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'Islamic University' Launched In Lamu

WISHING OUR ESTEEMED READERS A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS!

For the first time in the history of East Africa, an Islamic University has been launched in Lamu Island on December 11th, 2004, reports *Ahmed Bagufah*.

This was as the result of inspiration by **Habib Swaleh bin Alwy Jamaluly** who built the Riyadha Mosque and founded it to be the center of education.

The **University College of Islamic Studies** is affiliated to Riyadha Mosque and will be offering courses in Islamic Sharia (law) and it related Subjects.

The University intends to inte-

grate these studies with conventional subjects.

Meanwhile a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with **African International University of Sudan** and other reputed Islamic Universities is underway for curriculum development and exchange programs.

Qualified lecturers are on board to lead educational programs.

Applications for admission will be accepted from all the qualified candidates of Secondary School level (*thanawiyah*) from various traditional Islamic Schools

recognized by the University

This was disclosed by College Principal **Sheikh Abdulkadir M. Syd. Ali Badawy** a graduate of Islamic University Medina - Saudi Arabia

The Chairman of the College

Swaleh M. Syed Ali Badawy - Sheikh Bahasan emphasized the need of having such higher Islamic learning Institution in the region for students from local *Madrasas* (Islamic schools)

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His Excellency President Mwai Kibaki is seen after officially opening the new Garsen Lamu road. Looking on are Assistant Minister for Provincial Administration Hon. Danson Mungatana and Assistant Minister for Livestock and Fisheries Hon. Morris Dzoro.

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Kenya Airways Commercial Director Hugh Fraser (centre) assisted by the airline's Coast Region Sales Manager Fred Kibor (left) are seen while presenting the airline's Mombasa-Johannesburg return ticket for two to Wema Centre, Executive Director Lucy Yinda for auction during the airline's sponsored Wema Centre (a street rehabilitation Centre in Mombasa) charity dinner. Jensen Lars H. bought the tickets at KShs. 160,000/=.

New Kenyan Airline Launch Operations With Boeing-767 Maiden Flight From Malpensa

A new fully Kenyan owned airline, **Jetlink Express** has successfully launched its inaugural international flight at Mombasa's Moi International Airport.

The Boeing-767 direct maiden flight from Malpensa Airport, Milan, Italy, touched down at 08:30 a.m. local time December 22, 2004 carrying over 250 tourists.

A Jetlink spokesman in Nairobi said that the Boeing-767 has a total capacity for 269 passengers, configured to 30 Business class seating and 239 Economy class seating.

It will offer passengers a full and comfortable service, thrice weekly from Milan, Rome and Verona between Italy and Eastern Africa.

Managing Director, Captain Elly Aluvale said:

"We are extremely excited about the launch of our operations.

"We identified a gap for travel between Southern Europe and Eastern Africa and the growing demand for capacity, mainly from the leisure traveler.

"Our motto is a smile representing our friendly attitude and we endeavour to provide quality, modern services at affordable prices and offer our passengers the flexibility they require".

He further went on to thank the Kenyan and Italian Governments for the support provided in getting

the airline off the ground within the planned schedule dates.

"We would like to take this opportunity to thank all concerned for their support, particularly our Government and the Kenya Civil Aviation Authority.

The launch of this airline is indeed very encouraging, especially with the recent recovery in tourist figures.

"We are proud to be Kenyan and proud to be contributing to the economy, and particularly the tourism and travel sectors".

He ended by mentioning:

"We have plans in the pipeline to launch a complimentary domestic and regional network.

"Currently, our Revenue Management and Network Planning department is studying this to see how we can provide our clientele onward connections with the capacity and frequency that they want.

"We will do this through co-operation and partnership with other airlines, as well as launch new routes within our company.

"Our outlook is very positive".

Jetlink which has been assigned an IATA code J0 (J-Zero) and whose headquarters is in the capital city of Nairobi, arrives at a time when tourism figures have been on a rise in Kenya as announced recently by the Kenya Tourist Board, as well as a recent gap for air travel left between Southern Europe and Eastern Africa.

The airline is expected to further boost the much-needed growth to the East African tourism sector and the economy as a whole.

Archbishop Njenga Of Mombasa THE REAL MEANING OF CHRISTMAS 2004

My dear people of God, We can rightly say that Christmas is once more around the corner. What is Christmas anyway?

This question reminds me of the question that Jesus asked his apostles one day!

We read Mathew:

"When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, 'who do you say the Son of Man is?'"

And they said, some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.

"But you," he said "who do you say I am?"

We read here it was Peter who answered the question of Jesus properly "you are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

Going back to the question of what is Christmas we get many answers. Christmas is the time of making beautiful things, bantings etc.

Christmas is the time to make merry and fun Christmas marks the end of year to send cards to friends, relatives, boyfriends, girlfriends etc.

Christmas is the time to buy new clothes - beautiful skirts and high shoes for ladies, upto date suits for men.

Time to go off for holidays, honeymoon etc. Time for sports, car rallies, horse-riding etc.

Most of all these things are very good in themselves but they certainly do not give the meaning of Christmas.

Christmas has much deeper meaning. Christmas is the time when the greatest event of humanity's history took place: with the utmost simplicity.

"And while they were there, St. Luke tells us "the time came for her to be delivered. Mary lovingly wrapped Jesus in swaddling clothes and laid him in the manger" (Luke 2:6)

This is the short story of the great mystery of INCARNATION. This is the great mystery of God becoming man.

The Son of God took flesh in the womb of the Virgin Mary. If it is because of this we rejoice, exchange Christmas cards, give gifts to one another, then we celebrate really the feast of Christmas.

We really need to go back to the scriptures, to the Sacred Liturgy to absorb the real meaning of Christmas.

Every Christmas night we hear these words of St. Luke:

"In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be enrolled."

Now we can see clearly that this decree of the Roman Emperor was part of God's Providence.

It was the reason why Mary and Joseph went to Bethlehem, and Jesus was born there as had been prophesied many centuries before.

Our Lady knew that Jesus' birth was about to take place and she set out on that journey with her thoughts centred on the Child who was to be born of her in the town of David.

They came to Bethlehem, both with joy of having reached the place of their ancestors and with tiredness caused by travelling along badly made roads for four or five days in her condition.

Our Lady must have been very tired when she arrived.

And in Bethlehem they could not find anywhere to stay.

St. Luke says: "There was no place for them in the inn" (Luke 2:7)

Mary and Joseph landed in one of those caves which served as stables outside the town.

It was there Baby Jesus was born.

Up to today, when you go to Bethlehem in the caves its written:

"**Hic Natus est Christus**".

This is the short story of the great mystery of incarnation.

This is what we celebrate at Christmas - the day the Messiah, who is Our Saviour is born.

He is born poor, and he teaches us that happiness is not found in an abundance of earthly goods.

He comes to the world without any ostentation, encouraging us to be humble and to depend on the applause of people.

It is true Baby Jesus has put the world in orde, shocking all of us in the manner of his coming.

Here is the secret of his mysterious coming - he gave himself for us.

He came that we may have life and have it in abundance. (cf. Jn. 10:10)

This time Christmas comes to us Kenyans when thousands of Kenyans are suffering from famine compounded by HIV/AIDS pandemic, unemployment, insecurity and the stalling of Constitution making - just to mention a few of our ills!

Let us remember to commend ourselves in the hands of Baby Jesus who was born to give us life in abundance.

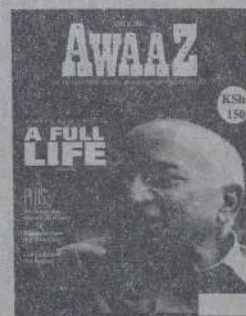
He is interested not only in our spiritual life but also political and social life.

Christmas 2004 is yet another occasion for you and me to imitate Baby Jesus, Our Saviour by being filled with His love, peace, patience, compassion, mercy, forgiveness, spirit of justice and understanding.

Your Archbishop, John Njenga, Mombasa, 2004



Archbishop John Njenga Of Mombasa



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Just as I thought - she prefers the wrapping paper."



"I've got one straight. I'm a 'dear little chap' and you're no Santa Claus."



Right ... that's the last of the Christmas cards."



Of course you can't hear anything - we are singing 'Silent Night'"

GENEREROUS GERMANS THANKED

MOMBASA HONOURARY CONSUL SIDIQ GHALIA HOSTS 'GERMAN NATIONAL DAY' PARTY

German residents living at the Coast have been congratulated on their often outstanding and generous support to numerous charity projects and social welfare organisations.

This recognition came from prominent Mombasa lawyer **Sidiq Ghalia**, who is also the Honorary German Consul at the Coast.

Mr Ghalia was addressing a gathering hosted at his Nyali residence to mark 'German National Day' and attended by German Ambassador to Kenya, His Excellency **Bernd Braun**, Culture Minister **Hon. Najib Balala** and various local dignitaries.

"I want to speak about what I call the silent Germans in the Coast Province," said Mr Ghalia.

"These are Germans we do not hear about or do not read about or know very little about.

"The service they render - in what ever small or big way they can afford - is remarkable.

"There are scores of Germans, the silent Germans, who do so much for the poor, the underprivileged, the handicapped. I would only mention very few.

"There is a German lady called **Doris Schaule** who has been educating for at last 15 years a child at the World Vision.

"There are some who are running orphanages at Mtwapa, Likoni, Diani.

"There is a German lady **Inge Hoffmann** who for years and years has been running an orphanage from the donation contributed solely by the donors in Germany.

"The orphanage is called 'Mji wa salama'.

"There is a German lady called **Ulrike Neubert** who has taught about 2000 Kenyans to read, write and speak German.

"There is a master carpenter, 82 years from Hamburg called **Sigfried Naumann** who brought in tools worth thousands of Euros for Likoni Furniture Centre.

"At the Mombasa Consulate my assistants and I have decided to recognize the services of these silent Germans by giving a small



Mr. Hubert Seifert (left) is seen while receiving the 'Mombasa German Consul' award for outstanding service from German Ambassador to Kenya, His Excellency Bernd Braun (right). Looking on (centre, from left) are Minister Hon. Najib Balala, Honorary Consul Mr. Sidiq Ghalia and Ms. Rosemarie Viole.

gift to one of them who has rendered outstanding services to the Coast People.

"We have chosen such a person: He is a soft spoken modest man, 50 years old.

"He has spent 23 years of his life in Mombasa caring and assisting the disabled to stand on their own feet.

"He joined Likoni Furniture Centre in 1982 with brilliant results. He then joined APDK, restructured it.

"Producing jewellery, clothes, leather products and wood carvings, all designing and marketing.

"He went around with a briefcase from shop to shop in Nairobi, selling the products.

"His hard work, honesty commitment was appreciated.

Donors came forward. 'They know me. They trust me'.

"One day a gentleman called **Zimmermann** walked into his office and asked him what he needs and donated Euro 23,000.00

"APDK has contributed 6000

wheelchairs all donated by the organization he represents.

"Responsible for the rehabilitation of thousands disadvantaged and disabled Kenyans.

"This man is **Hubert Seifert**, National Director for the physically disabled of Kenya.

"He said to me:

'Every disabled should have affordable facilities.'

'Every life you change is a reward for you.'

'This work is the fulfilment of my life's ambition and I shall continue with my work.'

"Mr. **Hubert Seifert** - I wear two hats in this town - one of the Hon. Consul for the Federal Republic of Germany and the other of the 'Old Boy' of Mombasa.

"As a Consul I say to you: The Germans are proud of you:

'Die Deutschen sind stolz auf Sie.'

"As the elder of this town I thank you."

Mr. Ghalia then explained about the services offered to the German community at the Coast by the German Consular office in Mombasa.

The German Consulate has been moved from Pali House to the second floor of the Bank of India Building on Nkrumah Road, very near to Fort Jesus.

The Consulate is open to the public 09.00 a.m. - 4.30 p.m.

"My assistants and I together speak nine languages including German."

"We assist all the Germans here - the Germans who live here and those who come as tourists.

"Our help to the Germans covers almost everything.

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Christmas Attraction At Cinemax Is Most Definitely A 'Fishy' Story!

As expected, the Shah Rukh Khan/ Ashutosh Gowariker *Jodi* has hit it off big time with cinegoers flocking to **NYALI CINEMAX** for *Swades*, which runs for its second great week.

Its popularity is confirmed by the fact that *Swades* is one of the lead films at the theatre for the second week running.

Astro-scientist Mohan Bhargava's search for his nanny in the village of Charanpur in India turns into a search for his own self and the Indian within him.

Values, traditions and culture, long sleeping within his soul are given an awakening in this small village, far away from his home near the space centre in the high tech America.

An added attraction at the village is the young Gita who has sacrificed a 'forward and developed' life in the city to live in the village and be a school teacher.

It takes Mohan a while to understand why any sane young person would make the kind of sacrifice that Gita has made.

A lot of movie buffs enjoyed and felt at home in the scenes when the electricity supply at the village would just go off - very much like our *Kenya Paraffin Lanterns and Candles*.

Swades is a superb film that should not be missed at any cost.

Also showing at **NYALI CINEMAX** this week is the hugely hilarious *White Chicks* starring the Wayans brothers Marion and Shawn.

It is funny enough when white folk try and impersonate blacks and vice versa, but when they need to change even their sex then things get real crazy!

Two FBI agents (who are black) have to go under cover in a girls hostel.

What better way than the go there dressed as girls.

And why not go the whole hog

and dress up as white girls, no one would even guess their real identity.

The make up artists on the sets of *White Chicks* had a mountain of an assignment not only to make two muscular black guys into attractive girls but to change their features to caucasian - which is the other side of the rainbow.

