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Millions For Mombasa-Addis Road

African Development Fund (ADF) has approved a loan agreement of US \$ 51.6 million and a grant agreement of US \$ 3.9 million to finance the Mombasa-Nairobi-Addis Ababa Road Corridor Development Project.

The project road is an important section of the Trans-African Highway Corridor from Cairo to Cape Town.

An spokesman at A.D.F. head quarters complex in Tunis said: "The road is carrying considerable volume of heavy traffic and

its standard is inadequate when compared to its designation as not only the main international road connecting Kenya and Ethiopia, but also as a Trans-African Highway.

"This condition represents a major physical barrier for trade

and regional integration.

"The main objective of the project is to contribute to increase cross-border trade and production factor flows between the eastern and horn of Africa regions to support regional socio-economic development."

The specific objectives of the project are to:

- Improve land transport communications between Kenya and Ethiopia and contribute to enhance trade and regional economic integration,
- Provide landlocked Ethiopia

with an alternative outlet to the sea through the port of Mombasa, and

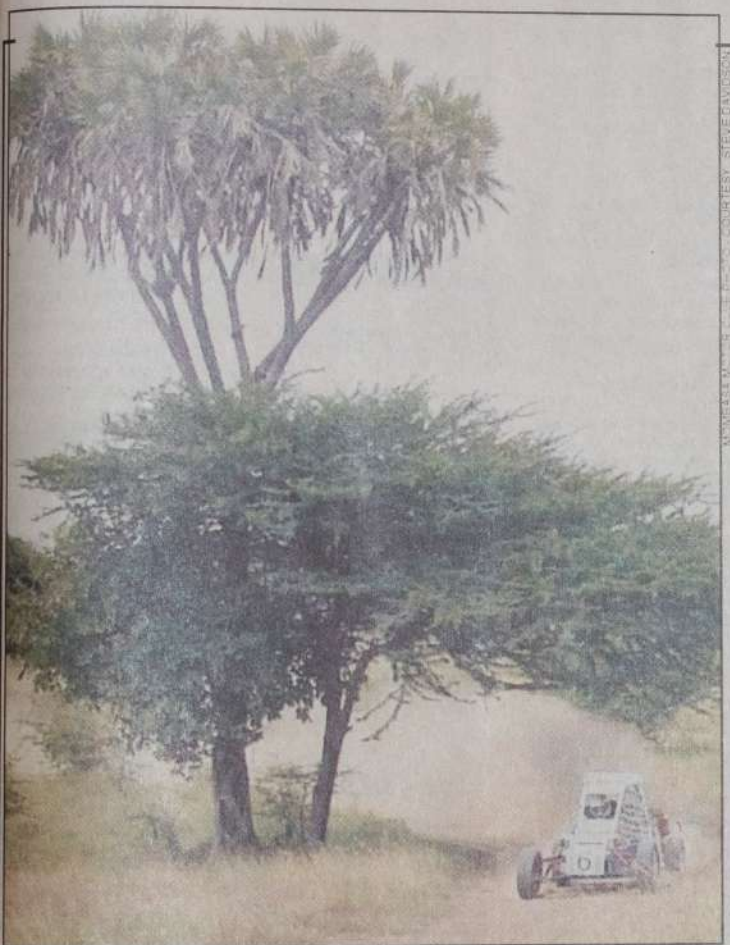
- Open up Kenya's Arid North Eastern Province

"In the general sense, the project road corridor by linking Kenya and Ethiopia, would indirectly affect the whole of east and horn of Africa regions.

"As such, in terms of trade and regional integration, the project area extends beyond Kenya and Ethiopia to include Uganda, Tanzania, Eritrea, and Djibouti."

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Mombasa Academy's 'Musical Evening' Proves That Such Talent Has No Limit!

The Mombasa Academy's Annual Musical Evening was held with much exuberance on

the 17th November at the School Hall, reports *Sanaa Ahmed*.

It was a proud exhibition of its students' musical talents in a colourful range and variety.

A yearly function, it is always eagerly expected by parents, teachers, and, most especially, the students.

The **School Choir** (including the Year two, and Year three and four Choirs) sang a variety of well known songs, including one composed by Year six students in the school; the lower school choirs was a source of much delight to the audience.

On the piano, **Natasha Misbah** played 'Chitty, Chitty', **Devisha Khanna** played a

compilation dubbed 'Nostalgic Indian Tunes' and **Nazneen Molu** played a Bach classic, 'Sarabande et Rondeaux'.

Keelia Willison played Nickelodion Piano and **Robert Chiu** played 'Live Abundantly'.

On the Guitar, **Rohan Mehra** played 'Stairway to Heaven' and **Lorianna Bland** played 'Malaika', a much-loved melody on the East African Coast.

Nadia de Souza and **Devisha Khanna** collaborated on the flute and piano in 'Melody', and the **Martins sisters, Vanessa and Serena**, played 'Magical March' on the piano.

Puneeta Mhajan played a lilting 17th Century melody 'Here's a Health unto His Majesty' Musical instruments apart, there was also an excellent display of singing and dancing.

Njaambi Bhakita sang 'Part of your World' and **Crystal Asige** sang 'Turn the lights' by Bob Marley.

There was also a marvellous trio, with **Evelyn Kimanga, Janice Asimwe** and **Crystal Asige** singing 'So into you' by Tamia.

The dancing items were delightful.

Rahee Gor danced a lovely Indian Rajasthani folk dance, adorned in mirror work and ruddy-clothed splendour, which enthralled the audience.

Year seven girls **Anam Sheikh, Keelia Willison, Lynn de Souza, Natasha Misbah** and **Njaambi Bhakita** held the spectators spellbound with their dance 'Love Machine'.

There was a demonstration of ballroom dancing, which is taught as an extra-curricular activity at the school.

The **salsa, cha-cha-cha** and **rumba** were charming to see.

The Head of the school's Music Department **Mr G. Olunga** organised the event and honed all the participants' skills to perfection; all the laurels to **Mr. Olunga** please for ensuring a smooth and enjoyable evening for all!

The universal sentiment was that 'there is no limit to talent', and it was completely palpable at The Mombasa Academy's Musical Evening.

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"This is the sort of hallucination I get."



"That's not the rug you've been beating!"



"On second thoughts, just make that a half."

Five Stars For Shehnai Restaurant

"I consider this event to be momentous because it marks the culmination of a great effort and resources from both government and the private sector" declared the Asst. Minister for Tourism, Boniface Mganga, when addressing a well attended ceremony involving the presentation of Hotels and Restaurants Classification certificates and plaques at Kenya Utalii College, Nairobi on November 25, 2004.

They went to all establishments named in Gazette Notices No. 3976 of 13.6.2003 and No. 5693 of 23.7.2004.

Two hundred and forty-nine hotels, lodges and restaurants had been classified under this new criteria.

Declared the Asst. Minister the whole exercise started with the development of a strict classification criteria which was eventually gazetted under Legal Notice No. 30 of March 2001.

Stakeholders from the industry were also involved in its development.

We are all very proud of it for this new criteria has been internationally recognised as being the best not only in this region, but also in the whole of Africa.

Adding "the World Tourism Organisation has, in fact, recognised and ranked it as being among the best sixteen in the whole world".

The Asst. Minister went on to say that "government's full commitment to the classification exercise is manifested by the fact that it dedicated over Kshs 5 million towards the training of assessors who put in use the new classification criteria.

The thirty officers who underwent training at this institution are today among the best in the region" he declared amid applause.

He went on "the Ministry is keen on ensuring that our hotels and restaurants meet impeccable standards that are of international repute and manned by qualified, personnel.

It is, therefore, also imperative that we have well-trained hotel and restaurant staff."

The Asst. Minister continued "while Western Europe and the USA still remain Kenya's main source markets, the emerging markets of Asia and the Far East have shown signs of continued increase.

The onus is thereupon on us to be pro-active by developing facilities that measure up to international standards.

It is equally important for us to diversify our accommodation and hospitality facilities so as to satisfy various types of clients'.

He continued "it is satisfying to



Assistant Minister for Tourism, Boniface Mganga, (left) is seen presenting a delighted Abdulkader Harunani of Mombasa's Shehnai Restaurant with a plaque endorsing its 5-star classification as per Gazette Notice No.3976 of 13th June, 2003.

hear that one of the hotels on the Kenya coast is being refurbished and will be among the few in the country with a Health Spa, while a hotel in Nairobi will soon be equipped for ice-skating making it the first of its kind in the country.

Hotels with such unique features will definitely attract a greater variety of clients'.

Speaking about the revival of the East African Community the Asst. Minister revealed, amid applause, that "the Kenyan criteria had been adopted as the benchmark of the region's common criteria".

There was more prolonged applause when he presented certificates and plaques, together with congratulations.

Earlier, the Chairman of the Hotels and Restaurants Authority, Zulfikar Harunani, had explained that "in August 1997 it had set up a Task Force involving tourism industry stakeholders to prepare the criteria".

He said "it had carried out extensive research and consulted widely not only with local tourism related organisations but also world tourism organisations, professional bodies, institutions, individuals and had studied criteria from several other countries including Spain, Portugal, South Africa, Ghana, Madagascar and Malawi".

He mentioned that "in the current classification criteria greater emphasis had been placed on environmental standards, safety, security and quality of managerial and service personnel.

Special attention was also given to salient differences, as well as the unique operating circumstances of vacation hotels, town hotels, lodges and restaurants'.

The HRA Chairman congratulated all hotels, lodges and restaurants receiving certificates and plaques.

He appealed to all in the industry to use classification guidelines in order to improve facilities and quality of service in their establishments.

Since this is an on-going exercise establishments can request re-classification after any refurbishment or renovation has taken place.

He also requested all those not at Presentation Ceremony to collect their Classification Certificates from Ministry of Tourism offices in Nairobi and Mombasa.

He also warned that it is an offence under The Hotels and Restaurants Act, Cap 494 Laws of Kenya, for anyone to advertise or describe one's establishment through whatever means as being of a class other than that published by the Authority.

In his opening remarks the HRA Chairman had thanked the Asst. Minister for "giving us the honour of presiding over the occasion", then introducing Board Members and giving those present "a brief of HRS functions".

He said "the Authority was established under Section 3 of The Hotels and Restaurants Act, Cap 494, Laws of Kenya with the following mandate:

- To issue hotels, hotel manager, and restaurant licences, also to vary, suspend and cancel.
- To investigate and determine complaints emanating from hotels and the hospitality industry.
- To inspect hotels and restaurants by authorised officers at reasonable times without warrant or notice.
- To keep under review the standards of hotels and restaurants.

• To recommend employment of non-citizens in the hospitality industry in accordance with Regulation 23 of the Act.

• To classify hotels and restaurants in accordance with Legal Notice No.3 of February 16, 2001".

It should also be noted that it is an offence for owners of hotels, lodges, tented camps, restaurants as well as hotel managers to operate without a 'valid licence issued by The Hotels and Restaurants Authority.

As far as the coast is concerned officially gazetted 'FIVE STAR' Vacationals Hotels are Hemingways Resort, Whitesands Hotel, Sun 'n' Sand Beach Resort.

Those with 'FOUR STARS' are: Severin Sea Lodge, Nyalil Beach Hotel, Mombasa Serena Beach Hotel, Indian Ocean Beach Club, Tiwi Beach Resort (formerly Travellers, Tiwi), Travellers Beach Hotel, Mombasa, Leisure Lodge, Leopold Beach Hotel, LTI Kaskasi Beach Hotel.

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Block Buster 'Swades' Releases At Nyali Cinemax Simultaneously With Mumbai!

Every film of Shah Rukh Khan's is now anxiously awaited by cinemagoers of all ages and sex. And when he teams up with an 'Oscar' nominee like Ashutosh Gowariker (*Lagaan*) the waiting is even more so.

Releasing at the **NYALI CINEMAX** simultaneously with Mumbai is *Swades*, with the super Khan in lead, supported by newcomer Gayatri Joshi and Kishori Ballal.

Swades takes you on a journey that begins in the super charged and highly developed fully computerised world of NASA in America and ends in the remote Indian village of Charanpur where even the supply of electricity is not constant and women still fill water in the traditional *matkas*.

The contrasts and contradictions of the two worlds eons apart glare at you through the cinema screen under Gowariker's baton.

And very subtly and quietly, with no words spoken, he asks you the question, 'is everything in the developed world 'right' and are our so-called undeveloped villages 'wrong'?'

"Are they who call themselves 'civilised' actually progressive or regressive?" We see Mohan Bhargava, a young scientist at the NASA space centre in Florida, USA, who returns to India to search for his childhood nanny, Kaveriamma.

To Mohan, this nanny is not just a maid, but the epitome of motherhood, love and family which he is missing in America.

feelings and tradition deep down within him.

His own emotions which have lain dormant for so long come out to the forefront and overtake his technical and progressive mind.

This is a powerful subject which Ashutosh Gowariker has taken great pains to relate to everyone. Adding reality to the cinematography and film is the fact that some of the scenes were actually shot at the NASA Research Centre at the Launch Pad 39A instead of the usual made up sets at Filmcity.

An added bonus is maestro A. R. Rehman's music.

Michael Mann brings us yet another thrilling crime film starring Tom Cruise, Jamie Foxx, Jada Pinkett-Smith, Mark Ruffalo and Peter Berg.

