36 pts (09). Competition Results: Reserves: 9 G. N. Munyao 36 pts (05), 10 Taufiq Balala 35 pts (08), 11 Walter Starzoch 35 pts (15), 12 I. Gulamali 35 pts (09).

Davis Mulli, winner during South Africa Golf Series Coast Qualifier Sponsored by South Africa Tourism Board, receives a prize from Yolanda Tavares Managing Director Yolanda Anderson.



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# M.S.C. Bowling Green Opens After Face Lift

The month of February every year is a rest time for the bowling green at Mombasa Sports Club...rest time...

It actually is a time when the green gets a new top dressing and regenerates into a beautiful lush green and the whole section gets a face lift...

Eager bowlers from a month break will converge on the green on the 14<sup>th</sup> March 2009 at 3pm to start polishing their skills in the game for the forthcoming KBA tournament - The Coast Open.

More about the tournament as we get closer to Easter.

## BRIDGE RESULTS

Result of the duplicate Bridge played at Mombasa Sports Club on Wednesday, 4th March, 2009.

K. P. Shah and Dr. Rawal 88 (Points); Dr. J. D. Shah and Amu Shah 71; Mr. and Mrs. Narendra 69; Mr. and Mrs. Mahendra 68; Mr. and Mrs. Kirti R. Shah 62; Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Shah 55; Mr. and Mrs. Janakbhai 52; Mrs. Jyotsna and L. P. Gudka 39.

# Indoor Hockey Tournament

FROM BACK PAGE  
Kamase equalised immediately thereafter.

Odeno added his second in the ninth minute and Willis Okeyo levelled.

In the second half Okeyo scored twice before Odeno completed his hat trick a minute before the final whistle.

# Ten Clubs Participate In Coast Premier Women Soccer League

## Polytechnic Wins Handball Mazingira Cup

Mombasa Polytechnics won the Mazingira Cup handball tournament after winning all their matches at their home ground last weekend, writes **ABDULRA-HMAN SHERIFF**.

Polytechnic maintained their winning form and finished with maximum nine points after winning their last match 17-12 over Islamic Teachers Training College on Sunday.

Earlier, Polytechnics defeated Shanzu Teachers Training College 25-7 and Mombasa Technical Training Institute (MTTI) 24-16.

MTTI clinched second position after beating Shanzu 20-10 and Islamic 17-12 while Islamic finished third after edging Shanzu 17-10. Changamwe Secondary clinched the ladies crown when they defeated Shanzu TTC 8-6 in the final match.

Changamwe registered 6-4 and 11-8 victories over Polytechnic and Shanzu TTC respectively. Shanzu beat Polytechnic 10-3.

In the junior boys category, Changamwe emerged the winners after recording 19-6 and 10-6 wins over Shimo la Tewa High School.

Kenya Handball Federation (KHF) Coast branch assistant fixture secretary, Franklin Omwaka said the next competition will be the Charity League to be held on March 28 and 29.

He appealed to people to come forward and sponsor the league.

Red Sharks tackling Kongowea on march 29.

On April 1, Makumba play Kikulacho and Kisimani take on Carpenter while Mtopanga entertain Ziwani Youth on April 4.

### BLACK STARS

On April 5th, Bilima play Maweni and Black Stars meet AC Milan on April 8th and Taifa Stars clash against Nyali Strikers on April 10th.



Farida N. Kamusudzu, PSD Chairlady

in a match expected to attract a good crowd at Mombasa Municipal Stadium on Sunday.

Tomorrow (Saturday) at the same venue, Sega play Moons.

Previous results: Chelsea 4 Moons 1; Tononoka 0 Chelsea 1; Mzimba 2 Tononoka 1; Buxton 2 Sega 1. Mzimba got a walk-over after Sega failed to turn up.

In another development, Kisauni Youth Football Association (KYFA) has released

fixtures for the Easter Cup Competition whose first round matches are to be held at Bilima Ground from March 28.

