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Kenyan Coastline Set For A Major Clean-Up

Used short gun shells, condoms, fridges, gas cookers and numerous plastic and glass bottles are just some of the debris found in Kenya's coastal waters. Last years International Ocean Conservation Report indicted Kenya as the second worst polluter of the ocean in Africa after Nigeria. This year the Kenya coastline is expected to undergo a major clean-up thanks to the annual International Coastal Clean-up Day which will take place on Saturday, 19th September 2009. The Hon John Michuki will officially launch the clean up exercise at Jomo Kenyatta Public Beach. There is an interesting collection of debris in the Kenya's coastal water, for example last year over 2,000 condoms were collected along the shores of the Indian Ocean putting to question the country's commitment to marine environment safety," says Fred Sewe, the local coordinator of International Coastal Clean-up, a grouping of volunteers concerned with the marine eco-system. Over 3000 volunteers will collect, bag and weigh the debris along the shoreline. "The Clean-up gives everyone a chance to be a part of an important global movement to end the tide of ocean trash," says Mr. Sewe. CONCLUDED PAGE SIX

'BOMBER' BLASTED

KILLED FROM A HELICOPTER GUNSHIP BY UNITED STATES NAVY SEALS IN DARING 'OPERATION CELESTIAL BALANCE' Notorious Mombasa born 'al Qaeda' terrorist Saleh Ali Saleh Nabhan has been shot dead by United States Special Forces while he was driving in a two vehicle convoy near Baraawe, south of the Somali capital of Mogadishu.

Xinhua News Agency reported that the area where the attack took place is under the control of the Islamist 'Al Shabaab' movement, one of whose main leaders was earlier killed by a U.S. missile attack in the central Somalia town of Guriel. 'Al-Shabaab', which tenuously controls much of southern and central Somalia, is fighting both the Somali government forces and African Union peace keeping troops. Saleh Ali Saleh Nabhan was on the Kenya Police 'Most Wanted' criminals list for his alleged involvement in the bombings of the United States Embassies in Nairobi, Kenya and Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, on August 7, 1998 where more than 200 people lost their lives and more than 5,000 others injured.

PARADISE HOTEL The 28-year-old munitions expert was also wanted for his alleged involvement in the September 28, 2002 bombing of the Paradise Hotel, Kikambala and the attempted shooting of Arka Airliner in Mombasa. The main suspects in all three cases are 'al Qaeda', which claimed responsibility. For his role in the plot Nabhan became listed on the FBI's third major "wanted" list, the FBI CONCLUDED PAGE FIVE

MOST WANTED



Kenya Police poster of Saleh Ali Saleh Nabhan



American FBI poster of Saleh Ali Saleh Nabhan

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They were received by Nixon Ooko, the Fly540 Operations Director, who hosted the briefing.

STUDENTS VISIT FLY540

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"Fly540 is building the first international standard pan African airline, and plans to be flying in fifteen countries by the end of 2010 with operating hubs in East, West and South West Africa," he concluded.

Professor Tomas Parks, the Dean of the School of Business at Mount Vernon Nazarene University, thanked Fly540 for hosting the group.

He said, "We are in Kenya for a seven day visit to the Africa Nazarene University with the aim of experiencing the culture of Kenya and learning about conducting business in an African country for our MBA programme."

"We are planning to have an exchange programme with Africa Nazarene University where our students can come and stay in Kenya for three months."

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Mohammad Ishaq Wins 7th Edition Of East African Quran Memorisation Competition

Twenty year-old Mohammad Ishaq Adam from Wajir won the 7th Edition of the East African Quran Memorisation Competition that ended at Makadara grounds in Mombasa last Sunday, writes **ABDULREHMAN SHERIFF**.

Adam of Fathil Islamiya Muslim School memorised the whole Quran (30 chapters) in a competition well organised by Muslim Mercy Youth (MMY) and was awarded a Hajj package, plus Sh5,000 cash money.

Talking to *Coastweek* immediately after being declared the winner, Adam who hails from North Eastern Province said he was very happy to have won the competition in his first attempt and asked fellow young Muslims to continue memorising the whole 30 Chapters of Quran.

"This victory has given me encouragement to continue reading verses of Quran without looking at the holy book and also take keen interest in taking Islamic religious studies," he said.

Abdulaziz Hassan (17) of Munawwar, Mombasa took the second prize of Sh50,000 with Mukhtar Abdi Mohammed of Darul Ulum, Likoni claiming third place prize of Sh40,000.

The youngest winner was seven-year-old Laly Ahmad Muhamed of Markaz Nur, Congo Boys Mombasa who finished top in the two chapters category and was presented with a Hajj package for his parent and Sh5,000.

Khalifa Ahmed (11) also of Markaz Nur took second position to claim Sh4,000 prize as third prize of Sh3,000 went to Mohamed Bakari (14) of Sheikh Zaid, Mombasa.

Other winners-7.5 chapters: 1. Idris Abdi Athman (11), Markaz Ashifa of Jomvu, won Hajj package for parent and Sh30,000; 2. Twalha Hassan

(13), Markaz Da'awah, Ukunda, Sh20,000; 3. Najah Abdi Mahmood (10), Darul Ulum, Likoni Sh15,000.

Fifteen chapters: 1. Omar Haji (16), Markaz A.Jabbar, Mariakni

Abubakar of Munawwar emerged the overall winner in the girls' section (30 chapters) was awarded Hajj package for her parent plus Sh20,000. Abu Hureira Academy's Asya

(12) Markaz Nur, Sh3,500; 3. Amal Muhsin (12) Munawwar, Sh2,000.

Seven and half chapters: 1. Mariam Hussein (17) Markaz Nur, Sh 10,000 plus Hajj package for her parent; 2. Khaula Salim (15) Al Fatiha Aacademy, Sh5,000; 3. Khannan Nurein Mohammed (15), Nuru Qurran- Malindi, Sh3,000.

Fifteen chapters: 1. Sumeiya Mohammed Abdalla (14) Ibtisam, Mbawajumali, Sh15,000 and Hajj package for her parent; 2. Zainab Bosire Nurain (17) Nuru Quraniyah, Sh10,000; 3. Husna Bakari (15) Ibtisam Mbawajumali, Sh5,000.

The Guest of Honour was Mombasa Kadhi, Sheikh Twalib who represented the Chief Kadhi, Sheikh Hammad Kassim.

Other prominent personalities present at the function were the Tourism Minister, Najib Balala and a Mombasa businessman, Mr Rashid Amir.

MMY chairman, Abdulrahman Bawazir and his secretary, Said Abeid thanked all those who participated in one way or the other to make this year's competition succeed.

This year's competition attracted over 900 participants from all parts of the country, Tanzania Mainland and Zanzibar, Uganda, Somalia and Burundi.

PHOTO: ABDULRAHMAN SHERIFF



Mohammad Ishaq Adam [second, right] receiving a Hajj package from a Mombasa businessman, Rashid Amir after winning the 7th Edition of the East Africa Quran Memorisation Competition which ended at Makadara grounds, Mombasa last Sunday. Extreme right is Muslim Mercy Youth secretary, Said Abeid.

- Hajj package for parent and Sh50,000; 2. Mohammad Abubakar (17) Fathil Adhim, Sh40,000; 3. Omar Farah Haji (14) Taqwa, Migori, Sh30,000. Seventeen-year-old Habiba

Abdillahi (10) took second prize of Sh15,000.

Other girls winners- Two chapters 1. Khansa Abdukarim (12) Munawwar, Hajj package plus Sh5,000; 2. Fakhita Najib

10th Annual Diani Goat Derby And 'Classic Vehicle Parade'

The buzz and hype is at high pitch on Diani Beach in preparation for the annual East Africa Women's League, South Coast Branch annual Diani Goat Derby on

Sunday 18th October at Leisure Golf Club grounds.

This hugely successful fun filled family event, with main sponsor Safaricom, includes races where goats, the stars of the day, run a circular racetrack in front of excited owners and cheering spectators, under the official eye of goat racing stewards and judges, while bets are won (or lost!) at Don's Tote.

A new innovation at this year's Goat Derby is a Classic Vehicle Parade.

Entries will include beautiful four and two wheeled vehicles. These old and some newer custom built beauties and possibly a rally car or two, will parade around the Goat Derby racetrack.

Some of these lovingly cared for vehicles have been 'hidden' in garages and under bushes for years.

To day with renewed interest in 'old is beautiful' and 'past history' these vehicles can give a truly unique opportunity to recall days gone by.

DT Dobie, Mombasa dealers for Mercedes Benz, Jeep, Renault and Nissan, who promise a display of their latest Hardbody and Jeep, are kindly sponsoring this Classic Vehicle Parade.

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Other attractions during the Sunday will include a fabulous Raffle, Champagne Tent, Food Stalls and prizes for the Best Dressed Lady and Gentleman and Best Hat.

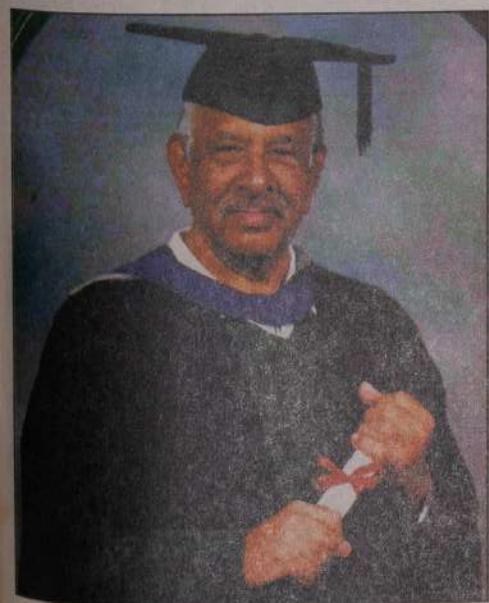
For the children there is a Bouncy Castle and a Fancy Dress competition.

Golfers, to whom the Goat Derby is most grateful for use of the lovely Diani Club, will on Saturday 17th October enjoy a Golf Competition sponsored by Commercial Bank of Africa.

Yes, Diani Beach is the place to be for the October break, hotels and cottages are offering special rates.

Check with your nearest travel agent or direct with the Diani Hotels and cottages.

An Honorary Degree



In a colourful ceremony at Loughborough University of Leicestershire, U.K. Mr. Pravin M. Pandya of Engineering Supplies Ltd. of Mombasa was among those who were awarded an honorary degree of Bachelor of Science to commemorate the centenary of the University on 18th July, 2009.



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Three Exciting Films At Cinemax This Idd

TWO NEW exciting Hindi films at the NYALI CINEMAX to celebrate the end of Ramadhan and Idd-ul-Fitr - Mombasa cinegoers could not have had a better treat.