In *Collateral*, Foxx is Max, a cab driver who for 12 years has lived from one day to another till each day is almost merging into another.

His customers come and go like the summer breeze and winter chill, no one remembers him and he would not know one fare from another.

Contract killer Vincent is hired by a group of drug dealers who are on the verge of being indicted.

He has to kill the main witnesses, five in all.

Of all the people, he hijacks Max's cab for his deadly deeds for the night, making Max the collateral.

Throughout the night, Max is forced to drive Vincent to each of his destinations to complete his contract.

With the FBI and LAPD hot on their heels, Vincent and now Max as the un-cooperative accomplice run for their lives.

Fast paced, thrilling and full of action, *Collateral* makes you run with it through the two hours it is on screen.

A special holiday attraction for four days only is the General Exhibition comedy Christmas With *The Kranks* starring Tim Allen, Jamie Lee Curtis, Julie Gonzalo, Dan Aykroyd and Jake Busey.

Luther and Nora Krank have had it with their yearly Christmas season.

Endless parties, fruitcake, presents, crackers, not to mention the booze have taken their toll on the Kranks.

This year round they want a quiet Christmas without the trimmings and to do it away with completely they decide to join their daughter who is already on holiday in the tropics, surprise her and give themselves an unusual vacation too.

Just as they are about to venture off to sunny and sandy beaches, they get a surprise - their daughter has cut short her holiday so she can have a proper Christmas with her parents.

The scramble now begins to get a tree, turkey and all the traditional Christmas fare for their daughter's sake and what a scramble!

Needless to say all the shops and supermarkets have run out of everything at this last minute.

Matt Damon, Franka Potente, Brian Cox, Joan Allen and Julia Stiles can be seen in Robert Ludlum's thrilling episode of *The Bourne Supremacy* on Saturday and Thursday.

PIERCE BROSNAN IS SOOOO COOL!

The super comedy *After the Sunset* with Pierce Brosnan (he is sooo cool!), Salma Hayek and Woody Harrelson is on screen on Sunday and Tuesday evening.

Yash Chopra's legendary *Veer-Zaara* will make it's own legend as it runs for the sixth week at **NYALI CINEMAX**.

English sub-titles in this Shah Rukh Khan, Preity Zinta and Rani Mukherjee starrer are a definite bonus for the non-Hindi speaking / understanding crowd.

Back by public demand on Tuesday afternoon is Akshay Kumar, Kareena Kapoor and Priyanka Chopra in *Aitraaz*, also with English sub-titles.

Aitraaz is also being screened at **KENYA CINEMA** due to great demand on Friday and Sunday.

Saturday and Monday have been reserved for Yash Chopra's *Veer-Zaara* while for one day only is *In The Claws of CIA* - which is unsuitable for the under sixteens.

Tobins Schenke and Luise Helm are the lead actors in *Ants in Pants* for one day only on Wednesday.

The South African hit comedy **Mr. Bones** with Leo Schuster and Faizon Love can be seen on Thursday.

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Finding Kaveriamma in Charanpur, Mohan cannot believe that people still actually live in the conditions there.

Worse of all, the young Gita who could have the world at her feet in the city has opted to teach in the village school and live here.

Mohan challenges the system, the lifestyle and even the villagers' laid back attitude with the total lack of materialism.

But all his high-tech training and lifestyle comes to naught as he lives and experiences real

'Newsweek' Sees LG Electronics As Hottest Player In The Electronics Industry For 2005

Newsweek, in its Dec. 2004-Feb 2005 Special Edition, has featured LG Electronics CEO Kim Ssang Soo (S.S. Kim) as a leader in the Technology Section.

Newsweek also noted to keep an eye on LG and its field commander in 2005.

The magazine indicated LGE as the world's fastest-growing mobile-phone market and intensively highlighted LGE's global business operations, management innovation cases, and S.S. Kim's management philosophy.

While traveling in the Middle East recently, LG Electronics CEO S.S. Kim decided to make a phone for Muslims.

It rings five times a day on the prayer hours and has a compass that points towards Mecca.

On a visit to India, Kim came up with a refrigerator with an extra-large crisper and small freezer for a nation of vegetarians.

Both products were big hits in each respective market.

Newsweek, at the outset, dubbed CEO S.S. Kim as a 'Mobile Man'.

The magazine likewise cited the reasons for LGE's remarkable growth over the last two or three years namely field command, state-of-the-art technological and design prowess, and global marketing strategy.

The piece also highlighted CEO Kim's field philosophy and leadership.

In addition, LG is the largest producer of air conditioners, microwave ovens, liquid-crystal-display panels and DVD players.

Its sales grew 35 per cent in 2003 and are on track to rise 27 per cent in 2004, to more than \$31 billion.

It is also the world's most profitable appliance maker, with a margin topping eight percent.

Newsweek noted that in the

U.S. market, LGE changed its marketing strategy from a focus on the low end of the market using the Zenith brands and now has its sights set on LG is a premium brand by spending more than \$100 million a year to market itself.

Also *Newsweek* noted that CEO S.S. Kim put LG at the front of the pack in the race to introduce 3G, Internet-ready mobile phones, signing a contract to supply 4 million 3G handsets to Hutchison Whampoa, and the first deal to supply 3G phones to Orange of France.

PREMIUM BRAND

In the U.S., where LG was long viewed as a cheap copycat, phone sales are now exploding thanks to contracts with Verizon and Sprint.

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subsidiary, Zenith. In the article, Criss Chun, analyst at Mertz Securities commented:

"Kim, a 35-year LG veteran who became CEO last year brought the HOPE that LG can be at the front as well."

Analysts give much of the credit to Kim, who became CEO last year, after spending three decades at a rural refrigerator factory.

His innovative developments such as quieter yet more powerful refrigerators are a big reason LG is breaking into the high end.

Previously, CEO S.S. Kim was featured in *Business Week* as one of Asia's 25 stars in 2003 as a result of heightening LGE's influence in the global appliance market.

The *TIME* feature in June 2004 was the second such article to put LGE in the spotlight following a #1 placing in the June 21st issue of *Business Week's* Info Tech 100



Miani Avtar Singh is seen (from left) with Secretary Sudarshan Singh Dadyala, Incoming Assistant High Commissioner His Excellency Jarnail Singh Varia, outgoing High Commissioner Mr. Rana, Chairman Jaswinder Singh Obhrai, Mrs. Rana and Chairman Ladies Section Mrs. Ravinder K. Lall.

Farewell And Welcome Party To Assistant High Commissioner Of India Mombasa

Sudarshan Singh Dadyalla, Secretary Siri Guru Singh Sabha, formerly thanked the audience in turning out in large number and welcome the dignitaries for accepting the invitation at such a short notice. In his opening address He related the history of stay of outgoing Assistant High Commissioner of India Mombasa, His Excellency Dharan Singh Rana who is proceeding to Madagascar after spending three years in Mombasa.

He then welcomed the incoming Assistant High Commissioner His Excellency Jarnail Singh Varia.

It was a sad and happy moment for the Sikh Community of

Mombasa when they officially bade good bye to the outgoing Assistant High Commissioner His Excellency Dharan Singh Rana and welcomed the incoming High Commissioner at a party held in their honour at the Khalsa Hall last week.

Mr. D.S. Rana in his farewell speech said that he has had a very cordial relation with all the communities in Mombasa and in particular with the members of the Sikh community where he had been attending all temple congregation, religious functions and Indian festivals.

The Sikh Community likewise

has always helped and supported the commission in all the organization of all Indian National days.

Mr Rana said he is leaving behind good friends but taking with him good memories which will never fade into the limbo of oblivion.

The Incoming Assistant High Commission said has been fascinated seeing the beautiful temple and the large audience who have come.

He assured all, that his commission will continue giving all the assistance help and co-operation.

They are all welcome and will be accorded all the help.

As a token of appreciation Mr. Jaswinder Singh Obhrai, the Chairman Siri Guru Singh Sabha Mombasa presented Mr. Rana - a Maasai Bust - to remind him of Kenya.

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THIS WEEK ON TAMARIND DHOW

Congratulations To John And Emily

Congratulations to John and Emily, now Mr. and Mrs. Kinuthia, who on Saturday, 4th December, 2004, exchanged VOWS on the Tamarind Restaurant's terrace overlooking Mombasa's Old Town as the sun went down. Emily looked lovely in a 'Cinderella' style wedding gown and it truly was a fairy-tale wedding. Afterwards, they celebrated and dined on the Tamarind Dhow, together with their family and friends. Emily and John, who both work for Thompson Marketing in Nairobi, spent the first part of their honeymoon in luxury at the Tamarind Village.



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Craters Of Mombasa

There is not a single road in the Mombasa City area that has no huge 'craters' (not pot holes).

Surely the City Council with its 3,000 employees can fix them permanently - and not do just a sand filling job.

It is always the same craters that are a problem so can't the authorities do a proper job once and for all?

Secondly it would help if the kerb, especially in the Buxton area leading to the bridge, and on the bridge is painted white as it is impossible to see the road when an oncoming car has its headlights on.

Mohamedali Alibhai
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How To Get In Touch With Nairobi Police

We wish to inform *Coastweek* readers that in order to handle and respond to crime incidences more effectively, the Nairobi Area Police has set up the Nairobi Police Control Centre.

Here police officers are available to receive reports and information concerning crime incidences on a 24 hour basis, seven days a week.

We therefore appeal to all members to use the Police Help Lines listed below for assistance.

There will always be police officers to receive your call.

The numbers are:
• 272 0235 (Nairobi)
• 112 on both *Safaricom* and *Celfel* mobile phones.

Aneez Rahemtulla, Nairobi.
kamtix@nbi.iskenya.com

Removal Of Rubbish And Dead Weed From A Beach Is A Routine And Simple Operation

So, once again I read in the Kenyan Press about the imminent return of tourists and the resulting optimistic expectations.

As a frequent visitor to Kenya for at least, ten years, I have been witness to many of its hopes and fears, and the peaks and troughs of tourism, especially in the beach region north of Mombasa.

Business owners and managers always ask me when will the tourists return - the answer sadly remains the same!

People leave Kenya with fond memories of its scenery and people, but disappointment at the supervision and condition of many of its beaches.

The removal of rubbish and dead weed from a beach is a routine and simple operation carried out throughout the world.

Tractor-drawn machines are available and would be affordable if beachside businesses, residences, restaurants and hotels would combine and coordinate their efforts.

A commercial consortium would provide employment and excellent fertilizer by-product (after rainfall percolation).

The cost of the operation would be shared on a pro-rata basis -

non participants would be bypassed.
The benefits would be immediate and long-lasting.

"Under-utilised" machinery exists at local farms, companies or golf clubs and loan or rental would be easily arranged.

In the next few months a large increase in charter flights to Mombasa is anticipated.

The tourists will take away from Kenya memories of a country

with beautiful people, magnificent scenery, amazing wildlife and... disgusting beaches - they may never return!

I ask the businessmen and residents of the North Mombasa coast to combine their resources, show some trust and commitment and start the process before the next wave of tourists have been, and gone, forever.

At my home in the South of France, such a system works

perfectly and people return time after time.

Coastal businesses thrive and there is no effect on local ecology.

Remember!
You never get a second chance to make a first impression - don't miss the opportunity again.

Capt. Don Hymers (Retd),
Frequent Guest, Whitesands Beach Hotel, Bamburi.

Quickest Way To Eliminate This Scourge Is With No. Five Or No. Six Shotgun Shell

I was intrigued by the statement made by the Skål Club Chairman, Mohamed Hersi, that plans were underway to eliminate the crow population in Mombasa.

It would seem that other "experts" have now emerged on the scene to rid us of this menace.

While I have enormous respect for Mr. Tony Archer, I do not feel that he is the right person to take over the reins and to steer us out of the horrors of "Crow City".

What happened to the the expert advice given us by Dr. Nancy Honeg and Prof. Herman

Coetsee? To my knowledge, Mr. Archer is a former tour operator who ran Archer's Tours during the heydays of Lindblad Travel and Tony Irwin in the 1970's.

Perhaps Mr. Hersi can furnish us with his qualifications in the complex task of eliminating the "Muhindi Crow"?

The heaps of uncollected trash by the Mombasa City Council provide all the victuals the crows need in order to multiply beyond any form of control.

Its powerful beak allows the

crow to tear through any plastic bag and to peck at all the rubbish and dung heaps that fester with worms and bacteria.

Even worse, I have seen people emptying trash that is in plain view and not protected.

Then of course there are homeless children and street people who rummage through these heaps of dirt for something to eat.

Such acts lay bare all the rubbish that should have been covered and secured in the first place.

Have you noticed the proliferation of flies in these dumps and within these neighbourhoods?

Our environment is certainly a bombshell waiting to explode with cholera and all the tropical malaise associated with the lack of hygiene and a life-style that is one of ignorance and indifference.

The many Neem trees (*Azadirachta indica*) are the preferred trees for crows.

They roost in these trees.

While the Neem tree has multiple uses, the crow serves no purpose in East Africa's avifaunal ecology.

It has to go and the quickest way to eliminate this scourge is with No. Five and No. Six shotgun shells fired by shotgunners who know how to kill birds on the wing and on a perch. *C'est la vie!*

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YOUR LETTERS TO Coastweek

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'TODAY YOU ARE YOUNG AND YOU STILL HAVE TIME'

Hello, hope you are all well.