Baobab opens their campaign against Commodore on march 28 with

## Anidan Club Wins Lamu Open Tae Kwon-do

Lamu's Anidan Tae Kwon-do Club clinched the Lamu Open Tae Kwon-do Championship after collecting total of 37 points, writes **ABDULRA-HMAN SHERIFF**.

Mombasa's Ken-Gen deserved special mention for having

finished runner-up with 22 points while Kwale took third place having secured 18 points.

South Coast were fourth with 16 points with the hosts Lamu Boys Secondary School finishing last with only eight points.

Anidan of Lamu won all the top three places in the women Finweight where Mary Gitau was the winner, followed by Swabra Abdalla while Esther Hulda took third spot.

Anidan also won all top three places in the men's Flyweight contest where Michael Patrick was the winner, Hussein Umuru took second position as the third place went to Bora Masoud.

Rashid Omar of KenGen won the Featherweight, James Masaha of Anidan was winner in Bantamweight and KenGen's Omar Athman took Flyweight title. Fatma Mohamed won the

women Finweight followed by South Coast's Gambia Karantina with Naya Said of Anidan claiming third position.

Speaking after the championship, Langoni Council of Elders chairman, Sharif Salim Kambaa praised the Coast Tae Kwon-do Association (CTKA) for organising the tournament in Lamu island.

"We hope the association will bring more tournaments to our island so that youngsters can concentrate in sporting activities and avoid involving themselves in drug taking," Kambaa said.

Among the CTKA present at the championship were:

William Mwaura (vice-chairman), Onesmus Safari (treasurer), Ali Salim Abdu (assistant secretary) and Mohamed Delo (committee member).

Ten soccer clubs from Mombasa, Kilindini, Kilifi and Msambweni districts are expected to take part in the Coast Premier Women Soccer League to be organised by the newly formed Pwani Sports Development (PSD).

Announcing the league details, PSD Chairperson, Farida Nifteta Kamusudzu said the league will start as soon as

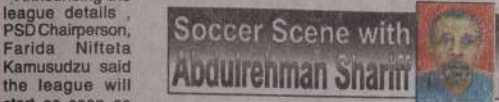
they secured a sponsorship. "We are trying to get a sponsor and we hope to get one," said Farida who added that they have written to various firms who have yet to respond.

The ten clubs to participate in the league are Solw-odi, Coastal Queens and Mikindani (Kilindini), Spedag (Mombasa), Furaha Ladies, Moving the Goal-

post, First Community, Mtomondoni and Tumaini (Kilifi).

Flanked by a soccer leader, Asha Pili Rama-dhani, Farida said they have decided to organise the league because ladies football was very active and players need not stay idle.

Meanwhile, Chelsea who are leading the Tononoka Ward soccer competition tackle Buxton



Soccer Scene with Abdurenman Shariff

## Annual Kilulu Competition

The Annual Kilulu Competition was held on Sunday, 8th March from La Marina Restaurant, Mtwapa.

Entry and support this year was poor, despite good seas and excellent prizes.

A big thank you was given to all the people who had donated prizes and organisers.

The new management at La Marina restaurant La Marina restaurant made us all welcome

and Yara East Africa donated cold beers and sodas for all the competitors as they came off their boats.

Also a thank you to the boats and crews who entered, especially the all ladies team who came from Kilifi on Novita.

Eight boats entered, but Kamara had technical problems on the morning of the Comp and so was a non starter.

This was a pity for Dave

Williamson and Karl Jennings but it meant that the ladies organising the Comp had their assistance with calculations etc much earlier than usual.

There were plenty of Yellowfin out and about and some felusi but the catch of the day was 2 striped Marlin, tagged and released by John Webb and Rob Jessop off Flycatcher.

Naz Khan fishing off Baloo tagged a sailfish.

Teams: First Boat Overall with 640 points Flycatcher - John Webb, Rob Jessop.

1st Professional Boat - Baloo - Naz Khan, Jameel Khan (Junior), Mansur Khan (Junior), H Rawal, Peter Mtemi, Kazungu.