Of course the incognito guys have a lot of fun now that they are in such close range with a horde of girls, but they make sure that duty comes first and foremost.

The Christmas attraction at **NYALI CINEMAX** is most definitely a fishy story - *Shark Tale* with the voices of Will Smith, Robert De Niro, Jack Black, Renee Zellweger and Angelina Jolie who voices over for a seductress, very apt.

Down and out Oscar gets kicked out of his car wash job because he not only has a huge debt in loans but takes another loan from his girlfriend and bets it on the wrong horse.

Banned from the colony, he is tied up outside the city limits and awaits his fate there.

Down come two brothers - sharks both of them.

Funnily enough one is a vegetarian and the other is trying to teach him shark basics.

While chasing Oscar, the non-veg shark gets hit by an anchor and dies.

Oscar is suddenly touted as the shark killer and is welcomed back home as a hero.

Money and fame soon follow and everyone wants to be his friend.

But his best friend is the vegetarian shark whom he gives refuge and lives with making his legend even bigger and better.

But what will happen when the real sharks come over and everyone pushes Oscar to fight them?

Yet another new film comes in the form of *Shall We Dance* which stars Jennifer Lopez, Richard Gere, Susan Sarandon and Stanley Tucci.

Richard Gere plays a man married to his wife Susan Sarandon for many years and is successful in his career but feels he is lacking something in his life.

One day he sees a beautiful salsa dancer through a window and on impulse joins the dance school not only to learn the seductive dance but give an outlet to his emotions and energy.

We all know what happens when two hot bodies engage in a

hot dance, on a hot night - fire works!

Hulchul is still drawing audiences at the **NYALI CINEMAX** and will be on screen on Monday and Tuesday.

Seven weeks for *Veer-Zaara* and the show keeps going on and on - just like the *Energy* battery.

The action packed *Musafir* with Sanjay Dutt, Anil Kapoor and Sameera Reddy can be seen on Tuesday night.

The grand Christmas attraction at the **KENYA CINEMA** this week is Sanjay Gupta's *Musafir* with Anil Kapoor, Sanjay Dutt, Aditya Pancholi, Mahesh

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KENYA CINEMA
GRAND "XMAS" ATTRACTION

MUSAFIR

Starring: Sanjay Dutt, Anil Kapoor, Aditya Pancholi, Sameera Reddy
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 Sun. 26th Dec. - 2.45, 6.15 & 9.30pm
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The Management & Staff Wish All Our Patrons A Very Happy Christmas

North East Monsoons Seems To Have Settled On Its Course And Blows With Its Strength And Vengeance

Seven boats sailed in the third race of DECEMBER MONTHLY MUG, which was sailed on Wednesday, the 15th, in shifty and gusty winds on personal 'B' handicaps.

Guest sailor David Aslett on holidays from Guernsey, England, sailed well in Laser STEADY and was in 1st position on corrected time.

Barry Mitchell and Peter Talbot sailing in Osprey TALLY-HO instead of usual Osprey ATALANTA, which is now for repairs for leaking hull, had a good fast sail with line honours finish, but in second position on corrected time.

Kalim Hassanali and Annie Appleyard in Osprey METEORITE were in third position.

Alfred Okoth, who recently returned from Michigan, USA, after summer coaching session, was in fourth position in Topper BAMBURI.

Laser FOXY LOXY sailed by Brian Emmott was fifth.

Scott McClelland and Susan Graham sailing in Osprey TANTIVY had a capsized just before the start of the race, but continued to sail and finish in sixth position.

Guest John Hiett and Seema Shah finished in seventh position.

It was good to see Jane and

John Hiett, who were last in Mombasa a few years back in their yacht BARNACLE B, but this time visiting in their bigger yacht BARNACLE C, a 13.4m Catamaran.

A traditional Christmas Dinner party was held at MYC on the 15th and about 45 members and their guests enjoyed the delicious home-cooking provided by Lady members of the Club.

The last session of the year of Children's sail training, before the break for Christmas, was held last Saturday, the 18th, by Steve Ogada with six Toppers on the water.

Sylas sailed in WANAINCHI MARINE and Kiprotich in MEAN MERCURY

Ramadhan sailed in MERRY MARINER and John in AIR-COOL

Ashiq sailed in BAMBURI CE-MENT and Meet in STANRAY I.

Three races were sailed in moderate winds with sudden gusts.

John and Kiprotich sailed well with equal 1st position and Sylas 3rd.

Kiprotich was the best in the boat, able to keep the boat flat and his younger brother Sylas managed well to keep up though

he is a light wind sailor.

John, who has improved a lot, kept up with the two and the rest had fun behind the fleet.

The North East Monsoons seems to have settled on its course and now begins to blow with its strength and vengeance, especially in the afternoons.

The final 5th and 6th races of EDWARD WILSHAW CUP were sailed last Sunday, the 19th in Force 4 gusting 5 winds by 8 boats in strong and gusty winds. Capsizes could not be avoided

in the sudden strong gusts and all the boats had its share.

In the first race of the afternoon, four boats retired

due to capsizes and strong wind conditions namely, Osprey METEORITE sailed by Kalim Hassanali and Seema Shah, Laser ISHILIA sailed by Marilyn Barnes, Osprey TANTIVY sailed by Scott McClelland and Susan Graham with a broken rudder and David McKay in Laser TERN.

Bosun CENTURION, which was also out on the water also retired after a capsized.

The reaches in the strong winds were exhilarating and exciting.

Laser II KENZA sailed very well by Michael Smewing and Ibrahim Khan managed to keep

the mast up in the first race without any capsized and were 1st position on corrected time.

Guest David Aslett in Laser STEADY, sailed fast, though with a few capsizes, had line honours finish and in 2nd position.

Fireball CAT'S PAW, sailed by Sha Khan and Andy Burnard were 3rd. Brian Emmott in Laser FOXY LOXY persevered the many capsizes and finished in 4th position.

Six boats in the final race, Laser STEADY was in 1st position with line honours finish.

Fireball, CAT'S PAW was 2nd. Laser II KENZA, 3rd. Laser CHANZO, 4th. Laser FOXY LOXY and 5th. Osprey METEORITE.

With a total of 11 boats in the EDWARD WILSHAW CUP for series of six races, the aggregate results of the first five boats were:

1st Fireball CAT'S PAW, 2nd Laser II KENZA, 3rd Laser CHANZO, 4th Laser FOXY LOXY and 5th Osprey METEORITE.

Forthcoming Events:
 Sunday 26th December 2004 - Ampees Cup/ Juvenile Cup

Wednesday 29th December 2004 - spare



Coast Cinema Entertainment

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Manjrekar and Sameera Reddy in the lead roles.

Anil Kapoor plays the central character of Lucky who has been through plenty in life.

A tough and hardened criminal who has seen it all, he now wants to retire in Bangalore and live a life of peace and quiet.

But for his dreams he has to carry out one last job which will pay him enough to sustain him and his aspirations.

Within 24 hours, he realises that he has been betrayed by those closest to him and the whole deal has crashed.

Drug Lord Sanjay Dutt is now after his pound of flesh this takes Lucky to Goa to complete a drug deal.

The underworld takes on a whole new meaning in Goa where wine is cheap and women even cheaper and drugs line the pockets of every second person.

Once more in Goa, he botches the deal and the drug lord is not happy at all.



The Mombasa Academy Junior School were treated to an end of term outing at the Nyali Cinenax, where they watched "Brother Bear" As seen from the photograph, a great time was had by all, including the teachers! Teachers (from left) Mrs. Walters, Mrs. Willison, Mrs. Weeks, Mrs. Adamji and Mrs. Nayer - Head of Department, with class assistants Joyce, Jordina and Lillian.

Princess Wanda Transfixed The Audience With Her Amazing Voice And Excellent Acting Skills

"What a fantastic production", the pantomime held this year at Mombasa Academy was brilliant!

This years theme was *Hercules* (played by Paul Coles) who not only looked the part but sang like Pavarotti had entered the building.

The story line was Princess Wanda, "the meanest girl in the kingdom" had been kidnapped by the horrible eight foot tall "Cyclops" played by Jim Wild, and Hercules was tasked to find her and bring her back to her father "Kingsy wingsy".

The Hero set out on his journey to get her back to the king, the plot thickened when he falls in love with her (the last thing he wanted).

Princess Wanda (Claire Russel) had the audience transfixed with her amazing voice and excellent acting skills throughout.

The griffin (Michael Huges) had spoken to "Venus" (Sally Misbah) god of love to help him grow wings, she struck up a deal that if he looked after the Princess and she fell in love she would grant him his wish.

The three fates were superb in

every way - Knit one - Drop One and Pearl one had the audience laughing out loud, Sarah Lewis, Simi Kiran and Caroline Horsey slotted into their roles superbly.

The children (*Hercules's* cheerleaders) were running around the set like there was no tomorrow and a special mention to alphabet E who was by far the

smallest little girl in the panto but got the loudest cheer.

Alex Lewis making his acting debut was amazing as Medusa, his costume made everyone put there sunglasses on and his relationship with "Kingsy Wingsy" (Geoff Weeks) was brilliantly acted out.

A great night out was had by all

who attended the three performances, Jean Hughes has a knack of turning the impossible is reality, the stage set (John Chatwin) and everyone involved made the Christmas Sprit possible in Nyali, well done to all.

For the next production keep your eyes on *Coastweek*.

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Coastweek's premier web site www.coastweek.com (it also carries a 'mirror' web site www.coastweek.de) last month received a grand total number of **1,354,734** hits on their website with a total of **18,225** page views per week.

Personally, this seems simply amazing because as far as I am concerned I have never seen any other comparable weekly website hit with so many visitors.

These latest web site statistics prove absolutely that **Coastweek** must be the most popular weekly newspaper overseas from Kenya.

So how is this possible to know? Many web-site owners have what is called as web stats incorporated by the hosting providers.

For most of us, we have a difficult time to comprehend what is what with all that techno gibberish.

Getting traffic to your web site without analyzing it is like being blindfolded in a crowd.

You hear voices, but you don't know which direction they are coming from or who they are.

Without analyzing your web site traffic, it's difficult to improve your web site marketing.

The first thing you need to know is your traffic language.

You should be aware of the different terms used to describe web site traffic, so as not to be confused about how your web site visitors view the site.

Here are the main terms used: **Visit** - these are all requests made by a specific user to the site during a set period of time. The visit is ended if a set period

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of time (say 30 minutes) goes by with no further accesses.

Users are identified by cookies, username or hostnames/ IP addresses.

Hit - this is a request to the server for a file not a page.

Your page can be made up of different files, such as graphic files, audio files or CSS

and java-script files, re-sulting in a number of hits for that page. Each of these requests is called a 'hit'.

Counting hits is not the same as tracking pageviews.

It takes multiple hits to view a page.

Pageview Impression - this is the number of times a page is accessed as a whole.

Unique View - A page view by a unique person within a 24 hour period.

Referrer - A page that links to your site.

Looking at your referrers will tell you who's linked to your site.

This can be particularly valuable for seeing where your search engine traffic is coming from.

User Agent - This refers to the software used to access your site. Sometimes known as a "browser" or "client", the term user agent can describe a PHP

script, a browser like Internet Explorer, or a search engine spider like **GoogleBot**.

If you can identify what software is being used to access your site, you'll be able to tell if users are abusing it, and when the search engines last crawled your pages.

So how can you track your visitors?

These are some of the ways: **Counters** - These are heavily used on web sites by newbies but appear unprofessional.

It is very common to go to a page and see something like:

"You are visitor number 12345 to this page".

These numbers cannot be trusted as the page designer has the ability to seed the base number or to alter the counter such that it adds more than 1 each time.

Trackers - Tracking software details the path a visitor takes through your Website www.coastweek.com has its own web stats software installed which keeps track of all traffic day and night), so they do more than just count your traffic; they track it.

Tracking software tells you more than just the number of visitors - it can break visitor statistics down by date, time, browser, page viewed, referrer, and countless other values.

Basically the software keeps log files which record every single "hit" (request for a Web page or

graphic) on your Web site.

Analyzing log data can give you a good idea of where your site visitors are coming from, which pages they are visiting, how long they stay, and which browsers they are using.

Before signing on with a hosting company, make sure they offer access to raw log files.

Even if you don't need them immediately, sooner or later you'll be glad to have them.

There are also different types of log files - access, referrer, error, and agent are the primary ones.

Access Log - Analyzing the access log will give you information about who visited your site, which pages they visited, and how long they stayed on the site.

This is useful information in determining whether or not your site is working as you intend.

The record below shows the visitor's IP number or hostname, date and time of the request, the command received from the client, the status code returned, the size of the document transferred, and the browser and operating system the visitor was using.

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Jun/2003:17:17:12 -0500]
"GET page.html HTTP/1.1"
200 23443 "HYPERLINK "http://
www.coastweek.com/
index.htm" http://
www.coastweek.com/
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index.htm" Mozilla/4.0 (compatible;MSIE 5.01; Windows 98)"

Referrer Log - The referrer log contains referral information - the source that referred the visitor to your site.

If the referrer was a search engine, you will also find the keywords that were entered to find your site - very useful information. Here are some example records.

The record below shows that the visitor followed a link from somedomain.com to the index page of the site.

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HYPERLINK "http://
www.coastweek.com/
main.htm" http://
www.coastweek.com/main.htm
-> /
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This record below shows that the visitor came to coastweek

site from a search engine link. Notice the keyword data is included in the record.

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search.google.com/bin/
search?ps=news+mombasa" http://
search.google.com/bin/
search?ps=news+mombasa -> /
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As you can see, log files contain a wealth of information about how your visitors are using your site.

