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KENYA AIRPORTS AUTHORITY TO SPEND U.S. \$47.5 MILLION ON MOI INTERNATIONAL UPGRADE

MOMBASA, (Xinhua) -- Millions of dollars have been earmarked for Mombasa's plan to upgrade its airport, the second largest in the east African country, Kenya Airports Authority (KAA) said on Friday.

Speaking in Mombasa to the authorities' stakeholders meeting, KAA Managing Director George Muhoho said the total investment, estimated at 3.8 billion shillings (about U.S. \$ 47.5 million), will also cover reconstruction of the runway and a new taxiway guidance system for Moi International Airport, in line with more airlines and passenger traffic.

'MAGNIFICENT' SAROVA SCULPTURE DONATION



Sarova Whitesands Beach resort and spa have donated two dolphins and a whale to Kenya airports authority. As leaders in environmental conservation, Sarova Whitesands developed three sculptures to sensitize this generation on the need to conserve marine life. The coast is synonymous with beaches and the Indian ocean hence these three sculptures are poised to become landmarks in the Coast for those guests arriving and departing through Moi International Airport. KAA chairman Muhoho is seen receiving the whale and dolphins from Sarova Whitesands Regional general manager Mohammed-Hersi Chairman. Looking on [left] is Sarova Whitesands Regional IT manager Paul Njuguna.

ACI is a global trade representative of airports with 597 members.

Its benchmarking survey examines airports in areas of access, security checks, check-in, passport control, facilities, environment and the passenger arrival process.

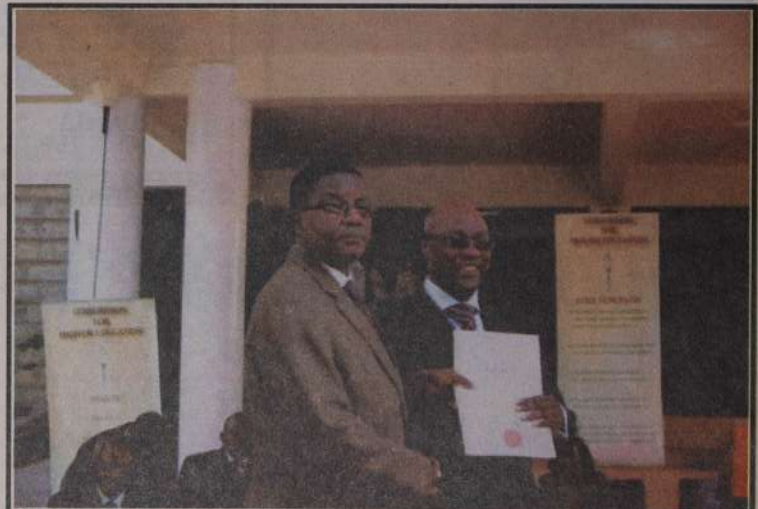
Improvement

Muhoho noted that the recognition was important to KAA because it benchmarked Moi against other international airports, offering insights into the crucial areas of improvement that required to be addressed.

"This is a passenger perception benchmarking system for airports across the world that we participate in so that we can become better," he told the stakeholders.

The planned improvement includes the all round fencing of the airport, which has recently

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DALC
EDUCATION

Prof. Humphrey Oborah, DALC Education's Head of Missions (right), receives Certificate of Approval/Validation from Kenya Assistant Minister for Higher Education, Dr. Kilemi Mwiria during official presentation by the Kenyan Government through the Commission for Higher Education (CHE) [5th July 2008]

The Commission for Higher Education (CHE) in Kenya is charged with the responsibility of evaluating or assessing colleges / universities and accredits their diploma or degree programmes. This makes the programmes (under Cambridge and Oxford institutions) to be accepted internationally since CHE is the official Government of Kenya regulatory body created by an act of parliament.

This process of validation or approval by CHE is very involving but largely thorough and of immense quality value. It took us more than 16 months to be approved. In most cases it takes longer.



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Wasini Island 'Special Offers' From Charlie Claw's

News and a 'Special Offer' from the cheery Charlie Claw's team - now a PADI dive centre.

Over the whole of April Charlie Claw's, Wasini Island have introduced two fantastic special offers: for every adult paying one child pays only KWS park fee for their tour which includes Kisite Marine Park - home of the dolphins.

Free transport, snorkeling and lunch for children under 12 years.

Take the family out for a day of fun.

Also, for scuba divers or anyone 10 years and over one person pays for scuba diving and the other person goes for free.

One dive for free.

Charlie Claw's on Wasini Island off the South Coast has daily departures from the



Jumping dolphins of Shimoni!

sleepy fishing village and port of Shimoni.

Taking the main Tanzania road from Likoni ferry for an interesting drive, turning 2km after the Ramisi Bridge (approximately 70km from Mombasa) for a 15km ride down the murrum road to where the Cheery Charlie Claw's team are waiting to meet you at the end of the road - literally.

Charlie Claw's is the last coastal restaurant on the end of Wasini Island overlooking Tanzania across the shimmering waters of the Indian Ocean.

Join the cheery Charlie Claw's team for a full day: snorkeling, diving, island visit, lunch and lots of fun.

Juma Omari as well as being an experienced SSI Instructor has now also qualified as a PADI open water instructor and Charlie Claw's are a PADI dive school.

For guests added enjoyment whilst snorkeling the dhow at Kisite visit two different snorkeling sites and there is still time to enjoy the afternoon after a fantastic lunch; relaxing by and in the only one on the island, the Lazy Lagoon, or visiting the coral gardens, a community project supported by Charlie Claw's.

Why not take the whole family for a day out to Charlie Claw's over the Easter Holidays - from Granny to the latest arrival.

We can vouch that all are cared for whilst looking for dolphins; snorkeling - there are also glass bottom viewers for anyone not wishing to snorkel; enjoying lunch on

Wasini Island. Have a very different day for a very special offer over the holidays.

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SMILE TIME

"I get a bit fed up every year with all this gardening"

"It is full up with harpists - can't you play saxophone?"

"I love a night out on the town ..."



Paintings on sale at the current Kipawa Art Project at Alliance Francaise De Mombasa.

Artist Show At Alliance Francaise De Mombasa

Gitu Sons Art And Design brings together members of one family with an inborn art talent.

They exhibit art work at Nyal Beach Hotel every Wednesday and Saturday from 4.00 p.m. - 11.00 p.m.

Their work ranges from portraits, wildlife, landscapes and sceneries, abstracts, botanical expressions to hand painted T-shirts.

In collaboration with Trace Kenya, they have pioneered an art class under Kipawa

Art Project for the talented upcoming artists with the aim of helping them stir-up their potential.

This group has been in the fraternity for the last 15 years with an inspiration from nature.

They are currently exhibiting their collection of art work at Alliance Francaise De Mombasa, in Freed Building at Kwa Shibu Road / Moi Avenue.

The venue is open from Monday- Friday, 9.00 a.m. - 6.45 p.m. and Saturday, 9.30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.

The exhibition runs until April 15.

The paintings are for sale, prices can be obtained at the reception of Alliance Francaise.

Mombasa International Show From 12th To 16th August 2009

For the first time in the history of the Society, Mombasa International Show will be held early as from August 12-16, 2009 due to the 'National Census' scheduled for August, 24 - 25th 2009.

This year's theme is: "Driving Agri-Business In Attaining Food Sufficiency And Vision 2030"

Kiswahili Version: *Kuendesha Biashara Ya Kilimo Ili Kujitoshleza Kwa Chakula Na Ruwaza Ya 2030*.

A.S.K. Coast Branch Manager Peter S. Sasaka noted:

"Exhibitors are asked to do their bookings and repairs quite early to avoid last minute rush."

Information On AFRICA



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Coast Launch Of Blanche D'souza's New 'Harnessing The Trade Winds'

Blanche D'Souza's recently published book received its Mombasa launch by Friends of Fort Jesus on Tuesday, March 24, at Fort Jesus.

"*Harnessing the Trade Winds*" traces the history and the impact of the age-old Indian trade with Africa.

Although Indians had been trading with Africa for thousands of years their settlements were temporary as they always considered India as their home.

In 1806 Seyyid Said persuaded Indians who were living in Muscat "skilled in the mysteries of the ledger and the counter" to join him in Zanzibar - as Indian accounting skills were much sought after.

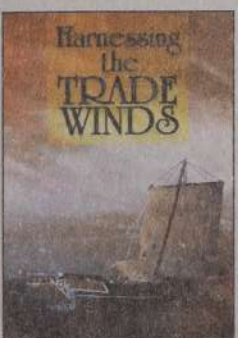
Hard working arid parsimonious the Indians, unlike the Europeans and Arabs, never attempted to colonise Africa.

However they have made an indelible contribution to the country's economy through their commercial integrity and aptitude for business.

This book traces their trading origins back to before recorded

history, through the ages to present times.

The author, born in Kenya, left at the age of seven and did not



'*Harnessing The Trade Winds*' - a new book by Kenyan author Blanche D'souza.

return until she had graduated from St Patrick College in 1951 when she began teaching at Dr

Ribeiro Goan School in Nairobi.

After her marriage she continued to teach on and off for the next 15 years when she took a diploma in Library Science and went to work at the Library of Congress field office as senior cataloguer.

Bringing up a large family left little time for socialising or writing but Blanche maintained her interest in the presence of Indians in East Africa but was only able to pursue her interest after all her children had left home.

Ms. D'Souza has focused on the influence of Indian-African trade and has travelled to Zanzibar, Mumbai and Goa in search of authoritative information.

This is an interesting and fascinating book, it is very well researched.

Ms D'Souza gave a well received talk about her book and then signed copies which were on sale.

"*Harnessing the Trade Winds*" is listed in African Books Collective among the best publications of 2008.

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'Oscar' Winning Films At The Nyali Cinemax

TWO AWARD winning new films open at the **NYALI CINEMAX** this week.

WITH TOP STARS SUCH AS BRAD PITT, LEONARDO DICAPRI, CATE BLANCHETT AND KATE WINSLETT

Nominated for 13 Oscars winning three, nominated for eleven BAFTAs and five Golden Globes is the David Fincher directed **Curious Case of Benjamin Button**. This science fiction written in 1922 by F. Scott Fitzgerald stars Brad Pitt, Cate Blanchett, Jason Fletmyng, Taraji P. Henson and Julia Ormond.

Benjamin Button is born as a baby but looks like an eighty-year-old man.

Abandoned by his mother for his hideous looks, he is brought up by a foster mother who loves him dearly.

As he 'grows up' his looks reverse in age and at the age of 50 he meets a young woman of 30, falling in love with her.

