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earlier in March between the
contractors, the community and
the Faza Fund during a series of
intense meetings."
The exercise this time involved
23 contractors drawn from the
community who went through a

all levels of the process from
formulation to implementation.
"There is total ownership of the
program and the benefits are
pouring directly into the
community."
Chair person Mariam El Maawy
received the report last week.

Other Committee members are
Vice Chair Mohammed Jaffer and
members Mrs. Joyce Lay and
Ambassador Habib Jelani.
The National Museums of
Kenya, a Media Consultant and
the Kenya Red Cross are also

members by co-option.
Phase four which calls for the
full reconstruction of the totally
destroyed houses will roll out
once the third phase has been
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FAZA DISASTER MANAGEMENT FUND RE-ROOFING EXERCISE COMPLETED


process of competitive bidding
in a bid to ensure that the
reeroofing part of the recon-
struction ended before the onset
of the long rains.
"The systems which have been
put into place are now working
seamlessly because the com-
munity is involved effectively at

The report was filed by the
Fund Treasurer Hon. Mo-
hamed Zubedi who chairs the
reconstruction sub-committee.
"We are right on target and the
operational difficulties previously
experienced have already been
over-come.
"We are confident that with the
new structures which we have
put into place, the Committee
will meet its deadline," he said.



...nu East MP Abu Chiaba presents a cheque of Ksh. six million to Faza disaster
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Abdulswamad Nassir Chief Guest At Tahdhib Muslim School Prize Giving

Muslim schools could be used to fight drug abuse and teach students on modern challenges of life, writes **ABDULRAHMAN SHERIFF.**

Shariff Nassir Foundation Chairman, Mr Abdulswamad Nassir said the existing madrasa system could be used to fight drug abuse.

"This system needs to have the capacity to handle issues such as drug abuse along with the Islamic Religious studies that are taught every day," Mr Nassir said.

He lamented that Mombasa and many Muslim dominated areas face serious challenges of drug abuse and yet the madrasa teachers were not well equipped to teach the dangers of the vice.

He was speaking at the Lohana Hall where he was the chief guest during the prize giving ceremony for Tahdhib Muslim School.

Mr Nassir said there needs to

be concerted efforts to help enhance the role of the madrassas so as to uplift the standards of the society and help fight challenges that draw it backwards.

"The madrasa system should also be enhanced to impart technical knowledge to those that attend apart from the normal

not been able to integrate other studies, he noted.

He at the same time, asked Coast people to turn up in large numbers and register as voters in readiness for the forthcoming national referendum.

Mr Nassir said most people in the region are yet to register and are lagging behind other provinces.



Shariff Nassir Foundation chairman, Abdulswamad Nassir (right) handing over Sh80,000 to the Tahdhib Muslim School Director, Kassim Alwy Kassim (left) to be shared among the school teachers and students as Ustadh Shafi looks on. It was during the school's prize giving day at Lohana Hall last weekend.

studies," he said.

Such knowledge includes embroidery, carpentry masonry, computer studies, said Mr Nassir.

Already some Islamic schools have integrated the madrasa system to their syllabus.

However the madrasa's have

"We want to stand up and be counted in the coming referendum.

"This may not happen if we do not have voters cards," he said.

Mr Nassir gave out Sh300 to all students of the school and Sh3,000 to each teacher.

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d and handed over.

Meanwhile, an operating
theatre which has been
constructed by the Kenya Red

Cross is expected to open its
door by June.

Ms. Asha Maulana of the KRC
confirmed that the maternity
theatre built by KRCS in Faza
was being roofed before
equipping it ready for roll out.

"Once operational, the theatre
will help save the lives of
expectant mothers facing
delivery complications who
previously had to be ferried in
rough seas to Lamu often
succumbing in the perilous
journey," she reported to the
committee.

Ms. Maawy has made an
appeal to corporate and public
organizations to aid the fund in
cash or materials to enable the
completion of the re-housing
effort of all the Faza community
houses.

"The money at our hands can
only build a portion of the affected
houses.

"We thank those who have
already contributed but
request others to chip in so
that the noble exercise can be
completed," she added.

The Fund recently received a
boost to their kitty with the
contribution of Sh. six million by
Kenyan businessmen and
politicians from North Eastern
Kenya living in Nairobi.

The businessmen and
politicians delegation was led
by Minister for Defense Yusuf
Haji who was accompanied by
among others Minister for
Northern Kenya Mohamed
Elmi and other Members of
Parliament from the area.



Skål Club Of
Kenya Coast
At Mtwapa
La Marina
Restaurant

Skål Club Kenya Coast president Larry Muvo [right] is seen with the club vice president Mehboob Harumany [left] after he won the top raffle ticket for one night at Sarova White Sands beach hotel during a luncheon held at Mtwapa's La Marina restaurant in Mombasa North. Looking On [centre] is Ms Maria Jones of chaine de Rottesur Paris who presented the raffle ticket. PHOTO - TITUS MUBALI

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Manish Married In Mumbai

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Manish Mehta weds Pina Patadia in Mumbai on 16/03/2010 at Mumbai, India. Manish is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jaswantra Mehta. Manish works for Interfreight E.A. Ltd in Finance Department and has done BA in Commerce. Pina is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Navnital Patadia. Pina is qualified for BA in Psychology and has pursued her career in Diamond Jewellery Design.

Philippe Zimmerlin' Concerts Are Always A Musical Delight

The Coast Arts and Theatre Society is preparing for its first musical concert of the year, writes *THESPIAN*.

This will be "Song Birds" which will be performed at Sarova Whitesands on Tuesday, May 18 and at Ali Barbour's Cave Restaurant, Diani, on Wednesday, May 19.