Now we will talk about how you get the relevant data extracted from the log files and compiled into a useable format.

In conclusion Web traffic statistics provide very valuable information about your web site.

You can make better marketing decisions through them telling you and the Web traffic analysis allows you to determine what marketing strategies are successful, then to change them accordingly, to boost your web traffic and sales.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and Boxing Day.

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Twenty Five Years' Ago

Coastweek, December 28, 1979 - January 03, 1980: His Excellency President Daniel Arap Moi received a tumultuous welcome from huge crowds of cheering KANU supporters as he arrived in Mombasa to celebrate the new year at the Coast.

New Meat prices shocked Coast residents as consumers had to dig deeper into their pockets, following sharp increases in prices of the commodity, despite no shortages being experienced.

The move came after a similar price hike in Nairobi and was gazetted in the Kenya Gazette.

Beef with bones was selling at Shs. 13/= a kilo, mutton and goat meat for Shs. 15/= while special cuts of meat like Sirloin were retailing at a whopping Shs. 23/50 a kilo.

Items worth over two hundred thousand shillings were to be auctioned on the Voice of Kenya television in the annual **Mombasa Round Table Ring Us Up Programme**.

Until the end of December, transport aircraft of the United States Air Force Military Aircraft Command passed through Kenya en route from Britain to Southern Rhodesia (Zimbabwe).

Together with Lockheed C-130 Hercules of the R.A.F., the huge C-5A Galaxies and C-141 StarLifters carried men and equipment needed for the Commonwealth ceasefire monitoring mission. The planes landed at Mombasa for refuelling.

At the International Air Conference held in Arusha, it was disclosed that Tanzania would build a new airport at it's new capital, Dodoma.

George Segal played 'Russian Roulette' at NAAZ Cinema, followed by the adults only 'Sex With A Smile'.

William Katt and Susan Day discovered the difference between making love and being in love in 'First Love' at KENYA Cinema.

The one and only Bruce Lee wowed fans at the REGAL Cinema in 'Young Bruce Lee'.

Rajendra Kumar, Hema Malini and Mala Sinha try to find the elusive 'Sunehra Sansar' ('Golden Life') at the CHOX.

Letter writers included a supporter of Regi Mthara's column, Eric Odhiambo who sent his salaams all the way from Moscow, Russia, R. Tira of Mombasa who aired his views on choosing a proper leader, Malindi's Malalo Humphrey who complained that the Sabaki River and it's brown alluvial silt was polluting the famous five mile Malindi beach, while J. F. Mugo from Nairobi lamented that there were 'too many Mr. Ten Per Cents in the public sector'.

BLAST FROM THE PAST - Coastweek's front page carried an advertisement for the new one way excursion fare between Nairobi and Mombasa from Kenya Airways - only K.Shs. 240/= per ticket.

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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

This past year the society completed 25 years of existence, an event of noteworthy achievement for any society.

At the special dinner to commemorate the event, I looked back at our achievement over the period.

This is what I deemed to be our successes, and I quote:

The first is that we have opened windows, windows of

knowledge, of entertainment and of opportunity.

The second is in Conservation, of flora, fauna and of historical and cultural artefacts, mainly built form.

Next we have put together a priceless collection of over 3000 historical photographs of this region.

Fourth, we have been disseminating specialised information through publication.

And fifth is the promotion of the natural wonders, with special interest in Birds.

The monthly Bird Walks are a

inception. I shall not call out their names, but to you too, a terrific thank you.

This year we presented video movies on Wilfred Thesiger and the Danakil, on the British Empire, Leni Reifenstahl's 'Triumph of the Will', Maya and Inca, Dolphins and Whales among others.

We were enlightened by talks on the Arabuko-Soko forest, on crow control, African writers, the Tiomin Mining Project, Coral Reefs and Eastern Turkey plus few more.

We ventured out to visit to Arocha and Mida Creek, Mchelelo primate reserve, Rabal Community Museum, Ravi Bhagat's orchard and Castle Hotel.

The photographic collection grew with donations from Phyllida Cockell and the Mitchells.

We visited with Malindi Museum Society, strengthening our relationship.

The society assisted in funding the training for a couple of Museum staff and paid for part of electrical equipment for the

Newsletter Notes From The Friends Of Fort Jesus

regular feature of our calendar of events and a mini institution in itself.

We can all collectively bask in the glory.

However, some members have excelled in service at the Council level and I wish to read out a roll of honour.

This is for long-term dedicated service on the Council, in excess of 10 years, in some cases approaching 20 years.

The persons are Judy Aldrick, Essa Khediwalla, Marlene Reid, Nellie Riegger, Nelly da Costa, Irene Coldwell and myself.

I would like to extend the Society's very special thank you to these people.

There are indeed members who have been with us continually almost since the

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'Islamic University' Launched In Lamu

FROM FRONT PAGE

during the opening ceremony. He pointed out that this is an opportunity that will uplift the Muslim community and produce more competent Islamic scholars who can serve their communities better as well as help in building the nation.

This is the beginning of a new era that will bring back Lamu's lost glory as the center of Islamic knowledge in the region.

The Chief Qadhi of Kenya urged the Management Board of the university to build a network

with Muslim scholars and professors in the region and to seek their guidance as well as advice on how to develop the institution.

Al-Allamah Syed Hassan A. Badawy handed over the keys to Sheikh Tahir Al-Hatimy (TSS) on behalf of the Badawy's (Jamaluliy) Family of Kenya to officially open the college.

In his opening speech Sheikh Tahir Al-Hatimy urged the Lamu community to give their support and make education their first priority.

The Ceremony included tradi-

tional songs (*Twari la ndia*) from Pate and *ngoma* from Siyu with *Qasidas* from different *madrasahs*.

It was well attended with guests coming from all over the country and as far as Tanzania, Zanzibar, Lebanon and Kuwait.

Sheikh Saifim bin Ahmad Bajaanir, Taha Omar, Ahmad Al-Nadhir, Mzee fadhil wa Shee, Sheikh Ahmad Nabhany, Maalim Hussein Soud Al-Maawy, Sharif Mahsen Alwy Al-Baity, and Chief Ali Al-Maawy were among the national Muslim personalities that at-

tended the function.

Among the local *Ulamah* (scholars) from different schools who attended the function included:

Sheikh Mahmood Abdulkadir, Sheikh Athman Khatib and Sheikh Abdulkadir Al-Abdaly.

On his concluding remarks the organizing secretary of Kenya Assembly of *Ulamah*, Sheikh M. Shamas, appealed to Sheikh Tahir Al-Hatimy and others to continue supporting the Lamu community and particularly the university to ensure its success.

Diamond Trust Bank Sponsor 'Nyali Open'



Brian Njoroge (left), Third during Nyali Open Championship sponsored by Diamond Trust Bank (K) Ltd., at Nyali Golf and Country Club, receives his prize from Mr. Amin Merali, Director Diamond Trust Bank (K) Ltd. Looking on is Ms. Naseem Dewji, Managing Director of Diamond Trust Bank (Kenya) Limited.

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Mr. Dave McConnell (left), Nett Winner during Nyali Golf Open Championship, 2004 at Nyali Golf Country Club, receives his prize from Joseph Mathai, General Manager Diamond Trust Bank (K) Ltd., Mombasa (centre). While congratulating him is Diamond Trust Bank (K) Ltd., Managing Director, Ms. Naseem Dewji. PHOTO - GILBERT ONCHOKE



Tyrus Kaguta (left), Runner-up during Nyali Open Championship, sponsored by Diamond Trust (K) Ltd., receives his prize from Diamond Trust (K) Ltd. Managing Director Ms. Naseem Dewji. PHOTO - GILBERT ONCHOKE

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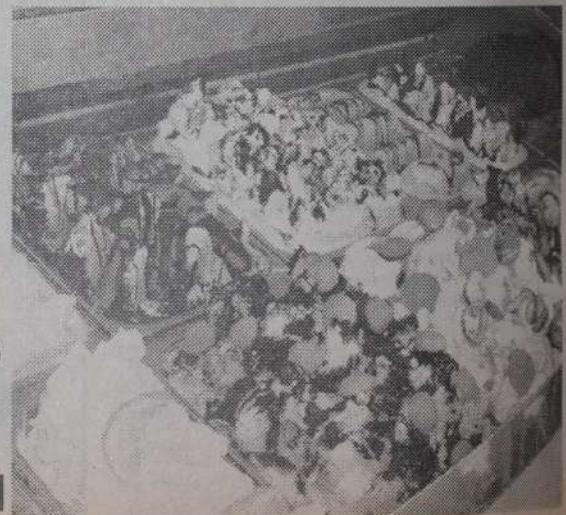


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- Seafood Extravaganza Dinner at Beach Lawn
- T-Bone and Rib Eye Nyama Nite at Jahazi Grill
- Fashion Show by African Designs
- Live Disco by GIO's Disco

26th December 2004

- Oriental Lunch Buffet with Hot Coconut Band at the Beach Lawn.
- Aqua Aerobics and Water Polo...
- 2-Ball-Volley-Ball??? Be there !!
- Boneless YOGA-Man Kariuki at Sokoni Plaza
- American Theme Buffet Dinner at Fountain Restaurant.

27th December 2004

- Dishes from the Kenyan Coast at the Beach Lawn with Maulidi Taarab Band playing on the breeze
- Indian Theme Buffet Dinner at Sokoni Plaza with oriental music by Nabil
- Seafood extravaganza at Jahazi Grill with BB Brothers.
- Coast Bees Acrobats and GIO's Disco Chakacha.

28th December 2004

- French Speciality Lunch at the Beach Lawn with Jabali Jazz
- Half-Blind-Two-Ball-Volley Ball??? Be there !!
- Swahili Theme Dinner Buffet at Sokoni Plaza
- JUMBO and KING Prawns Dinner at Jahazi Grill
- Saga Dancers crown the Mauritian Night at Sokoni with Hot Coconut Band.

29th December 2004

- Pies & Active Pasta Lunch at Beach Lawn with live band !
- Jahazi Grill open for lunch with K's Trio
- Carnival Nite at the Beach Lawn with Mombasa Heartbeat Band.
- Bombolulu Troupe showcases Kenya's Heritage through dance.

30th December 2004

- Fish & Shellfish Lunch at the beach lawn - poolside with live band
- Kenya Theme Dinner at Fountain Restaurant with K's Trio
- Seafood Bonanza at Jahazi Grill
- Cabaret by Collection Stars accompanied by GIO's KARAOKE !

31st December 2004

- New Year's eve Lunch with Brochette, Steaks, Chops, Tikka at the Beach Lawn with a jazzy breeze blown by Jabali Jazz.
- Total BLIND Volley Ball at the Beach Lawn
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Maccheroncini al Forno (Maccheroncini with meat balls in white sauce cooked in the oven)
and Linguine mare (Linguine with mixed seafood in white wine)

Main course

Roast beef (Delicious roast beef slices, served with roast potatoes) and Cotechino e lentichie (A must in the Italian new year eve tradition)

Or

Grilled lobster (served in the traditional garlic sauce and rice) and Fish fillet alla Livornese (Red snapper fillet in tomato sauce and black olives)

Or

Vegetarian Menu

MIXED Vegetarian Buffet.

Pasta

Penne Pasticciata Penne with all sweet peper colors in tomato sauce baked in the oven)

And

Cannelloni ricotta and spinach. (Cannelloni filled up with spinach and fresh ricotta baked in the oven)

Or

Main course

Parmiggiana (Egg plant, mozzarella cheese, tomato sauce, baked in the oven) and Crespelle vegetarian. (All vegetables rolled in pan cakes, baked in the oven with white sauce) and Pizzo Vegetariana. (Our famous pizza with all the vegetables)

Dessert

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Or

Sushi and Sashimi menu'

Starter

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Tofu salad- Green salad with pecan butter dressing.
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Igaguri- Torny shrimp balls filled with sweet chest nuts.

Hamaguri- Shigure-ni-Sweet cooked clams

Gyuniku Nagimaki- Steak and scallions rolls in Teriyaki sauce.

Yakitori- Chicken kebab with special sauce.

Main course Sushi

2 pcs salmon, 2 pcs Mackerel, 1 pc Eel, 2 pcs Tuna, 1 pr. prawn, 1 pc snapper, 1 pc Tamago, 1 pc Octopus, 1 pc Squid and Assorted rolls, 2 pcs Salmon, 2 pcs Tuna, 2 pcs Avocado, 2 pcs Cucumber, And

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Quite probably it was the biggest and most unique launch of a restaurant ever experienced on the Kenya coast.

Over 400 visitors of all races and ages turning up to sample a cut of a bull which had been marinated for 48 hours followed by 12 hours of gentle grilling.

It was also a day for sausage eaters who could select how much they would like to eat from very long sausages.

There was non-stop entertainment and competitions for young and old throughout at Diani's new **Bull Steak House** on Saturday, December 18, 2004.

It was something the Kenya coast will remember for some time.

Despite all the 250 kg bull having been devoured by midnight, so happy was

everyone that they did not want to go home, instead pleading for the entertainment to continue.

Unfortunately this was not possible.

It kept **Ayub Zadoc**, director and producer of events, together with **Lynda Olong**, co-ordinator of the performing groups, totally busy throughout.

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Stealing the hearts of everyone was the 'MAMA AFRICA' show, while music

lovers enjoyed the **Bahari Jazz Band** as well as the musical interludes by D.J. 'Freres Boy'.

The variety of entertainment from midday was described as 'fantastic' and also included bird, snake, puppet and acrobatic shows.