My name is Fehmida Uppal and I am from Mombasa.

I am a poet, I write my own poems in Urdu and some I have also translated into English.

As the year is coming to an end and a new year is starting, many people will want to start new lives or change things in their lives.

I thought it would be nice to send a message to all those people.

Lets make some New Year's Resolutions.

Lets try to make this world more beautiful than ever.

Lets think of all the nice things, think of the future.

Why be bitter about the past?

Doing one good deed, taking one right step will make a difference.

It does not matter if you cannot help thousands or millions of needy people.

But if you turn your back on helping even one needy person, it matters.

It does not matter if you do not have many friends.

But it matters when you have not succeeded in lessening even one of your enemies.

You may not be able to forget, but try and forgive... that will make a difference.

If you had something important to do, but you could not do it the whole day.

But before going to sleep you managed to do it, you would sleep peacefully... that will make a difference.

Bring a smile to the face of atleast one person every day... that will make a difference.

We cannot change the past, but we can make a better future.

Do not think of a bad yesterday, always think of a better tomorrow.

Lets take the step together in the coming year and make a difference.

Have a wonderful tomorrow!

Time Not for love, Nor for friendship, Time never stops

for anyone, it will always go on.

Why Torture your heart, why burn your feelings.

For some uncaring stone hearted people of this world.

Today you are young and you still have time.

Tomorrow might be too late, make time for yourself.

Think today and you can achieve anything you want to.

Its always good to go with the time, work with the time.

Time will value your determination, but you have to value time first.

Before going to sleep at

night, first think are you satisfied with what you achieved today?

If you are, then well and good; if you are not satisfied then think what are you going to do differently tomorrow to make up for lost time.

Live each day as if it is your last.

Time never stops for anyone, it will always go on... only you will be left behind... Is that what you want?

A very happy christmas and a Prosperous new year!

Mrs. Fehmida Uppal, Mombasa.

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Proponents Of 3G Technology Now Promise That It Will "Keep People Connected At All Times And In All Places"

This week we continue with the new emerging technologies and words.

Many of us have in the recent months heard of a new word 3G.

3G is a short term for third-generation wireless, and refers to near future developments in personal and business wireless technology, especially mobile communications.

This phase is expected to reach maturity by the year 2005.

The third generation, as its name suggests, follows the first generation (1G) and second generation (2G) in wireless communications.

The 1G period began in the late 1970s and lasted through the 1980s.

These systems featured the first true mobile phone systems, known at first as "cellular mobile radio telephone".

These networks used analog voice signaling, and were little more sophisticated than repeater networks used by amateur radio operators.

The 2G phase began in the 1990s, and much of this technology is still in use.

The 2G cell phone features digital voice encoding. Examples include CDMA,

TDMA, and GSM.

Since its inception, 2G technology has steadily improved, with increased bandwidth, packet routing, and the introduction of multimedia.

The present state of mobile wireless communications is often called 2.5G.

Ultimately, 3G is expected to include capabilities and features such as:

- Enhanced multimedia (voice, data, video, and remote control);
- Usability on all popular modes (cellular telephone, e-mail, paging, fax, video-conferencing, and Web browsing);

- Broad bandwidth and high speed (upwards of 2 Mbps);
- Routing flexibility (repeater, satellite, LAN);

- Operation at approximately 2 GHz transmit and receive frequencies;
- Roaming capability throughout Europe, Japan, and North America

While 3G is generally considered applicable mainly to mobile wireless, it is also relevant

to fixed wireless and portable wireless.

The ultimate 3G system might be operational from any location on, or over, the earth's surface.

Including use in homes, businesses, government offices, medical establishments, the military, personal and commercial land vehicles, private and commercial watercraft and marine craft, private and commercial aircraft (except

where passenger use restrictions apply), portable (pedestrians, hikers, cyclists, campers), and space stations and spacecraft.

Proponents of 3G technology promise that it will "keep people connected at all times and in all places."

Researchers, engineers, and marketers are faced with the challenge of accurately predicting how much technology consumers will actually be willing to pay for.

(Recent trends suggest that people sometimes prefer to be disconnected, especially when on vacation.)

Another concern involves privacy and security issues.

As technology becomes more sophisticated and bandwidth increases, systems become increasingly vulnerable to attack by malicious hackers (known as crackers) unless counter-measures are implemented to protect against such activity.

I am sure you all must be preparing for the holidays next week.

Just a tip if you do receive a lot of mails then I advise you to check them as often as possible from the nearest Cyber cafe or hotel business center.

To check your mail online many ISPs provide a web mail interface.

For those who do not have this facility there is a good site to check any POP email: HYPERLINK

www.mail2web.com

Why I am saying this is simply to give yourself a peace of mind when you return to work and not finding a 1000 emails waiting for you and 60 per cent of them spam!

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CELTEL KENYA LIMITED BOOST FOR PARALYMPICS

CelTel Kenya Limited has presented gift packs to the fourteen medalists and finalists in the recently concluded Paralympics, which took place in Greece.

CelTel Chief Executive Officer, John McDonald (right) presented the packs, comprising mobile phone handsets and CelTel starter kits to National Olympics Committee of Kenya official Kipchoge Keino (center) and Commissioner of Sports Emmanuel Oduor, who received the gifts on behalf of the national Paralympics team.

CelTel recently launched its operations in Kenya, following its acquisition of a controlling stake in Kenya's first private mobile telecommunications company.



It is one of the fastest growing operators in Africa, with a presence in thirteen countries and a subscriber base in excess of 4.4 million.

Twenty Five Years' Ago

Coastweek, December 21 - 27, 1979:

A spokesman for *Seifee Bakery* confirmed that there had been an improvement of the wheat flour situation which meant that there would be enough bread for Mombasa residents during Christmas.

This followed a severe bread shortage which had besieged the town for several weeks.

Good News for those catering with the onset of Christmas: the famous *Nightingale* turkeys were cheaper than the previous year, retailing at just Shs. 24/= per kilo.

Mombasa Round Table's annual 'Ring Us Up' Programme got underway with many generous donations, including Nairobi's B. S. Mohindra among others.

The *Government of Seychelles* launched a campaign for the prevention and control of marine pollution in the Indian Ocean.

A New monkey sub-specie was sighted in a mountain forest near Kilombero Sugar Estate in Morogoro region by two University of Dar es Salaam scientists.

Wild life experts K. Bulstrode and W. A. Rodgers made the 'discovery' of the monkey which was known locally as *Ngolaga* in *Kihehe* and *Makakos* in *Kipogolo*.

Mrs. N. E. Avari, headmistress of *Mbheni Primary* retired after serving the school for 17 years.

Cycling Ace *Colin Aglae* tuned himself to be the latest DJ in town calling himself *Disco Sensation*.

Dharmendra and Hema Malini played the lead in the aptly named romantic *Dillagi* at NAAZ Cinema, taking over from the Walt Disney comedy *Candlehoe* which starred David Niven, Helen Hayes and Jodie Foster.

REGAL Cinema had Jim Brown in the adventure drama *'Escaped From Devil's Island'*.

Bud Spencer was the police chief from Naples tracking down a drug trail to Johannesburg in *'Knock Out Cops'* showing at the KENYA Cinema.

Sunil Dutt and Nutan starred in, but definitely not playing the title role *'Bhai Bahen'* ('Brother, Sister') at the CHOX.

Letter writers included Rafiki Jones who outlined the problems that faced the new Mombasa Municipal Council, Mohamed Yasin comparing the pros and cons of Matalus versus buses, Fadhili Tumbo complaining about rude rail employees and a soccer fan in Mombasa who felt that the Madaraka Day Celebration football match should not have had a gate charge.

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Estimated start-up date is January 2005 with a 54 month duration.

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Gina Din Firm Scoops PRSK Awards

Pan African public relations consulting firm Gina Din Corporate has bagged the coveted Public Relations Society of Kenya (PRSK) Public relations consultancy firm of the year award.

The firm which is an affiliate of Arcay Communications a pan African integrated communications consulting house dominated the overall awards category during the annual PRSK gala dinner after winning both the overall first prize and the second runners up positions.

Apparently, GDCC's bid to seal a hat trick in the awards was broken by Tell-Em Public Relations for their crisis communication campaign undertaken for Kenya Breweries Limited during the infamous Pambazuko crisis.

The overall award which was presented to Gina Din Corporate communications by Planning

and National Development minister Anyang Nyong'o is the ultimate award within the local Public relations practice.

Gina Din Corporate Communications scooped the award courtesy of an integrated public relations campaign undertaken for the National Industrial Credit (NIC) Bank.

The campaign undertaken last year, focused on the launch and management of NIC Bank's revolutionary MOVE banking concept.

The firm's Managing Director Gina Din-Kariuki, described the award as a long cherished dream come true for the firm she single handedly founded seven years ago.

"This is a dream come true for me and my team of dedicated staff and just goes ahead to confirm that our service capability and superiority," she said.

The firm which had entered

Special Report by Correspondent



The Minister for Information and Communications Hon Raphael Tuju handing over the PRSK Award for the winning PR Campaign/Programme (for NIC BANK MOVE launch) to Gina Din Corporate Communications General Manager Desiree Gomes (left) and Head of Media, Alfred Nganga. GDCC scooped the runners up award for Association of Kenya Insurers.

multiple entries for the awards also bagged the second runners

up prize for a campaign undertaken for the Association of Kenya Insurers (AKI) and titled 'AKI: A story of image redemption'.

In the other categories, Patricia Mbatia of Multichoice Kenya lifted the Public relations professional of the year trophy while Dismas Mokuia of Public Relations Solutions picked the runners up trophy.

NIC Bank once again dominated the Corporate Websites

category after clinching both the first and the second prizes, while Safaricom settled for the third position.

During the gala event also graced by Tourism and Wildlife minister Raphael Tuju, the ministry of local government was cited for a special mention for their entry in the PR campaigns category submitted by the ministry's public relations officer Anthony Kelli Munyao.

The judges noted that Kelli's entry was the only entry by a central government department.

"The judges were moved by Anthony's effort and thus cited him for a special mention to encourage more participation from the government in these awards," Chief Judge John Mramba said.

Maseno University students Judith Taaka and Dickson Nyariacha clinched the young communicator award for their joint presentation titled: 'Why PR must matter for the Government'.

Daystar University student Nelly Wanjiru picked the runners up position for her entry titled a 'communication strategy on career guidance'.

Inspired by the International Public Relations Association's IPRA Awards, The PRSK Awards for Excellence were first held in November 2001 and are held annually as part of the Society's calendar of events to recognize and award PR excellence in Kenya.

Lohana Cultural Festival

Nairobi Lohana Youth League have made all the final arrangements for the Grand 30th. Lohana Sports and Cultural Festival.

It is taking place in Nairobi over the Christmas holidays, confirmed Subhash Modi, Hon. PRO of the Festival.


The four day sporting and cultural event will be participated by the teams from:

Kisumu, Nakuru, Kampala, Dar es Salaam, Mwanza, Mombasa and Nairobi(Hosts).

The sporting venues for the various games are:

Premier Club: Cricket, Badminton, Table Tennis, Football, Oshwal Complex: Swimming, Tennis, Volleyball, Throwball, DArts, Squash, Snooker.

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Dr. Brad Bowman Will Be Visiting Lighthouse For Christ Eye Centre

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He will be carrying with him 20 donated corneas for corneal grafts. Dr. Bowman is a renown corneal surgeon in Dallas, Texas and president of the lighthouse Mission Board.

He will be available for consultation, corneal transplant surgery and phacemulsification.

All the fees from his work will be used for the lighthouse For Christ Eye Centre free Mobile Clinic Services.

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Bradley Bowman, M.D. is a talented, personable, and board certified surgeon, who has been helping his patients improve the quality of their vision and maintain optimal eye health for more than a decade.

He specializes in a full range of ophthalmologic procedures, including laser vision correction, surgery of the cornea, and cataract surgery, and is committed to providing outstanding care to everyone he treats.

A graduate of Baylor University in Waco, Texas and the

University of Oklahoma College of Medicine, Dr. Bowman has received outstanding training in his field.

He completed his residency in Ophthalmology at the prestigious



Dr. BRAD BOWMAN

Bascom Palmer Eye Institute in Miami, Florida, recently ranked as the Best Eye Hospital in the United States by U.S. News and World Report, and was then awarded a fellowship in corneal and refractive surgery at Emory Eye Center in Atlanta, Georgia.

Deeply involved in the ophthalmologic community, Dr. Bowman serves as clinical assistant professor of Ophthal-

mology at the University Southwestern Medical School in Dallas.

He has published many articles and lectured extensively on various cornea and refractive surgery subjects.

He was recently honored by his peers by being included in "Best Doctors in America" and was also selected as an examiner for the American Board of Ophthalmology.

In addition, he is a member of a number of reputable professional organizations, including:

American Academy of Ophthalmology, American Medical Association, Dallas Academy of Ophthalmology, Texas Ophthalmological Association, Dallas County Medical Society, Tarrant County Ophthalmological Society, Texas Medical Association, International Society of Refractive Surgery, Ocular Microbiology and Immunology Group, Society of Head Fellows, and the Christian Ophthalmology Society.

When not treating patients, Dr. Bowman enjoys spending time with his wife and three children and is an active member of his local church.

He is an avid freshwater and saltwater fly-fisherman.