Watch Rani Mukherjee in a role like never before as she dons on a turban, moustache and beard in **Dil Bole Hadippa**.

She pulls off the role with gusto and grace and proves that she is not among the top female actors in the Indian film industry for nothing.

Anurag Singh directs this fast and chaotic comedy, romance drama which casts Shahid Kapur opposite Rani.

Veera lives in her little village but has her sights set on something much bigger.

She knows that she is a good cricketer and wants to play with the big boys like Tendulkar and Dhoni.

Of course her gender will not allow that and she does not want to play in the girls' team.

Rohan lives in England where he is the captain of his county team (no mean feat).

He is called back to India by his father whose cricket team has been losing for the last eight years.

The young man sets out to select the best players from the village and of course Veera wants to be a part of it.

Being the actress in the local theatre group, she gets a brainwave and changes herself from Veera Kaur to Veer Pratap Singh, complete with turban and beard.

Presenting herself to Rohan, she proves her calibre and is of course selected to the team.

But then the hapless Rohan gets into a tizzy when Veer Pratap Singh behaves in strange ways.

The second new Hindi film is the action drama **Wanted** which stars Anil Kapoor, Ayesha Takia, Salman Khan and Vinod Khanna.

In the world of the dons, Gani Bhai is the most dreaded.

He has reached this position thanks to his right-hand man

called Radhe.

Radhe has eliminated each and every one of Gani Bhai's enemies but works for the big man on his own terms.

No one can hold a candle against Radhe so when the young and beautiful Jhanvi falls in love with him, Radhe is a bit confused.

Even as the two are trying to find their feelings, Inspector Talpade sees Jhanvi and desires her, even as Mumbai is seeing some of the worst gang wars, especially between the Golden Gang and Data Pawle's gang.

This enrages Commissioner Ashraf Khan who wants crime kicked out of Mumbai.

The arrest of 200 known criminals from the different gangs is the first step he takes to clear out the city.

Wanted is produced by Boney Kapoor (Anil Kapoor's brother) and directed by the South Indian dance superstar a.k.a. rubberman, Prabhu Deva.

The English film at the NYALI CINEMAX is an animated film, **Cloudy With A Chance of Meat Balls** starring Bill Hader, Anna Faris, James Caan and Bruce Campbell.

Young inventor Flint Lockwood wants to save the world and knows that his latest invention is just what the doctor ordered.

He has created a contraption that can convert water into food.

The weak and the hungry are saved as food falls from the sky like rain and everyone is happy.

But like all inventions, this one also develops a fault.

It starts to think, and wants to control the world.

The machine begins to create havoc and more misery than before.

Sandra Bullock and Ryan Reynolds have two more shows in **The Proposal**, while **Kambakht Ishq** has one show on Sunday morning.

Shot on location in Mombasa, the local production of **Takimbia** starring Daniel Kinyanjui, Sophie Chieta, Kip Keino, Donde Samora and Mohamed Jama is still drawing fans at the CINEMAX.

KENYA CINEMA makes a welcome return with two films showing there this week.

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KENYA CINEMA



EID ATTRACTION
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Denzongpa, Ravi Kishan and Rati Agnihotri star in **Luck** which is also the debut film for the daughter of South Indian actor Kamalahassan and his ex-wife and former actress Sarika.

Director Soham Shah brings danger and deceit together in this heart-pumping thriller that has been shot in India and the deserts of Namibia.

Mafia don Mussa rules the world of gambling.

He wants to bring in a new angle to it by placing odds on people and their survival skills.

With the stakes so high, will luck favour the participants of this dangerous game?

Imran Khan, nephew of actor Aamir Khan is the new Bollywood sensation and he has been cast opposite the sexy Shruti who will have to show the world whether her talented parents' acting genes, exist in her or not.

The second film at **KENYA CINEMA** is the John Abraham, Neil Nitin Mukesh and Katrina Kaif starred **New York**.

The film shows us the real story of how the Americans hounded innocent people in the wake of the terror attacks in New York.

It was a sad week for fans of Patrick Swayze (**Dirty Dancing** and **Ghost**) as he passed away after a battle against cancer at the age of 57.

CINEMAS with Anjum Asodia

First 1938 Citroen Entry For Africa Conco

One of the latest entries received for the AccessKenya Africa Concours d'Elegance is the 1938 Citroen Big 6 of Oscar Bigi who has been sourcing spares and rebuilding this unusual car for several years.

This will be the first appearance of a pre-World War II Citroen in the 39 year history of the Concours. This year's event will be run by the Alfa Romeo Owners Club at the Nairobi Racecourse on September 27th.

Right hand drive versions of Citroen cars were built in England and Bigi's car was shipped to Kenya in 1950 by a railway engineer.

Bigi is the fourth owner and his Citroen will be contesting the class for pre-1940 cars. Among the other "golden oldies" in contention will be the 1926 Fiat of Tor Frost, Simon Fisher's 1934 Alvis Firefly and Diccon Wilcock's Railton which was made in the same year.

The Classic Car and Motorcycle Sale which will be held at the Concours presents an opportunity to pick up an interesting machine made in 1984, or earlier.

Among the vehicles listed for the Sale are a 1952 BSA and a 1972 Mercedes Benz and a Toyota Celica made in 1978.

The oldest car on offer is a 1950 Morris Minor. A 1938 which has been prepared for classic rallies will attract the motor sport enthusiasts.

This year's Concours has attracted a high number of motorcycles. The over 3,000cc car class Jaguars, the 1981 Mercedes 300TD of 1981 and a 1960 Chevrolet Biscayne entered by Fuli.

The oldest car in the class is the 1946 Magdy Reyad.

The motorcycle list has four Harley Davidson these giant American bikes will be great attractions at the motorcycle judging ring.

Newcomer to the Concours Henry Hunt will be showing his Harley Davidson and a diminutive 1957 Lambretta scooter. This Italian machine will appear in the up to 350cc street class and will be competing against the 1959 BMW R27. He will have a busy day on September 27th as he has a MGB GT touring car.

Special Report by Correspondent

STARBUCKS GEMINI KILL

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Libra (Sep 23 - Oct 22) You've got a lot to do and now it's the two sides of the coin. It's a good day to get people on your side, you're all for the same.

Scorpio (Oct 23 - Nov 21) You really want to do something, but it's not your time. Do your gratification, and get your proper hand when you're ready to get started.

Sagittarius (Nov 22 - Dec 21) Even though you talk today, you're not in fact, you can't barter and bring without feeling one of those.

Capricorn (Dec 22 - Jan 19) Your thinking is a usual - even if it's confused. It's a great thought in a way but feel more confident.

Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 18) You're looking for time to try something maybe quite different usual type. Your resource you've got someone who seems mentally.

Pisces (Feb 19 - Mar 20) Today - things are as usual. Your ability details is a little bit but if you can bring another day, all the.

Aries (Mar 21 - Apr 19) You need a personal someone else to help - you've got to be fact, you need to get to the big picture as possibly a.

Taurus (Apr 20 - May 20) It's not the time to pull you need to pull back the deal more than. Even if it's all about any final agreement tomorrow or so.

Gemini (May 21 - Jun 20) A big brain of yours perfectly today, so be some chewy ideas and make with the people are sure to what you come up.

Cancer (Jun 21 - Jul 21) More things land in today, and that's not that makes you work better. Don't give up time out to regroup all your projects are approved.

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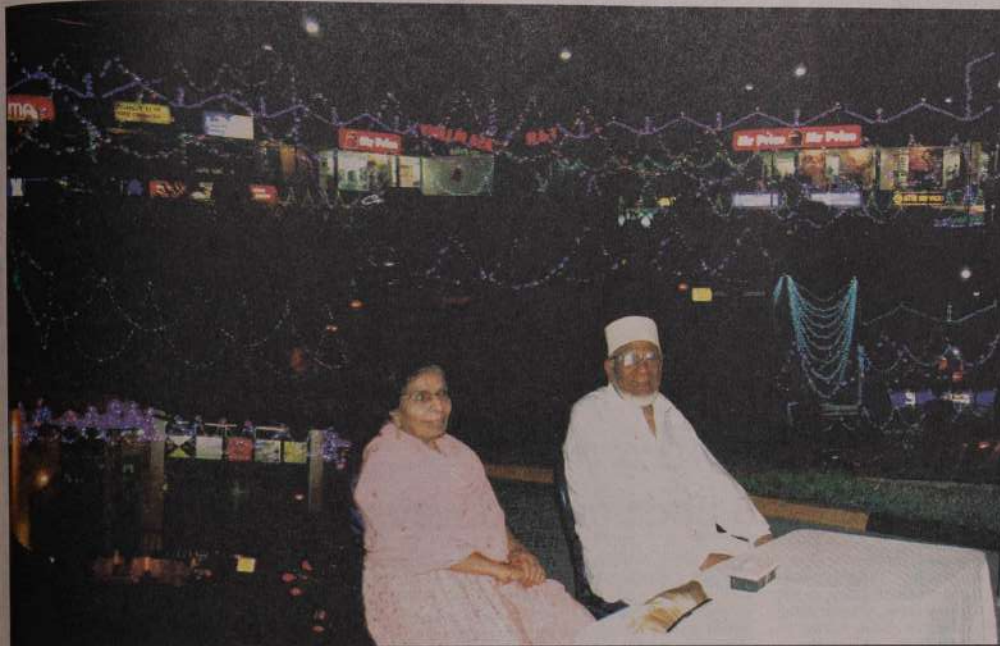
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This year Nyali Cinemax and Nyali Plaza have decorated both the complexes with spectacular decorative lighting effects for the Eid Celebrations. The switching on of the decorative lights was done by Muslim Community's Senior Citizens, Mr. and Mrs. Mohammed and Khatijabai Haji Aboo. Mr. and Mrs. Aboo from Memon Community are very active philanthropists in Mombasa. The lighting effects on Nyali Cinemax and Nyali Plaza are a 'must see' for all residents!

THE TAMARIND THIS WEEK

Lynne and Paul Hilton

Lynne and Paul Hilton [seen inset] on board the Tamarind Dhaw as they sailed away into the golden sunset to exchange their wedding vows so as to begin their new life together.



It was a momentous and most romantic moment as they cruised towards Mombasa's Old Port and the Fort Jesus.

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MOMBASA 'AL QUAEDA' TERRORIST DEAD

FROM FRONT PAGE Seeking Information - War on Terrorism list.

Nabhan claimed both Yemeni and Kenyan citizenship and had used numerous Aliases, including:

Swaleh Ali Swaleh Nabhan, Saleh Nabhan, Saleh Ali Nabhan, Swaleh Ali Nabhan, Swaleh Nabhan, Ali Swaleh, Ali Saleh, Ali Nabhan and Said Hassan Haji.