Also having a super time were the many children a large

number competing in prize-winning games as well as enjoying the 'Bouncing Castle' and the 'mini' motor bikes to ride.

Helping achieve this total enjoyment was that food and drink were being offered at extremely reasonable prices.

Despite so many turning up for the 'Bull Fest' no untoward incident occurred.

People were there to enjoy themselves and this they did to the full.

Markus Diehl's intention when opening the **Bull Steak House** was to offer the best steak on the Kenya coast.

The 'Bull Fest' proved just that.

The tender, tasty, meat being described as the 'best'.

It attracted many tourists who found this restaurant launch 'quite astounding'.

They heard it aims at all offering quality meat cooked by experienced chefs and said they had found it to be 'the tastiest meat they had found on the Kenya coast'.

All also enjoyed the Steak House hospitality making them feel at home.

Also doing a roaring trade was **Baraka Chai** and **Kericho Gold** with hundreds 'tea tasting' these two new brews and buying some to take home with them.

Many visited the Handicraft Market above the restaurant with 19 stalls offering a plethora of attractive Kenyan-made goods.

The 'Bull Fest' is not the end of surprise: events there for already planned each Thursday of the week, starting from January 13, 2005, are 'Carnival Nights'.

CARNIVAL PACKAGE

They will be a big attraction, particularly for tourists, for the **Carnival Night** package includes 'free' transport from their hotels and as much roast meat as they can possibly consume this being accompanied by baked potatoes, rice, chips and salad.

It also includes an 'African Princess Dance Show', a Magician, while 'mellow' music is being provided by a keyboard player.

It costs just Shs 1990/- per person and advance bookings can be made through your tour guide, travel agent or the **Bull Steak House**, telephone **040 320 4040**.

Putting the **Bull Steak House**, Diani, on the map is the very experienced **Hans Kosehany**, a former hotelier who has been in Kenya for 31 years.

He then set up his own

business 'The Bush Drum' 21 years ago developing it to include hotels and tours management, marketing and design consultancy.

BEST COAST STEAK

For the last three years, until July, 2004, he was working on a full consultancy contract with **African Safari Club** to help upgrade facilities there.

He had then planned to

retire, this being disrupted by Markus Diehl needing help in setting up a restaurant offering the best steak on the Kenya Coast.

The success of the **Carnival Night** was a combined effort by all involved to make its launch a most memorable and enjoyable occasion to be remembered for many years to come.

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WINDING UP 2004 WHAT'S IN STORE?

MERRY CHRISTMAS

FRIDAY, 24th December, 2004

08.00 pm
Take a trip around the world via our colorful traditional Christmas dinner "Journey Around the World on Christmas" at the Beach lawns with music by the famous Destinee Band

09.30 pm
Bombolulu Cabaret at the Beach Lawns, Karaoke at the Tamanisha Sports Pub

11.30 pm
Disco Dancing and the party continues into the night at Cocos on the Beach!

12.00 midnight
Christmas Bonfire is lit on the Beach, Midnight Mass at the "Silent Zone" - Jamba Pool

SATURDAY, 25th December, 2004

07.30 pm
Wine and dine at our "Christmas Carvery Dinner" at the Pavilions Restaurant with music by Dalla

09.30 pm
Animation Team Mime show then boogie down to Destinee till late at Cocos

SUNDAY, 26th December, 2004

07.30 pm
Explore the Arab world and culture with "Arabian Night" at the Beach Lawns - entertainment from the fabulous Rafikis Band!!

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FRIDAY, 31st December, 2004

08.00 pm "Whitesands Tropical Fiesta 2004 Dinner" with the "Destinee Band" at the Beach Lawns. (Dress Tropical!)

09.15 pm Tropical Show with the "Stardust Troupe" at the Beach Lawns

10.00 pm Bombolulu Fashion Show

11.45 pm THE COUNTDOWN begins!

12.00 midnight
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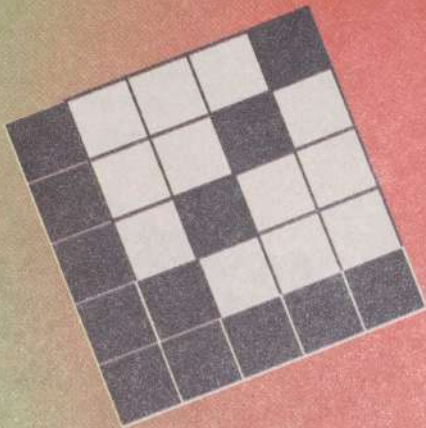


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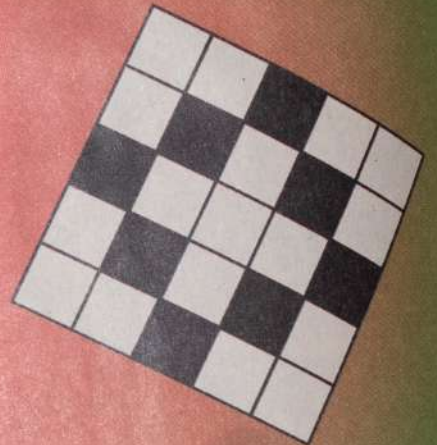


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Skål International Honour Diani Hotelier Chris Modigell With A 'Lifetime Achievement Award'

Tents are becoming the 'IN' thing in Mombasa District with registered Beach Operators undertaking their business in blue and white striped tents provided by the Kenya Tourist Development Corporation and Whitesands Hotel, Bamburi, organising a fabulous 'End Of The Year Beach Party' for Skål International Kenya Coast club in two luxurious, scalloped fringed, tents near the edge of the Indian Ocean.

Inside were white tablecloths, while all chairs were completely clothed in white satin the back of each being ringed by a wide silver ribbon and a big bow.

The unique table centre piece was a young coconut tree decorated with coloured baubles.

Strolling Players, named 'The Best Guitanist Group' greeted arriving Skalleagues and guests, while providing music was DJ Frankie Walker

Some Skål-leagues came in beach attire - shorts - and also invited was a camel enjoying from the beach the scenario from these two tents.

It was Lizā Ukua, from *Tamarind Village*, who plucked up courage to take a ride.

The sumptuous Buffet Dinner also included traditional Christmas fare - Roast Turkey and Christmas Pudding

Receiving a big cheer were *Southern Cross Safaris* which sponsored this superb and unique Christmas Dinner and 'Wines of the World' for hosting the wine.

Delightful key rings attached to a 'mini' giraffe woodcracker, were distributed to all.

Only one came in black and with it came a prize of a 'night for two, full board, in a suite at *Satao Camp*' (part of the *Southern*

Cross Safari group).

The winner, **Hans Feuth**, was thrilled to bits

Dinner was followed by a firework display with some deck chairs being conveniently placed on the beach for a grandstand view of it all.

Among those enjoying the beach party was a group from *Sarova Hotels* led by its Managing Director, **Sandy Vohra**

There was not only greetings from the Skål Chairman, **Mohammed Hersi**, (who is General Manager of this hotel), but also lots of other good news.

There was prolonged applause when he presented **Chris Modigell** with the '2004 Lifetime Achievement Award' from Skål International.

He told Skalleagues and guests 'Chris is often described as Kenya's flying Ambassador for Tourism'

Adding following his arrival here in 1976 he 'built up a leading hotel group on the Kenya Coast.

Today, he is undoubtedly, the longest serving and best known hotelier who helped place the Kenya coast, particularly Diani Beach, firmly on the world tourism map.

He did this by representing the country at many international trade fairs and continues doing so for Chris will again be at the world's largest and most important one - the *International Tourism Bourse*, Berlin, in March 2005.



Skål International Kenya Coast chairman Mohammed Hersi is seen presenting Chris Modigell (left) with the Skål International 'Lifetime Achievement Award'.

It will be his 28th consecutive attendance there!

Chris' he went on to explain 'is a past National Chairman of *Skål International Clubs of Kenya* and a current committee member.

He is a former *Kenya Tourism Federation* Board Member and Marketing Advisor.

As a previous 'Conseiller Culinaire' to the most respected *Chaine-des-Rotisseurs* he established three leading restaurants on Diani Beach.

Chris is presently a Director of

Absolute Kenya Limited.

He is a Management Consultant and Project Manager for other establishments including *Leopard Beach Hotel*, Diani, which in 2003 received the 'Leading Coast Hotel' award from *Travel News and Lifestyle* magazine.

Chris is also Honorary Consul for the Republic of Slovakia in Kenya.

After receiving this 'Lifetime Achievement Award' Chris thanked the many Kenyan travel agents and tour operators for their continued support, particularly for their help in developing domestic and regional tourism 'to which I have always attached great importance'.

He also thanked the overseas tour operators for their support over the years.

Referring to his 'often 90 or more days promotional travel a year' Chris singled out his thanks to *KLM* 'for its continued promotional support' and *Kenya Airways* for 'co-hosting many agents and press educational visits from different countries which I have been initiating over the years'.

He also thanked *British Airways* and *Regional Air* for their co-operation in developing increased traffic from Southern African markets and 'SWISS' for helping on the growing important Eastern European markets.

Chris concluded with a special thank you 'to Nita Nagi, the Skål, Nairobi, Chairlady 'for Emirates assistance on the Middle and Far Eastern Markets' and by wishing *Jake Grieves-Cook*, the new Chairman of the *Kenya Tourist Board* and recipient of this year's *Skål Kenya Personality Of The Year* award 'all the best in his difficult task'.

He also took the opportunity of assuring *Jake* of his continued support in promoting our great country - 'Destination Kenya'.

The Skål Chairman Kenya Coast also mentioned, amidst tremendous applause, that receiving Skål Kenya's 'Eco-Tourism Award', together with Kshs. 20,000/-, was *Daphne Sheldrick* of the *David Sheldrick Elephant Foundation* to which, courtesy of Chris Modigell, was added five nights for two at *Leopard Beach Hotel*.

More good news was that despite over 20 Skål Clubs in the world having to close last year Skål Kenya Coast is going from strength to strength with two new members receiving their certificates at this 'End of Year Beach Party'.

They were **Jerome Jones**, Sales Manager, *Southern Cross Safaris* and **Mehdi Othmani**, General Manager, *Tiwi Beach Resort* (formerly *Travellers Tiwi Beach Resort*).

Said the Skål Chairman 'it was the only hotel in Eastern, South and Central Africa, to win the *Thomas Cook, Neckermann, Prime 2004* award this year.

Skål Kenya Coast has adopted a three year Crow eradication programme ('*Angamiza Kunguru*') which is being run by a highly experienced crow control expert, **Tony Archer**, a consultant on environmental matters who was born in Kenya.

It is felt that with sufficient financial support the crow menace at the coast can be brought under control.

Tony Archer told Skalleagues 'I feel that something is now seriously being done about the Indian House Crow menace.'

The first phase of the programme kicked off on Wednesday (Dec. 15) starting in Nyali, Bamburi and Shanzu with Skålpaying Kshs. 20/- for any House Crow chick brought in.

We had earlier checked and found that half the nests then had eggs and the rest chicks, so this was the right time to start.'

Adding, 'this news was received with a lot of enthusiasm and the chicks have already started coming in'.

To give Skalleagues some idea of the numbers involved Tony mentioned that on December 15, and with the help of one of Dr. **René Haller's** assistants, 'we did a count on Nyali Bridge of the number of birds coming in from the Shimo-la-Tewa side shortly before seven.

There were 2480 crows coming into roost.

To that you could add another 1,000 birds who are incubating or tending their young.

The second phase of the programme will start after the breeding season is over, late January or early February.

Then serious control work will commence involving the poisoning of these birds.

It will be done under close supervision and non-targeted species are very unlikely to be affected.

We will also be using this as a training programme by bringing in people from Kilifi, Lamu Island and so on.

I have two very good men helping me - one from Watamu and one from Diani'.

Tony mentioned that he had recently spent 24 hours at Watamu seeing only one crow.

It had been an area infested with crows.

Said Tony 'this gives you an idea of what can be done'

Adding 'with the support we are now receiving I think we can make a success of this Skål crow eradication programme.'

In thanking Tony, the Skål Chairman told members 'we need all your support, so please help'

One of the items raffled that evening was a bottle of very fine Slovak Brandy - a gift from the Embassy of Slovakia. Its Honorary Consul at Mombasa being Chris Modigell.

It was won by a delighted **Antonia Fonseca**

Jerome Jones, Sales Manager, on behalf of the *Southern Cross Safaris* group, sponsors of the SKAL dinner, wished everyone

'A Very Happy, Healthy And Prosperous New Year'

He was followed by **Mike Kirkland**, Group Chairman, who said he was happy to announce the names of two new local Directors.

They are: **Dinesh Sasan**, Financial Director and **Phillip Kasavo**, Operations Director.

Adding 'the Board of Directors are delighted to have them join the board with their wide experience'.

'Mr. Sasan has been an Accountant for 14 years and holds an MBA in Finance and Marketing.

Last year he passed a very difficult examination and is one of the very few Certified Fraud Examiners in Kenya.

It is an organisation based in the USA.

Phillip Kasavo has worked in tourism for 16 years at Mombasa.

For five years he was Resident Manager of *KUONI*, UK, based in Southern Cross Safaris.

Chris Modigell in a 'Vote of Thanks' to Mohammed Hersi and his experienced team thanked them for a job exceedingly well done that night.

In congratulating Mohammed, amid applause, he mentioned 'he is also the very outspoken and dynamic Chairman of the *Kenya Association of Hotel-keepers and Caterers* at the coast who is not afraid to mine his words'.

Added Chris 'in my experience I have never seen such magnificent and beautiful decorations as you approach the hotel from the road.

They are truly fantastic'.