2nd Professional Boat - Lulu - Wolfgang, Peter, Mwainisha (lady) Axel Perschon.

3rd Professional Boat - Suli Suli - Pat Griffin, John Rayner.

1st Amateur Boat - Flycatcher - John Webb, Rob Jessop.

2nd Amateur - Novita - Pat Walker-Munro (Lady), Jo Harris (Lady), Snoo Colville (Lady), William.

3rd Amateur - Bado - Bob Bernneisen, Saleem Ghalia.



Striped marlin 'tagged and released' during Kilulu Competition.

## ACTION PACKED WEEK @ HOLLYWOOD BOWL

As the week matured, a number of bowlers battled it out to close the week top both in Men category and in Ladies category.

In the Mens category, Habib Maks is still dominating the top position. Shiv Morjaria captured the second slot this week while Pareesh Morjaria took up the third position.

Tim McClanahan who last week was in the second position was

dropped down to the fourth position. Majid Baloch, who previous month had an injury on his right hand, is now back in action.

This week he managed to score 201 points and landed on the fourth position.

The new entrant this week is D.J Tiesto who scored 187 points in the mens category.

In the Ladies category, Nyawira

is currently in the top position with 101 points.

On Friday evening, it was pomp and color as Samia celebrated her birthday at the Hollywood Bowl. Samia was turning six years old on that day.

She is student at Aga Khan Nursery.

In the company of family and friends, they had a wonderful evening bowling and enjoyed the delicious snacks and drinks provided.

Happy Birthday Samia, and Many Happy Returns of the Day.

Scores @ the close of the week:  
Men: Habib Maks - 229 points, Shiv Morjaria - 221 points, Pareesh Morjaria - 202 points, Tim McClanahan - 201 points, Majid Baloch - 201 points, D.J Tiesto - 187 points and Nasir Baloch - 156 points.

Ladies: Nyawira - 101 points.

Best Bowlers with the Highest Scores (Overall 300points): Men: Habib Maks - 289 points, Ladies: Angelika Shiku - 205 points, Under 15 years: Shiv Morjaria - 224 points.




## THE MIKE DUNFORD FISHING TOURNAMENT

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### SATURDAY 21<sup>st</sup> MARCH, 2009

AT

### THE TAMARIND VILLAGE

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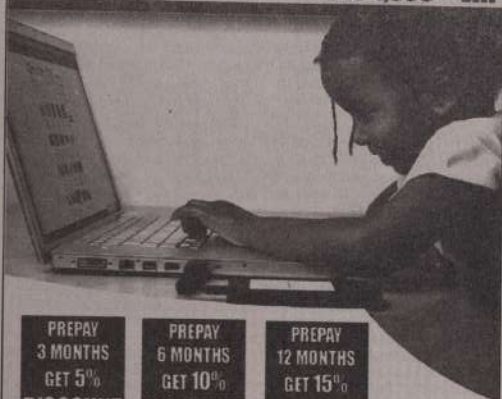
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## Outstanding Performance By Mombasa Junior Swimmers



Junior swimmers from Aga Khan Academy posing with their trophies and medals which they won in the just concluded 2009 Coast Open Junior Swimming Championships, held on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March, at Oshwal pool, Nyali. Seated front row [from left] Aliza Karachiwalla, Erica Nondi, Alisha Varia, Vivian Mung'aro, Urvi Dayal, Anna Clarke, Nihal Shavdia, Tracey Pohler (girls capt), Shaan Vora (boys capt), Karan Khagram, Naeem Idow, Rahil Bhagani, Muhib Khamisa. Centre row [from left] Allan Mwandawiro, Saumya Gupta, Bibaswan Battacharya, Wagaki Kiago, Riva Harla, Hirai Shah, Malaika Chenye, Muthaira Abdi, Ayesha Lalani, Wachera Muriuki, Preet Chudasama, Njau Njuguna, Gurjog Singh, Jameel Khan, Abdulhaleem Mabisi. Back row [from left] Mansur Pirbhai, Victor Wambura, Gabrielle Namadoa, Swaleh Hamada, Vishal Patel, Kaashif Mawji, Shahil Shah, Bilal Gulleid, Omar Bayusuf, Robin Murphy, Preet Savla, Kim Hongki, Osman Vandenberg, Amar Jivanji and Mansoor Khan. Those not in the photo are: Sarosh Dadani, Swastik Mohapatra, Aman Rattansey, Ilyan Somani, Abigail Kiago, Sarrah Ibrahimji, Samara Dainty, Imaan Karachiwalla, Rose Murphy, Neel Patel and Vincent Bullens.