Philippe Zimmerlin has a very talented female choir who will be singing songs by Marvin Hamlisch, Stephen Sondheim, Pat Ballard and Karl Jenkins.

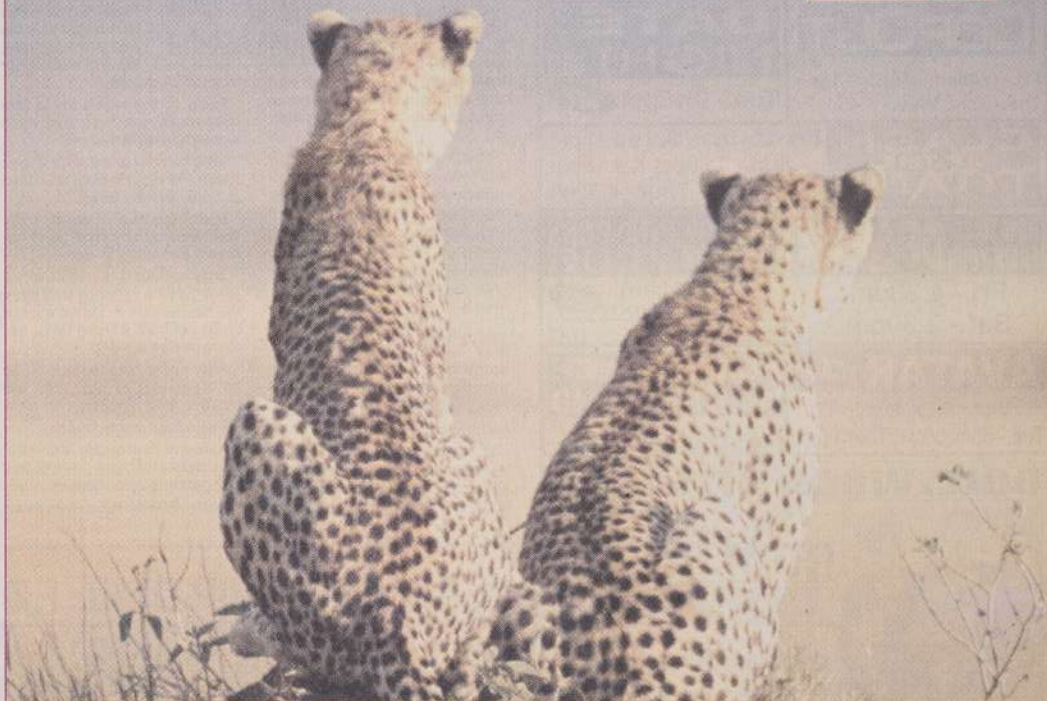
There will be one male voice and this is the incredible Jim Horne.

I just love listening to Jim as he always sings with such passion and sensitivity.

Tickets for the Whitesands concert are available from Forget Me Not, Ratna Square and for the Diani concert from Ali Barbour's.

Philippe's concerts are always a delight and certainly not to be missed. See you there!

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Plenty Of Hilarity With Laugh Riot 'House Full'

THREE NEW films at the NYALI CINEMAX this week, two of which are worldwide releases.

The romantic comedy *When In Rome* with Kristen Bell, Josh Duhamel and Anjelica Huston will also open at the CINEMAX this week.

Having suffered numerous heartbreaks, New Yorker Kristen Bell is really disillusioned with love and all that it entails.

For her, the emotion is just a waste of time.

So, while on holiday in Rome, when she comes across the Fountain of Love where people throw in coins, make a loving wish, her feelings get the better of her and she decides to remove some coins instead of throwing them in.

This actually starts a reaction and soon she has a chain of suitors wooing her in all different manners.

There is the sausage baron (Danny DeVito), a street magician (Jon Heder), painter (Will Arnett) and a self-admiring model (Dax Shepard).

All these men are falling over their feet just to be with her, something she has never experienced before.

She wonders that this cannot be happening to her.

Then she meets a reporter who is also trying to make an impression on her and as her heart flutters all she wants to know, is

this for real or a dream?

For Sajjid Khan, three seems to be his favourite number.

In *Heyyy Baby*, he had three friends in the lead role.

With his new film that makes a worldwide release, he has now cast three heroines against one hero.

Aarush thinks that all the bad luck in his life will go away if he marries the right girl.

As he seeks the true one, he finds not one but three women who could be likely candidates.

Pushed against the wall, he ends up marrying all three and keeps them in separate houses.

He may have gotten very lucky in love but the rest of his luck takes a nose dive as he has to now split his life and time into three, leaving nothing for himself of course.

Each of the wives loves him very much, so much that each wants him all to herself.

Wife number one Sandy knows that there is such a thing as love but only in fairy tales.

Number two Heetal truly believes that she has found her prince charming in Aarush.

Tatu is Devaki, a simple small town girl who is happy with even the little things in life so even a small act from Aarush takes her to seventh heaven.

After some time they give him an ultimatum in that they will move in with him in his house.

Talk about treble trouble.

Aarush's best buddy Bob is the only person who is privy to this polygamous arrangement.

With Bob's help he even

manages to get all three in the same house but how are they going to keep their secret?

One lie leads to another and yet another and before he knows it, Aarush is deep under the water and no way out.

Akshay Kumar, Deepika Padukone, Lara Dutta, Arjun Rampal, Riteish Deshmukh, Jiah Khan and Boman Irani lead the star cast in the film.

Making an entry all over the world is *Iron Man 2* starring Robert Downey Jr., Gwyneth Paltrow, Don Cheadle, Mickey Rourke and Scarlett Johansson.