Beach Operators Will Be Relocated

FROM THE NEW YEAR HOTELIERS EXPECTED TO CLOSE THEIR SHOPS SELLING CURIOS

endeavouring to end the harassment of those visiting Kenya's beautiful beaches by moving beach operators into Tourist Markets off the beach.

A *Beach Operators Relocation Trust* was formed and despite much hard work by its members it failed to realise the money needed for the planned architect designed Tourist Markets.

In many areas the procurement of permanent sites for these remained a big problem.

At a fully representative meeting at *Pirate's Restaurant*, Bamburi, of all involved in this dilemma along the entire Kenya coast called by the late Minister

for Tourism, *Karisa Maitha*, it was decided that the 1st December, 2004, would see the end of beach trading.

There were still problems over the availability of permanent land, particularly in the Bamburi area.

Following the death of the Minister in Germany and despite efforts by the *Ministry of Tourism, Coast Development Authority and the Mombasa and Coast Tourist Association* it was found impossible to meet this deadline.

With the appointment of *Raphael Tuju* as Acting Minister for Tourism and Wildlife (who is also Minister for Information and Communication), the District Commissioner, Mombasa, together with the Provincial Tourist Officer, Coast, *B.M. Kahuthia*, called 'stakeholders' and representatives from tourist associations and beach operators together for a 'brainstorming' meeting in his office to gain a consensus on what should be done in the meantime.

With the *Kenya Tourist Development Corporation* offering to provide tents the District Commissioner led a team of those concerned to determine, and agree, where such tents should be placed in secluded areas of the beach.

When this investigation was finalised, the Acting Minister for Tourism, *Raphael Tuju*, addressed both 'stakeholders' and beach operators in two crowded KTDC tents near *Pirate's Restaurant* on Jomo Kenyatta Beach.

What he had to report was received with prolonged applause for it also included helping traders with more up-to-date marketing techniques to become more successful.

They also liked the uniform! The Chairman of the *Beach Operators Association* confirmed they were happy at what government is doing this being a temporary solution to one of their many problems.

They were also happy at being recognised as part of the tourism industry.

When re-located into Tourist Markets off the beach it is their wish to have a permanent base from which to develop their business with help from KTDC.

They heard that the Tourist Police Unit will be patrolling the beach end anyone found trading who is not registered, nor in uniform, will face prosecution.

NEW LICENCES

Those trading in tents will not be allowed to go and pick up business outside.

The Acting Minister directed that beach operators should be regularised by being issued with licences from the New Year, and that hoteliers should close their shops selling curios as no licence to continue doing so will be issued next year.

From the New Year beach operators will be issued with licences through their various associations.

Accompanying the Minister were his Permanent Secretary, *Rebecca Nabutole*; Managing Director *Kenya Tourist Development Corporation*, *Mutua P. Nzoka*; the District Commissioner, Mombasa, *M.A. Maalim*; Chairman of the *Hotels and Restaurants Authority*, *Zulfikar Harunani*, and an Assistant Commandant of the Tourist Police Unit, *Alice Nalika*.

It is the DC, Mombasa, who has been spearheading this temporary re-location of beach

operators in his district with the knowledge that once the harassment of visitors on our beaches cease tourism is expected to soar by around 30 per cent.

Many who love Kenya stopped coming here for a beach holiday because of not being able to relax on the beach without constant harassment by traders. More tourists from home and abroad will be of great help in poverty eradication through the creation of more jobs and more wealth for Kenya.

Several years ago, appreciating the need to stop trading on the beach so that tourism could flourish and realising that money was not becoming available to build Tourist Markets, registered beach operators at Malindi arranged to build their own stalls (according to council specification) on land made available off the beach and near the District Commissioner, Malindi's office.

This was much appreciated by government and the tourism industry.

However, with unregistered beach operators continuing to trade on the beach their business is suffering.

We still await news about what is happening on other beaches on the north and south coast.

What does the *Kenya Association of Hotelkeepers and Caterers, Coast*, feel about it all?

Said its Chairman, *Mohammed Hersi*, 'for us it is at least a way forward because getting land



The blue and white striped tent provided by the Kenya Tourist Development Corporation in which registered beach operators are temporarily being re-located is pictured on Jomo Kenyatta Public Beach.

has been a problem while obtaining the necessary finance to construct Tourist Markets has been another headache altogether.

We have now been talking about this re-location of beach operators for over 20 years and very little has resulted.

Tourists are presently arriving on the Kenya coast in large numbers and we must be seen to be taking action by expressing the need to regulate beach traders - that is curio sellers, safari sellers and boat operators.

The curio seller usually waits for customers to come and buy from him, so he has not been a big problem.

It is the other traders occupying large space on hotel beach fronts who have been.

He claimed that 'it is safari sellers and boat operators who

have been mostly harassing those on the beach as they have to explain what they have to sell.

This problem has now been addressed by the establishment of these tents in less populated areas of the beach.

Adding 'we have recognised the need to keep them in one place and for them to be held accountable so they will be in a tent and tourists will be directed to them if they wish to make use of their services.

At no time will a tourist be hassled any more on the beach in the Mombasa District.

The Chairman also mentioned that 'if anyone is found outside their tent and is a member of an association, then that association is taking the risk of getting de-registered. They must compel their members to follow the laid down rules.'

CLEAN UP MOMBASA CAMPAIGN SUCCESS

Environment Trust of Kenya once again this year co-ordinated *Clean Up the World* with the *'Clean Up Mombasa 2004'*.

Clean Up activities encourage citizens to take greater care of their community areas on an ongoing basis. *Clean Up Mombasa 2004* started with Mini - Clean Ups in Changamwe, Mombasa Island and Kisauni from 16th Oct 2004.

And on 27th November 2004, *'Clean Up Mombasa 2004'* 'kicked off' at Bomani Likoni Division where *Hon. Suleiman Rashid Shakombo M.P.* led Likoni residents in the *Clean Up* and showed them the way forward in assuming the responsibility of the environment in which they live.

After the start of the *Clean Up* guests visited various *Clean Up* sites i.e. Likoni Flats, Mwachake Shikaabu and Mtongowe.

The community members were able to discuss the problems facing them with their leaders face to face.

Among those who attended the *Clean Up* celebrations include *Cllr. Ali Salim Mwakunyapa*, who said "Clean Up should be a daily event and the community should not wait until ETK organizes a clean up to come out and take care of the environment.

He also urged donors to come and support the youth who take care of the environment with tools to enable them do the clean up efficiently.

He also said the City Council of Mombasa is working hard to assist the residents of Likoni by setting up a dumpsite where garbage from Likoni can be dumped to ease the problem of garbage disposal in Likoni.

Also in attendance was *Mr. A. Gitonga*, District Officer, Changamwe, representing *Mr. M. A. Maalim*, the District Commissioner, Mombasa and Assistant Minister of Internal Security, *Hon. Danson Mungatana* among others.

Also as part of *'Clean Up Mombasa 2004'* activities, art painting and essay writing competitions for students of age 5-9, 10-14, and 15-20 years in schools in Mombasa District was organised by ETK.

This year the theme of competition was *"Wanted - Seas and Oceans - Alive or Dead"*

Artwork and Paintings, have been received from 20 schools, and judging of the entries has been completed with the following results:-

Age 5-9 years - first *Sarrah M. Khanbai* (Oshwal Academy), second *Elisa Nanty* (The Coast Academy) and third *Jinil Budhbhatti* (Oshwal Academy).

Age Category 10 - 14 years - first *Bhayini R. Pattni* (Aga Khan Primary School), second *Ahmed Raza Ayub* (Jaffery Academy) and third *Shivani L. Shah* (Oshwal Academy).

Age Category 15 - 20 years - first *Sheena Shanghvi* (The Coast Academy), second *Nisha Kano* (The Coast Academy) and third *Ankita Sondhi* (The Coast Academy).

Efforts have been well worth it. More than 110 students participated in this year's competition.

The best artwork and painting entries, will be exhibited for three days at Fort Jesus.

Major sponsors of the event were, *Kenya Ferry Services Ltd*, *East African Packaging Ltd*, *National Water and Conservation and Pipeline Corporation*, *Prima Pests and Bins Company Ltd*, *Mombasa Maize Millers*, *Securicor Security Services (K) Ltd*, *Kenya Tea Packers Ltd*, *Pollman's Tours and Safaris Ltd* and *The Mombasa Polytechnic* among others.

An ETK spokesman went on: "The spirit of *Clean Up Mombasa*, our local version of *Clean Up the World*, is summed up by the adage *"Think Globally Act Locally"*.

"This idea - that people can take responsibilities for their own environment, their own future - is implicit in *Clean Up the World* and is central to Environment Trust of Kenya (ETK) strategy involving civil society and private sector in environmental management. Change is essential for sustainable development.

"Incorporating *Clean Up Mombasa* activity with *Clean Up the World* has encouraged our volunteers by re-assuring them that people around the world do share common goal.

"In that regards we have been encouraged by the large participation by schools, groups, government departments, business organizations which shows and account of collaboration and partnership between different levels in the community. We hope that the efforts by all these people can make a difference and affect our natural environment in a positive manner."

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Diani's New Bull Steak House Opens On Saturday !

It has been a beehive of activity in preparation for the 'BULL FEST' on Saturday, 18th December, 2004.

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There will also be the excitement of competing in the 'Fastest Beer and Sausage Eating Competitions' the prize being one night for two at Chale Island on the south coast.

There is also a **Karoke Competition** for budding artists organised by 'Mama Africa' the prize being one night for two at the Lamu Palace on the quayside, Lamu Island.

The talented 'MAMA AFRICA' is also producing a special 'Song and Dance Show' for the occasion and there will be a Magic Show by 'Prof. Chingaman' who grew up with a family of magicians.

The Bull Steak House is all set to confirm it offers the best steak on the Kenya Coast and already a 240 kg bull has been slaughtered.

It is being marinated 48 hours followed by 12 hours of gentle grilling.

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a huge grill offering choice parts of the bull.

At any time of the day you can get a cut of the bull, together with baked potatoes and salad for a truly bargain price of only Shs 250/-.

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Prices range from Shs 60/- to Shs 80/-, according to length.

A special area of the grill will be dedicated to children offering among other things 'mini' burgers and sausages.

A stall from **Godeni Farm** in the Shimba Hills will be offering pork chops, pork sausages, chicken and bull burgers.

Four young ladies in attractive kikoi dresses will be offering special 'Bull' cocktails.

There will be seating for some 300 young and old bull fans, some being in four tents in the vast courtyard.

In attendance will be First Aid personnel while looking after security will be the experienced Wells Fargoe.

The **BULL FEST** opens at eleven in the morning and

continues until 'Iala salama' time.

Dancing placard holders will be announcing different events taking place virtually every hour of the day so there will be no chance of missing anything.

Also keeping everyone fully abreast of the 'happenings' that day will be a very charming and experienced 'Master of Ceremonies', **George Mkuzi**, from **Pwani FM Radio**.

For those liking to take a peek into the future this can be done through a Tarot Card or the reading of your palms by experts in this field.

There will be bird, snake, puppet and acrobatic shows while the well-known 'Freres Boy' show.

will be the DJ providing music for all to enjoy.

At 11.30 in the morning after being welcomed by the Master of Ceremonies the day's programme will be revealed this being followed at noon by local traditional dancers, then by a 'Mama Africa' show.

At 1 p.m. you will be able to enjoy with your beer and Bull lunch the excellent **Bahari Jazz Band**.

'Action Time' comes at 3 p.m. with children's games including musical chairs, also eating and soda drinking competitions.

Later on there is a show by a professional comedian, 'Professor Zingga' followed by the **STAR MIX DANCERS**.

Then comes the Agape Children's choir from Mtwapa, a Fashion Show and at 7 p.m. **ADULT GAMES**, heading the list being 'beer drinking followed by sausage eating competitions, IQ Test and Hair Design competitions'.

The 'Coconut Band' will entertain and there will be other events until midnight.

An area has been set aside for dancing any time during the day.

Taking place outside the **Steak House** will be children's games - sack, three-legged and spoon racing, a treasure hunt, bouncing castle and tiny motor bikes to drive.

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Drug Use And Abuse Is Relatively New In Kenya And Most People Are Ill Prepared To Deal With It

Driving under the influence of drug, whether prescribed medication or illegal substances, is just as dangerous as driving when drunk.

Most of us tend to remember the drink-drive engagements and advertising but we have not yet got to stage where we take note of and remember any engagement about the dangers of drug-driving.

Drugs can affect ones mind and body in a variety of ways that mean that one is not able to drive safely.

Further more, the effects of drug use can last for hours or even days without the affected person realising it.

The sad thing about this state of affairs is that the fact that we are under the influence of drugs means that we could be making the wrong judgments that could lead to even more drug use and impaired ability to do a lot of basis actions that are normally done by rote.

The NCDA as a body has begun to make noise about drugs and their effect but they are not making enough noise.

They have been focusing on awareness and even then only through a very limited section of the population.

This body needs to do a lot more in terms of educating the public through specific intervention programmes that will make people more responsive and proactive about drug use and abuse.

In Kenya we do not have adequate legislation about drugs.

All the legislation is based on the items that are for medicinal use rather than in the wrong use of drugs.

The main act is the Pharmacies and Poisons Act and it was meant to control the handling of items that are authorized for normal use but which could be harmful should they be handled or

or if the do they are not using the ones they have.