There was much applause for *Whitesands Hotel* and its General Manager, **Mohammed Hersi**.

Mohammed thanked them all for their presence and particularly his team for making the Beach Party such a success.

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Skål Kenya Coast chairman Mohammed Hersi is seen handing over a Skål membership certificate to Southern Cross Safaris Sales Manager Jerome Jones.

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FESTIVE SEASON PROGRAM

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Bombolulu Fashion Show @ 9.15pm
Disco

Saturday 25th December, 2004

Animation from 10am
Father Christmas @ 3pm
Dinner 7.30 - Disco - Carol Singers
Nue Beat Dancers @ 9.30 - 10.15pm
Disco

Sunday 26th December, 2004

Animation from 10am
Dinner 7.30
Sweet Mountain Band - 8.30pm
+ Cabaret Show
Disco

Wednesday 29th December, 2004

Animation From 10am
Masai Market @ 4pm
African Night Dinner (kikoi Night)
Masai Dance @ 9.15pm
LIVE BAND - SAFARI SOUND BAND
Disco

Thursday 30th December, 2004

Animation from 10am
Lebanese Night - Dinner @ 7.30pm
LIVE BAND - NABIL AND THE
SAVANAS STAR MIX CABARET
SHOW @ 9.30PM
Disco

Friday 31st December, 2004

Animation from 10am
Gala Dinner @ 7.30pm
Live Band - Sweet Mountain Band
Star Mix Cabaret - Salsa +
Acrobatics Show @ 9.45pm
Count down to New Year
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Just a few minutes north of Mombasa is Nyali Beach, home to **Prosurf Extreme**, Kenya's leading watersports company.

Prosurf Extreme have recently joined forces with UK Company X-Isle Sports to offer the latest watersports craze of kitesurfing.

X-Isle Sports is one of the UK's largest kitesurfing schools and is accredited as a British Kitesurfing Association Recognised Training Centre (BKSA), an International Kiteboarding Organisation (IKO) Affiliated Centre, and is the UK Wipika International Centre for Kiteboarding excellence.

All Kitesurfing instructors have been trained to the highest levels in the UK, are

Kitesurfing Along Nyali Beach

fully qualified by the BKSA / IKO, and have a wealth of experience in teaching the sport.

The centre uses the latest kit from Wipika — one of the world's original Kitesurfing brands.

Courses are on offer for all levels from beginner through, to advanced and children from as young as 10 years old can be catered for.

Kitesurfing was popularised in the late 1990's and involves the use of a kite and a surf board to speed around on the water and also perform amazing aerial tricks at

anything up to 20 metres in the air.

From humble beginnings Kitesurfing is now one of the fastest-growing watersports in the world, and is now growing in popularity along the Kenyan coast.

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Based at the **Tamarind Village** Mombasa, is the Kenyan coast's latest watersports addition - the **Tamarind Ski Centre**.

This dedicated wakeboarding and waterskiing school is managed by **Prosurf Extreme**, Kenya's leading watersports company, and operated by Evolution, a UK based waterskiing school.

All teaching is provided by British Water Ski Federation qualified instructors, and training takes place on Evolution's brand-new 19 foot ski boat.

A variety of courses are on offer from beginner lessons to boat and driver hire for the more experienced.

Evolution uses the latest skis and wakeboards from O'Brien.

The ski school operates from the **Tamarind Village** in Tudor Creek, just North of Mombasa, guaranteeing flat water — ideal for starting out or learning to perfect more advanced moves.

Accommodation can be found at the **Tamarind Village** which is a collection of luxury, fullyserviced apartments from where the Ski School operates, and which also boasts one of Africa's finest

restaurants as well as squash courts, a gym, spa and swimming pools.

The **Tamarind Ski Shop** As well as providing activities on the water, **Prosurf Extreme**, in association with Evolution has also opened Kenya's first extreme sports retail outlet in response to the increasing demand for extreme sports.

The shop stocks the latest kitesurfing, wakeboarding and water-skiing equipment from Wipika and O'Brien, as well as clothing and accessories from Protest, Nine Plus, Smith, Animal, Bodyglove, West and Banana Moon.

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Driving when under the influence of alcohol is a very common occurrence everywhere in the world.

In the so-called first world, there are specific laws against drink driving and these are enforced rigorously.

The statutes have been carefully thought out and modified as they are challenged through cases.

They have become very tight and people respect the law as the loopholes have been progressively closed over the years.

In Kenya we bark about drink driving but the laws in the country are so rudimentary that the enforcement is almost impossible.

The boys in blue do not have a clue about the technical issues surrounding an arrest for drink driving.

Uncle John's Ministry of Transport and Communications has been murmuring about getting tough on this angle but there has been no action yet because it would be a Herculean task to get the whole process set up.

The legislators are also busy trying to sort out what NARC is or isn't as well as trying to

ANY AMOUNT OF ALCOHOL WILL HAVE AN EFFECT

One Doesn't Have To Be Stone Drunk To Cause An Accident

influence the Constitution review process to suit whatever political alignment they have.

Getting robust laws about drink driving is very low in their priorities yet a large percentage of accidents especially in this festive season we are in, are caused by driving whilst under the influence of alcohol.

One doesn't have to be stone drunk to cause an accident.

Any amount of alcohol will have an effect.

The most common myth is that when we have a few drinks we are still O.K. to drive.

The truth is that every single drink will affect driving performance.

One cannot calculate by any scientific or other method what their alcohol limit is.

If you hear someone who drove to an event say that they are not affected by one or two drinks, read that to mean that they are

already giving an excuse for drink driving.

Consider that for a man of average weight, the body takes about an hour to get rid of one unit of alcohol.

(A unit is a glass of wine, a tot

bolism all play their part in determining how alcohol affects one.

Though the units defined above can be generally used as a guide, it is true that many beers and wines are stronger than average.

Also, in the season there is likely to be home entertainment and also company parties.

Drinks poured during these occasions tend to be more generous than drinks sold over the counter in bars and restaurants hence one cannot be certain how much they have drunk.

People also tend to prepare cocktails, punches and there are also drinks that are pre-mixed and sold as "soft" alcohol such as Smirnoff ice and other Alco pops.

The high alcoholic content is masked by the taste of fruit juice or the pop in which they are contained.

The other myth about drinking is that once one has had a meal,

alcohol will have little effect.

The common phrase we hear is that one has to build gabions before they have a drink.

The very fact that we refer to gabions means that we expect a flood of liquid that can cause erosion.

This is very true about drinking after eating a large meal.

One tends to drink more.

The alcohol one takes will still affect one's judgement and driving.

It will only take a little longer to get into the system.

FEEL SAFE FACTOR

Another feel safe factor is when drivers think that they do not have along distance to drive.

Going for a drink at the bar just one kilometre down the road does not make it any safer or less risky to drink.

A large proportion of accidents happen within three kilometers of the start of a drive.

Once one starts to drive they are committed and more often than not we realise that we are not fully alert.

The issue of being in the locality cuts in and we continue to drive even though we should really park the car and walk or call a taxi.

Consider that you have a half litre bottle of Hobson's choice.

Within ten minutes, half the alcohol will be in the bloodstream.

The buzz will have started and it is quicker than we think.

Within an hour all the alcohol will be in the blood stream and the transformation to impaired judgement will have started or in some people fully entrenched.

However, getting rid of the booze is a painfully slow process.

People tend to think that they are fine the morning after but this is as far from the truth as the hair is from the toes.

Take a typical Saturday night out drinking.

By midnight, say the amount of alcohol in the blood is around

200 milligrams per 100 mls of blood.

By early the next morning it may have halved to 100 milligrams per 100 mls of blood.

At this level, experts still consider that one's judgement will be impaired if they drive or operate any machinery.

There are common remedies for improving the removal of alcohol.

A shower, taking a beverage like coffee or even taking copious quantities of water will speed up the rate at which we get rid of alcohol.

Saying one is sober is another feel good factor so that we can get behind the wheel and drive.

If we are to go out during this festive season of at any other time and we are likely to drink then we should be proactive and take the right options.

The most obvious is that we should not drink if we are to drive.

We should also not offer a drink to someone who is... let them make that decision.

If we are to drink then accept that you may have to take a taxi and then leave home by taxi to avoid the temptation of driving once your judgement has been impaired by drinking.

Consider staying overnight at a local rest house, guest house or hotel.

(Most consider this to be un-African).

You could also agree that one of you does not drink and will be the driver and take it in turns over time.

As Kachumbi 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.

Finally we should avoid drink driving completely.

Have a Merry Christmas



of whisky or a standard half litre bottle of beer).

There is no guide as to how much one can drink based on this.

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'Oshwal Yuvak Sangh' Mombasa Swim Boost

Kenya Government last year set Education as one of its highest priorities by initiating the Free Primary Education Policy.

There are over 17,000 primary schools in Kenya and because of this policy, there has been an enormous influx of students into these schools.

This Policy has certainly given these children an opportunity to learn the basics.

At the most basic level, every young child has the right to education, which can neither be denied nor taken for granted.

However some of the schools are poorly equipped and lacking in proper learning and teaching materials and certainly cannot cope with this demand.

Bearing in mind the above and considering that our country celebrated 40 years last December, Oshwal Yuvak Sangh, presented its members with a humanitarian opportunity to contribute their efforts to support this Policy by raising funds, to enhance education facilities, through a 24 hour Fund Raising Swimathon event.

This 24 hour Swimathon was held at the Oshwal Swimming Pool Complex, (behind Sai Rose Hotel) Mombasa.

A total of 115 swimmers, between 5 years to 75 years in

age, participated and swam for this worthy cause to provide a 'Gift of Better Learning Facilities'.

Oshwal Yuvak Sangh with assistance from Vinodhrai Dattani have successfully carried out the following projects:

- Amani Primary School Mikindani - October 2004 Provision of running water via installation of a Bore-Hole with a submersible water pump, piping and water tanks at a cost of 250,000/-.

- Tom Mboya Unit for Celebral Palsied (Government assisted School) - November 2004 Installation of an overhead water tank, rehabilitation of Washrooms and Toilet blocks and all piping works within the School compound.

Chairman Nilesh Mohanlal Shah and the Donations Convenor Sailesh Shantilal Shah appreciates Vinodhrai Dattani and thanks everyone who swam and contributed their efforts and those who provided support whether financial or in kind to this worthwhile cause.

He also hopes that their decision to support this Education Policy will ensure the quality of primary education is not undermined by lack of infrastructure and instructional materials and will assist to alleviate some, if not all, the problems in certain schools.

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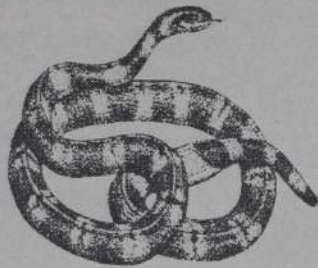


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WIR WÜNSCHEN UNSEREN LESERN FROHE WEIHNACHT!

Schulkinder in Großbritannien sammeln Geld für Wasserprojekte im Tsavo-Ost-Nationalpark

EINE GRUPPE von Schülern aus dem Vereinigten Königreich (U.K.) kam kürzlich nach Kenia um dem "Königreich der Tiere" einen Besuch abzustatten.

Sie befassen sich aktiv mit Tier- und Umweltschutz und setzen sich besonders ein für die am meisten gefährdeten Arten wie Elefanten und Nashörner.

Sie würden inspiriert von der Arbeit, die Daphne Sheldrick seit vielen Jahren ausführt, indem sie verwaiste Elefantenbabys aufzieht, deren Mütter von Wilderern wegen ihres kostbaren Elfenbeins getötet wurden.

Es war keine leichte Aufgabe, für diese Elefantenbabys zu sorgen, zuerst musste die richtige Milchmischung herausgefunden werden.

Überdies müssen die Tiere rund um die Uhr betreut werden, um zu überleben.

David Sheldrick, Daphnes verstorbener Mann, war einer der ersten Wildhüter in Kenia und während 27 Jahren in Voi stationiert.

Die Schüler wurden auch motiviert, Daphne Sheldrick zu helfen, durch das Buch "A Cry from the Wild" von Lissa Ruben.

Einige Schüler kontaktierten Jackie Vet, eine Lehrerin in der Bury Church of England High School, Haslam Brow, Bury, bei Manchester, und erklärten, dass sie irgendwie helfen möchten.

Daraufhin wurde der "Children of the Sheldrick Wildlife Trust" gegründet und seit 1993 haben sie Geld für dieses Projekt gesammelt.

Bisher sponsorten sie drei Windmühlen im Tsavo-Ost-Nationalpark (die einzige Wasserquelle im südlichen Tsavo) und der erste Brunnen wurde gegraben, der das Hauptquartier des Kenya Wildlife Service (KWS) in Voi mit Wasser versorgt.

Sie wollen ferner die Wasserversorgung organisieren im nördlichen Teil von Tsavo-Ost, wo die verwaisten Elefanten und ihre Betreuer leben.

Die älteren Elefanten sollen später in der Wildnis frei gelassen werden, 25 Tiere werden zur Zeit darauf vorbereitet.

Die Hauptaufgabe für die Schüler war die Übergabe eines Schecks über 10.000 Pfund Sterling an Daphne Sheldrick für die Wasserversorgung.

Am Ende der Safari sagte Jackie Vet in einem Interview im Serena Beach Hotel:

"Daphne war überwältigt, als sie den Scheck erhielt und noch mehr erstaunt als sie hörte, dass wir auch weiterhin für ihr Werk Geld sammeln wollen."

"Sie erklärte, dass die Zahl der Elefantenweibchen leider zugenommen hat wegen vermehrter Wilderei und Konflikten zwischen Mensch und Tier."