Everyone knows that Iron Man is none other than Tony Stark.

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Bob Willis and Tracey Morgan chase the mafia boss as they search for their valuable collector's card in *Cop Out*.

Tuesday night has one show of Steve Carell and Tina Fey in *Date Night*.

Watch Sam Worthington, Ralph Fiennes, Liam Neeson, Gemma Arterton in three dimension in *Clash of the Titans*.

For one more week you can catch up with Disney's *The Princess and the Frog*, *Avatar*, *Alice in Wonderland*, *How To Train Your Dragon* - all in splendid three dimension.

School is still in for one more week with Shahid Kapoor, Nana Patekar and Ayesha Takia in *Paathshala*.

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Gemini (May 22 - June 21) can be amazing how many people you meet in the unexpected situations. Seeing a familiar face in a different setting may cause a moment's confusion; you can't quite think of where you know them from.

Cancer (June 22 - July 21) You aren't growing tired of the enjoyment a social arrangement brings but you are thinking of looking for something new. What you might be doing today is taking a look at the rest of your life and realising it isn't doing you any good staying in the same place all the time.

Leo (July 24 - Aug. 23) In one of those slightly curious times when you have to put out all the stops in order to make things work for you, a scheme that looked as if it was going to be a huge success with hardly any effort could run into unexpected problems. Everything you touch will seem to have a jinx on it today.

Virgo (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23) You're on the receiving end of someone else's sulks yet you haven't a clue why they're behaving so childishly. A relationship that has had its ups and downs is currently going a lot more smoothly than normal and you want to do your utmost to make sure it remains that way.

Libra (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23) Attend a social function with a loved one and as well as enjoying the day, an extra bonus will come your way. This could be in the shape of an introduction to new people who share your interests and outlook.

Scorpio (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22) A joint effort takes the strain out of a difficult and laborious undertaking. Some tasks you hadn't been looking forward to are made easier because of the help that comes your way.

Sagittarius (Nov. 23 - Dec. 21) There is an almost uncanny understanding of a close relationship. It could come as some surprise when a new friend or partner can read you like a book. There is something on your mind and they know exactly what it is.

Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 20) A series of obstructions and snags will reduce work progress to a crawl. A sudden spurt at the end of the day should help you get back on track but don't expect to get home at a reasonable hour.

Aquarius (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19) Today brings the moment you have been waiting for to get started on something exciting and new. Expect the initial stages to be a little haphazard until some sort of routine is established.

Pisces (Feb. 20 - Mar. 20) Some amazing stories reach your ears today and you're surprised by the rubbish some people believe. You have a good idea on who started a particular piece of gossip and you won't be amused by their antics.

Aries (Mar. 21 - Apr. 20) Make an extra effort to keep things running smoothly if you don't want problems to arise. If you sense tension brewing in a close relationship, think of ways you managed to sidestep an argument in the past and put the same tactics into practice today.

CINEMAS with Anjum Asodia

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SPONSORSHIP DEAL FOR MATHARE YOUTH SPORTS ASSOCIATION BY G4S

SECURITY company G4S has today announced a unique sponsorship agreement with the Mathare Youth Sports Association (MYSA) worth millions of shillings.

The agreement worth Ksh 12.4 million over a five-year period will see up to seven talented but disadvantaged youths, receive annual scholarships under MYSA ranging from primary school to university level.

In the sponsorship, G4S will also provide internship opportunities to an additional four of MYSA's brightest students attending university each year.

Of these, two will then join the G4S management trainee programme to be launched in the next few months.

Although MYSA is a sports association, G4S announced that the beneficiaries of the sponsorship will not necessarily be talented in sports. The association operates in 16 zones that include Mathare and other slums in Nairobi. "Bright students will benefit as long as they are members of MYSA," G4S Regional Managing Director for East Africa (RMDEA), Adam Miller said at the Nyayo National Stadium, adding that this was a new dawn for the Risk Management solutions and secure logistics company.

"We are delighted to partner with the national sports and community organisation MYSA in this long-term initiative that builds on our existing

sporting commitments to the Kenyan community.

"As G4S, this leadership and mentorship sponsorship reiterates our commitment to brightening the future of budding young Kenyans," said Mr. Miller.

He said G4S would seek to create a lasting legacy by supporting bright students from disadvantaged communities in which MYSA operates. G4S, he added, was committed to supporting the youth by delivering life changing opportunities.

"This agreement comes as a once in a lifetime opportunity for many of the youth attending MYSA programmes around the country. We are grateful to G4S for acknowledging this abundant potential and for this timely offer of support," said Mr. Bob Munro, MYSA Founder and Chairman.

Also to benefit in the pact will be MYSA youth leaders and management who will be offered mentorship and training through in areas such as accounts, procurement, marketing and Human Resources drawing from G4S' global management expertise and local experience.

MYSA, a self-help youth programme, was initiated in 1987 and has since grown to include a membership of over 20,000 members involved in social development and sports.

MYSA activities seek to address issues such as Children's Rights and Education, Environment, Health Promotion, Anti-discrimination and Social Integration and Peace and Reconciliation.

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President Mwai Kibaki Attending 'Shanghai World Expo' In China

NAIROBI (Xinhua) -- Kenyan President Mwai Kibaki will travel to China on Wednesday for a state visit during which he will also attend the World Expo 2010 in Shanghai, where the East African nation is showcasing itself as the central entry point for investors in the East and Central Africa region.

A statement from the presidency said on Tuesday that Kibaki is scheduled to hold bilateral talks with his Chinese host Hu Jintao during the visit.