On November 28, 2002, an unsuccessful attempt was made to shoot down an Arkia Israel Airlines Boeing 757 chartered tourist plane taking off from Moi International Airport in Mombasa using surface-to-air missiles; nobody was hurt on the plane, which landed safely in Tel Aviv.

About 20 minutes later, in Mombasa, Kenya, three suicide bombers detonated a SUV in

the lobby of the Israeli-owned beachfront Paradise Hotel, killing three Israelis and ten Kenyans, and injuring 80.

US and Israeli officials suspected a Somali group linked to 'al-Qaeda' was responsible for the bombing and speculated that the suspects had smuggled the missiles into Kenya from Somalia.

Later 12 people were arrested in connection with the hotel bombing, including six Pakistanis and four Somalis, as well as an American and her Spanish husband, both of whom were later released.

'al Qaeda' claimed responsibility for this attack on the Jihad.net website, which was later taken down.

Nabhan might have been protected in Somalia by the Islamic Courts Union prior to their

ouster in late 2006.

An American air gunship attack near Ras Kamboni on 7 January 2007 targeted al-Qaeda suspects, who might have included Nabhan.

On March 9, 2007 the *International Herald Tribune* reported that someone connected with the 2002 Mombasa bombing had been apprehended, and speculated that it was Saleh Ali Saleh Nabhan.

However it turned out to be Abdumalik Mohammed, who was transferred to Guantanamo about a month later.

On March 2, 2008, a U.S. Navy vessel fired two missiles in an attack on an Al Qaeda training camp in southern Somalia.

The attack reportedly targeted Nabhan.

Latest details from Somalia suggest that Saleh Ali Saleh Nabhan was believed to have been killed in a raid conducted by U.S. Navy Seals in four helicopters (including at least two AH-6s) on Monday September 14, 2009.

The raid, code-named 'Operation Celestial Balance', took place around 1.00 p.m. local time, with the helicopters arriving from a ship offshore, firing on the vehicles, and landing briefly to take bodies.

President Barack Obama is reported to have signed an "Execute Order" for Nabhan ten days before the attack was launched. [viz Wikipedia]

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Hotels Are More Likely To Become Terrorism Target

WASHINGTON (Xinhua) -- Hotels are now more likely to become targets of terror attacks, a new report suggests.

STRATFOR, a U.S. intelligence firm said in an analysis released Tuesday that terror attacks against hotels have doubled in the eight years since 9/11 terror attacks, while injuries and deaths caused by those attacks have increased by six-folds since then.

The reason that hotels become more attractive to terrorists, it said, is because both military and governmental targets are now getting harder to hit. From the terrorists' viewpoint, the report said, hotels are "ideal targets" with fixed locations, lots of human traffic and shallow security perimeters.

Moreover, upscale hotels usually attract a lot of Westerners.

Summary of comments presented by The Friends of Fort Jesus, Mombasa at the 'Stakeholders Evaluation Meeting of Fort Jesus and Mombasa Old Town' by the ICCOMOS expert held on August 19, 2009 at the Fort Jesus.

Fort Jesus: The FFJ have been closely involved with the Fort since the inception of our society in 1978.

Over these years, we have seen the Fort Jesus grow tremendously. The attendances and usage has improved.

It has now become a focus of activity and is a vibrant place.

We applaud the positive changes, the professional management, improvements in the infrastructure and the care

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with which the fort and the surrounding areas such as the Memorial Gardens are maintained.

We believe the Fort is moving in the right direction and fully support its listing as a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Old Town as Buffer zone:

The buildings and the open spaces within the Conservation area represent a unique cultural and architectural heritage not only in its fine buildings but also its townscape which is made up of a labyrinth of narrow lanes and open spaces.

The old town reflects our rich and cosmopolitan history and has a distinct cultural identity.

It is this aspect of the old town that makes it an outstanding place and draws visitors to the area and this, in turn, benefits economic activity.

However, our concerns are with the present state of the conservation area; the high number of dilapidated buildings and construction of new buildings that are aesthetically out of context with the traditional architecture.

If this continues, we wonder whether the old town will retain its architectural and cultural identity.

Loss of Heritage Buildings:

In the recent past a number of buildings have either collapsed or have been demolished with the approval of MOTCO and the Municipal Council.

It seems that the Conservation policy is to demolish rather than to conserve.

Many of the empty plots have remained undeveloped.

They attract rubbish and have become an eyesore.

New buildings in a historic context: The new buildings constructed in the Conservation area are not contextual as they do not conform to the archi-

tectural style.

It is clear that the relevant authorities are unable to enforce compliance with conservation laws.

The numerous empty plots will be developed in the near future and if this trend is allowed to continue the heritage value of the old town will diminish.

General dilapidation:

A majority of the heritage buildings are in an advanced state of deterioration.

We believe urgent action is needed to save these structures from collapse, demolition and ultimate replacement with new buildings that do not respect the traditional architecture.

Unrealized potential:

The old town has immense potential, largely unexploited.

Many public areas and buildings are either not in use or underused.

They are yet to receive the attention of the conservation authorities.

So far the conservation has been largely limited to Mbarak Hinawy Road and part of Ndia Kuu and part of the waterfront. Tourists tend to be confined to these areas.

However, beyond these main roads there is a labyrinth of lanes

and public open spaces.

These spaces need to be regenerated to provide locals with additional amenities like safe playing areas for children, green areas, seating, etc.

Visitors will enjoy wider access to the old town and make for a richer experience.

Way forward:

Management of the conservation programme is not satisfactory and lacks commitment.

If the Old town is to retain its character and identity, it is necessary to take urgent action to strengthen the conservation efforts and arrest the damage that has already been done.

As a priority the NMK should prepare, in consultation with stakeholders, a comprehensive 'Regeneration Plan' of the entire conservation area.

This plan will illustrate the full potential of the old town for becoming an exciting area not only for the local residents but also the visitors.

Also, it will form the basis for raising funds from various donor agencies and engaging the local community in restoring the old town's lost glory.

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INSULTED AND ABUSED DRIVING THROUGH MOMBASA OLD TOWN

I refer to Mr Hussein Abbas letter Coastweek September 11 - 17, 2009.

While I totally agree with his letter I wish to ask a question to Mr Abbas - who is a resident of Old Town like me - how come he has not mentioned about the way motorists in the Old Town behave?

As a resident of Old Town like me Mr Abbas should also request motorists to follow the basic laid down traffic rule of driving on the correct side of the road and castigate those who have no respect for traffic rules by driving on the wrong side of the road.

The particular road I am talking about is Ndia Kuu road in the Old Town that goes out all the way to either Central Police Station or McKinnon Market.

This is a one way road but people find it so difficult to drive on the right side and often break the law in quest for a short cut out of Old Town thus inconveniencing other correct and respected road users.

I have been a victim of people driving on the wrong side and are expecting you, who is on the right side, to give way failing to which you are insulted and abused and even sometimes ending in a fight.

This tendency of driving in all directions is now very common

in the Old town since the introduction of these ugly little 'tuk tuk's that apart from being noisy they are also polluting the air with their diesel fumes.

May be a traffic policeman should be allocated and I am sure a lot of extra revenue will be collected from such traffic offenders for the treasury.

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Doing Irreversible Damage To Underground Water Table

It was very interesting to see the picture of mount Kilimanjaro in today's edition of the Coastweek but hardly surprising.

The melting of the ice cap has been on the cards for a pretty long time - as highlighted in my letter of November 2007.

The amazing thing is that no one in the authority has moved an inch to find a solution to the inevitable crisis.

The fact that population is set to rise against the backdrop of the dwindling water supply makes a really scary scenario.

What many people do not know is that scientists have also predicted that the average mean

temperatures of Mombasa and its environs is set to rise between two and three degrees in the next five to seven years and that will make a massive impact on our water supply and needs.

The easy fix would be to sink a whole lot of boreholes but the fact is that we are doing irreversible damage to the underground water table which, on the long run, is going to make us pay dearly akin Karua Forest.

Unless we do not come up with a permanent fix to this problem, we shall have a disaster on our hands in the next five or six years and that's not very far off.

There are some very practical solutions to this problem but somebody up there must have the iron will to implement them.

The obvious choice and the one I have been advocating for a long time is the commissioning of a desalination plant.

This would be a permanent solution to our problems unless the Indian Ocean dries up.

The other ways would be rain water harvesting and conservation.

It would also help if some young innovators would find a way to re-direct water we use for bathing, washing hands, brushing, washing cloth and utensils to flush toilets.

With an average family of four visiting the toilet at least three times a day would mean 12 flushes of five litres, which makes it a saving of 60 litres a day.

If you multiply it by the population of Mombasa, we are talking of a massive saving of over four million litres of water a day.

Secondly, there has been a lot of buzz about the decongestion of traffic in Mombasa and a lot of good suggestions specially the one about a tram line in the middle of the town.

While these are long term and costly ways to deal with the issue, there are a couple of quick fixes that can be implemented to ease this problem.

The primary problem is on the Nyali Bridge and Digo Road coming into town in the mornings and the other way around in the evenings.

The easiest way to overcome

this would be to make Digo road into a one way traffic zone from 7.00 a.m. to 10.00 a.m. from the bridge to Moi Avenue round about and the other way from 4.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.

There is hardly any traffic going the opposite ways during those time and those can be diverted to use Moi Avenue, turning towards the station on to Jaiia Baridi finally to Saba Saba traffic lights.

At the same times, the Nyali Bridge road can be turned into a 3-lane one-way traffic at using one of the lanes of the other side thereby opening up one more lane.

The major bottleneck is the Kengeleni turnoff going towards Cinemax.

Here the Matatus are the main culprits together with the users of Kogowea Market.

It would be prudent to ban Matatus from stopping for a stretch of 500 meters from that junction and it would also help if the entrance to Kogowea Market could be relocated to somewhere on the main Mombasa Malindi road.

These changes can be implemented quite quickly and with a little discipline would go a great deal towards decommissioning of traffic.

The other story which is of interest is the levy of K. shs. 500 per day per room imposed by the authorities on hotels in Mombasa.

It is my humble opinion that there is a need for a really deep re-think of this policy.

What many people do not realize that this cow is being milked to the limit already and every additional penny levied would be like what many people refer to as "sucking it dry".

Most of the hotels are reeling in the wake of massive power bills and low occupancy.

I was quite shocked when a manager of a small hotel complex informed me that they were paying a massive 1.2 million shillings a month only on power.

This is one of the reasons why a lot of hotels are behind on their salaries and other payments.