If we are to start tackling drug use or abuse whilst driving, it would take a Herculean effort from the boys in blue to come up to speed with detecting and dealing with cases where drivers are under the influence of drugs and then only after the right legislation is in place.

Currently if one is arrested by cops for drug driving, they will be able to get away with it even if they employ a dumb lawyer.

The one thing about drugs is that they persist in the body unlike alcohol that gets metabolized quite quickly.

For example, one bottle of beer will disappear after about two hours hence if one were to drink a beer an hour, they would have to wait for about three hours after the last beer for the effects of the alcohol to have disappeared.

However if one takes cannabis, it can show up in urine for up to four weeks after the time it was taken.

From this point of view, it would be easier to prosecute for use of drugs than it would be for drunk driving as the alcohol disappears out of the system very quickly.

However for hard drinkers, the cumulative effects would be persistent.

For one who takes half a bottle of whisky every day, there would certainly be signs in the blood and urine for days to come.

The effects of using drugs are

varied depending on the type of drug and the amount taken.

The more common reactions to drugs include having slower reaction times, poor concentration and confused thinking.

All these are dangerous when one is in charge of a vehicle or indeed in charge of anything.

A master of ceremonies in charge of a wedding could ruin the day if they were under the influence of drugs and demonstrated these reactions whilst carrying out their duties.

Other reactions include sleepiness or fatigue, distorted perception and erratic behaviour.

Depending on one's body mass, excessive consumption could lead to impaired co-ordination, nausea, hallucinations or blurred vision.

Most of us cannot tell the difference between drunken behaviour and drugged behaviour.

The nearest we can get to is to tell whether a person's breath smells of alcohol.

We do not conclude a person is under the influence of drugs and we instead look at the manifestations and conclude madness, food poisoning or other similar things.

Erratic behaviour, aggression, panic attacks and paranoia can also result from the use of drugs as can body tremors, dizziness or cramps.

Sometimes people under the influence of drugs exude over confidence that leads to them taking unnecessary risks in whatever they do.

Drug use and abuse is an area relatively new in Kenya and most people are ill prepared to deal with this.

However, the use is increasing and as drugs give more kick per shilling compared to over the counter alcoholic beverages, it is finding increasing use especially amongst the youth who want to get more bang for

their bucks.

As we get into the festive season and with schools closed, one will find that there are more youth who will be in charge of vehicles.

With the limited knowledge that we have on drugs and their effects, we could be unwittingly letting one of our youth be in charge of vehicle whilst under the influence.

We should educate ourselves

in this new area of risk and ensure that we are able to detect and manage the risk.

As Kachumbari says, first we should not fight fatigue but rather join it or respond to it when it manifests itself.

Next, we should avoid distractions whilst driving especially from mobile phones.

We should also be sure that we get up to speed on drug use and abuse and manage it.

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prescribed by unqualified people.

This is in stark contrast to other countries where there is specific legislation that covers all drugs including designer drugs that are meant for personal consumption without prescription.

Mr. Kaguthi and his organization should be fighting hard and loud to introduce the type of legislation that is targeted specifically at the designer drugs and the control of their distribution, use and profiting from them.

This will form a good foundation for future enforcement of drug control programmes.

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I heard it said so well by somebody I can't remember that: "Let us put Christ back into Christmas - where He belongs!" How true for after all, whose birthday is it?

That God gave us the greatest of all gifts at Christmas what do you give Him? What if Jesus Christ were to come back on Christmas Day? How will you respond, and what would He have to say?

Spurgeon stated: if people are thinking about something - they need to be helped to think correctly.

How true for it is another time that songs, decorations, all remind us of Christmas thus the need to be helped to think correctly of this season.

It has been said when you think right you live right only when you know that God's giving deserves your thanksgiving.

How good to know Christmas reminds us again that we are never alone, for the one whose birthday we celebrate said it well: "I will never leave you nor forsake you" (Hebrew 13:5) thus the warning- Beware of keeping Christmas but losing Christ.

Rev. Gordon Pals puts it well "God's creation must never be disconnected from Christmas, or from our love of Christ and anticipation of His coming. Christmas is God's reaffirmation of creation".

Indeed Christmas is a reminder that God gave so that you and I could live (John 3:16)

Christmas is a season to appreciate God's love to us by choosing to love and live for Him. In these greedy times we need to continually extol giving before receiving.

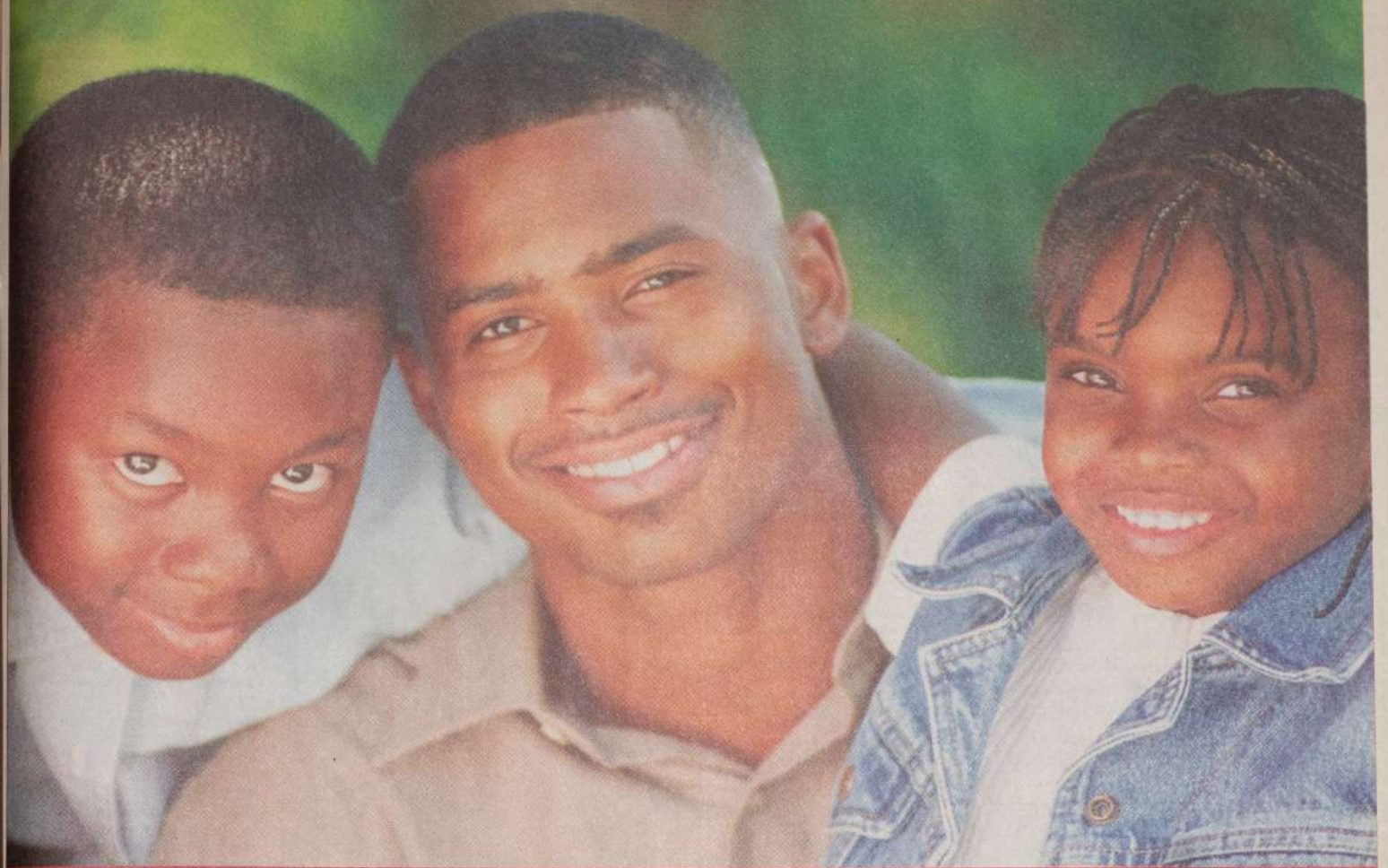
How true for the attitude of only receiving is what puts some people on the way to regrets after Christmas.

Clean hands, a pure heart and a soul lifted up to God - that is the aim of Christmas.

Christmas is for anyone who would willingly say: "There is vacancy for me to live and give this season" for it is said: If Christ is kept on for the outside, there is something wrong on the inside.

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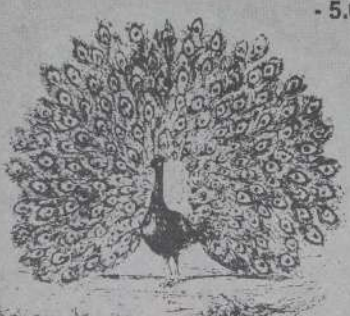
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Tischlerwerkstatt in Likoni dankt Siegfried Naumann für seine Hilfe

ANFANGS DIESES Jahres erschien auf der Deutschen Seite dieser Zeitung ein Artikel über **Likoni Quality Furniture Workshop**, eine weit herum bekannte Tischlerwerkstatt und ein Projekt der Vereinigung für Körperbehinderte von Kenia (Association for the Physically Disabled of Kenya - APDK), sowie über einen Freund, der die Herzen aller Mitarbeiter in der Werkstatt berührt hat.

Dieser großzügige Gönner aus Deutschland hat dieses Jahr sein gutes Werk weiter geführt.

Herr **Siegfried Naumann** hilft, die Lebensbedingungen dieser Körperbehinderten in dieser Werkstatt und auch ihrer Familien zu verbessern.

Während mehrerer Besuche bemerkte er, dass die Wände der Angestelltenhäuser einen neuen Anstrich benötigten.

Er wollte etwas in dieser Beziehung unternehmen und spendete das nötige Geld, damit die Arbeiten unverzüglich in Angriff genommen werden konnten.

Er ist ständig daran interessiert, die Lebensumstände der Arbeiter zu verbessern und stellte noch mehr Geld zur Verfügung, um die Infrastruktur, besonders die sanitären Installationen zu reparieren.

Eine ganze Reihe von Verbesserungen wurden in diesem Bereich vorgenommen und diese bezogen sich nicht nur auf die Toiletten und Badezimmer, sondern auch auf die Renovierung der elektrischen Einrichtungen.

Herr Naumann fand überdies, dass der Wassertank ersetzt werden sollte, der das Projekt mit Wasser versorgt, da er alt und rostig war und jederzeit zusammenbrechen konnte.

Er spendete das Geld für einen neuen 8000 Liter Wassertank, der bereits installiert worden ist.

Ferner beschloss Herr Naumann, ein Trainingsprogramm für Manager und Arbeiter im **Likoni Quality Furniture Workshop** zu finanzieren.

Das Training wurde ermöglicht

mit der Hilfe von Mr. **Pepe Minambo** von **Vision Consulting Limited** und fand im August an zwei aufeinanderfolgenden Samstagen statt.

Es war ein hervorragender Lehrgang, der dazu diente, die Mitarbeiter zu motivieren und neue Ideen zu wecken.

Für die obengenannten Projekte spendete Herr Naumann 2000 Euro, was Kshs 195.600 entspricht.

Wie immer war Herr Naumann überrascht über die hervorragende Arbeit und das handwerkliche Können der behinderten Arbeiter in dieser Tischlerwerkstatt.

Herr Naumann ist 82 Jahre alt und hatte früher seine eigene Möbelschreinerei in Hamburg, bevor er sich zur Ruhe setzte.

Die finanzielle Lage des **Likoni Quality Furniture Workshop** hätte es ohne die finanzielle Unterstützung durch Herrn Naumann nicht erlaubt, diese



Der neue 8000 Liter Wassertank ist im Likoni Projekt bereits installiert worden.

Projekte durchzuführen.

Die Tischlerwerkstätte in Likoni besteht seit 1971 und hat einen hervorragenden Ruf erworben als Hersteller erstklassiger, unschlagbarer Qualitätsmöbel.

Diese zeitlosen Möbelstücke

sind sorgfältig behandelt und makellos gefertigt aus solidem Holz.

Durch die Konkurrenz von importierten aus Kunststoff hergestellten Möbeln ist der Absatz in Likoni etwas zurückgegangen, aber die Arbeiter geben weiterhin ihr Bestes und die Endprodukte sprechen für sich selbst.

Likoni Quality Furniture Workshop dankt auch dem **Rotary Club of Mombasa** für die Bestellung von 1010 Schlierpulen in diesem Jahr.

Die Tischlerwerkstatt in Likoni schätzt sich glücklich, Freunde wie Herrn Naumann zu haben, die ihr in der Not helfen.

Unterausschuss, Management und die Arbeiterschaft von Likoni danken diesem noblen Freund und wünschen ihm weiterhin alles Gute vor allem Gesundheit.

Likoni sagt: "Gott schütze Herrn Naumann und andere Leute mit selbstlosem Herzen, die helfen, wenn Hilfe gebraucht wird."



SUSANNE HEIRATET WIELAND beim **Poacher's Lookout** in **Tsavo West**.
Susanne, geb. Meyer, und Wieland Beinert aus Kassel, Deutschland, gehen Abend vor dem Kilimandscharo nach ihrer romantischen Trauung beim "Poacher's Lookout" im **Tsavo-West-Nationalpark**.
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Lastwagenfahrer im Likonikanal vor dem Ertrinken gerettet

RANJIT SONDHI, Marketing Director von **Reef Hotels**, hat schon viele aufregende und gefährliche Situationen erlebt.