Things are a bit complicated as she is growing older while he is getting younger by every year.

Add to this the World War that Button is enlisted for and we have a beautifully filmed incredible love story.

Also nominated for three Oscars, four BAFTAs and four

Golden Globes, finally winning a solitary Globe is the Sam Mendes directed **Revolutionary Road**.

This film is also set in the last century, 1950s to be precise and stars Leonardo DiCaprio, Kate Winslet, David Harbour, Michael Shannon and Kathy Bates.

Frank and April Wheeler are the typical American newly-married couple but consider themselves different from the rest.

They do not want to be typecast in the same humdrum of daily

lives and promise themselves that they will, in their new home on **Revolutionary Road**, follow their dreams and high ideals.

But as time goes by, all those high ideals float out of the ceiling and they become the Smiths next door - work, home, kids - the usual daily drone.

Frank submits to this but April cannot take this frustration of unfulfilled dreams and decides to take steps to change all this.

She makes a plan where the will just one day pack up and

leave this home in Connecticut and head for Paris to seek adventure in this romantic city that is still a mystery to them.

But does Frank have it in him to see this dream through, or will April have to take the step by herself?

Adam Sandler experiences **Bedtime Stories** of a very different and weird kind.

Other stars are Courtney Cox Arquette, Keri Russell, Teresa Palmer, Guy Pearce and Lucy Lawless.

Still rocking the boat (Renault in this case) are Steve Martin, Aishwarya Rai Bachchan, Emma Bunton, Andy Garcia and John Cleese in **The Pink Panther 2**.

Showing for yet one more week is the factual drama **Valkyrie** starring Tom Cruise, Kenneth Branagh, Bill Nighy, Tom Wilkinson and Carice Van Houten.

Then we have the fictional **Yes Man** which stars Jim Carrey and Zoey Deschanel for one show on Tuesday evening.

There is only one Hindi film being screened at the **NYALI CINEMAX** this week, the exciting drama **Aa Dekhen Zaar**.

CINEMAS with Anjum Asodia

Neil Nitin Mukesh and Bipasha Basu star in the fictional drama that involves a very special camera.

Struggling photographer Ray gets a new lease of life with his late grandfather's golden style box camera.

It opens more than doors in the world but then as is the norm, all good things have a flip side and he has to face up to the good, the bad and the ugly.

The sexy DJ Simi, who is his girlfriend thanks to the camera props him up through his ups and downs.

STARCAST GEMINI KILIFI

Aries (Mar. 22 - April 21) Take charge and let your people see that the next big thing isn't so bad after all. It's a good time for you to make sure that you're not just stuck in the past or dealing with old issues.

Taurus (April 22 - May 21) You're feeling too relaxed to really get behind the mad rush you can see going on all around you - so see if you can get your friends or coworkers to support you as you slow down.

Gemini (May 22 - June 21) Spend up today - you need to be the one who can say what everyone else is thinking. If you're not sure, wing it and see what happens. You are almost certain to surprise yourself and others.

Cancer (June 22 - July 21) You might say things you regret today, but that just means you're living on the edge, at least a little. It's not so bad that you need to stay home, but you should be prepared to backpedal a bit.

Leo (July 22 - Aug. 21) It's a super-great day for you to dive into the grunt work of your job or home life - you can have a great time doing almost anything! Inspire those around you to enjoy the time they spend with you.

Virgo (Aug. 22 - Sept. 21) Let others at work or at home deal with their own problems on their own time - you don't need to play baby-sitter. Whatever else is going on, you need to focus on your own issues.

Libra (Sept. 22 - Oct. 21) You're committed to one person - but it might not be a romantic thing! Your ability to build strong relationships extends to all areas of life, so expect this to last quite a long time for you, both.

Scorpio (Oct. 22 - Nov. 21) Fighting causes far more problems than it solves today, so do whatever it takes to keep yourself calm and others around you the same way - it may take some doing, but is completely worthwhile.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21) Your energy is best used creatively now - and there's plenty of it to spare! You've got to make sure that you're not just spinning your wheels while the rest of the world passes you by.

Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 21) Put off your big appointment or date until some other time - you've got bigger things to worry about now. It's one of those days when you've got more to do than you realize, but it's all manageable.

Aquarius (Jan. 22 - Feb. 21) You're far out there on the edge of 'thought today' - so much so that others may have a hard time understanding you. That's cool, as long as you can explain it to them later so they get it.

Pisces (Feb. 22 - Mar. 21) You're a little confused still, but can tell that there's just not quite enough information for you to understand the situation. It's a good time to look for more clues up close. Things should resolve soon.



Mrs. Khilna Patel is [from left] together with Mrs. Nirmaia Patel, Mr. Raju Patel, Mr. Vinod Dattani, Mr. Keyur Patel, Mrs. Vasant Patel and Mr. Rannik Patel.

DOSHI & CO. (HARDWARE) LTD. ASSIST DENYENYE PRIMARY SCHOOL IN KWALE

The management of Doshi & Co. (Hardware) Ltd recently renovated four classrooms in Denyenye Primary School, Likoni. The school has 839 pupils, both boys and girls.

In a ceremony held at the school on Saturday the March 21, 2009 to hand over the completed facilities, Mr. Rannik Patel, a Director of Doshi & Co. (Hardware) Ltd said that the project began in May 2007 after the school approached the management of Doshi for assistance.

"We visited the school to assess its needs and established that there was an urgent need of more desks and that most classrooms required major renovation work.

"Roofing was old and almost falling off",

he observed. One hundred desks were donated in September 2007, followed by flooring of the classrooms.

Thereafter, wall repainting, fixing metal doors, windows and iron sheets roofing was done.

The approximate cost of the whole renovation and upgrading project was Ksh. 600,000/=.

In attendance included Directors of Doshi & Co. (Hardware) Ltd, the area chief Mr. Omari Ngari, parents, teachers, pupils and members of the local community.

A plaque on one of the renovated classrooms was unveiled by the donor, officially presenting the upgraded classrooms to the school.

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EAST AFRICAN MARINE SYSTEMS FIBRE OPTIC CABLE ALMOST REACHED TELEPHONE HOUSE

A timetable for the roll-out of the TEAMS (The East African Marine Systems) cable has been released by contractors, Alcatel Submarines Network Systems.

According to Mr. Nzioka Waita, a TEAMS board member and Safaricom's Head of Legal and Regulatory Affairs, "we expect a lot of movement to take place in the month of April."

Activities lined up for April include the completion of loading and commencement of the dropping of the cable, a visit to Fujairah by the TEAMS board members to inspect the equipment before the ship starts laying the cable in the sea.

Waita was speaking in Mombasa yesterday after a TEAMS board of directors' inspection of the terminal equipment, housed in the equipment room and landing station room situated in Telephone House on Moi Avenue.

Terminal equipment is what is necessary to light the entire length of the cable and to provide a point of connection for the submarine cable to the terrestrial infrastructure in the country.

They include power feeding equipment, transmission equipment, SDH and network monitoring equipment.

"We are fairly confident the equipment room is now ready to be handed over to the contractor to begin the installation of equipment for the landing station," said Waita who was

accompanied by Mr. Victor Kyalo from the Kenya ICT Board, who is also seconded to TEAMS as the Acting CEO and Project Manager.

The equipment is already in Kenya awaiting clearance, while the Alcatel Contractors who will do the installation are also in the country and waiting to be handed over the room.

"We just want to tell everyone interested in the TEAMS project that everything is on track and we are receiving a lot of co-operation from shareholders to make sure the project happens in time and within the budget," said Waita.

The US\$130 million TEAMS project shareholding ratio includes:

Safaricom, Telkom Kenya and the Government of Kenya all with 20 per cent of the shares, (KDN) Kenya Data Network with 10 per cent, Wananchi Online with five per cent; Jamii Telkom; 3.5 per cent and Access Kenya and Flashcom; 1.25 per cent.

Others are Econet and Africa Fibre Net of Uganda.

The Kenyan shareholders have pledged US \$ 110 million (Sh8.6 billion) while the difference will be raised by Dubai Telecom Operator, Etisalat.

Waita said the project has all requisite permits and approvals from (NEMA), the National Environment Management Agency which were received in November last year.

THE TAMARIND THIS WEEK

Wedding Feast

Elma Den Toom and Alex Voets (inset) had their pre-wedding planned months in advance, this very significant event took place on board The Tamarind Dhow.



Their menu covers were branded for that extra personal touch and all the 31 guests which included family members and friends were allocated on the lower deck of the dhow which gave them a sense of privacy and togetherness.

They commented as having a wonderful experience, the food was exceptional, the service was excellent and the staff very pleasant, once again, the Tamarind Dhow left a lasting impression to yet another couple!

For reservations, please call 474 600/1/2 or 0733 411 011

Seventy Drivers Will Be Going For Top Honors In This Year's KCB Safari Rally

The stage is set for the KCB Safari Rally 2009 which zooms off from Kenyatta International Conference Centre (KICC) on Friday, April 3.

A total of seventy drivers will be going for top honors with 46 enlisted in the main category featuring homologated cars.

Zimbabwean oldies Jamie Whyte and Phil Archenoul hope to bolster their ARC title chase in the KCB Safari with verve and vigor.

Whyte, who is smarting from winning the 2009 Kobil Rally of Tanzania in February, will be the first off the ramp followed by two-time Africa champion Muna Singh of Zambia.

Muna and white are top seeds by virtue of being FIA seed B' drivers.

Defending KCB Safari Rally Champion Lee Rose navigated by Piers Daykin of Timau hopes to make a robust return to the rallying circuit after skipping the opening round of the 2009 KCB KNRC at the KCB Biashara Banking Rally in Iten.

Rose takes off third and hopes to shake off the rust in his bid to retain the diadem he won last year in awesome fashion.

Rose was untouchable last year when he claimed crowned his Mitsubishi EVO 9 debut with

victory.

It was with Rose's victory that the EVO 9 craze soon gripped Kenyan soil.

The KCB Safari Rally welcomes state-of-the-art machines with the battle of Subaru N-series and Mitsubishi Evolutions taking an interesting dimension.

Besides, South Africa's Valeque sisters, Lola and Megan should electrify the Safari world with their newly acquired S-2000 VW Polo.

This is the only S-2000 formula at this year's event.

The 2004 Safari Rally winner Carl Tundo just can't wait to attack in an ex-Lola Valeque EVO 9.

Rose leads the KCB KNRC series after winning the KCB Biashara Banking rally on his first outing with the EVO 9.

Defending Kenya rally champion Baldev 'Baldy' Chager also hopes to make up for his absence in Iten and probably improve on the third position at last year's Safari.