If you add roughly half a million shillings per month (for a thirty bedroom hotel) it could be akin to the final straw on the camels back.

Would it not be better not to kill the goose that is laying golden eggs even if the eggs are coming in a bit slow these days.

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'NOT A CHANCE,' SAYS THE HUSBAND '... IT IS 3.00 A.M. IN THE MORNING

A man and his wife were awakened at 3:00 a.m. by a loud pounding on the door.

The man gets up and goes to the door where a drunken stranger, standing in the pouring rain, is asking for a push.

'Not a chance,' says the husband, 'it is 3:00 a.m. in the morning!'

He slams the door and returns to bed.

'Who was that?' asked his wife.

'Just some drunk guy asking for a push,' he answers.

'Did you help him?' she asks.

'No, I did not, it is 3:00 a.m. in the morning and it is pouring rain out there!'

'Well, you have a short memory,' says his wife.

'Can't you remember about three months ago when we broke down, and those two guys helped us?'

'I think you should help him, and you should be ashamed of yourself!'

The man does as he is told, gets dressed and goes out into the pounding rain.

He calls out into the dark, 'Hello, are you there?'

'Yes,' comes back the answer.

'Do you still need a push?' calls out the husband.

'Yes, please!' comes the reply from the door.

'Where are you?' asks the husband.

'Over here on the swing,' replied the drunk man.

- kindly forwarded by Reishi Arun Par...

WEMA Dinner October At Sarov Whitesan Mombasa

WEMA serves and transforms street food and vulnerable children providing access to education an skills as well as basic needs as food, clothing health services, and recreational facilities. Last year, together with Excellency, The First Lady Lucy Kibaki, you helped Kshs. seven million to the program and nutrition needs of children.

These funds have been running our Centre in Mombasa and the centres in Garjoni Mombasa Thika, enabled us to support over 800 poor enrollment into schools and universities as well as expand our vocational program benefiting the disadvantaged youth, whom are girls.

This year, our target is Kshs. 10 million for fundraising dinner to be held 30th October 2009 at the Whitesands Beach Hotel.

This will help us improve our service and efficacy of the organization the empowerment of our staff and our staff through various programs.

We plan to help our staff find their own responsibility and spread of the effects and ways to support vulnerable children who can withstand pressures of them into the streets.

It is in this regard that the generous coast public again to participate in the fundraising dinner by booking a Corporate/VIP table which will be booked as follows:

Table for 10 at 100,000.00, Table for 5 at 75,000.00 and Table for 5 at 55,000.00.

A Corporate/VIP table will have various promotion opportunities including use of corporate pop up banners and recognition during the event.

We look forward to your booking and thank you in advance for your support and participation. Together we can make a difference in our life.

Nick Munyi, fund raising committee chairman, WEMA Centre, Mombasa.
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U.S. Ambassador Host Iftar Dinner



Standing [from left] Past Chairman N.M.J. Nazir Bachani, Ibrahim Pasta, Vice Chairman - M.L.W.J. Shabbir Talab, Chairman - M.L.W.F. Moiyudin Latif, The U.S. Ambassador Michael E. Ranneberger, MD Shehna Restaurant Zul Harunani, Manager Shehna Restaurant Mehboob Harunani and Treasurer - M.L.W.J. Mehboob Ladha. Iftar Dinner hosted by the U.S. Ambassador to Kenya Mr. Michael E. Ranneberger at the Muslim Luhar Wadha Jemat Hall and catered by Shehna Restaurant. Muslim Elders and Community Leaders were invited.

Google Kiswahili Translation Marathon

Google Kenya Swahili language Specialist Salome Nduku [second right] and the Tamarind Linguists Forum Coordinator Theophar Marube [left] assist Kenya High School teacher Omond Osono [2nd left] and Kenyatta University Undergraduate Kiswahili student Samuel Chacha during Blogger.com Kiswahili translation marathon organized by Google Kenya and Tamarind Linguists forum on Saturday at Nairobi University.



Shree Cutch Satsang Swaminarayan, Mombasa Celebrates Golden Jubilee

SHREE CUTCH SATSANG SWAMINARAYAN TEMPLE, MOMBASA is celebrating its Golden Jubilee on January 2010.

To commemorate the auspicious occasion of its 50 years, the temple has organized various charities as one of the events on monthly basis.

The first event was graced by the head of saints and several saints from bhuj temple in India in February 2009 which was blessed with blood donation organized with Kenya Blood Transfusion Services and Kenya Red Cross Society held for three days from which a total of 308 pints of blood were collected.

The temple later in March 2009 organised a Food Distribution programme in Kinango District whereby 3 schools were selected having approx.

1788 students and several food items such as Unga, Maragwe, Potatoes, Salt, Kimbo Oil, Biscuits, Sweets etc all worth over Kshs.750,000/-.

Thereafter, temple organized to build water wells, water catchment dams from which people could benefit fetching water in Ganze and Jaribuni area.

The later event of Eye and Dental Camp was organized in conjunction with Lighthouse for Christ eye centre and Om Dental Centre to offer the much needed services in the remote Malindi regions.

About 1,204 people both young and old received medical intervention through this community social activity in a

week long outreach campaign.

The campaign was conducted in the regions of Tarasa Ngao, Ardu, Garsen and Mareeni.

About 450 people were provided with Dental treatments and given free toothpastes and toothbrushes.

There were 198 surgeries completed which mostly involved removal of cataracts although had several glaucoma, abscess drainages, foreign bodies and injury repairs among others.

88 per cent of these surgical procedures were cataracts.

Those operated on campus were mainly children ranging from 1 to 16 years who required general anesthesia and specialized equipment to operate on them.

Some of these children were born with cataract and therefore blind. As said by The Lighthouse for Christ - "It is almost certain that if the effort to go into the interior to broadcast, identify and transport them was not done by the able Shree Cutch Satsang Swaminarayan Temple team they would have lived the rest of their lives blind.

If the child would have lived to be 60 years old without the treatment that would have been 60years of dependency on others and limited productivity.

It is such little and big things that transform and develop the society.

It is so rewarding to see these children walk around the following day independently after surgery. 60 per cent Surgeries done on campus were on children.

We wish to extend our sincere gratitude and appreciation to the doctors, centers, donors, volunteers for the generosity and contribution towards serving our nation and people in need.

Special Report by Correspondent

LG Diversifies Into Security Appliances

Korean consumer electronics giant LG Electronics through its Business Solutions (BS) arm is set to diversify its products portfolio in the region to include security appliances.

Towards this end, the firm is already sourcing for a local partner to distribute its recently launched state of the art security systems.

KENYAN MARKET

According to the company's Manager in charge of Audio and Video systems Mr. Sunny Sharma, the company will be introducing the security systems among them Closed Circuit Television Cameras (CCTV) into the Kenyan market very soon.

"We are in the process of establishing a local business partner who will be in charge of distributing these ultra modern products from Business Solutions," said Mr. Sharma.

The giant Korean electronics manufacturer established the Business Solutions unit early this year to cater for a specific market niche for its cutting edge electronic products.

Among other products from Business Solutions are state of the art PC monitors which are market leaders in the Middle East region and most of Africa.

PRODUCT PORTFOLIO

According to LG management, Business Solutions was launched with the aim of diversifying the product portfolio and giving specific attention to specific products.

Sharma said the company would use a two pronged approach to maintain and grow its market reach in the region.

This will include creating untapped product portfolio and expanding the value chain from device provider to solution provider.

"The former method has been

tried countless times in the history of LG Electronics, which had started as a radio company then later expanded its product portfolio to most of consumer electronics field," he said.

The company will be targeting Kenya as its footprint into the regional market where the sales

of Business Solutions products is comparatively low to the LG products.

"Considering the performance of other LG product categories that were launched a few years ago, I am sure of the great potential for Business Solution products," added Mr. Sharma.

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THIRTY YEARS' AGO

Coastweek, September 14 - 20, 1979:

A large and dramatic photograph of a wide-eyed, regal-looking lion from the Amboseli Game Reserve graced the front page of *Coastweek*.

The five-year-old large, wild cat was spotted by Mombasa camera buff Mustafa Nasser during a visit to the teeming wildlife park. *National Geographic Society* magazine had a full-time correspondent in the Reserve studying the lion's behavior patterns and were to feature it in future issues.

The Municipal Fire Brigade reported that at least ten people had died and property worth KSh. 2,777, 697. 15 had been destroyed in fires since January. The latest figures indicated that there was an average of 23 fire cases a month in Mombasa alone. Insurance companies declined to give figures but admitted that pay-offs made to fire victims ran into millions.

Tanzanians were looking into the possibility of constructing a plant at Songo Songo in Kilwa district to exploit the newly discovered gas for the manufacture of Ammonia and Urea. If the project succeeded, the manufacture of Urea from the 30 billion cubic litres of natural gas pool at Songo Songo gas would provide a rich nitrogenous fertilizer for agriculture.

The Mombasa branch of the Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA) was making plans to build a new K.Shs. 7,000,000 hostel in the Kizingo area. The hostel was to have 144 beds and was to cater to all people irrespective of religious following.

United Nations Information Center was to stage an exhibition featuring the different activities and programmes of the world organization.

The two-day show organized with the co-operation of the Aga Khan Education Department, was to be held at the Aga Khan High School with an aim to "acquaint the public with the work of the United Nations and motivate them towards greater support of the United Nations programmes.

The C.C.A. League got off the ground with the inclusion of Aga Khan and Mombasa Youths, and the 'suspension' on Coast Gymkhana was also lifted.

REGAL Cinema was screening 'Bittersweet Love,' starring Meredith Baxter (of 'Family Ties' fame) and Michael Lewis.

NAAZ Cinema was ending its run of 'Lawman' and moving onto another Western, 'Eagle's Wing,' the story of Kiowa dog soldiers and their constant warfare with the Comanches.

KENYA Cinema, meanwhile, was running 'Ruby,' a horror flick starring Piper Laurie as a teenage daughter possessed by an evil power. At CHOX, Hema Malini and Dharmendra were bound by 'Pratigya' ('Vow').

In Trying To Escape From Hitting A Dog The Driver Nearly Killed Two Children

This week we get to the original unintended consequence encounter that Kachumbari told me which got me started on some of the stories I have shared over the last few weeks.

This came straight out of what we consider the 'Wild West'.

The scene is one that could be easily replicated in the urban centres in this country.

I do not know how many of us remember the 'cautions' that we got when we were going through our driving instruction.

As we got our basic driving instruction, we were also being taught the 'Rules on the Road'.

The key focus was on learning the law and what constituted breaking the law.

We were also taught a certain amount of courtesy and good manners that drivers were expected to exhibit when using the road.