Nachdem er ein paar Tage auf der Insel Pemba verbracht hatte, beendete er seinen Ausflug am 9. Oktober mit einer wagemutigen Rettungsaktion im Likonikanal.

Er war auf der Insel Pemba, um die "Blue Liberty", ein Kreuzfahrtschiff, das eine neue Fahrverbindung zwischen Shimoni und Pemba herstellt, der Tourismusindustrie und der Reisebranche vorzustellen.

Auf der Heimfahrt war Ranjit Sondhi Insasse in einem Minibus.

Als sie mit der Likonifähre die Insel Mombasa erreichten, verließ ein Lastwagen als erster die Fähre.

Ranjit Sondhi erzählt: "Der Fahrer unseres Minibusses konnte dem Lastwagen nur mit knapper

Not ausweichen, sonst hätte uns dieser überrollt."

Als ich mich umdrehte, sah ich, wie der Lastwagen an das Ende der Rampe stieß und in den Bug der Fähre krachte, wodurch er sich überschlug und in den Likonikanal fiel.

Zum Glück gibt es eine Vorschrift auf der Fähre, dass die Fußgänger erst an Land gehen können, nachdem alle Fahrzeuge weggefahren sind, sonst hätte die Sache viel schlimmer ausgehen können.

Panik brach aus, Schreie ertönten, es war dunkel und man konnte nicht sehen ob jemand überfahren worden war.

Als ich sah, dass der Lastwagen immer tiefer sank, sprang ich kurz entschlossen ins Wasser.

Die Kühlerhaube des Lastwagens war noch zu

sehen und ich war überrascht über die zischenden Geräusche und Blasen, die aus dem Fahrzeug kamen.

Ich tauchte in die Kabine, fand den Fahrer; zog ihn heraus und brachte ihn ans Ufer.

Er war bewusstlos, aber nach einigen Wiederbelebungsvorversuchen hustete er, kam zu sich, befand sich jedoch in einem Schockzustand.

FAHRERKABINE

Ich fragte ihn, ob ein Beifahrer im Lastwagen war, erhielt aber keine Antwort.

Ich tauchte wiederum in die Fahrerkabine, konnte aber dort niemand finden.

Ich hatte mein Bein angeschlagen, das blutete und als ich an die Haie dachte, die sich oft im Kanal aufhalten, ging ich ans Ufer und an die Rampe zurück, wo uns die dort versammelten Leute aus dem Wasser halfen.

Ein Polizist kümmerte sich um den Fahrer, der aber immer noch unter dem Schock litt, und ich wurde gebeten, ihn ins Hospital zu fahren.

Als ich feststellte, dass der Fahrer sonst nicht verletzt war, brachte ich ihn zu seinem Arbeitgeber, der in der Haile Selassie Road wohnt, und ging dann nach Hause, um ein Bad zu nehmen und mich umzuziehen."

Als Ranjit Sondhi nach zehn Tagen gefragt wurde, wie es seinem verletzten Bein ging, antwortete er:

"Es ist nun am Verheilen." Er ist ein erfahrener Taucher.

"Als ich den Lastwagen versinken sah und außer rufen und schreien niemand etwas unternahm, sprang ich ins Wasser, um dem Fahrer zu helfen."

Es wurde später berichtet, dass der Beifahrer von Angestellten des Fährdienstes und von Zuschauern rechtzeitig gerettet worden war.

Mombasa Ladies Team Win Table Tennis Title For Fifth Year Running

Mombasa City ladies won the 5th Edition of the East Africa Inter Cities Table Tennis Championship held in Mbale Uganda for the fifth time.

The team comprising of Malvi Shah and Sonam Sanghavi, broke all odds to maintain the trend placed before by players like Heena Shah, Meera Shah and Chandri Adatia. Mombasa beat Mbale 'A' 3 - 0 in the finals.

On their way to the finals Mombasa beat Kampala 3 - 1 while Mbale 'A' beat Masaka 3 - 2.

Mombasa and Malindi's men team both lost in the quarter finals to Masaka and Kampala cities respectively.

In the ladies singles, Malvi Shah of Mombasa lost to Kampala's Monica Kisakyie 3 - 0 in a toughly contented finals before the Assistant Minister of Education and Sports (Uganda) at St. Austins Hall, Mbale.

Malvi had earlier upset second seed Amina Lukaya of Masaka beating her 3 - 0, while Kisakyie beat top seed Sonam Sanghavi 3 - 1 in their semi-finals.

Sonam Sanghavi won the under 17 singles beating Amina Lukaya 3-0.

In the boys under 17, Mombasa's Jayesh Menon and

Adnan Tarmal lost their matches in the semi-finals to Edgar of Rukungiri and Nyaika of Mbale respectively.

The men's singles title went to Kelvin Mafabi of Mbale who beat team mate Jackson Migade 3-2.

Kenya was represented by Mombasa, Malindi, Nakuru, Kisumu and Kitale cities/town.

Tanzania was represented by Dar-es-salaam and Tanga, while Uganda was represented by Kampala, Mbale, Rukungiri and Masaka.

The 6th edition of this championships will be hosted by Nakuru in December 2005.

The Coast Table Tennis Association, chairman Mr. Mariga Mangi has

congratulated the Coast team for their exemplary performance.

He urged the boys team to pull up and catch up with the times like their female counterparts.

He thanked the team's technical bench led by Sebo Tom Surali, Silvester Mwangeti and Simon Mbogo as team manager.

Others in the team included Jingnesh Rajani, Mihir Ved, Paras Shah, Ankit Shah, Jayesh Menon, Adnan Tarmal, Moh'd Jiwa, Vishal Shah, Sonam Songhari, Malvi Shah and Morris Mwapa.



Trustee Chairman S. Dalip Singh Oberai lays foundation stone of the proposed Mombasa Simba Sports Club.

Mombasa Simba Sports Club 'Foundation Stone'

At a colorful ceremony, attended by a large number of Mombasa Sikh Community members, the foundation stone of the proposed Mombasa Simba Sports Club was laid by S. Dalip Singh Oberai - Trustee Chairman.

The Head Priest of the Sikh Community Mombasa - Giani Avtar Singh, conducted prayers.

The surrounding was filled with chants of "Bole Sone Haal - Sat Sri Akaal".

The function was held on the 28th November, to celebrate the auspicious day of the Birthday of Siri Guru Nanak Dev Jee - the founder prophet of the Sikhs.

On completion, the club will have ultra modern facilities for indoor and outdoor games.

The club is located on a 3-acre plot and is very near to the Nyalal Oshwal Academy - Mombasa.

One more Trustee- S. Pritpal Singh Khandhari accompanied the Trustee Chairman.

Mr. Ajit Singh Bhogal is also a Trustee but was in India sent his best wishes. S. Jaswinder Singh Oberai, who is the chairman of the Sikh Temple, also graced the occasion.

Makupa Rangers Coast Volleyball Champs - Again !

Makupa Rangers 'A', last year's winners of the Inaugural Aga Khan Sports Centre Coast Open Volleyball tournament, sponsored by the Rising Stars Group of Companies, repeated their victorious feat again this year by clinching the finals in three straight sets, with Memons 'A' taking the runners-up position.

A total of 13 teams participated in this year's tournament, and after a grueling and yet exciting 10 days of competition in the Group Stages and the qualifying rounds.

Makupa Rangers 'A' faced Memon 'A' in the finals held on Sunday 5th December.

An elated Nazir Gule, Captain of the winning side Makupa Rangers 'A' commented:

"Winning last year was great, but this year's victory is even greater, as we have not only won, but in doing so have defended our position and stamped our authority in local volleyball fraternity as real champions".

Runner-up Memon 'A', also had reason to hold their heads high as not only did they put up an exceptional fight in the finals, but had two of their players walk away with accolades and trophies for the Best Upcoming Player Category (Zahir) and Most Valuable Player Category (Muju).

Third and fourth positions were clinched by Dhobi 'A' and Burhani Sports Club respectively.

In summing up this year's event the Chairman of Aga Khan Sports Centre, Mombasa, Mr. Ejaz Karmally said:

"With the enthusiasm shown by all the participating teams, the record numbers in terms of supporters and fans, and with the unwavering support and commitment in the form of sponsorship by the Rising Stars Group of Companies, the Annual Aga Khan Coast Open Volleyball tournament is sure to be not only a permanent annual fixture, but one that will be eagerly awaited every year, if one is to go by the success it has achieved in both its inaugural year and this year".

Special Report by Correspondent

Special Report by Joseph Odhiambo

A Good Entry Of Seven Boats On The Water For Edward Wilshaw Series

There was a difference of only 21 seconds between the first three boats in the results on corrected time personal 'B' handicap in the second race for DECEMBER MONTHLY MUG sailed in light winds on Wednesday, the 8th.

Bosun CENTURION, sailed by Seema Shah and Paul With, started at 16.57 hours on the first start, but found the going slow due to low winds and retired.

Brian Emmott sailing on maximum personal handicap in laser FOXY LOXY, though last to cross finish line was in 1st position on corrected time beating Osprey ATALANTA by 8 seconds sailed

Sailing Notes with SEA BREEZE

by Barry Mitchell and Peter Talbot who had line honours finish, but in 2nd place.

Osprey TANTIVY, sailed by Scott McClelland and Susan Graham were 3rd.

Osprey METEORITE, sailed by Kalim Hassanali and Annie Appleyard were 4th.

The 3rd and 4th races of continuing EDWARD WILSHAW CUP series was sailed last Sunday, the 12th on 'A' handicap in light winds, by a good entry of seven boats on the water.

KPA pilots were busy between 1400 and 1700 hours navigating two ships in and three ships out of the harbour.

Chris Barnes and Marylyn

Barnes in their Lasers CHANZO and ISHILIA, respectively had a close fought race in both races.

It is good to see Marylyn back from her winter holidays in England to the warm sea waters for competitive sailing.

Chris Barnes had line honours finish and in 1st position in both the races and beat Marylyn by five seconds in the last race.

Marylyn was 3rd in the 3rd race and in 2nd position in the 4th race.

Fireball CAT'S PAW, sailed by Sha Khan and Andy Bernard were in 2nd and 4th positions.

Michael Smewing and Ibrahim Khan sailing in Laser II KENZA were in 4th and 3rd positions losing time with one capsized.

Brian Emmott sailing in Laser FOXY LOXY was 5th and 7th.

Barry Mitchell gave a farewell sail to his Osprey ATALANTA before it goes high and dry for a refit. Barry sailed with Seema Shah in water laden ATALANTA and were in 6th position in both the races.

Osprey METEORITE, sailed by Kalim Hassanali and guest Shital Shah were in 7th and 5th positions.

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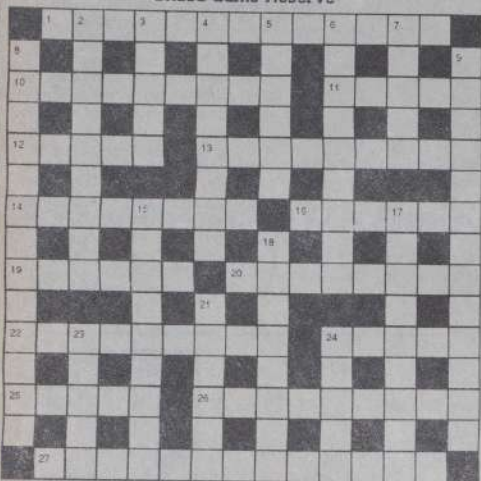
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- ACROSS:**
- 27 Yesteryear's celebrated traffic-stopping programme [2, 4, 7] ... And Eric Coates' associative march [13]
 - Drew magnetically? [9]
 - One who lays roofing slabs [5]
 - Monkey-like [5]
 - Road speed (anag) - is whipped up by a reckless fellow [9]
 - Where one could go a dozen lollipops and ask for more? [4-4]
 - Oz's was Wonderful [6]
 - Troopers with the affections? [6]
 - Traditional notions and superstitions [8]
 - Champion British motor-racing ace [5, 4]
 - Church decree [5]
 - Well-known Welsh Strait [5]
 - Fraust lied (anag) - about this landed type [9]
 - See 1 across

- DOWN:**
- Here we come gathering [4, 2, 3]
 - Capital of co. Tyrone [5]
 - Commit to paper as the musician might? [4, 4]
 - The most strange [6]
 - Blooming healthwise? [2, 3, 4]
 - The child affectionately embraces her [5]
 - It provides a ripping experience for airmen [9, 4]
 - He wrote *Tales of the Five Towns* [6, 7]
 - Thoroughly beating [9]
 - Plenitudinously overflowing [9]
 - The little chap who's on hand [3, 5]
 - Perching-place for Miss Muffet [6]
 - The opera *Ann and Mo* composed [5]
 - American raccoon-like mammal [5]

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ACROSS: 1. SISTERSHIP, 3. CHUM, 10. CORPSE, 11. RED INDIAN, 12. PRETENCE, 13. WATER, 15. ATTESTED, 17. DETAIL, 20. CIRCUS, 21. WIDENING, 23. ALFIE, 25. AIRWOMAN, 28. RED-CARPET, 29. DIOT, 30. BODY, 31. DETERMINED
 DOWN: 1. SACK, 2. S'PERSTAR, 3. EXERT, 4. STRONGER, 5. INDEED?, 7. HOIST, 8. MINERALOGY, 9. ANYWHERE, 14. CATCH A CRAB, 16. SAUCEPAN, 18. AGITATION, 19. AISRETTE, 22. MAGPIE, 24. FADED, 26. OPIUM, 27. STUD

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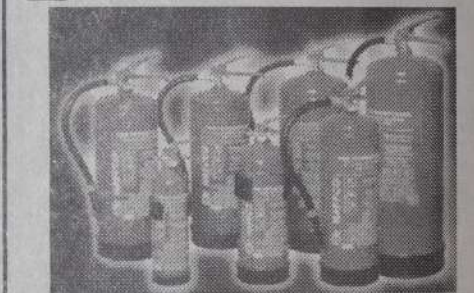
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JAMHURI DAY - SADOLIN PAINTS TRAINING RALLY

Sassoon Drives Away With The Motoring Honours - Despite Keen Competition From Jennings, Deen, Nazarali And Mburu

The stolen bridge rails at the Hussein Dairy Track were replaced with 19 hours to spare thanks to engineering support from Nanak and Civicon.