"Es freut uns jedenfalls zu hören, dass Kenia sich weiterhin weigert, Elfenbein zu verkaufen."

Im Tierwaisenhaus sahen sie, wie die Betreuer mit den Elefanten spielten und alle viel

Spaß hatten, wenn sie mit einem Schlauch bespritzt wurden.

Southern Cross Safaris brachte die Schüler von dort nach Tsavo-Ost, um ihre Projekte zu besichtigen.

Sie wohnten drei Tage im Satao Camp.

Einige ihrer Projekte wurden von BBC U.K. gefilmt für das TV-Programm "The Really Wild Show".

Aufgenommen wurde der Besuch im Daphne Rehabilitation Centre in Tsavo-Ost für verwaiste Elefanten, nachdem sie vom Waisenhaus in Nairobi entlassen worden sind, ferner die drei von der Schule gesponsorten Windmühlen.

Sie besuchten auch die ärmliche Ore Primary School, wo sie Sportaus-rüstung überbrachten wie Torposten, Tennis und Badminton Rackets, Schreibwaren etc.

Sie arrangierten für die Schulkinder auch einen Ausflug in den Tsavopark, für viele die erste Gelegenheit zu einer

(13), Rebecca Grundy (13), Katie Fenton (13), Charley Robinson (13), Samantha Spence (18), Ashleigh Rolling (17), Naomi Catterall (13) und Sara Mottram (21).

Die Schüler wurden ausgewählt auf Grund ihres Engagements für den Trust.

Fünf sind noch in der Schule, einer besucht das College, zwei die Universität und einer arbeitet bereits.

"Alle besuchten unser Schule und kehren immer wieder zurück, um uns bei unseren Projekten zu helfen," sagte Jackie Vet, die von ihrem Mann Rayvet begleitet war, der auch stets mithilft.

Die Reise nach Kenia wurde organisiert von Jackie mit Hilfe von Southern Cross Safaris, Serena Hotels, Holiday Inn und der Hilton Gruppe.

Der Sheldrick Wildlife Trust erhält gute Reklame durch das BBC TV-Programm.

Wenn die Schüler nach Hause zurückkehren, werden sie Vorträge und Präsentationen halten in verschiedenen Schulen und Organisationen.

Sie werden mit vielen Bildern

von Southern Cross Safaris, zu einem Gruppenbild vor dem Hotel gebeten wurde, war Kasuku schwer enttäuscht, dass in seine Bewunderer verließen.

Dann sagte Katie Fenton von der älteren Gruppe des "Children of the Sheldrick Wildlife Trust" ein paar Worte.

Sie dankte Mike Kirkland für die Gastfreundschaft im Satao Camp und auch für den Transport für alle Ausflüge.

"Wir haben wohl die besten Fahrer! Fahrer erhalten, David Wamai Kumuhu und Shem Nyamai, die wir umgetauft haben King David und Prince Shem, sie waren ganz hervorragend."

BILD DER GRUPPE

Katie überreichte Mike Kirkland eine Beschreibung der Werke des Trust, ein Bild der Gruppe vor der Schule in Großbritannien und einen Kugelschreiber mit seinem eingravierten Namen.

Er dankte für die Gaben und sagte:

"Es war mir ein Vergnügen, Euch zu helfen."

Während sie im Serena Beach Hotel wohnten, besuchten sie

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NACH EINER sagenhaften Safari im Tsavo-Ost-Nationalpark versammelten sich die glücklichen Acht des "The Children of the Sheldrick Wildlife Trust" von der Bury Church of England High School, Haslam Brow, Bury, bei Manchester, U.K. zu einem Gruppenbild vor dem Serena Beach Hotel, Mombasa. V.l.n.r. Chris Brain, Jack Murphy, Rebecca Grundy, Katie Fenton, Charley Robinson, Samantha Spence, Ashleigh Rolling, Naomi Catterall und Sara Mottram. T.v.l. Safari Fahrer/Führer David Wamai Kumuhu, 10.v.l. Gruppenleiterin Jackie Vet, ganz rechts Mike Kirkland, Chairman von Southern Cross Safaris.

Safari. Jackie Vet erwähnte, dass sie einen Lastwagen zur Verfügung stellten, um Grünzeug vom Busch in das Tiergehege zu transportieren.

"Bisher haben wir für den Trust und KWS 70.000 Pfund Sterling aufgebracht."

"Wir unterstützen auch das Voi. Ausbildungszentrum und schicken regelmäßig Bücher, Schreibmaterial, Videos etc."

"Die Safari war sagenhaft", kommentierten die Schüler, "es war das schönste Erlebnis und eine einzigartige Erfahrung."

LAGERFEUER

Alle waren begeistert vom Campleben und fanden das Essen hervorragend, vor allem schätzten sie das Barbecue und genossen einen Drink bei Sonnenuntergang, während sie um das Lagerfeuer saßen.

Jackie Vet koordiniert das Werk des Trust.

Es war die vierte Gruppe, die sie nach Kenia brachte, nämlich Chris Brain (21), Jack Murphy

von ihren Erfahrungen in Kenia erzählen.

Die Gruppe wurde auch unterstützt von Barclays Bank Bury Branch, Greater Manchester, U.K., die sagte:

"Wenn einer unserer Angestellten an einem Wohltätigkeits Event teilnimmt, werden wir das gesammelte Geld um 750 Pfund Sterling erhöhen."

"Durch unsere gesponsorten Kanufahrten sammelten wir 950 Pfund und mit den 750 Pfund von Barclays konnten wir 1700 Pfund aufbringen, wofür wir außerst dankbar sind" sagte Jackie.

Das Interview im Serena Beach Hotel wurde mehrmals unterbrochen von einem eifersüchtigen Papagei (Kasuku), der sich ignoriert fühlte.

Kasuku piff den Anfang der französischen Nationalhymne, imitierte lautstark das Läuten eines Handys und schloss seine Vorstellung mit ein paar bewundernden Pfiffen ab.

Als Mike Kirkland, Chairman

den Haller Park und die Bombolulu Schmuckwerkstätten.

Im Haller Park waren sie besonders interessiert, wie die Pflanzen und Bäume eingesetzt wurden, damit auf dem unschönen Odland ein sich selbst erhaltendes Ökosystem entstehen konnte.

"Wir sind sehr dankbar für die Einladung und können den Park als äußerst interessanten Ort allen Leuten empfehlen, welche die kenianische Küste besuchen," sagte Jackie.

Über ihren Besuch in Bombolulu, einem Projekt der Vereinigung der Körperbehinderten von Kenia (Association of the Physically Disabled of Kenya), kommentierte sie:

"Es war erfreulich, ein Unternehmen zu sehen, das die Behinderten unterstützt und Gegenstände verwendet, die wir unbedacht als Abfall entsorgen, die hier jedoch mit neuen Ideen zu Schuckstücken verarbeitet werden."

C.M.C. Coast is proud to announce that it will be sponsoring the 3rd round of the Kenya National Autocross Championship that will be organised by Mombasa Motor Club over the Easter Weekend - Saturday 26 March 2005.

This will be a high profile event with competitors from Nairobi coming down to the coast to attempt to beat our local talent and score maximum points towards next year's championship that was won this year 2004 by Sammy Aslam.

However, to keep the momentum of motoring spectacles in the public forefront a fun day's Christmas Autocross has been organised for Monday 27th December 2004 starting from 12 noon.

Following in the wake of the highly enjoyable, exciting and well supported Training Rally held at the same venue on Jamhuri Day, work continues to be done to make the track safe yet smoother, faster and more exciting for both driver and spectator alike.

A grader from Bamburi Cement has been sought to assist but even if it is unavailable the track will be improved by filling the rutted areas with gravel that will be smoothed by a JCB organised from Clivcon.

While the JCB is at the track it

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will also be employed to dig some serious holes in which indigenous trees will be planted to give shade for the future and to help improve the environment.

The young ladies who helped out with "time-keeping" at the Training Rally have promised their continued support and a bar and music is likely from the ever-popular "Bob's Bar" run by Bada.



All safe vehicles are welcome to enter this auto-cross but drivers must be members of MMC in order to participate.

MMC Membership Cards will be available for 2005 at this event (2000/=) so that any driver wishing to get their KMSL National or International Competition License (for which they MUST be a member of a KMSL-Affiliated Motor Club) can keep ahead of the field.

Competition licenses are required for any driver wishing to enter any of the Kenya National Auto-crosses or in the Kenya National/2-Wheel Drive Rally Championships.

MMC also holds many "Closed events", which, like this Christmas Autocross are only open to MMC Members so that

everyone can get maximum benefit from being an active member of the premier Motor Club in the country.

Entry fees for the autocross will be set at 1000/= with an additional compulsory 3rd party insurance cover of 1500/=.

Signing on and scrutineering will start from 9.30 am with official practice starting at 11.00 am.

Competitors will be allowed 2 "official practice" laps that will be timed to assist the organisers with the "seeding" of the drivers to try to ensure competitive races between the entrants.

As usual, in accordance with the wishes of the Directors of Hussein Dairy Limited all spectators are welcome to watch free of charge but everyone is requested not to damage the environment and to take away with them any litter that they may bring to the event.

There is also a "Motoring Display Event" being staged at the City Car Park over the festive period and rumour has it that the organisers of this event (not MMC) are applying for permission to hold a series of quarter mile dash races over the Nyali Bridge around midnight on Christmas Day night - December 25.

Unless permission is granted by the police, motorists are

strongly advised NOT to play at being the "Fast and the Furious" ...


Be SAFE- don't drink and drive over the Festive Season or it

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Greenkeeper Kishor Lakhani Is Doing A Remarkable Job !

Mombasa Golf Club held the Annual John Lavelle Bowl competition last weekend which is a Men's Foursomes competition played by MGC Members choosing their own partners, reports Cuniculus.

The links golf course remains in remarkable shape with the Hon. Greenkeeper, Kishor Lakhani continuing to do a remarkable job of maintaining the greens in good condition and employing enough casuals to slash the rough and fairways to a genuine golfing level.

However, for a change it was not the Hon greenkeeper who fared best on a tricky day when the strong Kaskazi started blowing from the north east around lunchtime.

Scoring well in the first nine were three pairings each with 18 points, John Riley and John Oxtoby, Jayant Shah and Clive Bamsley and Vice Captain - Ben Mureithi and his partner Simon Wambugu.

On the 'back nine' it was a different course with the greens

faster and the wind playing tricks on the unwary

From out of the blue I. Kudrati and Basker Patel found their form and fired a19 points for a total of 34 that was just not impressive enough to pip the winners for 2004, Rohit Devani and J. K. Kim who won on count-back after posting 20 points on the second nine.

J. Shah and C. Bamsley were compensated with the prize for the Best 2nd nine and B. Mureithi and S. M. Wambugu getting the Best 1st nine

(No player may win more than one prize.)

IMPERIAL BANK SPONSOR MEDAL

The Ladies Section of MGC also enjoyed a day out on the links in another of their Monthly Medals sponsored by Imperial Bank.

The course is always demanding for the ladies with Tee positions not far removed from the men's section and

any lady who plays to her handicap at MGC certainly deserves her prize.

In the Silver Division Diana Munyao had the best gross score and also won the Division with a Nett 79 with Lady Captain, Sue Williamson a stroke behind on 80.

Mrs Suhas Gudka won the Bronze Division with a Nett 77 from Jane Githere, the runner-up on 82 beating Alice Wahome on count-back.

Alice however, had the prize for the Best Putter managing only 28 putts overall.

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FROM PAGE SIX

Museum Photographic laboratory.

The main thrust of my address this evening is to urge you to fully participate in the events.

In fact, I would love to see more volunteers, that is new young faces, on the Council.

All these places mentioned above can be visited alone, most of these video are available for viewing in the comfort of your homes, but I guarantee that the same video or visit takes on an altogether new level of experience and enjoyment when seen in the

company of friends.

For many of the places, an FFI outing is probably the only way to see them, eg the primate reserve, the WW1 sites in Tsavo or the walking safari to the islands

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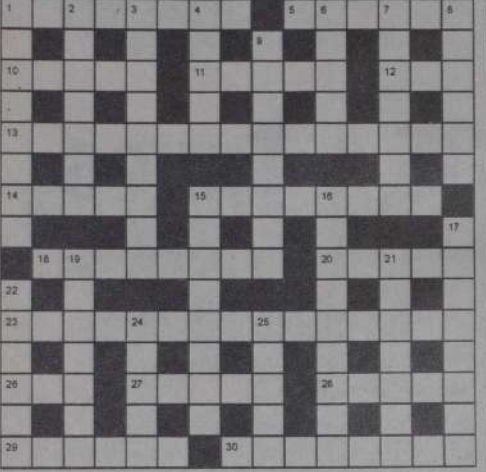
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- ACROSS:**
- Shining with moderate brightness [8]
 - A moving description of a flea? [6]
 - Nigel loses himself, here in Scotland [5]
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 - Given a new appellation [8]
 - Tax valuer [8]
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 - Dwelling on bygones? [6,2,3,4]
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 - Move by brute force? [9]
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 - Beneath [5]
 - Go before [7]
 - Something to get you better [5]
 - One whom Micawber might have owed much to? [8]
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 - A willing chap [8]
 - A highly seasoned sausage [7]
 - A restaurant for the cuppa-minded? [3-4]
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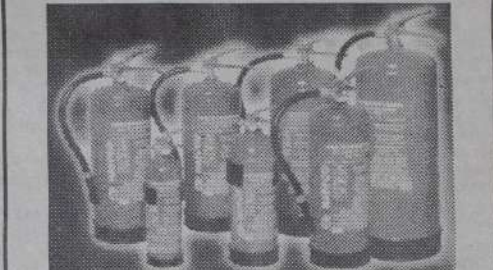
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Diamond Trust Bank Kenya Limited Honoured To Sponsor Nyali Open Golf Championship

Speech given by Nasim Devji, Managing Director, Diamond Trust Bank Kenya at the awards ceremony for The Diamond Trust Nyali Open Golf Tournament on the 19th of December 2004 at Nyali Golf Club, Mombasa.