"During his visit this week President Kibaki will follow-up on new development projects that the government has formally requested the Chinese government to partner with Kenya," the statement said.

China is currently one of Kenya's leading development partners especially in the area of infrastructure development.

President Kibaki has given priority to infrastructure development which has triggered economic growth and massive job creation across the country.

During his last state visit to China in 2005, President Kibaki

requested the Chinese government to partner in the construction of by-passes in the city of Nairobi, the rehabilitation and expansion of the Jomo Kenyatta International Airport (JKIA) to Gigiri road, construction of a major hospital in Eastlands area and the modernization of the National Youth Service.

"All these projects have already

PRESIDENT KIBAKI IS AMONG FOUR AFRICAN HEADS OF STATE INVITED FOR THE OFFICIAL OPENING CEREMONY

been launched," the statement said.

"The Eastern and Northern by-passes are under construction, the JKIA to Gigiri road is nearing completion, a 300 bed hospital is under construction in the Eastlands while equipment and machinery worth 4.3 billion shillings has already been delivered for the NYS modernization program," it said.

SOUTHERN SUDAN

The statement said flagship projects - development of a Railway Network from Lamu through the Northern parts of Kenya to southern Sudan and Ethiopia and development of the first three Berths and associated infrastructure of the second port of Lamu - are instrumental to the attainment of Vision 2030.

Other projects which the statement said are crucial to the realization of Vision 2030 which will transform Kenya into middle-

income economy are construction of Standard Gauge Railway from Mombasa to Malaba and mass transit light rail system for the Nairobi Metropolitan.

While in Shanghai, President Kibaki will also open the Kenya Stand at the African Pavilion at the World Expo-2010. The theme of the world expo is "Better City - Better Life".

Shanghai Expo runs from May 1 to Oct. 31.

Kenya whose participation theme is "Cities of Discoveries and Harmony" is among more than 192 countries participating in the Shanghai Expo 2010.

The country intends to utilize the window of opportunity provided by the exposition to showcase and market the country as a preferred destination for trade, investment and tourism.

"Besides focusing on the importance of sustainability and development of varied cultures; geographical diversity, planning and development of future cities, Kenya will showcase the priority accorded to eco-tourism as part of the country's strategy for developing tourism," the statement said.

Kenya's participation in the expo also aims at increasing exports of tea, coffee, cut flowers and pyrethrum as well as to promote joint ventures between

Kenyan and Chinese companies to enhance the country's brand and positive image.

World expositions are galleries of human inspirations and thoughts which have attained increasing prominence as grand events for economic, scientific, technological and cultural exchanges. They also serve as platforms for displaying historical experiences and exchanging innovative ideas for sustainable development.

President Kibaki is among four African heads of state invited for the official opening ceremony.

The other three African leaders are the presidents of Malawi, the Republic of Congo and Mali.

The expositions provide a forum for developing common perspectives on prevailing and future challenges and threats to the survival of human kind such as, environmental degradation, food security, sustainable development, HIV/AIDS, alleviating unemployment and poverty.



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SEACOM UNDERSEA CABLE PROBLEMS WILL END SOON

NAIROBI (Xinhua) -- Undersea cable firm SEACOM announced on Wednesday that internet connectivity problems which has affected operations since last Saturday may not last too much longer.

SEACOM last week said that it experienced a brief interruption in its network on April 14 as a result of a fault on the Mediterranean section of the SEA-ME-WE 4 submarine cable system, which SEACOM currently utilizes to connect to London.

SEA-ME-WE 4, which stretches from Southeast Asia to Europe via the Indian Sub-Continent and Middle East, was initially scheduled to undergo repairs on Saturday to fix the affected fibre pair in the Mediterranean Sea.

"SEACOM network disturbances due to ongoing SEA-ME-WE 4 repair work expected to be resolved today (Wednesday)," the company said in a statement.

"The latest notification received from SEA-ME-WE 4 indicates that the repair work on the SEA-ME-WE 4 cable is expected to be completed on Wednesday."

According to SEACOM, this process is carried out by a repair ship which has been deployed to the location of the fault where it will pick up the cable, cut it and bring it onboard to undergo the repair on the optic fibre before the cable is placed back in the water.

SEACOM said that this will result in the power

being shut down on the cable for the duration of the repair.

This process took much longer than expected, something which SEACOM indicated is beyond their control.

"Due to ongoing maintenance activity on another cable network servicing Africa and poor weather in the Mediterranean Sea, the actual work only began on Sunday, resulting in the SEACOM service experiencing interruptions from around mid-day on Sunday," SEACOM said in a press statement.

The ongoing repair work is affecting several cable systems and has impacted negatively on the overall Internet connectivity in many regions across the Middle East, Africa and Asia, which rely to some extent on the availability of the SEA-ME-WE 4 cable for global connectivity.

SEACOM is the first cable to provide broadband to countries in East Africa.

Within Africa, South Africa, Mozambique, Tanzania and Kenya are inter-connected via a protected ring structure.

Additionally, a second express fibre pair is provided from South Africa to Kenya.

These two fibre pairs have a combined capacity of 1.28Tbs.

Express fibre pairs are also provided from Kenya to France into a PoP in Marseilles, and from Tanzania to India into the PoP in Mumbai. SEACOM has procured fibre capacity from Marseilles to London as part of the SEACOM network.

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Coastweek, April 27 - May 03, 1979:

'Mombasa Welcomes Return Of The Dhows' headlined *Neta Peaf's* report from the Old Town 'where the pungent smell of sun-dried fish permeates the air' and coincided with the arrival of more than 20 large foreign dhows from India, Iran, Dubai and Somalia - carrying cargoes of dried fish, glazed earthenware, Persian carpets and sweet Basra dates.