The other key area that driving instruction does not really delve into in detail and is actually, as far as I am concerned more important, is in the area of defensive driving.

Typically here one is taught about the most obvious cases that have graced the pages of driving manuals for ages.

The most common case is that of children crossing the road when not supervised.

We are told as drivers that we should slow down in built up

areas and be on the look out for children playing as they may do sudden things that brings them onto the road.

The other one with children is to always slow right down and even stop should one see a ball moving across a road.

It is normally most likely that a child will follow the ball at speed and they would not have considered the fact that cars could be using the road at that point in time.

CoastDrive with Teti Kamugunda



The other common defensive driving advice that new drivers get is that if keeping a safe distance behind the car in front.

This is an obvious one and there are several ways of defining what a safe distance is.

Most common is the three second rule.

This requires that the driver establish a three second gap between his vehicle and the one in front.

The most common way of measuring this is for the driver behind to select a marker in the side of the road.

One takes the time from when the back end of the car in front went past the marker to when the front of their car arrived at the marker.

If this is less than three seconds then one is too close to the car in front.

In order to establish the number

of seconds, it is obviously not possible to drive and also look at a time piece even if there is one installed in the vehicle.

The one that I use is to slowly count out fully one thousand and two thousand and three thousand.

Thinking through this was will result in one establishing an interval of three seconds or more.

These two defensive rules, namely establishing what objects could come on to the road unexpectedly and also keeping a clear space around the car are they key to avoiding most potential accidents.

The only other key rule in avoiding unintended consequences is for one to clearly indicate their intentions to other road users. Judicious use of the indicators is another key defensive driving opportunity.

There are others but these three will keep us out of most mischief.

The driver in Kachumbari's story was driving along a fairly wide and relatively uncluttered road in a quiet neighbourhood.

The fellow was in a hurry and drove at just above the speed limit allowed in the area.

CHILDREN AT PLAY

As he was about to go past a parked vehicle he did the usual checks and confirmed that there were no children playing in the vicinity of the road and nor were there people walking on the roadside.

In short, he discerned no threat to his passage through the neighbourhood.

Just as he was about to pass one of the parked vehicles a dog jumped out of the back of one of the parked vehicles and began to run across the road.

The driver saw the dog and immediately swerved to avoid hitting the dog.

The front wheels of the car clipped the kerb and the car lost control and careened into a gap between some parked cars.

The car went into the gap and careened down a short distance.

There were two children playing tag at the next level and they were completely oblivious to the tonnage of steel that was coming at them from the steps.

One of the children was thrown away sideways away from the other and managed to get out of where the car would have hit.

The other child was not so lucky and got hit by the car.

He flew in the air and landed a bush a few metres away.

He screamed and the driver who was nearby came to a rescue.

Both boys were completely unhurt apart from a few scratches that they got from broken glass falling to the ground.

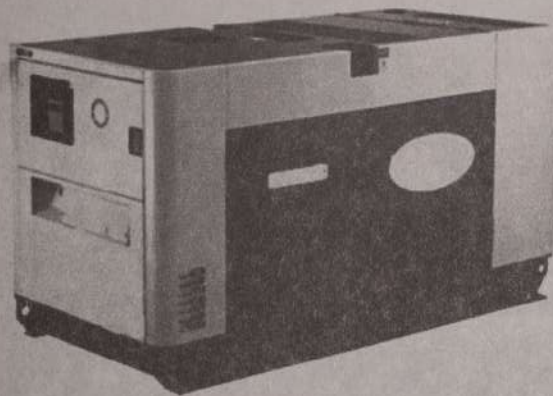
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Thirty-One Students From Eight Countries Have Graduated From The Maritime Center Of Excellence At Bandari College

Thirty-one students from eight countries have graduated from the Maritime Center of Excellence at Bandari College in Mombasa.

The graduation marked the completion of the second group to attend the three-week course. MCE sponsored by Combined Joint Task Force - Horn of Africa, is the result of coordinated efforts between U.S. Africa Command, U.S. Naval War College, the Global Maritime and Transportation School, and Kenya Ports Authority's Bandari College.

"The [MCE] is the result of three years of listening to the African demand signal for maritime safety and security," said Cmdr. John Fritz, MCE co-director from CJTF-HOA.

"MCE students studied a variety of subjects related to maritime security including: piracy port security operations, smuggling, counter-terrorism measures and risk management.

Students in attendance represented multiple militaries and a broad set of maritime professionals from African nations.

"This ties into one of MCE's primary goals: increased information sharing.

"I think that is the most important part [of the training], is being able to have these nations and their representatives sit down and communicate with each other and understand what each of them brings to the table amongst these various scenarios that were going through," said Jeffrey Landsman, a U.S. Naval War College professor who taught a portion of the course.

Senegalese Lt. Cmdr. Jean-Jacques Lopez, a graduate of the U.S. Naval War College, commands a naval base in Senegal.

Lopez talked about what he learned at MCE and how it will change the way he operates when he returns home from Mombasa.

"We've been presented with the big picture. Being a naval officer, of course you have an opening to the world, but I don't have any specific knowledge about other stakeholders in maritime affairs; port state authorities, shipping lines, transportation, trade and how all these things interrelate.

"We have been presented with some tools that have to do with risk assessment and some other things that I can probably use to tailor a security plan," said Lopez.

"I can use most of the stuff we've been taught.

"It's nice to know who is in charge of security in port facilities; you know who are the players and how it is organized.

"So my intention is when I go back, I will probably get in touch with the director of the port and sit down and work out a security plan."

Other students were vocal about how networking with countries close-by will change the way they do business.

Francis Nabugyer Manana, a

After three years of planning, the Kenyan Port Authority's Bandari College has begun to host the Maritime Center of Excellence, a multi-national and multi-agency forum promoting maritime safety and security in the region.

By providing operational level training, the center hopes to improve and professionalize partner nations' maritime forces and build regional cooperation.

Through a strategy of cooperative conflict prevention the task force helps build the internal capacities of countries at risk to prevail against extremists exploiting instability.

"I know him now personally, and he knows me personally. On the other side [of Lake

security issues," said Fritz.

"It took three years for the concept to be flushed out, and what exactly a maritime center of excellence would look like."

Landsman reflected on the courses' significance.

"What we are doing here is supporting the Chief of Naval Operations maritime strategy," he said.

"To get in here in Africa and do it is really important...this is kind of uncharted territory, so it gives us a chance to get integrated and find out what the issues are."

Fritz said the more African states work together to tackle trans-boundary issues, the more effective they will become.

"This means less opportunities for hot-spots, and less reason for the United States to get involved with situations that are spiraling out of control," said Fritz.



U.S. Ambassador to Kenya, Michael E. Ranneberger (left), U.S. Navy Rear Adm. Tony Kurta, commander of Combined Joint Task Force - Horn of Africa (right), along with Kenya navy Brig. Ngewa Mukala (left center), and Bandari College Principal Ezekiel Langat, join in unity to cut the ceremonial ribbon during the Maritime Center of Excellence opening ceremonies.

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Ugandan assistant superintendent of police for the eastern region of Lake Victoria, is responsible for all Ugandan maritime forces on the eastern part of the lake.

He said the course provided him with valuable contacts on the waters he patrols.

"I got to know my comrade who polices Kenyan waters because I am with him in the same training," said Manana.

"That's great, because here we can get contact

Victoria] which he is opposite me, we can talk in case of anything, any [accident], in case of any emergency or anything that happens in the waters."

Groundwork for MCE took years.

The course was developed in response to discussions that took place from 2006 to 2008 at the East Africa Southwest Indian Ocean conferences