Chairman of Kenya Golf Union - Mr. Kinuthia, the Chairman of Nyali Golf and Country Club Dr. Terry Kaguta, the Golf Captain of Nyali Golf and Country Club Mr. Hanif Walli, all the Golfers who participated in the Diamond Trust Nyali Open Invited Guests, Ladies and Gentlemen

There is a notion going round that when giving a loan or advance to a customer, a banker give him an umbrella when the sun is shining on his business and quickly takes it away when it starts to rain.

Today, I want to correct this notion. We have given all of you an umbrella that you can use come rain or sun shine.

Let me first of all say how pleased I am on behalf of the Board of Directors and the entire staff of Diamond Trust Bank Kenya Limited that you have given us this singular honour to sponsor the Nyali Open Golf Championship.

I am given to understand that today's is the penultimate event in Kenya Golf Union 'Golfer of the Year' calendar.

I am made to understand that the coveted Golfer of the Year award, will be presented later on, this afternoon.

Before I say a little bit about our bank, allow me to introduce some of my Directors and the management staff who are present here this afternoon.

I would like to begin with Mr. Mahmood Manji.

Many of you am sure know Mr. Manji who is the Deputy Chairman of our bank, as well as director of our sister banks in Tanzania and Uganda.

Mr. Manji is a career banker and is the former Managing Director of Diamond Trust Bank.

Abdul Samji, he surely does not need an introduction.

He is a very well known face in Mombasa's business and professional circles.

Abdul is the Chief Executive of PKF Certified Accountants and is also a member of Diamond Trust Bank's board audit committee.

Next we have, Amin Meralli, also based in Mombasa.

Amin is a businessman and hotelier of repute. Amin also serves as on the board's audit committee.

Jack Kisa has worked for several years with the World Bank.

Mr. Kisa has been a director of the board for several years is the Chairman of the board's audit committee.

These are the people who formulated our strategy and who keep us on the straight and narrow, so to speak.

As you know, I cannot run this institution on my own. I would like to now introduce to you my hands and legs, those who will be knocking on your doors.

Let me start by introducing our host in Mombasa.

Joseph Mathai, General Manager of Mombasa Branch

Shahzad Karim, General Manager in charge of Corporate business

Gopa Kumar, General Manager of our new Retail Banking initiative as well as being in charge of Nairobi Branches

Imrana Qureshi, Heads our new retail initiative - Open Banking

Stella Mulinge, Head of Western Union

While many of you may already know about Diamond Trust Bank, please indulge me for a few minutes as I talk a bit about our history and some of the more recent initiatives that we have undertaken or are planning to venture into in the New Year.

Diamond Trust Bank is a major player in the Banking industry, not only in Kenya but also in East Africa, since we are a regional bank with offices in Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania.

The group traces its roots back to 1946 when it was first set up as a community based finance house.

Since then, the bank has acquired a much wider public profile, we have been listed on the Nairobi Stock Exchange since 1972.

Diamond Trust Bank is an affiliate of the Aga Khan Fund for Economic Development (AKFED), the economic development arm of

the Aga Khan Development Network.

The International Finance Corporation, the private lending arm of the World Bank, is also one of our shareholders.

After years of specialising in hire purchase finance, the bank in Kenya, along with its affiliates in the region, commenced commercial banking operations in 1997, offering a full range of commercial banking products.

Diamond Trust is committed to expanding its regional branch network, and in the last two years the bank has opened two new branches in Nairobi.

Bringing the total number of branches in Kenya to five - three in Nairobi and one each in Mombasa and Kisumu.

Diamond Trust Bank Tanzania has also opened a branch in Mwanza recently and there are plans to open another branch in Dar es Salaam in the coming year.

In Uganda too, we plan to open a second branch in Kampala in 2005.

Until recently, the bank has been operating as a niche corporate bank.

However, in the last two years, it has embarked upon a retail strategy with a view to build critical mass.

As part of this strategy, last year Diamond Trust Bank became the first, and remains the only, commercial bank in Kenya to offer Western Union money transfer services.

The introduction of Western Union services was the first step in introducing broad based retail products.

Within the first year of operations, the banks scooped the first prize for excellence in customer service and expansion of Western Union network in Africa, Asia and the Middle East.

As a demonstration of the bank's continuing commitment to service excellence, its main Western Union location was only in the last few weeks ranked second in Europe, Middle East and Africa, and indeed first in Africa, in terms of customer service.

My congratulations to Stella, who manages that end of the business.

As part of its foray into the retail market, Diamond Trust Bank has recently launched an exciting and competitive suite of retail products under the 'Open' banner.

We have invested in eleven state of the art cash dispensers as well as deposit accepting ATM machines spread across Nairobi, Mombasa and Kisumu.

Through the 'Open' banking, customers also have access to Internet banking.

This product, is being rolled out by Imrana and her team of committed sales people.

I must say that the reception is quite satisfying.

Most of you are our corporate clients and we have not forgotten you in our move to the retail sector.

We have designed new, technology based services including electronic bulk salary transfers for salaried employees and an innovative electronic cash wages payment solution through ATM's based at client sites.

The bank also plans to introduce SMS banking and VISA card services in the near future.

These product innovation measures aimed at meeting customer needs have been made possible through a substantial investment in technology made by the bank in 2004.

As we move into the future, we remain cognisant of the fact that all these initiatives would not be successful or even possible, were it not for our most treasured resources - our customers.

In this respect, I would like to sincerely thank all of our customers, many of whom have graced us with their presence here today and who have continued to patronise our bank for many years.

Thank you and thank you again for your unwavering confidence and valued custom.

Congratulations are also due to the various winners of this weekend's tournament.

My appreciation also to all the participants.

Those who did not win, well better luck next time.

Special thanks to the Golf Captain Hanif Walli for his co-operation and support, Musa Odada, the Club Manager for his assistance and all the other officials of the Nyali Golf and Country Club.

This is a delightful club and it's always a pleasure to be here.

Before ending allow me to wish each and every one of you a very merry Christmas and a happy, peaceful and blessed new year.

Asante sana na Mungu awabariki.



Imrana Qureshi Presents Golfer Ismael Gulamali With Nett Runner-Up Trophy

Ismael Gulamali (left) Nett Runner-up during Nyali Open Championship, receives his prize from Diamond Trust Bank (K) Ltd., Retail Banking Manager, Ms. Imrana Qureshi.

Looking on is the Diamond Trust Bank (K) Ltd. Managing Director Ms. Naseem Dewji.

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Diamond Trust Nyali Open Championship

Diamond Trust Nyali Open Championship 2004 played on Saturday 17th And Sunday 18th December, 2004 at the Nyali Golf And Country Club - Full Results:

Gross Winner: Charles Yokwe 151, Gross runner up:- Tirus Kaguta 153, Gross 3rd: Brian Njoroge 154.

Best Gross Sunday: Francis Kimani 78c/B.

Best Gross Saturday: Stanley Sanga 75c/B.

Net Winner: David Mccormell 146 Net, Runner Up: Ismail Gulamali 147 Net, Third: Brian Masika 149.

Best Net Sunday: Harry Mwimali 71.

Best Net Saturday: Wanyoyi Chebukati 72.

Inter-Club Winner: Tirus Kaguta/ Dominic Makau 303.

Inter-Club Runner Up:- David Mccormell/ John Oxtoby 305.

Bhogie Doshi's Team Clinches Dr. Rasik Patel Bowls Trophy

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Shah in the first session and that of B. T. Ganiwalla in the second session and hence were the eventual winners.

The runners up on shot average were the team of C. C. Shah, Nafisa Khanbhai, Rasik Shah and Aziz Chaudhry.

A cake was cut during the tea break wishing Dr. Rasik Patel happy returns of the day.

Dr. Rasik Patel at his age is even now a very keen and regular bowler.

Unfortunately, he could not take part in his own competition at the last moment due to ill health.

During the prize giving ceremony, the Captain of the Bowling Section, Mrs. Tara Shah thanked Dr. Rasik Patel for sponsoring this tournament and wished him good health and long life.

COAST BRIDGE with C.P. SHAH

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SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
ONE SPADE	PASS	TWO CLUBS	PASS
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PASS	PASS		

West led the Ten of Diamonds to Dummy's Knave and East's

Queen and East switched to his singleton Trump.

Declarer played low and West won the King and continued with the Nine of Diamonds.

East bit Dummy's King with the Ace and Declarer ruffed.

NORTH

♠	Q 6 2		
♥	A J 2		
♦	K J 6		
♣	K Q 6 5		

WEST

♠	K 8 5 3		
♥	9 8		
♦	10 9 8 3		
♣	10 9 7		

EAST

♠	9			
♥	K 7 4			
♦	A Q 5 4 2			
♣	J 8 4 2			

Declarer cashed the Ace of Spades but when East discarded and the four-one split was revealed, turned his attention to his Hearts, running the Ten to East's King.

East played his third Diamond and Declarer was in real trouble.

He ruffed, but held fewer Trumps than West.

He started cashing the Hearts, but West ruffed the third round to defeat the contract.

Let us replay the hand. Declarer does not mind losing the lead to East (who cannot continue Diamonds without setting up Dummy's King).

But he does mind losing the lead to West, who is leading a second Diamond through Dummy's King.

So when East switched to a Trump at trick two, he should have risen with the Ace.

He then runs the Ten of Hearts to East's King and wins the Club return with the King.

He leads the Queen of Spades (ducked) and a Spade to the Ten and West's King.

He ruffs West's Diamond continuation, draws West's remaining trump and runs the Hearts.

SOUTH

♠	A J 10 7 4		
♥	Q 10 6 5 3		
♦	7		
♣	A 3		

BOB 'BADO' BRENNEISEN AND HIS CREW SWEEP CHRISTMAS HAMPER AT 'MOORINGS'

Sunday's Christmas Hamper and Open Boat Competitions were a great success with five sailfish 'tagged' and weighed in, reports TOM THUMB from Mtwapa on the Kenya North Coast.

Bob Brenneisen, Gary and Shaza Thornton comfortably won the Christmas Hamper, tagging three Sail and a few Bonito.

The open boat competition Mtwapa (the creek's longest competition) - the Graham Pape memorial - was held in conjunction with the Christmas Hamper.

The winner was **Samvuki** fished by Martin Misner and James Adcock.

Their catch comprised of a 'tagged' sail and a garfish.

Over all result of the competition were as follows:

Christmas Hamper: first **Bado** - R. Brenneisen, G. Thornton, S. Thornton - three Sail 'tagged' - 427 pts.

Second **Kusi** - C. Barns, A.

Barns -one Sail 'tagged', two wahoo - 186 pts.

Third **Samvuki** - J. Adcock, M. Misner - one Sail 'tagged', one Dorado - 150 pts.

Fourth **Vuma** - H. Reger - two King, two Dorado - 47 pts.

Open Boats: First **Samvuki**

- J. Adcock, M. Misner - one Sail 'tagged', one Dorado - 157 pts.

Second **Ontos** - R. Jessop, K. Jennings - 15 pts.

Third **Tengesi** - N. Spencer, K. Spencer A. Matthews - 14 pts.

Junior: First Sail 'tagged' - 7.42 am - S. Thornton

2nd Golden Trevally 4.3 kgs - Tuan Will

Light Tackle: First Golden Trevally, 4.3 kg, on 6 kg line - Tuan Will. Second Dorado



Danish Angler René Toch is seen carefully handling his superb sailfish before he gently 'released' this delicate catch and returned it back unharmed into the Indian Ocean. He was fishing on 'Vuma'.

6.7kgs on 10 kg. line - M. Misner.

Species Prizes: First Sail 'tagged' 7.42 a.m. - S. Thornton. Wahoo 17 kgs. - C. Barns. King 15.5 kgs. - H. Reger. Dorado 6.7 kgs. - M. Misner. Golden Trevally 4.3 kgs. - T. Will.

Group Prizes: Christmas Hamper First **Bado** - Robert Ramond, **Second Kusi** - Dede Bomu, third **Samvuki** - Kahindi.

Open Boats: first **Samvuki** - Kahindi, second **Tengesi** - Mohamed.

- Earlier in the week on Wednesday **Ontos** fished by Rob Jessop and Jamie Melvin came back with a 'tagged' sail

and two good sized wahoo. Tartinsin, from Southampton UK on **Vuma** same day returned with a sail and a king of 12.5 kgs.

Thursday Helmit Reger on **Vuma** caught two Sail and a King with M. Misner on **Samvuki** 'released' a good sized sail estimated at 32 kgs. and boated a King and a Barracuda.

Paul Sprot, John Preston visited us from UK took a trip on **Vuma** came back with 14 kgs. Barracuda and an 8 kgs. Dorado.

- Next tournament is **The Mtwapa Cup** which takes place on 9th January 2005 from the Moornings.

Micky's Deadly 'Dread-Locked' Midfielder Mohamed Kidodi Downs Green Bombers

MICKY BOYS - 1 GREEN BOMBER - 0

Green Bombers became the first casualty in the 4th Edition knock out Ukimwi Cup when they went down to Micky Boys in the opening match on Saturday at Mikindani Primary School Ground.