Kenya earned a record K. Shs. 1,200 million from its 1978 tourist traffic according to the Ministry of Tourism and Wildlife - the French intake alone had increased dramatically from 10,000 visitors in 1973 to 17,000 (plus) in 1978.

Rear Admiral **S. H. Packer**, Commander of U.S. Middle East Forces, was visiting Mombasa aboard his flagship the 'U.S.S. La Salle'.

Francis Sabwa, executive chef at Malindi's *Sindbad Hotel*, returned from hosting a successful 'Kenya Food Festival' in Zurich Switzerland.

Securicor Coast branch manager **Captain Omar Ali Banafa** reported on their popular 'safe mail' courier service - "everything is locked with a numbered seal made for us in Switzerland. There is no chance of mail getting lost. This is an extremely popular service".

Luo United Football club were visiting Mombasa for a series of matches against arch-rivals Ramogi, Mwenge, Western Stars and Black Panther.

Meanwhile Mombasa Sports Club Rugby XV enjoyed their 'historical' 50-7 win against a visiting Nairobi Harlequins 'B' squad - star players for Mombasa included **Ted Kabetu, Tom Muchura, John Hope** and **Mike Wort**, who each scored a try.

KENYA Cinema was STILL showing Christopher Reeve, Marlon Brando and Gene Hackmann in the blockbuster *'Superman - You'll Believe a Man Can Fly'*, REGAL screened a lithesome John Travolta in *'Saturday Night Fever'*, NAAZ offered Richard Burton and Clint Eastwood in the war drama *'Where Eagles Dare'*, while at CHOX it was Kiran Kumar and luscious Kum Kum in *'Jalte Badan'* (Bodies On Fire).

Letter writers included **John Arkle** of Shimba Hills, **S. Bhimani** and **Mohamed Shirazi** both of Mombasa, and motoring correspondent **John Gardiner** commenting on the always topical 'Matatu Menace'.

• **BIG GAME DISCOUNTS** were being offered to local residents by Hilton Hotels group luxury *Taita Hills* and *Salt Lick Lodges* - just K. Shs. 125/= per person full board including tax and service charges.

Hats Off To Customer Relations Manager

Considering that most of the North Coast of Mombasa mainland has unpredictable and numerous outages nearly every day, it is not in the least surprising that one cannot find an email address (in this technologically advanced 21st Century), for the Ministry of Energy or one (except an online form) for Kengen, either.

Diamond Heiress Murdered In 1950 In 'Tudor' Suburb

I was born in Mombasa and now live in the United States.

I have been in the U.S. for over 25 years.

I request your readers assistance in researching an incident that took place in Tudor, Mombasa.

I recall my father telling me of a murder of one of the DeBeers heiresses in Tudor in the late 1950s and I am trying to trace the newspaper reports about the incident.

My father passed away in Mombasa in 2003.

Please let me know what do I need to do to get copies of the story from any local newspaper of that time?

What I recall is that at that time the newspaper serving Mombasa was *'The Mombasa Times'*.

There was also a local journal called *'Coast Causerie'* by Edward Rodwell, who, I recall, also ran the Rodwell Press.

Are any of these still operating? I thank you in advance for your attention to this matter.

Farmanali Datoo, 22433 Belle Terra Drive, Ashburn VA, 20148, United States.

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real and frustrating thought that the power will and can go off without due notice at any time.

And while it might just go for a second or a couple of minutes, whatever they might have been doing using it, will all go to waste due to this erratic 'service'.

Third - when they will try to ring the emergency numbers, most of them will be engaged or not be answered.

And if they do get an answer, they will most likely not be given any reasonable reason for these persistent outages and if, like me, they start making noise about this, the person at the other end will either hang up or start making empty promises.

Over a week ago, I had been promised by one Mombasa official, that by the end of that week, our outages would be a thing of the past and that we would get a normal and predictable service.

But of course, as I have mentioned earlier, this was an empty promise, as usual and it was made under a kind of duress.

He had to say this to delay me

from writing an email such as the present one, I think.

Since then, the power has gone off here umpteen numbers of times and when I've tried calling him to remind him of what he had told me, I managed to get through to him only once.

Subsequent calls all went unanswered.

The one person who answers is their (KPLC), Customer Relations Manager, Mr. Vidzo. Hats off to him!

He tries his level best to give me a sensible answer but, I think, he too, is running out of excuses.

Since these constant outages mess up our electrical appliances despite the surge protector devices (they start misbehaving first), who will be responsible for the unbelievable expense and waste that they cause?

Isn't it high time that the people who suffer from these outages get together and sue KPLC for damages?

Raziya Mohamedali, Mombasa.

rmohamedali@gmail.com

What Ever Happened To The Town Planners And Who Is Answerable?

Mombasa residents still suffer with heaps of garbage, lack of running water, awful road conditions, absence of street lights and illegal construction activities which openly flout the laid down bye-laws.