Oillbya's Chager was enthusiastic as he went through recce at the weekend.

"The route is identical to last year. Just perhaps I think a little smoother.

"We should brace up for a very

dusty first leg but second leg is smoother," Chager said.

Six drivers will vie for Pirelli Star Driver promotion.

They are Navraj Hans of Tanzania, Peter Horsey of Kenya his brother Alex Horsey, compatriot Izhar Mirza, Raji Bhanji, and Tariq Hussein.

National Oil-sponsored Ian Duncan leads 10 drivers in the supplementary class largely composed of Classic cars.

Duncan will drive a Group S Nissan Patrol Pickup.

Most of these cars in the supplementary class are preparing for November's KQ Safari Classic Rally.

Briton Iain Freestone will be driving a Ford Escort RS and so is 2008 Classic Car Cup champion Aslam Khan.

Oldies Jayant Shah and Lofty Drews are back to test the most challenging of terrains.

MEMORABLE VICTORY

Drews- who lives in Australia- is a former navigator for Shekhar Mehta in their memorable 1973 Safari Rally win.

The 2WD drive class has attracted 14 drivers including defending KCB Safari rally winner Charles Hinga and Kenya's 2WD champion Leo Varese.

Two former champion Jasmeet Chana (2007) and his Cousin

Kirandeep 'Deep' Chana have also joined the Formula Two fray.

Special Report by
Samson Ateka

BOOST FOR MOI AIRPORT

FROM FRONT PAGE

been vandalized, better water supply in the airport and the repairing of road network.

The airfield lighting would also be refurbished with a new standby generator to be installed.

Muhoho said the authority, putting security and safety high on its agenda for the airport, would ensure adequacy of the facility's fire cover and conduct a regular audit of security infrastructure and staff competence.

In order to give passengers a

better sense of security, the authority will install closed circuit television cameras all over the airport.

With passenger traffic growing at the airport, the authority also announced plans to expand the available restaurant facilities to accommodate this demand.

TWO NEW FERRIES

Meanwhile, the ferry service between the Mombasa Island and Likoni on the south coast mainland is set to improve with the arrival of two brand-new

ferries are due for delivery by end of this year.

By mid of this year, some 90 per cent of the work will have been completed at the shipyard in Germany where the ferries are being built, and once the outfitting is complete, they will start their journey to east Africa.

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Having looked at planning last week we will now follow into the steps that are important to successfully transforming a plan into action.

There are a raft of legal, enforcement, training and construction actions that have to be done to transform the plan into action.

Let us consider what would have to happen for legislative changes in Kenya.

The one thing that any implementation team has to be prepared for is the length of the process.

In our political dispensation, it is only what is important to the legislator's stay in parliament or of immediate direct benefit to the mwanchi that gets Parliament's attention.

Anything long term will suffer in the August house and may be played back and forth for several sittings of parliament before it gets to the top of the order paper.

The team must have a lobbying strategy for accelerating any legislation through parliament.

Targeting influential MPs is an opportunity.

Preparing the government for legislative change, whether new rules or new penalties are proposed, requires the team to write a briefing document that contains the objectives of the proposed changes, whether it is coverage or not in other related legislation, why the proposed changes are required and how mechanisms for enforcing and administering the legislation will be put in place.

The document should also explain how the community will benefit from the changes, the anticipated level of community support for the change and the proposed timeframe for the legislation to take effect. It is imperative that the boys in blue are happy with the proposed legislation.

In order to be effective any road rules, laws and regulations require to be enforceable without too much ado.

While simply the announcement of a new law can sometimes result in behaviour change,

Sustainable And Meaningful Change Invariably Depends On Ensuring Compliance Through Full Force Of The Law

sustainable and meaningful change invariably depends on forcing compliance with the law through the real threat and public awareness of penalties for non-compliance.

Preparation for effective enforcement should take into account police and judicial capabilities and attitudes towards the enforcement and prosecution of offenders, and the community driving culture, as well as ensuring that the resources, technology and tools needed for this process are available.

The prevalent police culture and the force's capacity need to be clearly understood and catered for.

If speeding laws are to be effective, the boys in blue must be well trained, committed and have real capacity to provide effective enforcement. It is vitally important that the police set an example by their own driving behaviour which will always be subject to community scrutiny.

As part of the implementation, new or tarted up signs need to be put up to either clarify existing speed limits or mark where revised speed limits are to apply.

Signs with a consistent design must be purchased or produced.

Care should be taken to ensure that signs are clearly visible to approaching road users and especially that they are effectively maintained and not

obsured by foliage or other signs.

Construction of new features will typically have long lead times and this should also be taken into consideration during implementation.

Factors that can contribute to the long leads and delay implementation include obtaining resources, usually as part of the annual government budget, carrying out the designs and getting planning and NEMA approvals.

One would then proceed to the

users about speed management actions and the change in behaviour expected of them.

The next is to motivate compliance with speed limits and safe speeds.

The third is to encourage public support for actions to address the speeding problem.

In working with the media it is important that the reasons for the campaign are set out clearly and backed by evidence.

The media like to use statistical data if it is available.

The media are also frequently keen to publicize statements from medical personalities, political leaders or the police on traffic safety issues in general.

A continuing part of the campaign should be to keep the media regularly informed about its progress and how it is meeting its targets.

Prior to full implementation, it is good practice to carry out pilot projects in order to assess the impact of the speed management methods and also to see how they work best.

Pilots should be substantial enough in scope to enable impacts to be measurable but should not be so large that they introduce the problems of scale associated with a full roll-out.

In conclusion, speed management is a highly contentious issue.

Political support is essential for a successful programme.

Stakeholders are a mix of those who hold responsibilities for speed management and those with a strong interest in speed management.

Roles and mechanisms for involving stakeholders are important elements of managing programmes that address speed.

It is important that good communication and leadership are applied to steering the speed management working group.

An action plan should set ambitious but achievable objectives, targets and performance indicators.

Development of activities to deliver the action plan using selected tools requires a good understanding of the key issues that are important for the government and for the community.

An effective action plan will include a range of activities and measures.

Single actions are unlikely to have much effect.

Before implementation it is necessary to conduct a final assessment of the steps to be followed, and confirm that the proposed delivery arrangements will maximize the likelihood of success.

Resources need to be secured to implement the plan.

Communication campaigns

are an important plank to foster public support.

Conducting limited trials or pilot projects is good practice at a preliminary phase of programme implementation.

As Kachumbari says, turning strategy to reality requires very focussed and well planned implementation.



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tender and award of the contracts to actually execute the projects.

One of the most difficult aspects of implementation of speed management programmes is to deal with public opinions and expectations or dislikes.

One must carefully implement the processes of informing, influencing and involving the public.

There are three distinct objectives for public communications about speed management.

The first is advising and educating drivers and other road

Conservation Efforts In Stagnation Due To The Protracted Food Crisis: A Look At Mau Forest

The Mau Forest Complex is the most expansive closed canopy forest ecosystem in Kenya (MOE, 2009).

It serves as the most critical water catchment region in the Rift Valley and Western Kenya,

and helps secure the provision of water supply to urban areas.

Moreover, millions of people residing near the Complex rely heavily on its extensive goods and services for its local economy (MOE, 2009).

The Mau Forest Complex is an asset of national importance, yet it is being destroyed at an unprecedented rate (MOE, 2009 and Baldyga et al, 2008).

Human activity has led to the destruction of over 104,000 hectares, representing over 24 per cent of the Mau Complex area, over the past 15 years (MOE, 2009).

The main causes have been poor land use, illegal resource extraction, commercial logging, charcoal burning, human settlements, and most critically, agricultural land conversion.

Such extensive and ongoing destruction is a matter of national emergency and presents significant environmental and economic threats to Kenya (MOE, 2009).

The Ministry of Forest and Wildlife established a high-level task force last year, acknowledging the key importance of the Mau Complex, yet little has been done to follow-up on their recommendations in light of the more immediate concerns over food insecurity.

In fact, conservation efforts have been largely stagnated due to the protracted food crisis in Kenya.

Kenya currently faces a tradeoff in its conservation efforts – saving the Mau Complex would call for more effective land use, relocation of local communities, restoration of the degraded forest, and most critically, a decrease in agricultural land conversion.

Yet there is an ever-growing pressure to increase agricultural production in light of the current food shortages.

Catalyzed by a complex amalgamation of poor harvests, climate change, competition with biofuels, higher energy prices, and heaving demands in the developing China and India, Kenya faces a dire situation, as

conserve the Mau Forest.

But aligning national incentives with private incentives is difficult.

We must enable conservation policies that favor smallholder rural development yet ensure conservation.

We must also mobilize local and international resources to secure the sustainability of the Mau Forest ecosystem.

Conservation biologists have been pushing for more effective land-use planning and management, while emphasizing greater research in increasing the agricultural productivity of the existing farms in Western Kenya.

If we can increase agricultural productivity, less land will need to be converted, lowering deforestation rates, and thus taking us one step closer to food security and environmental conservation, a win-win situation.

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by Sarah H. Nam

food supply and demand fall out of balance, increasing those affected by chronic hunger and malnutrition.

Should conservation of the Mau Forest be a priority in light of the immediacy of the hunger crisis in Kenya?

Recent scientific and economic analyses show that it should.

In fact, it is in Kenya's economic interest to protect the Mau Forest.

Continued degradation of the Mau Forest is estimated to lead to a loss of over US\$300 million each year to the tea, tourism, and energy sectors alone (UNEP, 2008).

Thus, it is in our best interest to

WHAT ABOUT AN ANNUAL TREE PLANTING WEEK ?

Many years ago when forests covered ten per cent of Kenya a tree planting day was held annually to emphasize the importance of maintaining woodland areas to safeguard the country's climate and rainfall.

As forests now cover only two per cent of Kenya's land mass, the need to encourage the planting and care of trees is far greater.

Accordingly it is suggested that the Ministry of Forestry and Wildlife should arrange for an annual tree planting week scheduled late in April during the long rains.

Although there is little time to make arrangements to take advantage of this year's main rainy season, it would be worth making a start to pave the way for a well organized programme in 2010.

Ministers, MPs and district leaders backed by the Kenya Forest Service should spearhead an annual tree planting week throughout the country.

A special effort needs to be made in the Aberdare and Mount Kenya forests and the Mau Complex which are the country's main water towers.

The Mau forest is as large as the Aberdare and Mount Kenya forests and is the water source for 12 rivers and numerous boreholes.

The survival of the Masai Mara National Reserve and Lake Nakuru National Park depends on the preservation of the Mau ecosystem.

A massive afforestation programme is a matter of the highest priority and a tree planting week would be a catalyst to raise public awareness and support.