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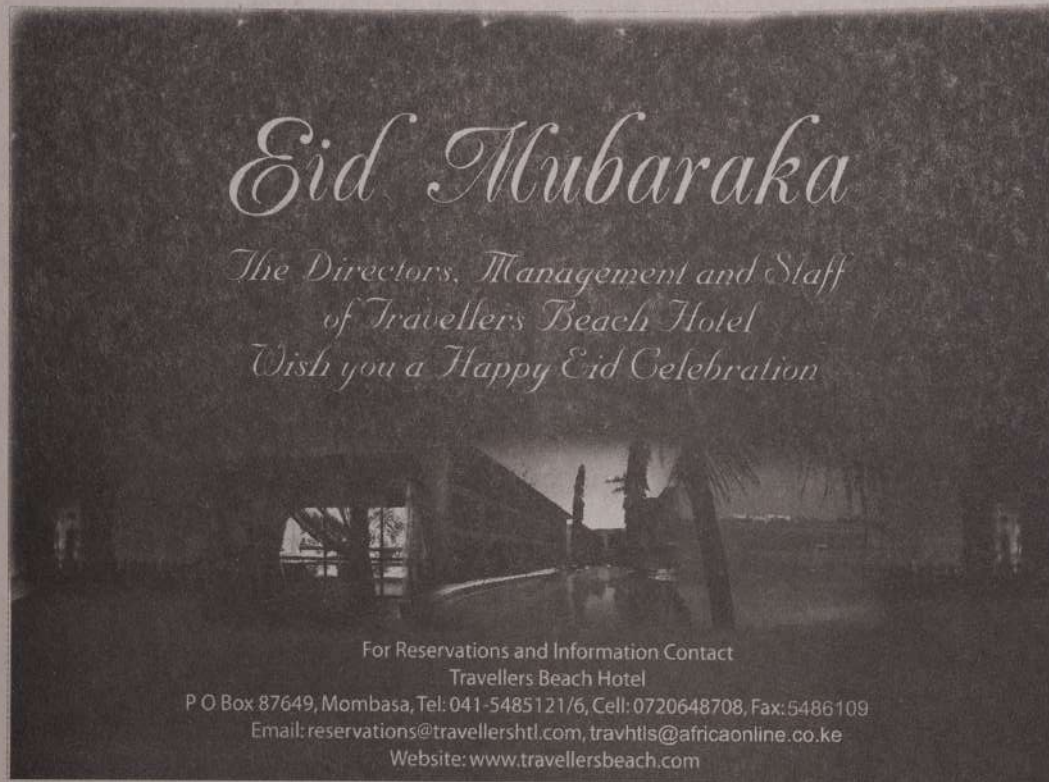
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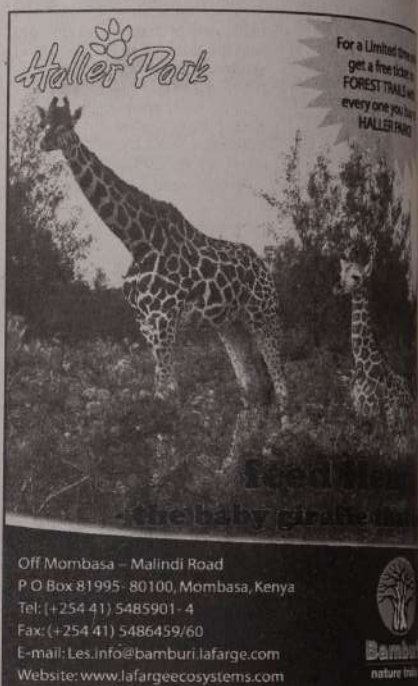
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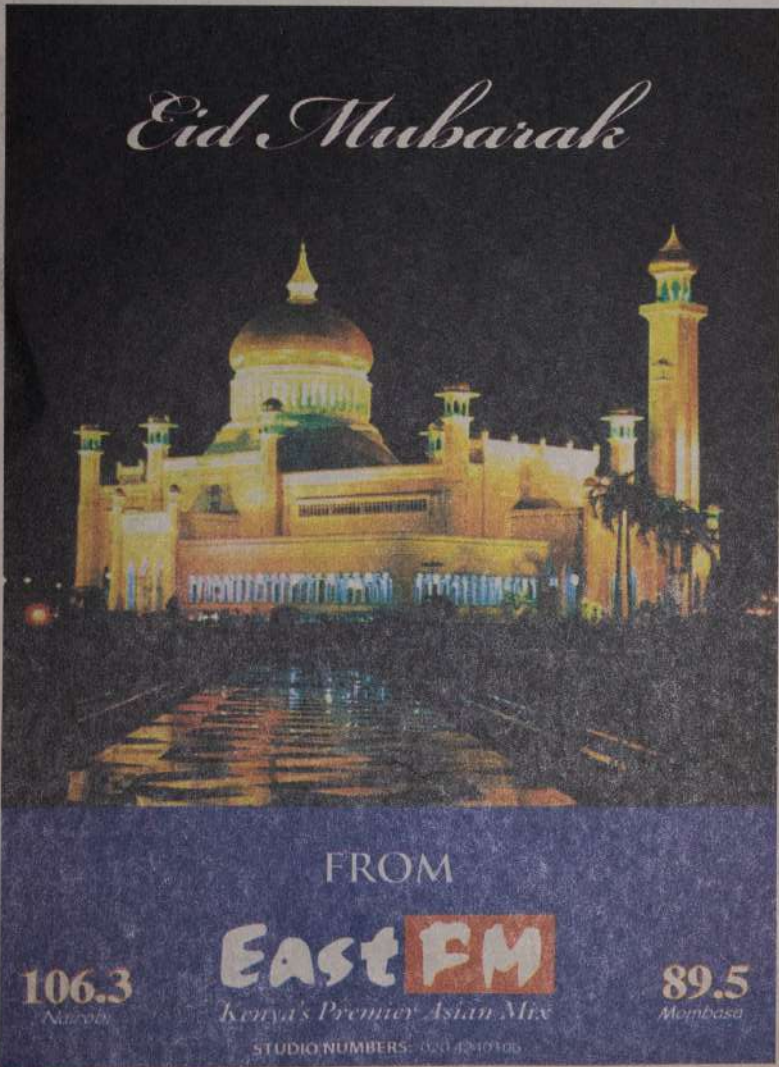


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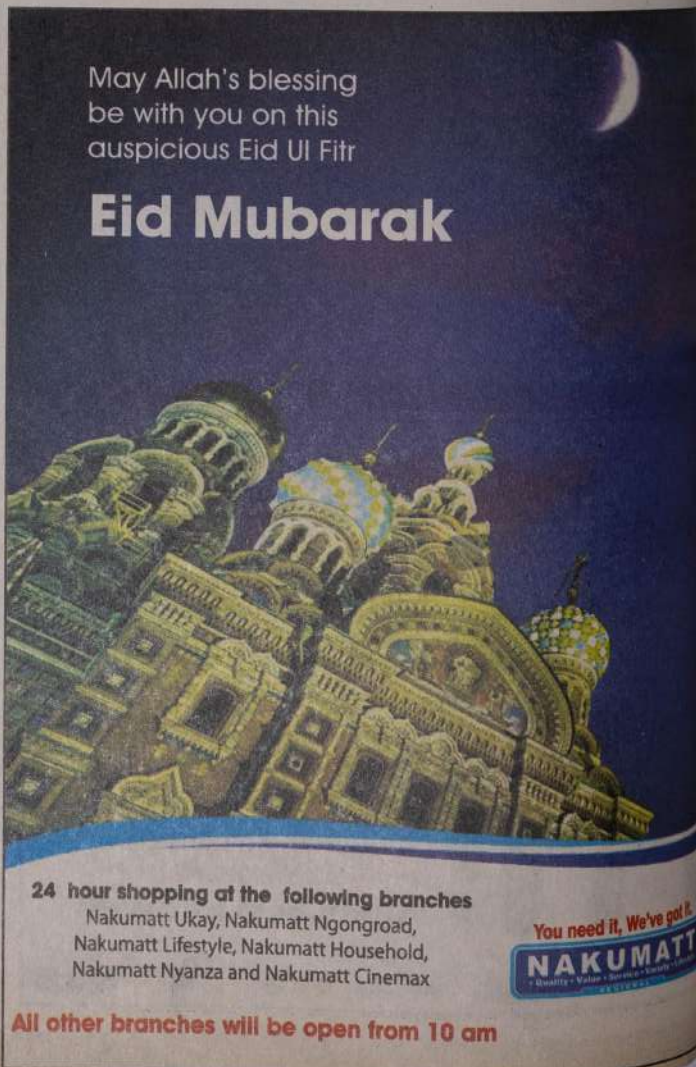
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Kenyan Coastline Set For A Major Clean-Up

MOMBASA CLEAN-UP TAKING PLACE AT JOMO KENYATTA PUBLIC BEACH

FROM PAGE ONE

"Kenya debris keeps increasing year on year especially because of increase in recreational activities along the coast.

"In 2007, 10,813 pounds of debris collected compared to 2008 30,911.0 pounds, a 300per cent rise in just one year." Observed Mr. Sewe.

The Coastal Clean-up Day involves local schools students, the local community, church groups, hotels along the coastline, corporate bodies, government departments and non-governmental organizations

from around Kenyan coastal region. Each year, these volunteers spend a few hours removing trash and debris from beaches. The group collects, bags and weighs every piece of trash they find. Ocean Conservancy uses that information to produce the world's only annual country-by-country, state-by-state index of the problem of marine debris.

The clean-up exercise is taking place at the Jomo Kenyatta Public Beach.



Other sites include:- Kilifi, Malindi, Diani, Watamu, Shimoni, Kikambala, Fort Jesus and English Point.

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2009	MOMBASA		MALINDI		LAMU	
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19	4.43	6.22	4.41	6.21	4.38	6.19
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THIS WEEK IN PHOTOGRAPHS



Imperial Bank's Relationship Officers Yasir Hydar [left] and Huyam Talib [right] join Service Delivery Manager, Maimuna Ali [centre], in distributing food to the Muslim students of the Jinnatu Firdaus Madrasa in Kasauni, Mombasa during the Ramadhan period. The food donation was distributed to the needy Muslims who could not afford to buy food to break their fast.



This is familiar scene during this time where Muslims are fasting Ramadhan along Abdel Nasser Road near Mackinon Market. Here, a food seller [left] seen selling fish and other food to customers with a smile.



Diani Beach is all hyped up in preparation for the East Africa Women's League, South Coast Branch Diani Goat Derby on Sunday 18th October at Leisure Club grounds. Safaricom is the main sponsor of this hugely successful fun filled family event.



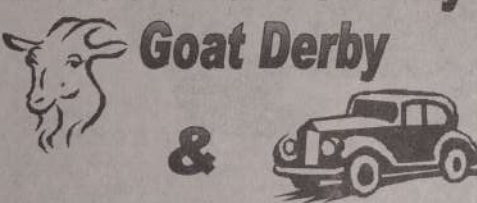
Tumaini Home of Hope borehole donation by MWA. Seen [from right] Miss Maddy, Mombasa Women's Association Vice Chairlady Mrs. Kaushlya Meghnani, MWA Chairlady Mrs. Suman Kanji, MWA Secretary Mrs. Harminder Kandhari, Founder and Trustee of Tumaini Children's Home Mrs. Joan Smith, Staff and children.



Some winners of the Seventh Edition of the East Africa Quran Memorisation Competition pose for a group photo at the end of the competition at Makadara grounds last Sunday. The competition was organised by the Muslim Mercy Youth.

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Induction Of Aaron D'souza To Rotary Club

Aaron D'souza joined the family of Rotary. He had the opportunity of being inducted by District Governor Tadesse Alemu at a fellowship lunch at RC Kilindini in Mombasa. Seen in the picture are President Ramesh Pandya, Aaron D'souza and DG Tadesse Alemu.



Wemathon - Your Chance To Make A Difference

the support of donors and friends, and through fundraising activities such as the 'Wemathon'.

The Wemathon, an initiative of Wema Centre since 1995, is a sponsored ten kilometre and five kilometre walk challenge.

The event aims at mobilizing

and engaging the participation of hundreds of Mombasa people including school children, corporate teams, clubs, mums and dads in raising funds towards supporting underprivileged children and youth.

Young children and other

participants who may not be very energetic have the opportunity of doing a five kilometre walk.

The event climax is normally marked with lots of entertainment, prize giving and speeches from nationally and internationally recognized personalities.

Wema Centre is encouraging participation of as many young people and organizations as possible to help in the success of the event.

Registration fee is K.shs. 500 which can either be paid at the different Wema Information Desks to be established at the two Nakumatt outlets at Wema Cinemax, Wema Bamburi Project or at Head Office in Wema Waura House near Tanzania Hotel along Cement road.

Wemathon 2009 is scheduled to take place on 20th September 2009 at Aga Khan Sports Centre (starting and finishing point near Jubilee Insurance Building) Mombasa City.

The walk event is expected to begin at 8.00 a.m. and end at 12:30 p.m.

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	9		6			7		
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2	7	4	5	8	3	1	9	6
3	1	5	7	9	6	4	8	2
9	6	8	1	4	2	7	5	3
1	3	9	4	2	5	8	6	7
6	5	2	8	7	1	3	4	9
4	8	7	3	6	9	5	2	1

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Oilibya Galitos Golf Day

After hosting the matches against the Kenya Golf Society and the Seniors Golf Society the previous Saturday, 5th September 2009, as part of the fixtures during the annual visit of the two societies to the coast, and Nyali acting not quite the gracious host by beating the visitors, returned to normal service for club members on Saturday 12th September with the Oilibya Galitos Golf Day.