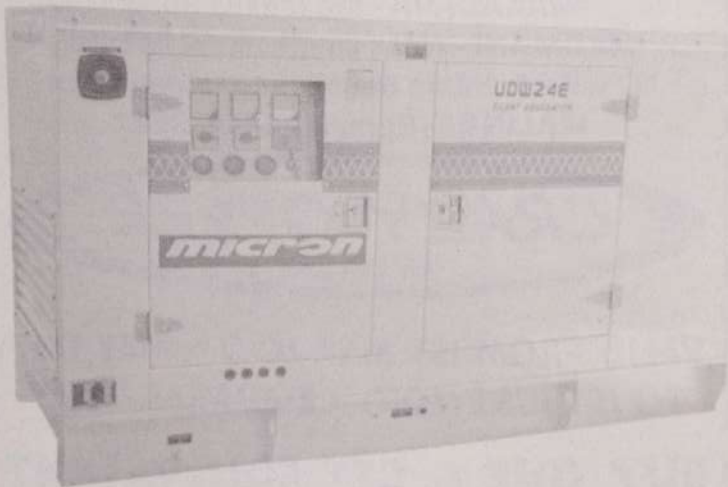
This is a reflection of the Municipal Council's ineptitude. In the Old Town, where illegal construction is so rampant, there is no longer room in the narrow alleys to even allow a bier to be carried by mourners to a cemetery!

What happened to the town planners and who is answerable? Now is time to do away with all municipal councils.

Mustafa Mbarak, Mombasa. mustafambarak@yahoo.com

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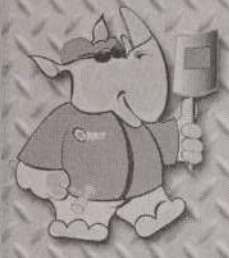
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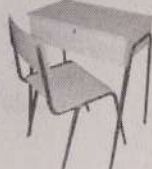
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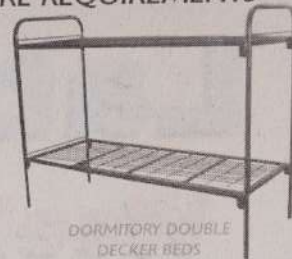
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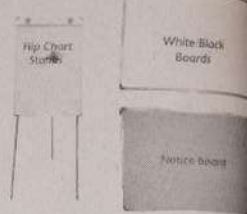
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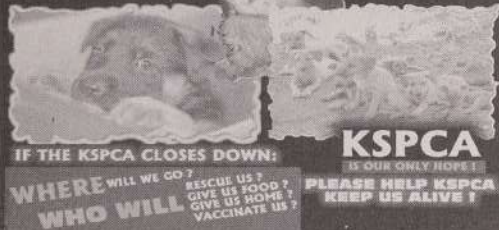


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New Program Launched To Register Disabled

NAIROBI (Xinhua) -- Registration of Kenyan voters went a notch higher after the interim independent elections commission (IIEC) launched voter registration exercise for people with disabilities (PWDs).

The move by IIEC last week by incorporating persons with mental disabilities who have been ignored for long in the election process and also increase the numerical value of people with disabilities from 664 in 2007 to over three million voters.

As such, the move makes Kenya the first country to incorporate persons with mental disabilities in the electoral process. According to statistics, handicapped persons currently constitute about 6.5 million of the country's populace.

Consequently, IIEC and the Kenya Society of the Mentally Handicapped (KSMH), have partnered to ensure people with disabilities are registered as voters during the ongoing exercise. The plea now is that the society recognizes and help persons with mental disabilities to participate in politics.

Launching the voter registration-cum-education with members of the Disabled Voters Association of Kenya (DVA) at the KSMH grounds, Westlands, Nairobi IIEC CEO Mr. James Oswago, assured the over 3.6 million PWDs that IIEC does not discriminate them.

KSMH Goodwill Ambassador Honorable Zipporah Kittony urged parents and relatives of PWDs to ensure that they are registered, saying this was the only way such persons can be heard and their lives improved.

Emeritus Archbishop (Rtd) Ndingi Mwana a'Nzeki, a national trustee of KSMH, lauded IIEC for the symbolic and historic voter registration--"we can now proudly

say that we are the pioneers in Africa, being the only country within the continent to ensure access to civic and political rights by persons with intellectual disabilities".

Ndingi lauded the electoral commission for the move to allow PWDs to access civic and political rights.

"This has begun a journey where persons with the disabilities will finally exercise their vote to advance their interests," said Ndingi.

Although the UN Convention on the rights of people with disabilities of 1948 did not comprehensively address the inalienable rights of PWDs, the 2003 Act entrenches the rights of PWDs in Kenya.

IIEC Commissioner, Dr Yusuf Nzobo commended the Hindu Council for the support it has given to PWDs and urged other organizations to do the same.

Commissioner Dr Nzobo said IIEC would ensure persons with disabilities are given a priority during voting to ensure they are not alienated.

He said IIEC and other organizations were willing to provide adequate and comfortable means of transport to the disabled to enable them access voter registration centers.

KSMH CEO Ms Edah Maina said the partnership between KSMH and IIEC was aimed at addressing civil and political rights of PWDs in Kenya. She said PWDs have communication and technical needs which must be addressed.

Ms Maina urged IIEC to ensure that PWDs have easy access to polling stations.

Other mechanisms put in place to ensure conformability of PWDs include equipping polling stations to accommodate those with various handicaps.

The officials at the polling centers would also be adequately sensitized to deal with disabled.

Ramps had been created to help those who required wheelchairs.

They will not have to queue and there will be support at levels; within the structures, polling station to facilitate access but also support within the center itself in order for them to exercise their discretion.

Registration officials have been urged to be fair and to deal with all persons with disabilities and not turn away.

Kenya launched a new voter registration exercise early last month to replace the previous voter register following disbandment of the former Election Commission of Kenya (ECK) that oversaw the 2007 general election.

Nairobi To Host Global Key Energy Conference

NAIROBI (Xinhua) -- Global players in renewable energy converge in Kenya next month for a major trade exhibition that seeks to promote affordable and high quality off-grid lighting products and services targeting low income populations in Sub-Saharan Africa.