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PROTECT FORESTS IN KENYA

The depletion of our forest cover is something to worry Kenyans everywhere.

I am at a loss to understand the silence from the government and the feeling that they are not about to take any action.

The destruction of Mau will mean the end of Maasai Mara and by extension the Kenya's tourism ...

Beach tourism alone can't sell as many other cheaper beach destinations are Europe and Asia.

Tea industry and many sitting mps are tea farmers will also kiss goodbye to the lush tea plantations.

The drought afflicting us is a clear sign that we have messed up with the environment.

It is ironic that our Nobel laureate got her award purely due to her efforts in forest conservation and today Kenya is at war with its forest cover.

It is never too late as we choose to plant three trees this year 35 Kenyans means 105 million trees.

We must act now. Ours is not global warming it is sheer lunacy as we decimate all our trees

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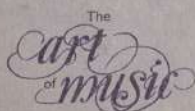
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He played for the Harambee Stars and he also coached the Kenya Youth team.

I remember in the ninety's when he coached our team Congo Boys football club, and everyone liked him.

Charming and always supporting in any games played, he spent much of his life in football activities.

He was friendly to everyone and always supporting and advising youth players to continue playing football.

My prayers will be with his family during this sad period, his legacy will always be there to be remembered by a lot of football fans, not only in Mombasa but the whole country.

He was a good human being.

We will miss him
May Allah rest him in Jannah

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Muslim Association Of Mombasa Perform An Eid Ul Adha Sacrifice

The season to commemorate the Sunnah of Prophet Ibrahim (AS), when he bowed to the commandment of Allah (SWT) and laid his beloved son at the altar of sacrifice has just passed.

The Eid-ul-Adha which commemorates that great moment was once again celebrated by the Muslim Association of Mombasa with their usual sense of generosity, commitment and spirit to serve humanity.

For the last several years the Muslim Association of Mombasa joins hands with the Young Muslim Association to organize the Udhia (Qurbani), an animal sacrifice programme, in various parts of Kenya to benefit thousands of men, women and children suffering from the pangs of hunger.

This year again, Shaahid Sheikh, Secretary of Muslim Association of Mombasa single handedly collected donations for over 90 goats from his family, personal friends and contacts.

The support this project receives every year conforms that both the Muslim Association Mombasa and Young Muslim Association are held in high regard and the community contributes generously when the need to assist others is identified.

The team effort in collaboration with the Young Muslim Association received incredible support.

A total of 1782 goats, 422 cows and 5 camels were slaughtered and systematically distributed.

As the meat was distributed a

lot of the recipients tried to say thanks, but tears kept coming from men, women and even young ones.

Those doing the giving also could not hold their tears.

Shaahid Sheikh, the Secretary of the Muslim Association of Mombasa, states "the response is overwhelming.

"We intend to work to make this an annual even.

"I therefore, appeal to all members, friends and Muslims

in general willing to participate in this worthy and noble project should contact me on email

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anytime before the next Eid-ul-Adha, to enable us to share the blessings of Eid with more deserving members of the Ummah.

"This sharing is a fundamental exercise to please the Creator.

"Certainly it reflects brotherhood that is the cornerstone of all Muslims."

WHY DO WE HAVE TO PAY FOR WATER BILLS ... YET WE STILL DO NOT GET ANY WATER ?

Last week I decided to go to the National Water Board to find out really why I have not been receiving water yet I have a bill to pay every month.

After almost an hour of trying to see the boss I finally had a chance to meet him.

I must say the poor guy is on a receiving end for a problem that he cannot sort out.

The meeting hardly took 10 minutes as he simply gave me the reasons.

Simple he tells me.

Twenty years ago Mariakani was just a mere village, the same with Mazaras and all the way down to Mombasa.

Now Mariakani and all the way down is nothing but factories and expanding human settlement.

The same applies for the north coast apart from a few houses scattered in Nyali the whole of the north coast from Nyali bridge

to Mtwapa bridge was just farms and small villages but now hotels and settlements all over.

The town too was just a few houses but now so many multi storied houses have been built but the infrastructure as far as water is concerned is the same since the colonial days!

It is the same old Mzima Spring line that serves the entire population all the way through and by the time it reaches Makupa cause way the water is no more.

The same applies for the pipeline from Baricho in Malindi.

If the boss cannot sort out this problem who do we address this problem to ?

Why do we have to pay for water bills yet we do not get any water ? The same applies for sewage and garbage collection ?

Why are we local Wananchis subjected to such treatment and yet we sit down and do nothing about it ?

I feel its about time that we residents are united and take those responsible to task.

I am very much aware its an enormous task with the amount of corruption but I hope it can be

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ROADS 'BUMPS' FOR MAMA NGINA DRIVE

Mombasa's Mama Ngina Drive should be a safe place without any fear; where one can have peace in mind and bring their families to enjoy the atmosphere and the beauty of the sea front looking at Indian ocean with ships coming and going out every day.

We also kindly request the Mayor to visit, especially on Sundays and see for him self how the cars are parked. Also there should be a Notice Board when entering Mama Ngina Drive from up and down, that no buses, no lorries and no trucks to enter.

Hussein Abbas, Mombasa. alhussein5555@yahoo.com

Continuing Water Crisis

Twelve years ago The World Bank funded the construction of a second pipeline from Mzima Springs to Mombasa.

Two engineering firms, Seurica and Mangat Patel were assigned

the initial survey work and the production of blue prints to facilitate this essential project.

After the completion of this feasibility survey, nothing further was heard as the surveyors were neither the financiers nor the executors of the project.

It was estimated that had the project been implemented, Mombasa residents would have had adequate water without any trials or tribulations well into 2022.

Both Seurica and The World Bank are based in Nairobi and should be able to tell us why the funding for this scheme was allegedly diverted.

What is the prevailing opinion and intention of the Kenya Government including the inept Ministry of Water Development in coming to our rescue and in solving a problem that is now looming ever larger than before ?

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achieved.

Together we stand and divided we fall.

Organisations like MUHURI, CIPK etc are well aware of our problems and hopefully they will assist.

It is a shame that instead of moving forward we are turning the clock back words in the end we will end up like Gedi town where all the wells dried and the residents had to leave.

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
NOTICE TO MEMBERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE 61st ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE PANDYA MEMORIAL SOCIETY WILL BE HELD ON FRIDAY 17th APRIL 2009 IN THE LECTURE HALL OF THE PANDYA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, AT 6.00 P.M. TO TRANSACT THE FOLLOWING:

AGENDA

1. Confirmation of the Minutes of the 60th Annual General Meeting held on 30th April 2008
2. Matters Arising therefrom.
3. Chairman's Address.
4. To receive and adopt the Honorary Secretary's Report on the working of the Society for the Year 2008.
5. To consider and adopt Honorary Treasurer's Report and the Audited Accounts for the Year 2008
6. To consider and adopt the proposed Income & Expenditure Budget for the Year 2009.
7. Election of Trustees.
8. Election of Office Bearers and Members of the Board of Management for the year 2009-2010.
9. Appointment of Auditors of the Society.
10. To transact such other business of the Society provided that no less than (7) seven days prior written notice thereof shall have been given to the Honorary Secretary of the Society.

Note: A copy of the Audited Accounts for the year ended 2008 can be viewed at the Hospital Administration Office during normal working hours

DR. UMA NATHWANI
HON. SECRETARY

Please note that in accordance to Clause 31 (b) of the Constitution of the Society, if a quorum of thirty members is not formed within 30 minutes of the appointed time for the meeting, the meeting shall stand adjourned for five minutes and deemed reconvened immediately, for which no quorum shall be necessary.



Young people active in the community

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MEWA, British Council Kenya and VSO Jitolee are jointly implementing the GX Programme to start in September 2009.

We are seeking applications for **GX Programme Volunteers**. This is a 6-month contract starting at the beginning of September 2009. The successful applicants will be expected to spend 3 months in the programme host community (Mombasa) in Kenya and 3 months of the project in the host community in the UK.

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Anil Saini, the CMC Group Technical Manager, added:

"A motorist who decides to have faults rectified will receive a 30 per cent discount for the spare parts which are fitted.

"The spares and service special offer has been well received by car owners who want trouble free motoring during the April holiday season."

Pax Mindi International Honour Prof. Dr. Riyaz A. H. Mohamed

Patriotic Kenyan Prof. Dr. Riyaz A. H. Mohamed of S.W.S. Acumedic Centre has been recognized by the Pax Mindi International organization under the patronage and authority of the Dag Hammarskjold Awards committee of United States of America.

The Academic Diplomatique De La Paix has conferred on Prof. Dr. Sir Riyaz A. H. Mohamed the prestigious award in recognition of great contribution to the People of Kenya.

The Grand Chancellor of The Open International University for Complementary Medicines in conferring this award said:

"It is indeed a honour for the great recognition to be conferred on Prof. Dr. Riyaz A. H. Mohamed for his great contribution to humanity and international corporation".



Prof. Dr. Riyaz A. H. Mohamed

'Car And General' Introduce Very Popular New 125cc Victor GLX Model Motor Cycle

Following the success of the 100cc TVS street motorcycle, Car and General has introduced the 125cc Victor GLX model to the range of TVS motorcycles available in Kenya.

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Abel Gikenyi, the TVS Sales Manager at Car and General, explained:

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"Another bonus is a long wide seat for rider comfort."

He added: "To promote road safety and good motorcycle riding habits we are giving away a free crash helmet with each TVS purchased from our Nairobi, Mombasa, Kisumu and Nakuru showrooms.

"In addition, each bike comes with the manufacturer's warranty, free registration and two free services."



Rachel Sanga [left], a Car and General Sales Representative, explains features of the TVS 125 motorcycle to Anthony Ndolo [right] a customer at Company's Showroom on Lusaka Road.



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H.E. Ali Hassan Mwinyi, the retired president of the United Republic of Tanzania is seen signing a visitors book upon his arrival at the Sun N Sand Beach Resort in Kikambala - Kenya. At hand to receive him was the resort's General Manager, Andimilleh Makumbi. The retired President was the chief guest at the Inter-University Council of East Africa's Conference that was held at the resort.