This was the second year the competition was sponsored jointly by Libya Oil Kenya Limited and Innscor Kenya Limited, a winning combination which attracted a large field of over 140 players, all of whom, the lucky winners and the rest, felt well rewarded being given the Oilibya T-shirts as a start off gift, the delicious Galitos chicken and hamburgers to sustain during the round and with a dinner after the competition accompanied by drinks and music.

The only thing missing this year were the lovely Galitos cheerleaders but Galitos have promised to bring them back when they return next year with Libya Oil, so make sure to book your place in good time.

After weeks of tough, testing pin placements, the flags were in friendlier positions but this was not reflected in the scores.

There was only one score in the forties, 41 stableford points made by Johnson Wamunyua

who by his own admission, being stung by having been pushed up to handicap 16, decided to show them and fuelled by the Galitos goodies went on to play "spectacular golf".

Johnson's 11 over par round of 82 included 5 pars on each nine resulting in 21 points for the front

others who featured but the Captain also promised him a reduction of handicap to 12.

Golf Report by THE MARKER

That should certainly soothe Johnson's wounded feelings for having been put up!

Raphael Thyaka also on 16 handicap is obviously on to a

best Junior Jeremy Wahome and the best Senior Mahendra Shah taking their prizes on that number.

Staff prize was claimed by J Ondigo on 33.

The sponsor's guests were contending for prizes among themselves, James Maina winning it on 28, followed by Inayet Kudrati on 24 obviously slightly under form during this fasting month of Ramadhan.

The line up of prizes also included the other usual categories, Diana Munyao claiming the longest drive among the ladies while Tony Lithimbi claimed it on the men's side, the Lady Captain Wambol Warui taking the nearest to the pin prize and the many shots taken by John Chatwin were also rewarded with the best effort prize.

Among the other lucky players were five of those who managed a 2 club, each taking home a good haul of 17 balls.

Results: Overall Winner: Johnson Wamunyua 41

Men Winner: Raphael Thyaka 38, Men R/up: Jyoti Doshi 37 c/b.

Lady Winner: Grace Mbugua 35, Lady R/up: Sheila Rust 35.

Best Junior: Jeremy Wahome 35, Best Senior: Mahendra Shah 35.

Guest Winner: James Maina 28, Guest R/up: Inayet Kudrati 24.

Staff Winner: J. Ondigo 33.

Longest Drive Lady: Diana Munyao, Longest Drive Man: Tony Lithimbi.

Nearest to pin 18th: Wamboi Warui 3 ft 6 in.

Best Effort J.R.S. Chatwin 15.



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Johnson Wamunyua Mombasa Golf Club Chairman [right] overall winner during Oilibya Galitos Golf Day at Nyali Golf and Country Club, receives a prize from Dr. Macharia Irungu Sales and Marketing Libya Oil (K) Ltd.

nine and 20 for the back nine.

Not only was Johnson rewarded with the overall Oilibya Galitos winner's prize and Galitos voucher for a meal as were all

good stretch, featuring regularly lately and continued the good form, bringing in 38 points to take the men winner's prize.

Starting with 18 points with two pars on the front nine, he went on to improve by adding two more pars on the back nine, collecting 20 points.

Jyoti Doshi has obviously recovered from the travails of the recent weeks when he performed the parental duties of getting his son married off and rebounded with vigour on the golf course with 37 points to pick up the men's runner up prize, but not without a contest from his good friend Dinesh Sasson, both returning identical break down of 18 and 19 for the front and the back respectively.

Jyoti pipped Dinesh, the result of an unfortunate bogey on 7th by Dinesh.

Count back was also required for deciding the winning lady between Grace Mbugua and Sheila Rust, both with 35 points and both with 15 and 20 for the front and back.

Both have also featured lately and must be under a close scrutiny by the handicap committee.

35 was a popular number, the

AUTO EXPO HEADS FOR A FULL HOUSE



Aon Minet Insurance Brokers was allocated the first pick of the Expo, the motor trade section of the Africa Concours d'Elite, scheduled for September 25-27, at the Nairobi Racecourse. The Service Manager-Human Resources for Aon Minet, Kihato [right], discussed the Auto Expo layout with the Chairman of the Alfa Romeo Owners Club Nazir Haikala, who organises the annual event.

After the first allocation of spaces for the 2009 Auto Expo, only three large spaces remain

BRIDGE RESULTS

Results of Duplicate Bridge played on Monday 14th September 2009 at United Sports Club.

1. P. Gandhi : Amubhai Shah 126, 2. A. D. Shah : C. D. Shah 123, 3. K. P. Shah : Janak Babla 121, 4. P. Savia : Jyotsna Savia 117, 5. Narendra Shah : Taru Shah 115, 6. Rohit Malde : Rohit Chandaria 114, 7. D. D. Shah : Kanchanben Shah 104, 8. Ketan S. Shah : Meghji Shah 103, 8. Dipti Shah : Kirti Shah 103, 10. Koki Shah : Lorna Philips 102, 11. Vibha Shah : Ketan R. Shah 101, 12. Rasik Shah : Manju Shah 91.

available and the organisers are expecting a full house for this informal exposition of Kenya's motor industry.

This will be held during the Africa Concours d'Elite, scheduled for September 25-27, at the Nairobi Racecourse.

There is also strong demand for the standard plots to measure nine by six metres offering sufficient space for cars, or a wide range of accessories, anti-theft and automotive paints, motor oils, lubricants, tyres and fuels.

The remaining spaces will be allocated on a first come first served basis. Organisations already represented include CMC, General Motors Limited, Amazon Motors Marshalls.

The motor trade exhibit will be located in close proximity to the Concours car and motorcycle judging areas.

Among the vehicles which will be on display are Ford, Land Rover, Suzuki, Volkswagen, Subaru, Mahindra, Kia, Peugeot, Tata and Volvo.

Lucy Mungai, the Auto Expo Secretary commented, "I'm extremely pleased with the enthusiastic backing for the Expo by the motor trade."

This demonstrates that the event is a cost effective way of reaching the thousands of motorists who attend the annual Africa Concours d'Elite at the Nairobi Racecourse.

The regulations for the Expo are available on the website www.concourskenya.com or from the Bob Dewar Public Offices in Block G of Nairobi Towers, Kijabe Street.

Telephone enquiries can be made by calling 2222793 or 316160 during office hours.

COAST BRIDGE with C.P. SHAH

An elegant Trump promotion defeated Four Hearts contract in the following hand.

DEALER: SOUTH BOTH VULNERABLE BIDDING:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
ONE 'NO' TRUMP (1)	PASS	TWO DIAMONDS (2)	PASS
TWO HEARTS	PASS	TWO 'NO' TRUMPS	PASS
FOUR HEARTS	PASS	PASS	PASS

(1) 14 - 16 Points, (2) Transfer to Hearts

West opted for an aggressive Club lead. East won the Ace, returned a Club to West King, and West led a third Club.

Dummy ruffing. Declarer now led a Trump

NORTH				
♠	K	9	4	
♥	9	7	6	5 4
♦	A	8	6	
♣	Q	10		

WEST				
♠	7	6	2	
♥	10	3		
♦	10	7	5	3 2
♣	K	9	4	

EAST				
♠	10	8	3	
♥	A	Q	2	
♦	Q	J	4	
♣	A	J	8	6

from Dummy.

East rose with the Ace of Hearts and led a Fourth Club.

West was now able to ruff with his Ten of Trumps - the setting trick.

Declarer won West's Diamond exit and finessed his Knave of Hearts, then cashing the King felling East's Queen but he was nonetheless one down.

SOUTH				
♠	A	Q	J	5
♥	K	J	8	
♦	K	9		
♣	7	5	3	2

Rwanda Is Mombasa Volleyball Champions

FROM BACK PAGE The championships which attracted 15 teams from Uganda, Rwanda and Kenya, was sponsored by the Ministry of Sports.

Deputy Commissioner of Sports, Jackson Indakwa who was the guest of honour appealed to Kenya clubs to train hard and do well in international competitions.

He said Kenya teams are lucky that there are many beaches in the country.

"Rwanda winning the championship is a major upset because we have beaches and I wonder what has happened to our teams," said a beach volleyball fan, Said Kibwana Said.

Said proposed that the government should finance the training of Kenya teams to participate in future international tournaments.

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EXCLUSIVE - GREG NORMANS' - GOLF LESSONS

Bandari Succumbs To Defeat By 'Red Berets'

Once again, Bandari put up another dismal performance when they succumbed to a 2-1 defeat at the hands of the visiting Red Berets during a dull premier league match

at Mombasa Municipal Stadium last Saturday.

Playing with a player short for the entire second half after defender Gabriel Nduru was red carded for using abusive language, Berets fought gallantly to come out victors with both their goals scored by striker

John Muiru in the 32nd and 52nd minutes.

The home team snatched their

consolation goal in the 73rd minute when Harambee Stars striker Abdulwahab Mussa beat Berets substitute goalkeeper Stephen Odundo with a ground shot.

Fans left the stadium disappointed with some of them heard saying there was no way the dockers team could avoid the big drop at the end of the season.

"If we fail to beat a team like Berets, can we really beat other stronger teams?," said a fan who vowed never to watch Bandari playing.

Let Bandari field new blood and they will see for themselves how new players play," he said.

From Lamu, Mohamed Shee All said when he was in Mombasa and watched Bandari play some of their home matches, he return home disappointed.

"Players are worn out and there should be major changes especially in defence," Shee All said.

Soccer Scene with Abdulrenman Sharif



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POACHING PLAYERS

Former Lake Warriors player, Said Kibwana asked KPA management to look into ways and means of poaching players from grassroots levels to strengthen the team and avoid the big drop.

"There are many talented and skillful players in Lamu, Malindi, Kilifi, Mariakani, Kwale, Voi, Taita and Taveta but they are not known due to lack of playing in Mombasa," said Kikwana.



Former Lake Warriors player, Said Kibwana.

Kenya Picks Team To World Half Marathon

NAIROBI (Xinhua) — A few months after dropping them from last month's World Athletics Championships in Berlin, Germany, Athletics Kenya (AK) Tuesday selected Sammy Kitwara and Gideon Ngatuny in the Kenya national team to next month's IAAF Half Marathon in Birmingham, Britain.

The duo are in the team that will feature in the event slated for October 11.

Their selection comes a few weeks after they were axed from the 10,000m race in the World Championships in which Kenya emerged third overall, behind winners United States and runners up Jamaica.

AK secretary-general, David Okeyo, said he believes the pair will help Kenya defend the men's title which it won in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil last year.

Kitwara clocked 58:58 to win the Rotterdam Marathon in Holland last Sunday.