The three-day event seeks to increase the awareness amongst global investors of the significant market opportunities for lighting products and services that exists in the region.

An estimated 500 leading global players are expected to attend to discuss ways of expanding the market for renewable lighting products in Africa.

Dubbed second Lighting Africa 2010, the event will showcase the recent technological trends and lighting products in Africa.

"The discussions at the conference will focus on the innovative business and service delivery models to tap into this new market where consumers spend US Dollars 18 billion annually on fuel based lighting," Antoine Guy Patrick Massoloka, the communications consultant for Lighting Africa Private Enterprise Partnership for Africa (PEP Africa) told journalists in Nairobi.

He said the event which runs from May 18-20 in Nairobi is the second conference to be held in Africa after Ghana in May 2008.

Lighting Africa is a joint World Bank and IFC program, that seeks to accelerate the development of markets of modern off-grid lighting products in Sub-Saharan Africa where an estimated 10 to 30 percent of household's income is spent on hazardous and low quality fuel-based lighting products.

It seeks to mobilize the private sector to supply quality affordable and safe lighting to

2.5 million people by facilitating the sale of 0.5 million off lighting units by the year 2012.

The initiative also provides a platform towards the realization of the vision of providing 250 million people with modern lighting products by 2030.

Massoloka added that the event will link global investors with local suppliers and service providers, while at the same time

provide a forum for sharing business and financing models.

Among the big global names expected include SANI Philips, OSRAM, Schneider Electric and Tata BP Solar.

Financing institutions expected include Acumen, Global Nature Fund, Tuijenge Africa, C-0 Capital, LLC.O and IF Cleaner Technologies Program.

Tribute To Late Maalim Twaha

"Verily, We give life to the dead, and We record that which they send before (them), and their traces, and all things We have recorded with numbers (as a record) in a Clear Book. Surah Yaseen, 36:12.

"A teacher affects eternity; he can never tell where his influence stops." Henry Adams.

Ataah is every impression you leave behind, every way you affect people and the world. So for example, if you have beautiful manners with the intention to please Allah, but others benefit from your character too, your effect on them is recorded as well. Alhamdulillah.

Maalim Twaha dedicated all of his free time to teaching, spreading Islam, and would on a daily basis spend his evenings in the early hours of the morning teaching.

He was a service to the ummah, the embodiment of humility and sincere dedication. SubhaanAllah, the time he gave to his students was inspiring, both teaching the lessons and entertaining any questions we may have afterwards.

The knowledge he propagated was indeed immense, I remember the first time I came in to the room, amazed at how many points benefit could be derived from just a single ayah.

SubhaanAllah, I would soon find out that this was the way in which he conducted the tafseer, and how beneficial it was. Yet even so it is not much the immense 'ilm that stays with you in his memory, it is his beautiful akhlaaq and his patience. SubhaanAllah.

Yet he has left behind a wealth of knowledge, walhamdulillah, we continue to benefit from his good works.

May they be a form of sadaqa jaariyah, increasing his scale of good deeds. Ameen. May Allah accept all of the efforts of our teachers, reward them from for their intentional good deeds and the benefits they are leaving in our hearts, and forgive them for their shortcomings. Allahumma Ameen!

May Allah (SWT) accept all of his efforts and increase him in his khayr. And truly all praise is due to Allah (SWT).
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Chairman of Sharif Nassir Foundation, Abdulsamad Nassir [right] donates gifts to Munaa Karama of Tahdhib Madrassa during the school's prize giving day at Lohana Hall in Mombasa last Sunday. Munaa excelled in class six during the Madrassa's examinations. Looking on is the school director, Kassim Alwy Kassim.



Mayor with High Commissioner: Shaahid Sheikh [left] witnesses presentation of the Seal of Mombasa by His Worship the Mayor, Councilor Ahmed A. Modhar to H.E. Masroor A. Junejo High Commissioner for Pakistan during a courtesy call at the Mayor' Parlor during his short visit to Mombasa.

SPANISH NAVY SHIP FIGHTING PIRATES



Spanish Navy Santa Maria Class frigate SPS Victoria (F82) has joined the Operation Atalanta taskforce to combat the menace of Somali piracy in the Indian Ocean and Gulf of Aden area. She is commanded by Commander Fernando Poole SN, and sailed from her home base at Spanish Naval Headquarters in Rota, near Cadiz. The 4,000 tonne warship's armaments include a 76mm gun, anti-ship missiles and two Lamps helicopters. SEE ALSO PAGE TWELVE THIS ISSUE



Standing [from left] Zul Harunani, Kanubhai Babla, Hon. Najib Balala - Ministry of Tourism, the Artist Zuber Bakhrani, Sandip Babla. Seen in the background is an unveiled masterpiece portrait of Najib Balala.

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Madam Wahinda with Ms. Veronica Pendo and Ms. Wahinda of Malindi, exchanging notes on Fidelity banking products.



Managing Director of Fidelity Bank Mr. R. Sengupta [left] in conversation with Majid Swaleh and Jamal Bastiy - businessmen in Malindi.



Mrs. Shamim Khimji and Ms. Fair enjoying a refreshing drink at the Malindi sundowner on 17th March 2010.

The Fidelity Bank sundowner held at the Leisure Golf and C



Ms Maria Zumer and Ms Gudrun Holmann enjoying the live music at the Fidelity Bank Sundowner in Malindi.



Ms Gabrielle and Mr Philip Shaddrick taking in a beautiful sunset at the Fidelity Bank sundowner.