KPSA officials [from right] Ms Christine Gikandi, Ms Rachiel Dawai and Rukiya Omari with their pupils donating food stuff to Red Cross. The food is expected to sent to Kinango. PHOTO - WINSTON TOBBY OTUM



Romantic Hotels Director Joe Brunlehner [left] is joined in by his guests- Peter Gessler [right], Alfred Bunni Bangbase and Esther Makumbo Jackson In cutting a tape during the official opening of one of the Hotel's Multi Million Seafront Club Carneval in Mombasa last Saturday. LAMU MAULIDI PHOTO - ABDULRAHMAN SHERIF



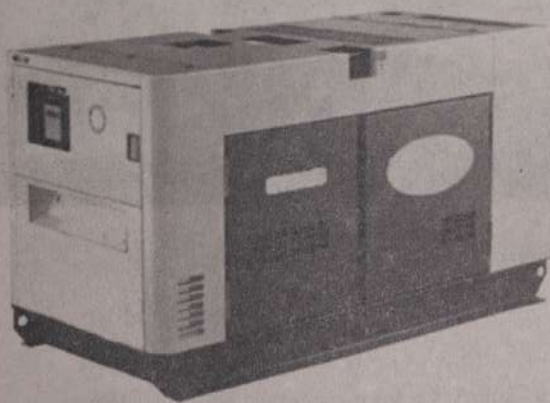
Joint President Mr. Muhammad H. Habib [left] from Zurich seen presenting a certificate of appreciation to Ms. Jasveer Kaur Birdi, administrator Habib Bank, AG Zurich Mombasa.



Sales Executive of FLY-540 Airlines, Ms Latifa Omar [left] flanked by her Lamu Island Station Manager, Mr Ali Mohamed [right] presents some cash donation to Imani Dhow captain, Ali Abdalla [middle] In Lamu Island last Saturday. Imani dhow emerged the overall winner during a dhow race competition off the Indian Ocean waters of Lamu Island last Friday. The two-day event was sponsored by the airline as part of the annual Lamu Maulidi Cultural festivals. LAMU MAULIDI PHOTO - ABDULRAHMAN SHERIF

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Kenya Wildlife Service security team have arrested a suspected illegal trophy dealer, Mr Kaingu Kipanga, at Kulalu Chakam area in Malindi Tsavo East.

Two pieces of ivory weighing 9.8 kgs and a leopard skin were recovered.

The suspect is believed to be a member of a gang which has been poaching elephants on the Eastern side of Tsavo East.

The suspect was arraigned at the Voi magistrate court on March 26, 2009 where he denied the charges.

He was granted a cash bail of Ksh 40,000 or a bond of Ksh 100,000.

He was, however, unable to raise the cash immediately and was taken to Voi remand.

Australian Head Of State At AUSI Nairobi Campus

During the first visit to Kenya by an Australian Head of State, Her Excellency Ms. Quentin Bryce, the Governor-General of Australia and her husband, His Excellency Mr. Michael Bryce spent part of a morning at the Australian Studies Institute (AUSI) campus at Centro House, Westlands.

They were accompanied by the Australian High Commissioner to Kenya, Her Excellency Ms. Lisa Filippetto and the party was welcomed by Ms. Geet Chana and Mr. Mahul Shah, the Co-Directors of AUSI.

The Governor-General met the AUSI management team who presented an overview of the organization which was founded in 2000 to help Kenyans to access affordable Australian education. Juliet Kabue, the Students Officer, introduced her to the recipients of AUSI scholarships for bright students from families which had been

The luxurious Baobab Beach Resort and Spa has been selected by Holiday Check for their 2008 Editor's Choice Award - the only hotel in Kenya to receive this high honour.

The resort, located on the sandy beaches of Mombasa's south coast in Diana, recently completed an expansion which saw the addition of the new Maridadi Wing.

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The expansion also saw the opening of the Porini Amphitheatre - a world class entertainment venue for cultural

shows and gala functions.

Within this complex there is also a new conference room that seats up to 120 delegates in air-conditioned comfort, a discothèque providing exciting entertainment until early into the morning and the Aya Bora Wellness Club and Spa which has undergone an extensive refurbishment.

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Kenya Tourism Minister Hon. Najib Balala is congratulating directors of the resort at ITB 2009 in Berlin, looking on [from left] are Taqi Moledina, Zaheer Moledina and Nimesh Shah.

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Another Busy Month For The Lamu Safi Group

March was another busy month for LSG, read on and see why ... A 'Stakeholders Seminar on Waste Management' in Lamu, was held on Wednesday, March 18 at the Lamu Fort.

It brought together over 60 community leaders to learn about and discuss the issues of waste management in the town.

Participants learnt about the effects of bad waste management practices on individuals, and what we can and should be doing to work together towards a clean Lamu.

Group discussions and a way forward will help to ensure community participation and mobilisation in the future.

Marathon Effort In Support Of Lamu Safi

Sian Loveless volunteered with Lamu Safi Group for a month in August last year.

She coordinated and ran the original Children's Environmental Holiday Activity.

She then returned to the UK to start her PhD.



Lamu D. O. 1 Mr Boit is seen addressing the Stakeholders.

Sian is a keen tri-athlete, and on March 1, ran the Barcelona Marathon, in a time of 3 hours 47 minutes, 56 seconds.

Pretty impressive, I think you will agree.

She was sponsored for this event by friends and family (final total estimated at around £400 (Ksh 46,000) with half the money going to Lamu Safi Group and half the money going to Arid Zone Primary School in Mokowe.

Well done Sian and thanks for your marathon effort.

Youth Groups Working Towards A Clean Lamu

Three local youth groups have recently been involved in clean up efforts in Lamu, which Lamu Safi Group has been supporting,

and applauds 'Bailliko Youth Group' who were responsible for a clean beach all along Lamu seafloor from KenGen to Kanu.

Also 'Sawazisha Development Youth Group', with 'Tafaqur Youth Group' have an ongoing public water well cleaning project.

Lamu Maulidi Medical Camp At Riadha Mosque

For the second year Lamu Safi Group took part in the 'Riadha Matibabu' showing a display and speaking to residents about the relationship between the environment and health.

A dirty environment results in sickness, through the transmission of diseases such as typhoid, malaristomach problems, worms and jiggers



Sian Loveless [right] in Barcelona.

(fleas that bury into your skin specifically on your feet and eggs).

The response of the community to this initiative was good, many stopped to look and ask questions, and took information.

Here's to a cleaner and healthier Lamu.

Julie Deakin, Lamu Safi Group, PO Box 471, Lamu 80500, Kenya.

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Spotting Whale Sharks Off Ukunda

Greetings from Diani - Expedition 2009 got off to a flying start with two whale sharks sighted and one tagged on Day One.

After that however the level of whale sharks sighted dropped rather dramatically with only eight sightings and three taggings during the three week expedition period.

Despite the lack of sharks, everyone who joined us on the expedition had a fantastic time.

There was not one complaint about the lack of sharks.

There was not one complaint that we had to increase the price from last year due to substantial increases in the running costs.

People understood and respected the fact that whale

sharks are wild and free.

We are still learning so much about these creatures and cannot predict where they will turn up next.

We were overwhelmed by the amount of interest and support from the public.

We had full boats everyday allowing us to conduct the longest and most cohesive aerial survey of the Diani Beach area.

We had no less than four different film crews including ones from Germany and from Australia.

The media interest was huge with reporters from Reuters, Associated Press, KTN, The Standard Group and Africa Journal.

One of the best things to come out of the expedition has been

the significant interest in the dreaded nets donated to a group of local fishermen by US Aid.

The EAWST has been trying to get these nets banned here as they are in the USA for over two years now.

Diving The Crab reported over 70 dead turtles caught in these nets during 2008 alone.

We all remember the two humpback whales caught in these same nets late in 2008 one of which was thankfully released by Diving The Crab.

These events resulted in mega media interest and US Aid is now being forced to acknowledge the enormous damage these nets have caused.

We continue to hope that they will support the alternative fishing programmes that the fishermen

are keen to try.

We are getting responses from all over the world from organisations and businesses who are interested in helping us with these alternative programmes as a result of the negative publicity these nets have caused.

This is something we have been trying to achieve for many years and we are so encouraged by the outpouring of support.

Watch this space regarding the nets.

The three sharks tagged have all been adopted - the first two have been adopted by Philippa Gibbon.

She has named the first shark 'Bumble'.

The third one is called 'Eagle Eye' adopted by the London Vision Eye Clinic.

So although our friends the gentle giants did not come to the party this year, we have still achieved a lot on their behalf.

We are working on getting whale sharks legal protection in Kenyan waters.

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We wish to thank our main sponsors Southern Cross Scuba, Diani Fishing Club, Pinewood Village, Leisure Lodge, Southern Cross Safaris, Aqualand Watersports Centre and Camp Kenya.

Our fantastic pilots Alexis Peltier, Rob Dodson and Peter Zanetti. Best wishes for Easter,

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YUSUF ALI AHMED KARIM WAS A TOP KENYA SPORTS ICON AND CELEBRITY

Sports icon and celebrity of Kenya, Yusuf Ali Ahmed Karim passed away peacefully on 18th March, 2009 in Mombasa at the age of 74.

Karim's name has been a household name since the 1950's when the young Karim won his first tennis championship at the age of 17.

He went on the win for 25 consecutive years until 1977 when he retired.

Yusuf was equally good in cricket and volleyball.

He played cricket for Kenya in 1958 against Basil D'olvera of South Africa, and represented Kenya in Tennis in the all Africa Games in 1974 in Egypt.

His sons Aarif and Aasif both took over the mantle of the game on his retirement.

On the elders 25th Win, he played Aarif in the final and Aarif

went on to win the tournament the following year.

Aasif then took over and played



Late Yusuf Ali Ahmed Karim.

cricket and tennis for Kenya until he retired in 2003.

Irfan, Yusuf's Grandson has now taken the mantle.

Irfan son of Aasif recently represented Kenya in the under 15 to the West Indies and South Africa.

Kenya will be hosting the under 19 Cricket World Cup next year.

Kenya will be participating and Karim's grandson Irfan is expected to be part of the team.

The Karim family is expecting to do celebration of Yusuf's life at Mvita Tennis Club end of April to celebrate the unique achievements of the late Yusuf Karim.

He is survived by his Wife Nargis and three children.

The Karims have been in the forefront of sports in Kenya for the last 60 years.

May God rest his soul in peace.
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Wilderer töten wieder Elefanten in Tsavo West

WILDERER auf der Suche nach Elfenbein haben in den vergangenen drei Monaten 5 Elefanten im Südosten von Kenia getötet, wie eine internationale Umweltorganisation bekanntgab.

Das Regionalbüro für Ostafrika des International Fund for Animal Welfare (IFAW) berichtet, dass Elefanten, deren Stoßzähne herausgehakt waren, gefunden wurden in Galana, Kulalu und in Taita Ranches, die zum Tsavo Ökosystem gehören.

Es wurde gemeldet, dass Ranger des Kenya Wildlife Service (KWS) zwei Wilderer und einen Mittelsmann verhaftet haben in ihrem Versteck in Galana und zwei AK-47 Gewehre und Munition konfiszierten.