The "Road Books" and rally paperwork had been printed on the MMC printing press.

"Signing On" was conducted as Newcastle United were busy playing Portsmouth on the big screen at the Scorpion Bar at the Nyal Cinemax and volunteers started emerging from the woodwork.

The beautiful trophies sponsored by Zul Khan, Coast Branch Manager of Sadolin Paints (EA) and finishers mugs had been engraved by John Mitto and eventually Rally-Sunday dawned, slightly cloudy with a hint of showers that would dampen down the dust at the track.

HUSSEINI DAIRY

Long time MMC Member, Mirza Rajen arrived early with two lady helpers, and they assisted Ruth, Nancy and Steve setting out the safety tape at the Hussein Dairy Track.

Banners were fixed at strategic positions and the Security Group ambulance parked in the traditional 1st Aid position overlooking the track.

Last minute reconnaissance was allowed in vehicles that would not be competing and the route was driven by many volunteers to sharpen their 'Pace notes' and to help ensure that 'malatus' and other traffic would not be a hazard for the drivers.

At last everything was ready for the entrants in the Training Rally to start promptly at 12 noon.

First on the track CS 1, was the pairing of #7, Sameer Deen in his Nissan Debe Pick-up and Navaz Nazarali in the yellow, Toyota Starlet #18.

Sameer posted the quicker time of three minutes 54 seconds for the 3.2 km track distance.

The next pair of drivers matched James Gatonye in his shorty Range Rover against the newly painted Toyota Corolla belonging to Zoeb Ganjee.

Zoeb emerged the winner but only due to James' misfortune.

The Range Rover developed an electrical short behind the steering wheel and James had to come to an unscheduled halt immediately after passing under the bridge in order to put out the flames!

Clerk of the Course allowed the Range Rover a second run at the end of the field and the re-run time was a creditable three minutes 42 seconds that would put him just 0.59 seconds ahead of the Attacker buggy driven by Sudir Wason.

Meanwhile John Mburu in the beautifully prepared Mitsubishi Evo 4 posted four minutes seven seconds in a solo run against the clock.

Tarveen Singh in the Nanak buggy was quick on the twisty track with a spirited drive to lead



Eventual winner Crispin Sassoon seen in his nearly-new 'Attacker II' buggy.

the times with three minutes 33 seconds prior to the face-off between favourites Mark Jennings, sponsored by Tamarind Restaurant in an Attacker and Crispin Sassoon and his son, Calvin in the nearly-new Attacker II.

The crowd was treated to a superb display of controlled speed and power as both Crispin and Mark crossed over at the bridge simultaneously.

However, Mark being in the inside lane (B) had driven the twistier loop of the circuit and when he crossed the start/finish line he was exactly four seconds quicker than Crispin with a time of three minutes 15 seconds.

With a limited field the decision had been made to allow everyone to watch the action at the track before moving to the second and third competitive section that was on the open road between Hussein Dairy and the mine near Ribe.

David and Vicki Horeay had positioned at the flying finish at the 'Mine' and when the Mid-point Monitors were in position the section was opened with the cars running in reverse-seed order at three minute intervals.

This was done to ensure that the fast but twitchy buggies would not have the additional hazard of a head-on collision with some non-rally traffic and would also achieve the intention of alerting all the spectators and other road users that a rally was under way.

The OCS from Kaloieni, Mr. August Mwakio was present together with three constables in uniform to ensure that all road users respected the partial closure of the route for the short time that it was affected.

Between the second and third competitive section the route was opened briefly to allow all trapped traffic to complete their journeys and then re-closed by the "00" car driven by the "C of C".

It was wonderful to see the crowds of people who drove out to watch the action as well as hundreds of local villagers lining the route as the rally cars and buggies sped noisily through their back yards splashing mud in some of the minor pot-holes that left the buggy crews struggling to see through the caked windscreens.

First casualty was Sudir Wason when his Attacker buggy developed an engine knock, and rather than damage the buggy further he retired and waited for the last car to pass before limping

home to the start at the Hussein Dairy Tanks.

Tarveen Singh promised he would be a "Finisher" but driving the powerful and twitchy Nanak buggy his intentions were dashed when he lost control on a sweeping up-hill left hand bend and ended up rolling off the side of the road.

The Security Group ambulance and event Doctor, Ben Ochieng were soon on the scene but by the time they arrived Tarveen had emerged unscathed from the slightly dented buggy.

Both James Gatonye and Zoeb Ganjee had minor problems on the 17.65 km leg but reached the end eventually with times best ignored.

The time of the day was set by the Tamarind-sponsored buggy driven by Mark Jennings as he completed the distance in 11 minutes, nine seconds at an average speed of 94.977 km/hour.

This time managed to give Mark an extremely healthy lead and he could take the return leg at 90 per cent of top speed as the margin between him and Crispin was now 79 seconds.

The best laid plans of mice and men were to be upset again as the drivers raced back to the "Tanks 2" from "Mine 2".

John Mburu led the return leg with a creditable time of 14 minutes 26 seconds at an average speed of 73.20 km/hour but was pipped by Navaz Nazarali in the 1600cc Starlet by just two seconds.

Sameer Deen proved to be consistently quick in his Nissan Debe averaging 73.71 km/hour out and 71.63 km/hour on the return whilst Zoeb and James suffered yet more problems on

the route and again just managed to finish.

One notable feat of driving occurred as James was speeding flat out trying to catch up on time.

His loyal supporters were waving and cheering wildly as he approached a fast bend and James, thinking something was wrong slammed on the brakes.

His car swung viciously and before James could stop, it started to spin.

Keeping his head, James waited for the full 360 degrees spin to complete before he regained control and sped on to the finish!

However, it was to be computer problems that decided the outcome of the rally.

Not a virus nor a 'crashed hard drive' but the straps that held the computer in the Tamarind buggy became loose and Mark had to stop for several minutes in the middle of nowhere whilst looking for something to re-affix the part to enable him to drive the remaining 10 km to the end.

He managed it eventually but lost about five minutes and effectively handed the top honours to Crispin who was waiting in the wings for just such a problem as is notoriously common in the world of rallying.

With the drivers all back at the Hussein Dairy track, all the drivers had to complete a final 3.2 km leg in order to qualify for a "Finisher's Mug" or winners trophy.

The positions for third, fourth and fifth were extremely close with Sameer leading just 21 seconds ahead of Navaz who was just nine seconds ahead of

John Mburu so there was no margin to relax on the final section.

As it happened all three were very close with Sameer a mere 0.4 seconds quicker than John and Navaz just under three seconds slower.

The final race pitted the Attacker II driven by Crispin against Mark in the Tamarind buggy.

Mark reigned supreme and powered his way round the circuit to record the FTD (fastest time of the day) in three minutes 12.91 seconds much to the delight of the whole crowd but not enough to recoup the time lost on CS3.

Special thanks goes out to all the organisers, helpers, volunteers and participants who contributed in making the event such an enjoyable way to spend Jamhuri Day.

The DC from Kilifi, Mr. Chelimo had wanted to be at prize giving to present the trophies but the celebrations in Kilifi extended into the afternoon and he passed his apologies to all concerned hoping that MMC will invite him to be involved at the next event.

MMC are also continually grateful to Hussein Dairy management who generously allow motor sport to take place on their land at Nguu Tatu.

In-line with their wishes, spectators are always welcome to come and watch free of charge, but on the condition that all litter and other rubbish is removed so as not to cause a hazard to their cattle that graze there.

Dates For Your Diary

The next event will be an Autocross at the track on the public holiday just after Christmas on Monday 27 December 2004.

Many firms are looking to sponsor the event with Chris Diaz from CMC a front runner in the list of serious supporters of motor sport in Mombasa.

This will be open to all MMC Members and it is hoped that some two-seat buggies will also be available for those new to autocross who wish to try their skill at handling a lightweight, rear-wheel drive vehicle on a narrow, dusty and slippery track.

It is hoped that Bada Omar from Bob's Bar will be able to run another of his professional and colourful entertainment and "Quench-bench" set-ups and if all the bouncy castles have not been booked we hope to have one available for the children to play on whilst the 'mums and dads' watch or participate in the action on the track.

National Autocross Championships come back to the coast over the long Easter weekend with MMC organising two events, the first on Saturday 26 March and the second on Sunday 27 March 2005.

These will be open to all but competitors must be 'Competition License Holders' in order to compete.

COAST BRIDGE with C.P. SHAH

In the following hand Declarer emerged victorious but East had missed a brilliancy.

Dealer: SOUTH NORTH-SOUTH 'Vulnerable' BIDDING

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
TWO SPADES	PASS	TWO 'NO' TRUMPS	THREE HEARTS
FOUR SPADES	PASS	PASS	PASS

West led the Seven of Hearts and East won the Queen, cashed the

Ace, then switched to a trump.

Declarer ran all his trumps and exited with the Knave of Diamonds.

East's last three cards were the Ace of Diamonds and the King-Seven of Clubs.

East won the Ace, but

NORTH

♠	5	4			
♥	J	10			
♦	K	9	4	3	2
♣	Q	10	8	2	

WEST

♠	Q				
♥	Q	7	5	4	
♦	10	8	7	6	5
♣	J	9	4		

EAST

♠	J	10			
♥	A	K	Q	6	3
♦	A	Q			
♣	K	7	6	5	

SOUTH

♠	A	K	9	8	7	6	3	2
♥	8	2						
♦	J							
♣	A	3						

had to lead round to Dummies Queen of Clubs.

The brilliancy was for East to cash the Ace of Diamonds at trick three before exiting with the Trump.

MOTOR SPORT with Steve Davidson

OFFICIAL RESULTS

CAR #	DRIVER	CS1	CS2	CS3	CS4	TOTAL	POSITION
7	S. DEEN	3:50.04	14:22.00	14:47.00	3:44.27	36:43.31	3 RD
18	N. NAZARALI	3:54.49	15:00.00	14:26.90	3:61.58	37:12.07	4 TH
14	J. GATONYE	3:42.26	49:24.00	31:16.00	3:41.56	1:28:02.82	7 TH
38	Z. GANJEE	4:18.88	27:57.00	44:06.00	4:29.06	1:20:50.64	6 TH
19	J. MBURU	4:07.04	14:54.00	14:28.00	3:44.77	37:13.81	5 TH
3	S. WASON	3:42.85	-	-	-	-	-
81	T. SINGH	3:33.83	-	-	-	-	-
4	C. SASSOON	3:21.16	12:24.00	11:51.00	3:16.97	30:53.13	1 ST
6	M. JENNINGS	3:16.16	11:09.00	10:36.00	3:12.91	34:13.07	2 ND

Dubai Bank Back In Winning Form!

FROM BACK PAGE

Gor's defender Marwa Chagawa and another by Farid Ahmed, a newly signed from Thika United.

In their second game against Nzola Sugar, Dubai scored their all-important goal in the 88th minute via Mohamed Chege.

Coast fans were impressed with the two victories which has kept the team in a respectable position but want club officials to put more efforts in signing new players especially on the midfield department.

Dubai Bank is taking the field today confident of winning the match against KCB and improved further their position in the league standing.

The Coastals will entirely depend on their prolific striker Abdulmalik Wafuta who is expected to partner with Abdi Simba, Mohamed Shukry and Ahmed Farid.

The match is expected to be a thriller as both teams display short and crisp passes and it is every Coastal hope that our team - Dubai Bank FC will once again show their might in front of their home supporters.

Meanwhile, some fans from many parts of Coast Province are of the opinion that the Premier League should have

only 20 teams instead of having two groups.

Askul Mohamed of Mpeketoni, Lamu District says the top country league must have maximum of 20 clubs instead of organising the league on league cum knock-out basis.

Mwero Johnson Kulamba of Mariakani asked soccer administrators to reduce the number of clubs taking part in the league.

"Why don't we have 20 or 22 clubs featuring in the league?", queried Mwero.

Salim Kassim from Msambweni also supported the league to have fewer teams.

"If we have fewer teams we will watch competitive soccer displayed by good teams instead of watching teams which perform miserably," says Kassim who is also an official of West Germany FC of Msambweni.