The Mikindani glamour boys found the back of the net in the 19th min through the dread locked midfielder Mohamed Kidodi, reports **SUMBA BWIRE**.

Bombers defeat vindicated the long held myth that a rural cockerel cannot crow in the urbane city.

Bombers, a club from the slums of Bangladesh should blame themselves for the defeat since they squandered numerous chances in the second half

TONONOKA SHOOTING STARS (TSS) - 2 CAMBODIA 501 - 1

Casanova cost Cambodia 501 victory in the second match against Tononoka Shooting Stars on Sunday at Mikindani Primary School Ground.

After the last minute withdrawal of their would be opponents Nyumba Corrugated, Cambodia underrated the Johnny - come-late Stars and

fielded their second string side. But when the kick off whistle was blown premonition turned into a false dream and the Kwa Mwanzia aristocrats were left gasping for breath.

Joseph 'Kipara' Mwanaisaka shot Stars into lead in the 5th min. Collins Mutuku stretched the lead from a spot kick in the 14th min for a 2-0 score at breather.

Second half substitute Rama Alex atoned for a missed penalty to score the consolation goal during the injury time. Rama's spot in the 56th min was punched by goalkeeper Tony John for an abortive corner.

Micky Boys have booked a date with Tononoka Shooting Stars in the semi - finals on Sunday 2nd January 2005 at the same venue.

This weekend on Sunday Jomivu Super Stars clash with Twin Brothers while Chai face Lit Samba in an explosive match on Monday and not Saturday as earlier indicated.

The eight club knockout UKIMWI CUP tournament is part of Anti - AIDS awareness activity organized by Mikindani Youth Project.

FABULOUS 'DUBAI BANK' PRODUCE ANOTHER WINNING PERFORMANCE

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home fixture of the second round on January 22, hosting Kisumu's Telekom at the Mombasa City Stadium.

Dubai Bank FC team manager Hussein Terry told Coastweek

BRIDGE RESULTS

RESULT of the duplicate Bridge played at Mombasa Sports Club on Wednesday 15th December.

P. Savla and D. Trivedi 133 (points); Mr. and Mrs. Narendra 130; K. P. Shah and C. P. Shah 127; Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Shah 118; Harkhubhai and Keshubhai 109; Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Shah 101; S. K. Shah and Pravin M. Shah 100; L. P. Gudka and Harilal Maide 91; Mrs. Vibha Shah and Arnu Shah 86; Mrs. Jyotsna and Prabhulal 85.

It Was "Bob's Bar Buggy"

Correction and apology: In last weeks motoring article covering the Training Rally I wrote that Mark Jennings was driving the Tamarin Buggy, reports Steve Davidson.

This is actually not correct and I apologise for the error.

Although the buggy was sponsored by Tamarin (Mombasa), the Attacker buggy is owned by Bada Omar, the Manager of Bob's Bar that includes the up-market 'Murphy's Irish Pub' that has its grand opening tonight - Friday 24 Dec).

The buggy should have been called the "Bob's Bar Buggy".

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Friday 24 December
SuperSport 3 on DSTV (all soccer)
07:00 Sky Sports News: 09:00 Futbol Mundial: 09:30 Engen Premier Soccer: 10:00 Variety: 15:00 Champions Of The World: Mexico: 16:00 Coca-Cola Cup final: SuperSport United v Kazor Chiefs: 18:00 Italian Serie A: 19:00 Sky Sports News: 20:00 Argentine Football: 21:00 Sleeping Giants: 21:30 FA Premiership Preview: 22:00 On The Ball: 23:00 Spanish League: 00:00 Italian Serie A

Saturday 25 December
SuperSport 3 on DSTV (all soccer)
06:00 On The Ball: 10:00 Variety: 12:00 Spanish League highlights: 13:00 On The Ball: 14:00 FA Premiership Preview: 14:30 A Way Of Life: 16:00 Coca-Cola Cup final: SuperSport United v Kazor Chiefs: 18:00 Search For Glory: 19:00 We To Win: 20:30 Maradona: Downfall of a god: 21:30 A Way Of Life and 23:00 Sleeping Giants: 23:30 Champions Of The World: Mexico: 00:30 Variety

Sunday 26 December
SuperSport 2 on DSTV
02:15 Cricket: Australia v Pakistan, second test, day 1, live from Melbourne: 10:30 Cricket: SA v England, second test, day 1, live from Durban

SuperSport 3 on DSTV (all soccer)
07:00 Sky Sports News: 10:00 Variety: 12:15 Champions Of The World: Mexico: 13:15 Sleeping Giants: 13:45 Coca-Cola Championship: Reading v Watford, live: 16:00 FA Premiership: Arsenal v Fulham and 18:00 Manchester United v Bolton Wanderers, both live: 20:15 Variety: 20:30 FA Premiership: West Bromwich Albion v Liverpool, live: 21:15 FA Premiership: Blackburn Rovers v Newcastle United

SuperSport 5 on DSTV
15:55 FA Premiership: Chelsea v Aston Villa, live: 18:00 Variety: 18:15 Soccer: FA Premiership: Birmingham City v Middlesbrough, live: 20:30

Variety: 22:30 Soccer: FA Premiership: Crystal Palace v Portsmouth and 00:30 Everton v Manchester City: SuperSport 5 on DSTV
15:25 Soccer: FA Premiership: Southampton v Charlton Athletic, live: 17:30 Variety: 00:30 Soccer: FA Premiership: Norwich City v Tottenham Hotspur

Monday 27 December
SuperSport 2 on DSTV
02:15 Cricket: Australia v Pakistan, second test, day 2, live from Melbourne: 10:30 Cricket: SA v England, second test, day 2, live from Durban
SuperSport 3 on DSTV (all soccer)
07:00 Sky Sports News: 09:00 FA Premiership: Arsenal v Fulham: 11:00 Crystal Palace v Portsmouth: 13:00 Norwich City v Tottenham Hotspur and 15:00 Southampton v Charlton Athletic: 17:00 Coca-Cola Championship: Reading v Watford: 19:30 Sky Sports News: 20:00 FA Premiership: Everton v Manchester City: 22:00 Monday Night Football: 22:30 FA Premiership: Middlesbrough v Everton: 00:30 European Football

Tuesday 28 December
SuperSport 2 on DSTV
02:15 Cricket: Australia v Pakistan, second test, day 3, live from Melbourne: 10:30 Cricket: SA v England, second test, day 3, live from Durban

SuperSport 3 on DSTV (all soccer)
07:00 Sky Sports News: 09:00 FA Premiership: Birmingham City v Middlesbrough: 11:00 West Bromwich Albion v Liverpool and 13:00 Blackburn Rovers v Newcastle United: 15:00 Coca-Cola Championship: Ipswich Town v Stoke City, live: 17:15 Variety: 17:30 FA Premiership: Portsmouth v Chelsea, live: 20:15 European Football: 21:00 Sleeping Giants: 21:30 Soccer: Africa: 22:30 FA Premiership: Aston Villa v Manchester United, live

SuperSport 3 on DSTV (all soccer)
07:00 Sky Sports News: 09:00 FA Premiership Highlights: 10:00 FA Premiership: Liverpool v Southampton: 12:00 Portsmouth v Chelsea and 13:00 Middlesbrough v Norwich City: 16:00 Soccer: Africa: 17:00 European Football: 18:00 Argentine Soccer: 19:00 Sky Sports News: 20:00 Uefa Cup Extra: 20:30 Engen Premier Soccer: 21: FA Premiership: Newcastle United v Arsenal: 23:00 FA Premiership Highlights: 00:00 FA Premiership: Tottenham Hotspur v Crystal Palace

SuperSport 5 on DSTV
17:30 Soccer: FA Premiership: Middlesbrough v Norwich City, live: 20:30 Soccer: Uefa Cup Extra: 21:00 Soccer: FA Premiership: Bolton Wanderers v Blackburn Rovers and 23:00 Manchester City v West Bromwich Albion: SuperSport 6 on DSTV
18:25 Soccer: FA Premiership: Liverpool v Southampton, live: 22:30 Charlton Athletic v Everton and 00:30 Fulham v Birmingham City

Wednesday 29 December
SuperSport 2 on DSTV
02:15 Cricket: Australia v Pakistan, second test, day 4, live from Melbourne: 10:30 Cricket: SA v England, second test, day 4, live from Durban
SuperSport 3 on DSTV (all soccer)
07:00 Sky Sports News: 09:00 European Football: 10:00 FA Premiership: Bolton Wanderers v Blackburn Rovers: 12:00 Manchester City v West Bromwich Albion: 14:00 Charlton Athletic v Everton and 16:00 Tottenham Hotspur v Crystal Palace: 18:00 Argentine Soccer: 19:00 Sky Sports News: 20:00 FA Premiership highlights: 21:00 European Football: 22:00 Uefa Cup Extra: 22:30 FA Premiership: Newcastle United v Arsenal, live

Thursday 30 December
SuperSport 2 on DSTV
02:15 Cricket: Australia v Pakistan, second test, day 5, live from Melbourne: 10:30 Cricket: SA v England, second test, day 5, live from Durban

How To Fix Your Fairway Wood

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Charles Yokwe Triumph

Winner, Nyali Open Championship, 2004 Mr. Charles Yokwe receiving his prize from Mr. Mahmud Manji - Deputy Chairman, Diamond Trust Bank and Ms. Naseem Dewji, Managing Director Diamond Trust Bank (K) Ltd.

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Bhogie Doshi's Team Clinches Dr. Rasik Patel Bowls Trophy

Like every year, Dr. Rasik Patel's trophy was played on Saturday 4th December 2004 starting at 2.30 p.m. at the Mombasa Sports Club Bowling Green kindly sponsored by Dr. Rasik Patel on the auspicious occasion of his birthday.

MSC Bowling Section Vice Captain Bhogie Doshi reports that 16 bowlers took part in this competition and was played in a friendly but competitive atmosphere.

The format of the game was rnkts. Two sessions of 10 rounds each were played in the afternoon.

After the first session, the winning teams had to play the losing team in the second session.

Bhogie Doshi's team comprising of H. S. Mahajan, Lata Shah and Hassanali Essaji won both the games beating the team of C. C.

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KENYA TIDE TABLES

MOMBASA, December 24 - 30, 2004

FRIDAY High Water - 3.1 m. at 02.48 hrs. (2.48 a.m.) and 2.5 m. at 15.22 hrs. (3.22 p.m.). Low Water - 0.7 m. at 09.15 hrs. (9.15 a.m.) and 0.9 m. at 20.57 hrs. (8.57 p.m.).

SATURDAY High Water - 3.2 m. at 03.25 hrs. (3.25 a.m.) and 2.6 m. at 15.58 hrs. (3.58 p.m.). Low Water - 0.5 m. at 09.51 hrs. (9.51 a.m.) and 0.8 m. at 21.33 hrs. (9.33 p.m.).

SUNDAY High Water - 3.2 m. at 03.59 hrs. (3.59 a.m.) and 2.6 m. at 16.31 hrs. (4.31 p.m.). Low Water - 0.5 m. at 10.24 hrs. (10.24 a.m.) and 0.7 m. at 22.07 hrs. (10.07 p.m.).

MONDAY High Water - 3.2 m. at 04.30 hrs. (4.30 a.m.) and 2.7 m. at 17.03 hrs. (5.03 p.m.). Low Water - 0.4 m. at 10.55 hrs. (10.55 a.m.) and 0.7 m. at 22.39 hrs. (10.39 p.m.).

TUESDAY High Water - 3.2 m. at 05.01 hrs. (5.01 a.m.) and 2.7 m. at 17.33 hrs. (5.33 p.m.). Low Water - 0.4 m. at 11.26 hrs. (11.26 a.m.) and 0.7 m. at 23.12 hrs. (11.12 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY High Water - 3.2 m. at 05.32 hrs. (5.32 a.m.) and 2.7 m. at 18.04 hrs. (6.04 p.m.). Low Water - 0.4 m. at 11.56 hrs. (11.56 a.m.) and 0.7 m. at 23.46 hrs. (11.46 p.m.).

THURSDAY High Water - 3.2 m. at 06.04 hrs. (6.04 a.m.) and 2.7 m. at 18.34 hrs. (6.34 p.m.). Low Water - 0.5 m. at 12.26 hrs. (12.26 p.m.).

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

Fabulous Dubai Bank Produce Another Winning Performance

Dubai Bank Football Club put up a sterling performance, finishing the Kenya Premier League first round on a winning fashion against the visiting Kenya Commercial Bank (KCB) from Nairobi during the match played at the Mombasa City Stadium last weekend.

Dubai Bank's 2-0 victory over KCB was their third after beating Gor Mahia (2-0) and Nzozia Sugar (1-0) the previous week. The home team snatched their two goals in the second half through Godfrey Osama and Abdi Simba.

The home fans celebrated the victory, which enabled Dubai Bank to finish the first

Soccer Scene with **Abdurehman Sharif**

leg matches lying third in the league standings.

Dubai Bank who started the league poorly losing a number of home matches, put up sterling shows of late to jump up the league standing from the bottom place to the third position.

The Coastal team are third with 17 points in the group led by Ulinzi who topped the table having 24 points followed by Mumias Sugar who have 22 points.

At the end of their match against KCB, the Kisauni

Parliamentary by-election loser, Hassan Ali Joho took the field to congratulate the players for their performance and gave them Sh5,000 as a token of appreciation.

The Bankers side starts their second round matches on January 15, next year against Mumias Sugar at Mumias Complex, followed with another away fixture with Nzozia Sugar at Bukhungu Stadium the next day.

Dubai Bank plays their first

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