Der Mittelsmann hatte die Elefantenzähne bereits weiter verkauft an illegale Elfenbeinhändler.

Der tote Elefant wurde in der Nähe gefunden.

Die anderen Elefanten waren wahrscheinlich mit vergifteten Pfeilen getötet worden.

"Seit in Ländern im südlichen Afrika der einmalige Verkauf von Elfenbein im vergangenen Jahr bewilligt wurde, haben wir vermehrte Wildereraktivitäten im Tsavogebiet festgestellt," sagt Jonathan Kirui, Tsavo Assistant Director.

"Unser Sicherheitsteam ist nun in Alarmbereitschaft, um die Wilderei nach Elefanten aufzuhalten."

"Wir haben Informationen erhalten, dass ein Kilo Elfenbein für nur US Dollar 37,50 von lokalen Mittelsmännern an illegale Händler verkauft wird, aber es ist eine Versuchung für die einheimische Bevölkerung, die in früheren Jahren sich nicht an dem illegalen Elfenbeinhandel beteiligte."

Ein Kilo Elfenbein wird auf dem internationalen Markt für mehr als US Dollar 850 gehandelt.

James Isiche, Direktor des IFAW Regionalbüros in Ostafrika ist besorgt, dass sich die enorme unkontrollierte Wilderei von Elefanten der 1970er und 1980er Jahre wiederholen könnte.

"Es könnte auch noch schlimmer werden in anderen

Ländern, wo Elefanten vorkommen und in denen die Gesetze noch weniger beachtet werden als in Kenia."

"Wir sind absolut der Ansicht, dass jeglicher Elfenbeinhandel überall eine Gefahr für alle Elefanten darstellt."

Kürzlich hat die führende Biologin Dr. Cynthia Moss, die Elefanten und ihre Gewohnheiten erforscht, darauf hingewiesen, dass ein Wilderersyndikat besteht, das die Jagd auf Elefanten im Amboseli Nationalpark fördert.

Gemäß einer ungenannten Quelle im KWS hat die Elefanten-

wilderei in Kenia von 2007 auf 2008 um mehr als 60 Prozent zugenommen.

Tsavo ist die Heimat von rund 11.700 Elefanten - die größte Elefantenpopulation in Kenia.

Seit 2005 ist IFAW beteiligt an einem fünfjährigen Kollaborationsprojekt mit dem KWS im Wert von US Dollar 1,25 Millionen zur Verbesserung des Managements, der Gesetzeseinhaltung, Anti-Wilderei, Parkinfrastruktur, Konfliktlösung zwischen Mensch und Tier, Forschung, Aufklärung der Gemeinden über Umwelt- und Tierschutz in den Parks.

CITES (UN Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species) hat im Jahr 1989 ein weltweites Verbot erlassen für den Elfenbeinhandel und Kenia hat das Wildlife Conservation Department umgewandelt in den gegenwärtigen Kenya Wildlife Service, der viel zur Reduzierung der Wilderei beitragen konnte.

Aber der Elefantenbestand von gegenwärtig schätzungsweise 30.000 ist immer noch weniger als ein Fünftel der 1973 geschätzten 157.000 Elefanten in Kenia



KENIAS LORNA KIPLAGAT feierte im Februar ihren Sieg im Glo Internationalen Halbmarathon in Lagos, Nigeria. XINHUA PHOTO

Kenianische Athleten glänzen in Lagos

DUNCAN KIBET von Kenia, der das Feld der Läufer anführte, gewann den Glo Internationalen Halbmarathon in Lagos und den Preis von US Dollar 50.000.

Äthiopias Tsegaye Kebebe wurde Zweiter und gewann US Dollar 25.000.

Ein weiterer Läufer aus Kenia, Nixon Kiprono, wurde Dritter, während der Sieger des vergangenen Jahres, Disi Dieudonne aus Ruanda, den vierten Platz errang.

Bei den Damen gewann Lornah Kiplagat von Kenia den 1. Preis von US Dollar 50.000. Hilda Kibet, ebenfalls aus Kenia, kam auf den 2. Platz und eine weitere Kenianerin, Jane

Gakuyi, belegte den 3. Platz.

Die Siegerin Lorna Kiplagat hat das Geld ihrem holländischen Ehemann Pieter übergeben, der auch ihr Trainer ist.

Sie war die Gewinnerin des 2003 New York Marathon und sagte, dass sie das Geld verwenden will, um ihre Wohltätigkeitsstiftung in Kenia zu finanzieren.

"Ich hatte nicht erwartet zu gewinnen, da die Konkurrenz sehr stark war," sagte sie.

Mehr als 3000 Athleten nahmen an dem Glo Internationalen Halbmarathon teil, der durchgeführt wurde, um rund 100 Millionen aufzubringen, um in Nigeria Herzkrankheiten zu bekämpfen und zu behandeln.

Die größte 'Klassische Safari Rallye' der Welt

DIE VORBEREITUNGEN für die 2009 Kenya Airways East African Safari Classic Rally, die vom 22. November bis am 1. Dezember 2009 abgehalten wird, gehen sehr gut voran.

Immer mehr Anmeldungen treffen ein, was beweist, dass sie ein wichtiges Event in der Rallyegeschichte darstellt.

Vor 35 Jahren gelang es Hannu Mikkola und Gunnar Palm endlich, die Glückssträhne der lokalen Rallyefahrer zu durchbrechen und als erste Crew von außerhalb Ostafrikas die Safari zu gewinnen.

Seit Beginn der Rallyes in 1953 hatten immer nur Fahrer gesiegt, die aus den drei ostafrikanischen Ländern Kenia, Tansania und Uganda kamen.

In den folgenden dreißig Jahren gab es 8 Siege für die Lokalen und 23 Siege für die ausländischen Besucher.

Nachdem die World Championship Rally 2002 mit ihrem letzten Event aufgehört hatte, wurde die Kenya Airways (KO) Safari Classic Rally geboren und wurde 2003 erstmals unter diesem neuen Namen durchgeführt.

Seither siegten zweimal die Lokalen und einmal die Ausländer.

Der Schwede Björn Waldegaard und sein Sohn Mathias Waldegaard als Beifahrer waren die Gewinner der 2007 Kenya Airways East African Safari Classic Rally.

Nachdem der Kenianer Rob

Collinge 2003 und 2005 gesiegt hatte, ist Björn Waldegaard der erste Ausländer, der die Klassische Safari Rallye seit ihrer Wiedereinführung gewann.

Bisher wurden 33 Teilnehmer registriert, die meisten aus Übersee.

Als Vergleich hatten sich zur selben Zeit im Vorjahr nur 26 Teilnehmer angemeldet.

Event Director and Course Clerk Surinder Thali rechnet deshalb mit mehr Teilnehmern als im vergangenen Jahr.

"Wir erwarteten einen Rückgang wegen der weltweiten Wirtschaftskrise, aber es scheint, dass die Klassische Safari so beliebt ist, dass keiner sie verpassen will," sagte er.

Als Favorit im diesjährigen

internationale Wettkampf gilt der Gewinner von 2007 Björn Waldegaard mit Sohn Mathias als Beifahrer in einem Porsche 911 und die Hoffnung für die Lokalen ist der Sieger von 1994 Ian Duncan mit Amaar Slatch in ihrem Ford Mustang.

Weitere bemerkenswerte Teilnehmer sind Gerard Marcy, Frederic Dor und 14 neue Fahrer in der Safari wie Jean-Pierre Mondron (Inhaber von Kronos Racing), Aziz Tajpar und zwei Renault Alpine A110 von Comas Racing in Frankreich.

Bei der Klassischen Safari Rallye sind nur klassische Personenwagen zugelassen, das heißt Modelle, die vor dem 31. Dezember 1974 gebaut worden sind.

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6	1	5	2	3	8	4	7	9
3	4	7	6	9	1	5	8	2
5	8	9	3	7	6	1	2	4
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'Penalty Shoot Out' Determines Winner Of Councillor Taufiq Balala Tournament

Penalty shoot out determined the winner of Councillor Taufiq Balala tournament between Vimbwanga football club and Barcelona Football club in the final match played at Likioni Secondary School over the weekend, reports *Winston Tobby Otum*.

Vimbwanga beat Barcelona 4-2 after Vimbwanga goal keeper Chokay Mohamed saved two penalties after both teams tied 2-2 during normal playing time.

In the well attended final match saw Barcelona take the lead in the 43th minutes via Koza Jacob.

Koza dribbled the ball from outside the box and moved inside penalty area beating Vimbwanga

defence netting an easy goal for a 1-0 lead at the breather.

The winners who fielded three players from premier side Bandari football club Hamisi Kafani, Abdul Wahab and Ayub Said equalized through Shani Rindana in the second half.

Hussein Eddy scored the second goal for his home team before Bandari player Abdul Wahab canceled the lead during injury time with header goal.

The referee had had time to control the game which almost resulted into rough game towards the final whistle which forced him to flash out several yellow cards.

Nominated councillor Taufiq Balala who sponsored the tournament awarded both finalists with a set of uniforms.

Thirty teams took part in the tournament which was and divide into two pools and lasted two months.



Hamisi Ali of Fc Barcelona tackles Juma Baya of FC Vimbwanga during the finals of councillor Taufiq Balala Cup.

BRIDGE RESULTS

Result of duplicate Bridge played at Mombasa Sports Club on Wednesday, 25th March, 2009.

Mr. and Mrs. Mahendra 91 (Points); Mr. and Mrs. Janakbhai 78; Mr. and Mrs. Panu Savla 69; Dr. J. D. Shah and Amu Shah 60; Mr. and Mrs. Narendra 53; Mrs. Vibha Shah and Mrs. Hema 52; Mr. and Mrs. Mahesh Chandaria 52; Mrs. Hema and Mr. Amit Shah 49.

Coast Bridge Association - Results of Duplicate Bridge played on Monday March 30, 2009 at United Sports Club Mombasa.

1. Ketan R. Shah and Vibha Shah 85, 2. Rohit Shah and Rohit Chandaria 83, 3. Pulin Gandhi and Dr. J. D. Shah 80, 4. A. D. Shah and C. D. Shah 77, 5. Janak Babla and Neemaben Babia 73, 6. Ketan S. Shah and Meghji Shah 67, 7. Panu Savla and Jyotsna Savla 66, 8. D. D. Shah and Kanchan 63 and 9. Ramnik Shah and Amubhai Shah 54.

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THREE 'NO' TRUMPS	END		

West led the Seven of Hearts, his partner's overcalled suit. Declarer ducked and won the King on Heart return.