Longest drive golf player from Leisure Lodge Golf Club HITEN KUMAR watches the flight of his ball during the recent AAR golf tournament. George Munyao from Nyalí Golf and Country Club was the winner on 41 points.



Danish Angler Rene Has Always Dreamed Of Catching Sailfish ...

Rene Toch, a visiting angler from Naerum, Denmark, has fished in many other places in the world and has always dreamed of catching a sailfish, reports TOM THUMB from Mtwapa.

On a fishing trip on *Vuma* last week off Mtwapa his dream came true and it was a double header as he caught two sailfish early on in his fishing trip.

Both fish were tagged and released and Rene has all the photos to prove it!

Arun Rudki and his wife Jay, visiting from London, made a number of trips out on *Vuma* and returned each time with some good catches including sailfish, wahoo, dorado, tuna, kingfish.

Arun's best catch was a 22 kg wahoo which is the largest of the season at the 'Moornings'.

The best sail of the season was also caught during the week also on *Vuma*.

The lucky angler was Otto Poppa from Germany.

Another visiting angler from Germany, Martin Meissner had continued success on *Samvuke* with a sail caught drifting, and some nice karambesi (giant trevally) taken on light tackle.

But all these catches cannot compare with the catch of Darius Dahmen, a keen young 'Moornings' angler.

Out on Crispin Sasoon's boat *Chongolulu* he hooked into a

teddy bear, and a pink one at that!

There are not many anglers in the world who can say that they have caught a teddy bear.

Apparently this cuddly bear is now the lucky mascot for the boat.

The wind is back in the North East again, and let's hope that it stays there as it certainly improves the fishing.

This weekend sees the **Open Boat Christmas Hamper Competition** which is likely to attract a good number of anglers.

Some excellent prizes are waiting for those who are going to land the big one on Sunday.

BRIDGE RESULTS

RESULT of the duplicate Bridge played at Mombasa Sports Club on Wednesday 8th December.

Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Shah 139 (points); Mrs. Vibha Shah and Patricia 134; Harkhubhai and P. Savla 124; Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Shah 118; S. K. Shah and Pravin Shah 114; K. P. Shah and C. P. Shah 107; Dr. and Mrs. J. D. Shah 99; Mr. and Mrs. Ashok Shah 89; L. P. Gudka and Harilal Malde 79; Mrs. Jyotsna and Keshubhai 77.

Results of Weekly Bridge Sessions played at United Sports Club on 14th December 2004.

1. Ketan S. Shah/ Nitin Malde - 118, 2. D. D. Shah/ Kanchan D. Shah - 84, 3. Vibha A. Shah/ Ketan R. Shah - 83, 4/5. Panu Savla/ H. P. Shah - 82, 4/5, Pulin Gandhi/ Anu Shah/Ramnink (Beno) Shah - 82, 6. Mahendra Shah/ Koki M. Shah - 81, 7. Rasik Shah/ Pravin M. Shah - 80, 8. Shantilal K. Shah/ Harilal Shah - 75, 9. Jyotsna Savla/ Prabhulal Shah - 69, 10. Rohit Chandaria/ Rohit Malde - 66, 11. Mr. and Mrs. Narendra - 60.

Bridge Sessions are held at United Sports Club every Monday evening at 7.30 p.m.

December Medal And Mug At Nyalí Golf And Country Club

December Medal And Mug played on Saturday 11th December, 2004 at the Nyalí Golf and Country Club - RESULTS:

KLGU Medal Silver Winner - Ann Mcconnell 73 (89.73), Runner Up Saida Samji 76 (93.76), Best Gross: Diana Munyao 89 C/B.

Bronze Winner - Suhash Gudka 77 (112.77), Runner Up Nova Soper 78 C/B (102.78), Best Gross: Pia Swatton 99.

Mug A Division Winner - David Mcconnell 72 (84.72), Runner Up G.M. Onyango 74 (82.74), Third Paul Krijnen 76 (88.76).

B. Division Winner - Joe Kimburi 69 (84.69), Runner Up Rohit Devani 75 C/B (92.75), Third Ijaz Sheikh 76 (90.76).

C. Division Winner - Jeremy Potgieter 74 (99.74), Runner Up S. Maina 75 C/B (100.75), Third Allan Dainty 75 (98.75)

Best Gross: G.M. Onyango 82.

An All Action 'Ukimwi Cup' Played On Saturday At Mikindani Primary School

Green Bombers renew their rivalry with Micky Boys when the two protagonists clash in a do-or-die opening match of the much awaited 4th Edition of Ukimwi Cup (formerly Reproductive Healthcare) on Saturday at Mikindani Primary School kick off at 4:00 pm.

Bombers are out to avenge the 0 - 1 defeat by their perennial rivals during the fatal World AIDS Day finals two weeks ago, reports *Sumba Mbwire*.

A total of eight clubs will stake their claim for the top club prize in Changamwe namely Chai F.C, Cambodia 501 FC, Green Bombers F.C, Jomvu Super Stars F.C, Lit Samba F.C, Micky Boys F.C, Nyumba Corrugated F.C and Twin Brothers F.C.

Nyumba Corrugated have a date with traditional aristocrats of the game Cambodia 501 on Sunday.

The taste of pudding is in

eating. For the next one month the soccer-mad Mikindani will relish an opportunity to savour the local showpiece.

Gate charges are 20/= per head. The tournament is organized by Mikindani Youth Project as part of the activities for the Anti - AIDS awareness campaign.

WORLD AIDS DAY

The games will be officially opened by a District Aids Sexually Transmitted Disease Coordinator.

Due to the overwhelming demand the organizers intend to distribute 30,000 condoms to the youth.

During the World AIDS Day tournament, spectators scrambled for a partly 1,400 condoms distributed to the players.

The TTK condoms are part of a consignment of millions of condoms donated to Kenya by the Government of India.

The TTK condoms have become popular among the community because they are very flexible and makes the clientele feel "on top" of the world during the game.

The TTK are also known as *Pundamulla* (Swahili word for donkey), the desert mammal that performs "hard work" without tiring.

Nyalí Open Championship 2004 sponsored by Diamond Trust Bank

SATURDAY 18TH DECEMBER 2004 - 1ST TEE P.M.

TIME	SURNAME	SURNAME	SURNAME
12.08	D. Ndirangu	D. Githae	
12.16	A. Patel	J. Rodrick	
12.24	J. Ngotho	G. Snow	S. Kamau
12.32	R. Gmur	J. Karluiki	J. Kome
12.40	N. Chandaria	S. Dsouza	H. Dendego
12.48	T. Murage	S. Omondi	N. Alibhai
12.56	N. Lugano	M. Odada	E. Juma
1.04	H. Patel	T.K. Kaguta	P. Kondo
1.12	J. Kogo	H. Mwanzenza	C. Yu
1.20	K. Ali	S. Kahindi	A. Mohamed
1.28	P. Thuo	D. Idi	W. Wambugu
1.36	N. Rokoine	S. Sange	M. Kibutu
1.44	S. Kasaja	B. Njoroge	M. Kumar
1.52	A. Kamoya	R. Charania	F. Kimani
2.00	C. Yokwe	H. Kumar	F. Alibhai

Competition Committee: T. Balala, H. Wali, C. Barnsley, J. King'ori

10TH TEE P.M.

12.08	J. Stokes	J. Said	A. Jillo
12.16	K. Ali	M. Karugu	S. Taher
12.24	D. Makau	G. Munyao	G.M. Njiri
12.32	E.S. Padam	C. Birngeny	W. Chebukati
12.40	W. Ziro	B. Idi	J. Oxtoby
12.48	D. Muteru	I. Rulia	P. Semenyne
12.56	H. Walli	G. Hackwell	K. Nathwani
1.04	C. Gacheru	E. Mutema	P. Krijnen
1.12	J. Kinnya	B. Masika	S. Clarke
1.20	C.K. Yu	A. Kesma	A.R. Kimayat
1.28	F. Masika	L. Muchai	G. Wakafa
1.36	Fr. Wangai	I. Sheikh	J. Ciano
1.44	I. Gulamali	A. Mwanzenza	G. Onyango
1.52	S. Bakari	W. Githumbi	A. Kikuvu
2.00	T. Mbote	T. Balala	M. Gichungu

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This year's Nyali Open Championship is scheduled for 18th and 19th December which has been kindly sponsored by Diamond Trust (K) Ltd.

The 36 Holes Strokeplay is set to attract top golfers in East Africa for the Golfer of the Year Event. The course is playing the best ever.

The most recent event hosted by Nyali Golf and Country Club was the Kenya Amateurs Strokeplay Championship which was a great success, and was won by Hiten Kumar.

The course is presently rated as the toughest course in the country.

Top National Golfers from Kenya and Tanzania such as Kopan Timbe, David Adhiambo, Sam Kamau, Wachira Mahihu, Dr. Kaguta, Stanley Sange, Idd Dajab, Mark Kibutu (USA), W. Wambugu have confirmed their participation in this magnificent competition.



Joseph Mathai (center), General Manager Diamond Trust Bank Mombasa is seen handing over a cheque of K. Shs.300,000/- to Hanif Walli (left), Captain Nyali Golf and Country Club. Looking on right is Abdul A. Samji, Director Diamond Trust Bank Kenya Ltd.

Zanzibar Squash Players Excel ...

The three day Squash competition between Mombasa sports club, Dar Gymkhana and Zanzibar ended over the weekend with Zanzibar proving too strong over their opponents, reports VIMAL SHAH.

It was first time ever for most of the visiting players to visit Mombasa and have gone back with great memories besides enjoying the play.

Little was heard about the locals from Zanzibar playing the sport but to our amazement they turned out to be the best.

On Friday they played Dar Gymkhana and beat them 5-1 on team score with only one Dar player managing to win the match.

The match between Dar Gymkhana and Mombasa sports club was evenly matched with final score being tied to 3-3.

On Saturday Mombasa sports club played Zanzibar with the outcome in Zanzibar's favour winning 5-1 again.

Sunday was reserved for friendlies between the three sides in the morning and followed with a farewell lunch before departure to their destinations.

Hopefully this will now become an annual event.

Dubai Bank FC Are Now Back In Winning Form!

Dubai Bank Football Club who clash against Kenya Commercial Bank FC (KCB) tomorrow (Saturday), succeeded where Bandari and Coast Stars FC failed when they managed to beat Nzoia Sugar FC 1-0 during a Kenya Premier League match played at the Mombasa City Stadium last weekend.

Dubai Bank FC became the first Coast club to beat Nzoia at the Mombasa City Stadium for the past ten years, where Bandari and Coast Stars FC featured in the top country league.

It is in the record book that Nzoia Sugar team from Western Province have been beating Coast clubs since 1993.

In the previous matches against the Bungoma team, Bandari and Coast Stars only drew in fewer matches but never won, losing on many occasions.

It was a great achievement.

for Dubai Bank which was just formed this year after Coast Stars FC was disbanded for lack of sponsorship.

Starting the league losing some matches, Dubai Bank improved after every match and have now clicked to form, winning both their home league matches played last weekend.

Dubai Bank played against Gor Mahia and won 2-0.

The home team scored their goals through an own goal by

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Soccer Scene with **Abdurehman Shami**



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KENYA TIDE TABLES

MOMBASA, December 17 - 23, 2004

FRIDAY High Water - 3.0 m. at 07.42 hrs. (7.42 a.m.) and 2.7 m. at 01.18 hrs. (1.18 p.m.) Low Water - 0.8 m. at 01.18 hrs. (1.18 a.m.) and 0.6 m. at 14.05 hrs. (2.05 p.m.)

SATURDAY High Water - 2.7 m. at 08.39 hrs. (8.39 a.m.) and 2.6 m. at 21.35 hrs. (9.35 p.m.) Low Water - 1.0 m. at 02.20 hrs. (2.20 a.m.) and 0.8 m. at 14.59 hrs. (2.59 p.m.)

SUNDAY High Water - 2.5 m. at 09.47 hrs. (9.47 a.m.) and 2.6 m. at 22.51 hrs. (10.51 p.m.) Low Water - 1.2 m. at 03.40 hrs. (3.40 a.m.) and 1.0 m. at 16.05 hrs. (4.05 p.m.)

MONDAY High Water - 2.3 m. at 11.11 hrs. (11.11 a.m.) Low Water - 1.2 m. at 05.14 hrs. (5.14 a.m.) and 1.1 m. at 17.19 hrs. (5.19 p.m.)

TUESDAY High Water - 2.7 m. at 00.06 hrs. (12.06 a.m.) and 2.3 m. at 12.36 hrs. (12.36 p.m.) Low Water - 1.1 m. at 06.35 hrs. (6.35 a.m.) and 1.1 m. at 18.29 hrs. (6.29 p.m.)

WEDNESDAY High Water - 2.9 m. at 01.11 hrs. (1.11 a.m.) and 2.3 m. at 13.46 hrs. (1.46 p.m.) Low Water - 1.0 m. at 07.41 hrs. (7.41 a.m.) and 1.0 m. at 19.28 hrs. (7.28 p.m.)

THURSDAY High Water - 3.0 m. at 02.04 hrs. (2.04 a.m.) and 2.4 m. at 14.40 hrs. (2.40 p.m.) Low Water - 0.8 m. at 08.33 hrs. (8.33 a.m.) and 0.9 m. at 20.16 hrs. (8.16 p.m.)

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

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