## Kenya Police Defeat Parklands In Indoor Hockey Tournament

The Mombasa Institute successfully held an Indoor Hockey rules tournament at their club over the weekend.

The tournaments was sponsored by Risingstar Group of Companies, Consolbase Ltd., Coast Seafood Exporters Ltd., Gap Imports and Exports among other individuals.

Indoor Hockey is much faster than field hockey as it is played on a hard surface and has side board to stop the ball going out on the full length of the pitch.



Parklands Sports Club postkeeper on the alert as the Kenya Police players try to score a goal.

This version is relatively new in Kenya and it took the teams at least one match to settle down and understand how to fully utilise the side boards to their advantage.

Ten teams from Nairobi and Mombasa entered this one of a kind tournament, with Kenya Police - B emerging victorious after defeating the hard fighting Parklands Sports Club 4 - 3 in the finals.

Eric Odeno opened the scoring for Parklands in the sixth minute before Stephen

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**KENYA TIDE TABLES**  
MOMBASA, March 13 - 19, 2009

**FRIDAY** High Water - 3.5 m. at 05.34 hrs. (5.34 a.m.) and 3.8 hrs. at 17.53 (5.53 p.m.). Low Water - 0.1 m. at 11.31 hrs. (11.31 a.m.) and 0.2 m. at 23.58 hrs. (11.58 p.m.).

**SATURDAY** High Water - 3.4 m. at 06.04 hrs. (6.04 a.m.) and 3.7 m. at 18.22 hrs. (6.22 p.m.). Low Water - 0.3 m. at 12.00 hrs. (12.00 a.m.).

**SUNDAY** High Water - 3.1 m. at 06.32 hrs. (6.32 a.m.) and 3.5 m. at 18.49 hrs. (6.49 p.m.). Low Water - 0.4 m. at 00.31 hrs. (12.31 a.m.) and 0.4 m. at 12.28 hrs. (12.28 p.m.).

**MONDAY** High Water - 2.9 m. at 07.01 hrs. (7.01 a.m.) and 3.2 m. at 19.18 hrs. (7.18 p.m.). Low Water - 0.8 m. at 01.04 hrs. (1.04 a.m.) and 0.6 m. at 12.55 hrs. (12.55 p.m.).

**TUESDAY** High Water - 2.6 m. at 07.29 hrs. (7.29 a.m.) and 3.0 m. at 19.49 hrs. (7.49 p.m.). Low Water - 0.9 m. at 01.38 hrs. (1.38 a.m.) and 0.9 m. at 13.22 hrs. (1.22 p.m.).

**WEDNESDAY** High Water - 2.3 m. at 07.59 hrs. (7.59 a.m.) and 2.7 m. at 20.27 hrs. (8.27 p.m.). Low Water - 1.2 m. at 02.15 hrs. (2.15 a.m.) and 1.2 m. at 13.53 hrs. (1.53 p.m.).

**THURSDAY** High Water - 2.1 m. at 08.44 hrs. (8.44 a.m.) and 2.4 m. at 21.36 hrs. (9.36 p.m.). Low Water - 1.4 m. at 03.08 hrs. (3.08 a.m.) and 1.5 m. at 14.36 hrs. (2.36 p.m.).

NOTE: Standard Port is Kilindini. ADD 40 minutes for Lamu and ADD five minutes for Malindi. 'No Change' for Kilifi and Diani.

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