Then he played the low Club which was won by East's King.

He had no Heart to return so he played a Spade. Won by Dummy's King.

Declarer played his Second Club which was ducked by East. Declarer made the contract by Two

NORTH

A	K	2	
4	3		
A	K	4	3
J	9	7	6

WEST

J	8	7	3
7	5		
J	9	8	7
K	8		

EAST

Q	9	6	5
Q	J	10	9
10			
A	5	2	

Spade tricks, Two Heart tricks, Three Diamond and Two Clubs.

The contract can be defeated if East, after winning the Heart lead switches to a Spade.

The Defender would get Two Spade Tricks, One Heart and Two Clubs.

SOUTH

10	4		
A	K	8	6
Q	5	2	
Q	10	4	3

Terrific Burhani Taekwondo Playgroup

Burhani Playgroup and Kindergarten scoops the second position in the Tanzania Interschool Junior Taekwondo Championship in which close to 16 schools participated, writes SAKINA VAJIHI.

Burhani Playgroup, led by their coach Mr William. Mwaura managed to put up a mighty struggle against the overall winner Mombasa Academy who won with 68 points followed by Burhani Playgroup with 63 points.

Among the schools participated in the tournament held at Mombasa Academy on Saturday, March 28, 2009 included Jaffery Academy, Aga Khan Academy, Aga Khan Primary, Teddy Steps, Little Angels, PCEA Makupa, Braeburn, Coast Academy and Mombasa Academy.

Students who represented Burhani Playgroup were led by team captain Mohamed Essak, Mariam Nazir, Ghazaly Abdillahi, Jannat Ali, Mustafa Bagha, Ali Mohamed, Mohamed. Ahmed, Iqra Shabbir and

Fatma Essak. Out of the nine children, Mariam.

Nazir and Ghazaly Abdillahi emerged top position in their age group and received a gold medal and they have been selected to join the team to represent Coast Province in Tanzania Cham-

pionships.

The taekwondo classes Burhani Playgroup take every Thursday and Friday afternoons headed by William Mwaura.

The club is open for all wish to learn taekwondo



Iqra Shabbir seen back row [from left] together with Mohammed Issak, Mohammed Ahmed, Ghazali Abdillahi, Jannat Ali, Mustafa Bagha, Ali Mohamed, Mohamed. Ahmed, Iqra Shabbir and

Great Day Of Golf Thanks To Eagle Africa Insurance Brokers

To a golfer's ears the sound of that word is better than music.

Except for an albatross, it is the mention of an eagle, among all the majestic birds that soar high in the sky, that most excites a golfer, although a golfer while coveting the eagle is not averse to birdies generically.

But an ornithologist, your average golfer is not.

It is not the common winged variety of birds that the golfer is looking for.

In fact given a good scope for spotting birds that a round of golf presents, it is quite surprising how little of the bird life a golfer notices as he, and nowadays increasingly she, wanders over the course with single minded determination almost blind to anything other than that small white ball.

The golfer is interested in birdies and eagles of the golfing kind and this is what attracted more than 160 players to the competition held on Saturday 28th at Nyali Golf and Country Club under the aegis of Eagle Africa Insurance Brokers Kenya Ltd. Eagle Africa's catchy invitation to golfers to turn their birdies into an eagle was too tempting to let go.

That eagle however remained elusive, most anyone could do was a birdie or two as it happened to two players.

Among the birdie maker was the Lady Winner Akki Khan and the Staff winner Herbert Ochole who both birdied the last hole, picking up four precious points apiece to boost their scores and to boot, two clubbing for a big haul of balls, shared by 10 other two clubbers.

Herbert Ochole was one of the two players who managed more than one birdie, in fact a back to back birdie, having just done it on par five 17th to pick up four points, thereby doubling his score to 42 after 21 points in first nine.

The Junior winner, Karan

Inamdar also achieved a similar feat of catching two birdies, on the very first par 5 which he actually played as his 10th and on the more difficult par four 16th, albeit, with a much friendlier pin placement than we have seen there of late.

No two club for the Junior but his birdies also resulted in a boost of 4 points on each nine, taking him to his winning score of 41 points, made of 21 on first nine, including a blank, and 20 on the second nine, staying just one behind Herbert Ochole in points.

The two however were not in contention for the main prize which was claimed by Riaz Alibhai who made his winning 39 points, with four three points on each nine, with a blank and one on the first nine, another blank on the second nine but with steady twos for the rest in second

nine to add 21 after 19, ensuring a good count back, if needed.

No count back was needed however as the next best score was two points away, returned by four men among whom was Arthur Ast who however was in the guest category, leaving the contest to Clive Barnsley, Kishore Chohan and Jatin Malde, the eventual men's

winner, runner up and third respectively.

This is where Clive's cunning play of starting slow and gathering pace as he went along, paid off.

With just 16 on the first nine, Clive needed to act fast and he did with a par for 3 on the 10th, another par on 13th for four and then steadily along on regulation twos to add 21 to get into front.

Kishore Chohan and Jatin Malde could not catch up Clive

with 18 and 19 respectively first nine, only reversed the positions on the back nine. Kishore thereby getting an advantage over Jatin for a count back.

Eagle Africa had made sure who played felt like winners. T shirts and caps to start lunch and the evening festivity to follow the prize giving.

The array of prizes was too impressive.

The previous day a small number of loyal supporters of the annual monthly medal had turned up for contest for what were admittedly not so glittering as prizes Saturday but just as prestigious, to fight for in terms of golf challenge a medal four presents.

Florence Karimi was the overall winner, bringing the best score of the day on 83 which also gave her the first position in the SH Division with 68 nett.

The Lady Captain Wambui Warui was second with 71 nett.

The Bronze Division play obviously found the going tough, the winner Mamta Patel making 75 nett off 96 for net gross as well as the first place followed by Fareeda Saed on nett on count back with Sumit Jayasinghe.

Florence Karimi's victory was in no small measure due to very hot putter which she needed to use 24 times in the whole round, giving her the Best Putting prize as well.

Golf Report by THE DRIVER

Overall Winner Reaz Alibhai

Results of the Eagle Africa Insurance Brokers Kenya Ltd sponsored golf day played at the Nyali Golf and Country Club on Saturday 28, March, 2009: Overall Winner Reaz Alibhai (14) 39 (19,20)

Men - Winner: Clive Barnsley (21) 37 c/b (18,21), Kishore Chohan (16) 37 c/b (18,19), Third Jatin Malde (13) 37 c/b (19,18).

Ladies - Winner: Akki Khan (23) 38 (19,19), Runner up: Jean Elms (23) 33 (16,17).

Guests - Winner Arthur Ast 37, Runner up: R. King'ori 35, Best Senior: John Riley 31, Best Junior: K. Inamdar (19) 41 (21,20), Best Staff: H. Ocholi 42.

Longest Drive Men: Brig. M. Macharia, Longest Drive Ladies: R. Chebukati, Nearest to the pin: H. Ocholi.

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St. John's Win Kilifi Thriller

TOP 'CYCLE' CHALLENGE

CYCLE FLASH: Carbon Fiber Road Bike frame, Fork and handle bar worth Ksh 160,000 up for grabs for Male and Blackberry Phone for Female category!

The Mombasa Triathlon is holding a sprint triathlon this Sunday at the Fort Jesus English Channel and parts of Kizingo.

It's a special opportunity for athletes to win a Carbon Fibre Bike Frame, Fork and Handle Bar to the male category.

To the Female category, there will be a Blackberry Phone as the prize.

The distance is quite achievable and consists of 375m swim across the Channel at Fort Jesus, then the athletes will ride along Mama Ngina Drive to cover 10 Km and finish with a 2.5km run along Kizingo area.

For Further information on the event or to register, please call 0722 415093.

As we are also gearing up to send a team for the All Africa Triathlon in Durban, we are happy to announce that we shall include the 9/U, 10-13 years, 14/15, 16/17 and open with the following distances.

9/U - 100m swim, 5km ride, 1 Km run; 10/13 - 150m swim, 10km ride, 2 Km run; 14/15 - 375m swim, 10km ride, 2.5 Km run; 16/17 - 375m swim, 10km ride, 2.5 Km run; Open - 375m swim, 10km ride, 2.5 Km run.

We will be staging the event early morning to avoid movement of traffic.

We believe that more athletes will be eager to rise up to this challenge.

Moving the Goal posts Secondary school finals for girls were played at MTG's field in Mnarani and Kilifi.

The event pulled a huge crowd with many visitors watching the semifinals and the final match.

St John's Secondary School from Kaloleni won the final in a match they defeated Kasidi 3-0.

The MTG secondary school tournament with the theme "Excellence knows no gender", was played from March 14 until

March 28 on various playing fields in Kilifi and Kaloleni districts.

Nineteen teams participated and the group winners Kombeni, Kasidi, Dzitsoni and St. John's travelled to Mnarani.

Moving the Goalposts Kilifi is a community based organisation that uses football to empower girls.

It combines football with peer led health education and economic empowerment activities.

The tournament has been

organised by MTG girls themselves.

Volunteers have done give peer education with the teams, officiated the matches and provided first aid.



Soccer Scene with Abdurrehman Shami

During the final day, there was the launch of "Playing by Their Rules", a book written by Sarah Forde, the founder of the Moving the Goalposts Kilifi.

Sarah has interviewed nine MTG girls about their lives: football, school, religion, menstruation, pregnancies and other topics that are important in adolescent girl's lives.

Sport co-ordinator for social change in East Africa Dr. Auma Obama was invited to officially present the book. However she was not able to travel to Kilifi.

Her speech was delivered by Ms Martha Mwangome, acting chairperson of the MTG advisory board.

Many officials of NGO's and CBO's attended and a letter of the Minister of Children, Gender and Social Development with congratulations to Sarah Forde was presented.

The surprise of this tournament

was Kasidi that for the first time reached the finals of the MTG tournament.

In their first match they won from Dzitsoni with 5 - 0. Kombeni, the winner of the MTG tournament 2007 and one of the best teams in the Coast Province disappointed when they lost during the semifinal to St. John's and in the play off for the third place also from Dzitsoni.

St. John's started the day well against Kombeni.

And although Kombeni opened the score after a counter attack from Winnie Mbaji it was St. John's with four goals from Mbeyu Akida that enabled her team to qualify for the final.

In the final it was Mbeyu Akid who, after five minutes, scored the first goal for St. John's.

Not long after followed by two other excellent goals.

However who thinks that Kasidi surrendered easily is wrong. In the second half ball position was for Kasidi.

With Perilla Mruu as the motor on the midfield Kasidi created several chances.