The time he posted was the fourth fastest ever. Leaving nothing to chance, AK has ordered the pair to confirm participation by September 21 or forfeit the chance.

Also selected is Bernard Kipyego, the 2005 World Cross country junior silver medalist in St Etienne/ St Galmier and senior bronze medalist in Mombasa in 2007.

He was picked on account of his fairly impressive time of 58.59.

Wilson Kipsang Kiprotich caught the selectors panel's eyes with his impressive 58.59 he posted in Ras Al-Khaima in the United Arab Emirates in the RAK marathon when he finished second to the defending champion compatriot Patrick Makau.

Ngatuny is the slowest by virtue of 60.37 he attained the Saporo half marathon, Japan in the race that ironically made him be dropped from the Berlin bound team.

Mary Kaeitany, the 2007 IAAF World Road Race running silver medalist, leads the women's team.

And she boasts an impressive track record, she is the fastest African woman this year at the Half Marathon distance and fourth fastest in the world after clocking 1:08.36 in the Vitry-sur-Seine Humerathon, in France, in April.

Other women in the team are Japan-based Phyllis Ongori and Philomena Cheyech, with impressive times of 67.50 and 68.44 respectively.

Others are Berlin Half marathon champion Peninah Arusei (68.47 and Caroline Kilel (69.09).

Six Ugandan Cricketers 'Disappear' In Canada

KAMPALA (Xinhua) — Ugandan Cricket Association (UCA) has confirmed that six players of the U-19 national team that has just concluded participation in the ICC World Cup Qualifier have gone 'missing' in Canada.

"We were informed by the team manager (Bashir Badu Ansasira) on Saturday that these players had run away," UCA official Latimer Mukasa was quoted by the state-owned New Vision daily on Tuesday as saying.

"Badu said the last he had seen them was on Friday night, around 11.30pm.

"When he woke up the following morning, the players were gone," he said.

The Uganda team, which narrowly missed out on a World Cup ticket during the tournament, is expected to make their return trip from Canada on Tuesday without Ahmed Yakoub, Emmanuel Nakaana, Geoffrey Nyero, Moses Okwera, Andrew Ochan and Ahmed Sangau, the six missing players.

Mukasa acknowledged the seriousness of the matter but urged calm until the actual details of the players are confirmed.

"At this moment, we don't want to speculate about why they left.

It could be all sorts of things. It is possible they were up to some mischief and they'll be found," added Mukasa.

Mukasa also revealed that UCA chairman Dr. Kato Sebbaale will soon be in touch with the Canadian authorities to assist with the search.

Whatever the final outcome, this incident brings back memories of the disappearance of Jimmy Okello and Patrick Ochan from the senior national cricket team at the end of the 2007 ICC World Cricket League Division Three tournament in Darwin, Australia.

Ochan and Okello successfully applied for political asylum thereafter and they have remained in Australia since then, playing cricket with local clubs.

Kenyan PM Says He Is Not Party To Soccer Crisis

NAIROBI (Xinhua) — Kenya's Prime Minister Raila Odinga has asked the sports ministry to sort out the crisis in football management instead of dragging his name into the problems.

The soccer-loving premier, a striker in his younger days, said his intervention in the soccer crisis earlier in the year was in good faith and meant to shield Kenya from FIFA's wrath.

Odinga was responding to accusations levelled against the

ministry of sports claiming that the prime minister was interfering with the management of football.

Sports Minister Prof Hellen Sambili had claimed at a recent sports stakeholders forum that the prime minister's office was interfering with the management of football by 'micro-managing' the sport on behalf of the ministry.

They claimed that the ministry's hands were tied and there wasn't much it could do to streamline Football Kenya Limited's management of soccer because

the involvement of the prime minister's office - a higher office.

The ministers were apparently reacting to the recruitment of national head coach, Antoine Hey, a move initiated by the prime minister earlier in the year.

Hey, a German national was appointed head coach in March and signed a two-year contract with FKL, in a move initiated by the premier.

"I only acted in good faith and helped the country hire a new national coach, instead of blaming me, the sports ministry should revamp and develop the sport," the premier said adding that nobody had stopped the ministry from discharging its duties and executing its mandate.

He also brushed aside claims that his office was micro-managing football, saying the sports ministry was the government body tasked with overseeing management of sports in the country.

Odinga made the remarks while fielding questions from the press in Nairobi late Sunday evening where he attended a local premier league match.

The claims that the premier was meddling in the management of football, appears to have been sparked off by Kenya's debacle in the ongoing 2010 FIFA World Cup/ African Cup of Nations qualifiers matches, where they have only won one match in four outings.

Kenya slipped to the bottom of the four-team Group 2 qualifier pool, after succumbing 0-1 to Mozambique in Maputo eight

followed by Nigeria with six.

Mozambique are third with four points.

Odinga also stepped in earlier in the year and convinced FIFA not to slap an indefinite ban on Kenya, saying the country needed more time to clean up the mess in the national football federation.

Odinga's intervention also saw Kenya hire a national coach, after FKL had fired coach Francis Kimanzi citing gross misconduct and insubordination.

FIFA, the world soccer governing body, disgusted by the long-running leadership wrangles dogging the Kenya Football Federation, had given Kenya 72-hour ultimatum to resolve the disputes or be sanctioned.

The disputed pitted KFF factions, one led by Mohammed Hatimy against rival Sam Nyamwaya, both claimed to be the legitimate national soccer federation.

The factions had hauled each other to court, filed injunctions, counter-injunctions and restraining orders.

This annoyed FIFA which asked the factions to lodge their appeal with the FIFA arbitration body, or move to the Court of Arbitration in Sports (CAS) in case they were not satisfied with the FIFA ruling, instead of seeking redress in conventional courts.

FIFA statutes forbid, settling of football disputes in conventional courts, which lack the machinery and capacity for settling football disputes.

The prime minister's intervention shielded Kenya from the imminent FIFA sanction.

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Diamond Trust Bank Team seen above presenting the big cheque to ACTS Management Team.

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Duncan Wins As Anthony Gets Closer To The Autocross Title

Defending champion Ian Duncan eclipsed former bike Champion Steve Anthony by a mere two three seconds during a fierce battle at East Africa Portland Cement quarry on Sunday, writes **SAMSON ATEKA**.

Both drivers were engaged in a scintillating exchange in the entire three heats but Duncan took his game a notch higher in the fourth heat with which his fastest time of the day (FTD) earned him two bonus championship points.

Cumulatively, Duncan scored it 6.07minutes in his best of three heats while Anthony trailed him with 3seconds.

Duncan was the quickest in the early morning practice lap and stayed atop in the opening heat when he beat Anthony by two seconds.

Anthony replied in the second heat with 2.02minutes also beating Duncan by a two second margin.

But Duncan led in the preceding two heats to claim the round six honors in style.

Duncan set the fastest time of the day in the fourth heat with 2.01 minutes.

But Anthony was elated with second position considering the title was within sight.

All that Anthony needs to do is to bring back his baggy in top ten in the next meeting and will have racked up his first title on four-wheels in 19 years!

Anthony won back to back Group N titles in 1990 and 1991 driving a works team Daihatsu Charade; the same years he finished 10th overall in the WRC Safari Rally.

"It was such a fantastic drive. Ian did me with a mere three seconds," Anthony noted.

After six rounds that have took drivers through Lake Baringo, Jamhuri Park, Nguu Tatu in Mombasa and Athi River, Anthony, a five time motocross open class champion, leads the eight leg series with 110 while Duncan has 74 points.

Duncan has had his campaign impeded with skipped the Baringo tour.

Arthur Kinyanjui was trim on his lines but settled for third overall. Kinyanjui however rattled Duncan and Steve.

Jeremy Andrade came home fourth cumulatively on 6.33 minutes while Charles Mugo



Defending champion Ian Duncan during a fierce battle at East Africa Portland Cement quarry

(6.37) and Amit Bhutt (6.45) occupied fifth and sixth.

Ken Anunda, who is the youngest driver at 16 years, clocked 6.48minutes to take seventh spot beating Tanveer Oshan (6.53) and Bobby Sehmi who despite gearbox problems managed 67.54 minutes.

Sehmi had his gearbox pack up in the familiarization lap.

He replaced it with a new one but failed to move as fast.

A total of 15 competitors participated in the Rallye Sports Club (RSC) organized series.

FULL RESULTS: 1. Ian Duncan 6.07minutes, 2. Steve Anthony

6.09, 3. Arthur Kinyanjui 6.24, 4. Jeremy Andrade 6.33, 5. Charles Mugo 6.37, 6. Amit Bhutt 6.45, 7. Ken Anunda 6.48, 8. Tanveer Oshan 6.53, 9. Bobby Sehmi 6.54, 10. Vicky Sehra 6.55, 11. Amaar Slatch 7.01, 12. Sam Khan 7.16, 13. Sukhi Jandu 7.17, 14. Taran Jandu 8.00, 15. Sukhi Jandu 8.19.

Rwanda Emerge Victorious

MOMBASA BEACH VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Despite having no access to beaches, Rwanda emerged the winner and Uganda, runner-up during the Mombasa International Beach Volleyball Championships.

Rwanda defeated Uganda 2-1 during a hotly contested final match played at Jacaranda Indian Ocean Beach Hotel ground in Diani, South Coast last Sunday.

However, Kenya Commercial Bank (KCB) had an easy task in beating Uganda 2-0 to win the ladies crown.

During the men final, Rwanda who were represented by Flavien Ndakurunda and John Mbonuntuma showed early signs of winning the clash against Uganda's, Johnson Kawenyera and Amony Amonebyona.

Rwanda started the match on a fine note winning the first set 21-18. But Uganda retaliated and levelled the scoreline with 12-21 prior to Rwanda recording their second set win by 15-13.

In the semi finals, Rwanda beat Uganda 2-0 (21-18, 21-14) with Uganda defeating Kenya Post's Sibusiso Bilok and Evans Sifuna 2-0 (21-16, 21-9).

During the third play-off, Uganda managed to enter the prize bracket when they beat Post's (21-17, 21-12).

In the women category, KCB's Margaret Indakata and Eunice Mwangi outplayed Uganda's Vivian Akumu and Sharon Pajije 2-0 (21-17, 21-10) during the final clash.

In the semis, KCB beat a pair of Kenya Prisons' Lydia Mairo and Margaret Mwangi 2-0 (21-15, 21-13).

Mercy Moim 2-0 (21-16, 21-16) while Uganda's Margaret Mwangi and Sharon Pajije 2-0 (21-13, 21-13).

Prisons managed to secure third place by edging Pipeline 2-0 (21-15, 21-14). The women's both men and women received Sh50,000, second placed were awarded Sh30,000 and third placed got Sh15,000.

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