Riziki Baya failed two times when she played one versus one against the excellent St. John's goalkeeper.

St. John's won the final with 3-0. Mbeyu Akida emerged the tournament top scorer.

Mombasa City Are New Inter-Cities Basketball Champions

Mombasa City became the champions of the 9th Edition of the East, Central and Southern Africa Inter-cities Basketball Championships held in Arusha, Tanzania that ended last weekend, writes ABDULRAHMAN SHERIFF.

Mombasa City narrowly defeated defending champions, Dar es Salaam City of Tanzania 63 - 62.

The Coast Basketball Association First Vice-chairman, Leonard Onyango who travelled with the team to Arusha, congratulated all the players for making sure the team completed the tournament with an unbeaten record.

The association chairman, Hilmi Ali also commended the team for putting up a spirited fight to win all their matches.

"Beating Dar in the final and winning all our matches was a clear proof that the association was working for the betterment of the sport and basketball was regaining its lost past glory at the Coast," said Ali.

APPOINTMENTS FINALISED FOR GROUP STAGES OF THE I.C.C. CRICKET "WORLD CUP" QUALIFIER

Referee and umpire appointments have been finalised for the group stage of the ICC Cricket World Cup Qualifier to be held on the Highveld of South Africa from 1 to 19 April.

The early stages of the tournament shall be refereed by Roshan Mahanama and Chris

Broad of the Emirates Elite Panel of ICC Match Referees while Ranjan Madugalle, also of the Emirates Elite Panel, will join the team later in the tournament.

There has been one late change to the team of umpires who will officiate during the tournament.

Roger Dill from the ICC Associates and Affiliates Umpires' Panel has been unable to travel to South Africa due to work commitments.

His place has been taken by Russell Tiffin from the Emirates International Panel of ICC Umpires.

In all, there will be 18 umpires who will stand during the tournament.

The match referees are: Chris Broad, Ranjan Madugalle and Roshan Mahanama.

The umpires are: Niels Bagh, Paul Baldwin, Kevan Barbour, Gary Baxter, Karran Bayney,

Kumar Dharmasena, Marais Erasmus, Enamul Hoque-Moni, Ian Howell, Karl Hurter, Jeff Luck, Subhash Modi, Buddhi Pradhan, Sarika Prasad, Ian Ramage, Amish Saheba, and Rod Tucker.

LA FARGE STAFF @ HOLLYWOOD BOWL

Another exciting week of sporting at the Hollywood Bowl where striking is good fun!

Last Tuesday, eighteen staff members from La Farge, all from different countries namely: - Zambia, Uganda, Tanzania and host Kenya, jointly had a session of bowling, which served as a deserved break from the daylong seminars that they are attending.

The group consisted of people without prior knowledge of the bowling sport, but after some coaching showed great interest and enthusiasm towards bowling.

La Farge Staff Scores;

Jide-80, 90; Jones-90,113; Joseph-95, 97; Alfredo-126, 128; Apollo-75, 102; Emma-72, 101; Abishai-80, 126; Goba-61, 62; James-54, 63; Jane-66, 107; Ndalama-53, 90; Obafemi-79, 81; Kitonyo- 66, 100; Reagan-78, 115; Yomi-48, 57; Godfrey-57, 63; Jacob-101, 158; Kelvin-83, 88.

Over the course of the week, tough competition was evident as bowlers battled to take the top position.

There were some displacements made this week on the scoreboard in the ladies category and under 15 years category.

In the Ladies category, Katinda, who has been missing in the bowling action for some months, made a tremendous come back this week and captured the first slot with 140 points.

Amish who last week was holding the top position with 135 points was pushed down to the

second position.

In the Under 15 years category a new entrant, Naman Yagnik soldiered his way up to the top position with 150 points displacing Mark Kohler from the position to the second position.

Scores @ the close of the week

Men: Majid Baloch - 236 points, Habib Maks - 229 points, Shiv Morjaria - 224 points, Noor-213 points, D.J Tiesto - 205 points, J.J - 205 points, Pares Morjaria - 202 points, Tim McClanahan - 201 points and Nasir Baloch - 197 points.

Ladies: Katinda- 140 points, Amish- 135 points and Nyawira - 101 points.

Under 15 Years: Naman Yagnik- 150 points and Mark Kohler - 130 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.

Shimoni Visit As Noor-E-Islam Volleyball Celebrates In Style!

After winning four consecutive titles noor-e-islam volleyball team went to wasini island on an adventure trip.

After Hosting four great tournaments and all efforts put in by players and supporters the team captain Moh'd Sumra passes compliments to all players & supporters for all the support and teamwork done.

Mentioning all of his players are stars and they always walk together. Now Looking forward to the East Africa challenge cup this Easter.

Given special thanks to chairman Yakub Saloo, vice chairman Arif lota, Lalit Pandya of corner garage, Dr.Aboo and all the others. With our approach we will now be officially sponsored with kits from Lota motors.



Standing [from left] Jonde, Yusuf, Amir, Malde, Isaa, Arfan, Uzair, Zahir, Rahim, Nadeen, Sajid, Sule, Emtiaz, Doll and Khalid. Tilting [from left] Bilal, Aslam, Iju, Sulu, Atu, Sidik, Umer, Akbar, Malaam, Yusufi and captain Moh'd. Sitting [from left] Yusuf Jr., Moski, Rahim Jr., Salman, Zuli Jr., Emtiaz Jr., Mubin, Ayaan, Zahir and Yusuf Jr.

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'Kenya Airways' Are Sponsoring East African Safari Classic Rally

BJORN WALDEGAARD WILL DEFEND HIS TITLE IN A PORSCHE 911

Kenya Airways have confirmed a U. S. \$ 150,000 sponsorship package for this year's East African Safari Classic Rally.

The deal will go towards supporting what is regarded as one of the toughest rallies in the world.

"Kenya Airways is happy to come back on board to support the East African Safari Classic Rally having been partners in the first event in 2003.

"Kenya Airways is happy with the way the organizers have handled the sponsorship package in the past and that is good transparency," said Titus Naikuni, CEO of Kenya.

"Kenya's image as one of

the World's leading countries in tourism and wildlife, will be boosted by the Kenya Airways move to support the rally.

"It will play a major role in the route plan of the nine-day event that will start and finish in Mombasa," said Surinder Thatthi, the Event Director.

He said the format of the rally will be four days of competition with rest halt at the world's famous Amboseli National Park by the slopes of

Mount Kilimanjaro on its way to Tanzania.

Former Safari Rally winner and idol, Bjorn Waldegaard of Sweden is among the list of 40 cars that have already entered the rally.

The Swede, one of the

greatest Safari Rally drivers of all time, will defend the title in a Porsche 911 rally car prepared by Richard Turhill.

Frederic Dor from Switzerland who finished third in 2005 has entered his Porsche 911 as part of the Turhill team.

Ian Duncan in a Ford Mustang heads the list of the local competitors. Stefano Rocca will tackle the event in the Datsun 240Z purchased from Rob Colinge, the twice winner of the event.

The 2005 event received a massive Television and Print Media audience from around the world.

A 52-minute film of the event was also shown a record 11 times on DSTV throughout Africa, Middle East including Kenya.



SAFARI RALLY FEVER



Izhar Mirza in his Subaru is one of six drivers seeking 'Pirelli Star Driver' promotion in the KCB Safari Rally 2009 which zooms off from Kenyatta International Conference Centre (KICC) on Friday, April 3, 2009. A total of seventy drivers will be going for top honors with 46 enlisted in the main category featuring homologated cars.

Skip Bhogie Bowling Success

After a break of almost two years, the Monthly Mug recommences at the Mombasa Sports Club Bowling Green, reports Vishal Shah.

March Monthly Mug was sponsored by our Captain B T Ganiwalla.

The format of play was Trips:

three players in each team namely the Lead, Second and Skip.

Bhogie Doshi, one of our best skips steered his able team to clinch the Mug with a brilliant score of 21.

His team included Rasik Shah as Lead and Mahajan Harnam Singh as Second.

Congratulations to Bhogie's Team.

Coast Open 2009 will be played at the MSC Bowling Green from the 10th April to 13th April 2009.

Come and see some of the Best Bowlers in the country in action ... Good bowling.

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KENYA TIDE TABLES

MOMBASA, April 03 - 09, 2009

FRIDAY High Water - 2.2 m. at 10.03 hrs. (10.03 a.m.) and 2.7 m. at 22.54 hrs. (10.54 p.m.). Low Water - 1.3 m. at 03.50 hrs. (3.50 a.m.) and 1.5 m. at 15.40 hrs. (3.40 p.m.).

SATURDAY High Water - 2.3 m. at 12.20 hrs. (12.20 a.m.). Low Water - 1.3 m. at 05.58 hrs. (5.58 a.m.) and 1.5 m. at 18.10 hrs. (6.10 p.m.).

SUNDAY High Water - 2.8 m. at 00.48 hrs. (12.48 a.m.) and 2.7 m. at 13.42 hrs. (1.42 p.m.). Low Water - 1.1 m. at 07.22 hrs. (7.22 a.m.) and 1.2 m. at 19.36 hrs. (7.36 p.m.).

MONDAY High Water - 3.0 m. at 01.59 hrs. (1.59 a.m.) and 3.0 m. at 14.31 hrs. (2.31 p.m.). Low Water - 0.9 m. at 08.16 hrs. (8.16 a.m.) and 0.9 m. at 20.33 hrs. (8.33 p.m.).

TUESDAY High Water - 3.2 m. at 02.49 hrs. (2.49 a.m.) and 3.4 m. at 15.11 hrs. (3.11 p.m.). Low Water - 0.7 m. at 8.56 hrs. (8.56 a.m.) and 0.6 m. at 21.16 hrs. (9.16 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY High Water - 3.3 m. at 03.30 hrs. (3.30 a.m.) and 3.6 m. at 15.47 hrs. (3.47 p.m.). Low Water - 0.5 m. at 09.30 hrs. (9.30 a.m.) and 0.4 m. at 21.55 hrs. (9.55 p.m.).

THURSDAY High Water - 3.4 m. at 04.07 hrs. (4.07 a.m.) and 3.8 m. at 16.21 hrs. (4.21 p.m.). Low Water - 0.4 m. at 10.01 hrs. (10.01 a.m.) and 0.3 m. at 22.30 hrs. (10.30 p.m.) FULL MOON.

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

Reaz Alibhai Winning Eagle Africa Insurance Golf Event

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Reaz Alibhai [right] overall winner during Eagle Africa Golf Day at Nyali Golf and Country Club receives his prize from Eagle Africa Brokers (K) Ltd Managing Director Sam Ncheeri.

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