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A ASSETS			
1 Cash balances (both local and foreign)	96,236	123,637	110,902
2 Balances due from Central Bank of Kenya	331,437	829,256	230,298
3 Kenya Government Securities	921,723	550,463	295,545
4 Foreign currency treasury bills and bonds	-	-	-
5 Deposits and balances due from local banking institutions	480,252	56,032	101,936
6 Deposits and balances due from banking institutions abroad	149,480	137,733	164,858
7 Kenya Government and other Securities held for dealing purposes	-	-	-
8 Tax recoverable	6,755	18,488	1,838
9 Loans and advances to customers (net)	3,345,505	3,293,085	3,034,180
10 Investment Securities	36,792	30,876	29,478
11 Balances due from group companies	-	-	-
12 Investments in associates	-	-	-
13 Investments in subsidiary companies	27,612	27,812	27,512
14 Investment in joint ventures	-	-	-
15 Investment properties	48,000	48,000	45,000
16 Property and equipment	80,021	83,153	47,846
17 Prepaid lease rentals	-	-	7,560
18 Intangible assets	60,231	56,125	12,060
19 Deferred tax asset	7,905	7,038	-
20 Retirement benefit asset	-	-	-
21 Other assets	252,138	227,097	146,081
TOTAL ASSETS	5,844,087	5,498,565	4,255,182
B LIABILITIES			
23 Balances due to Central Bank of Kenya	5,225,407	4,868,219	3,698,046
24 Customer deposits	-	-	-
25 Deposits and balances due to local banking institutions	10,000	60,000	30,597
26 Deposits and balances due to banking institutions abroad	14,801	9,528	-
27 Other money market deposits	-	-	-
28 Borrowed funds	-	-	-
29 Balances due to group companies	-	-	-
30 Tax payable	-	-	-
31 Dividend payable	-	-	-
32 Deferred tax liability	-	-	10,255
33 Retirement benefit liability	-	-	-
34 Other liabilities	71,508	51,303	74,948
TOTAL LIABILITIES	5,321,608	5,009,050	3,814,144
C SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS			
36 Paid up / Assigned capital	367,970	368,204	325,992
37 Share premium (discount)	5,231	5,231	40,443
38 Revaluation reserve	-	-	-
39 Retained earnings (accumulated losses)	113,871	82,516	37,332
40 Statutory loan loss reserve	35,409	35,394	37,271
41 Proposed dividends	-	-	-
42 Capital grants	-	-	-
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	522,481	489,545	441,008
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' FUND	5,844,087	5,498,565	4,255,182

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT			
	31/03/2010	31/12/2009	31/03/2009
	UN-AUDITED	AUDITED	UN-AUDITED
	Shs '000	Shs '000	Shs '000
1 INCOME INTEREST			
1.1 Loans and advances	118,828	490,249	113,443
1.2 Government Securities	21,393	39,115	9,125
1.3 Deposits and placements with banking institutions	6,467	8,877	6,549
1.4 Other interest income	-	-	-
1.5 Total Interest Income	146,688	508,241	129,117
2 INTEREST EXPENSES			
2.1 Customer deposits	116,537	345,482	80,011
2.2 Deposits and placements from banking institutions	24	15	1,215
2.3 Other interest expenses	-	-	-
2.4 Total Interest Expenses	116,561	345,497	81,226
3 NET INTEREST INCOME (LOSS)	30,127	162,744	47,891
4 OTHER OPERATING INCOME			
4.1 Fees and commissions on loans and advances	5,854	31,586	5,792
4.2 Other fees and commissions	2,455	11,593	634
4.3 Foreign exchange trading income	8,534	14,531	1,518
4.4 Dividend income	678	915	216
4.5 Other income	60,690	92,037	13,360
4.6 Total other operating income	78,011	150,662	21,520
5 TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	108,138	313,406	69,411
6 OPERATING EXPENSES			
6.1 Loan loss provision	6,050	12,530	130
6.2 Staff costs	25,679	98,054	22,437
6.3 Directors emoluments	5,300	25,627	4,089
6.4 Rental charges	2,941	8,943	4,662
6.5 Depreciation charge on property and equipment	4,824	10,331	3,840
6.6 Amortisation charges	231	1,711	235
6.7 Other operating expenses	20,875	104,193	24,851
6.8 Total Operating Expenses	66,000	281,399	60,044
7 Profit(loss) before tax and exceptional items	42,138	52,007	9,367
8 Exceptional items			
9 Profit(loss) after exceptional items	42,138	52,007	9,367
10 Current tax	(11,734)	(4,406)	(2,810)
11 Deferred tax	866	547	791
12 Profit(loss) after tax and exceptional items	31,270	48,148	7,348

OTHER DISCLOSURES			
	31/03/2010	31/12/2009	
	UN-AUDITED	AUDITED	
	Shs '000	Shs '000	
1 NON-PERFORMING LOANS AND ADVANCES			
a) Gross non-performing loans and advances	168,652	156,449	
b) Less interest in suspense	(17,763)	(16,179)	
c) Total non-performing loans and advances (a-b)	150,889	140,270	
d) Less loan loss provisions	(24,476)	(24,476)	
e) Net non-performing loans and advances (c-d)	126,413	115,794	
f) Discounted value of Securities	126,413	115,794	
g) Net NPLs exposure (e-f)	-	-	
2 INSIDER LOANS AND ADVANCES			
a) Directors, Shareholders and Associates	89,954	67,780	
b) Employees	19,597	20,869	
c) Total Insider Loans, Advances and other facilities	109,551	108,689	
3 OFF-BALANCE SHEET ITEMS			
a) Letters of credit, guarantees and acceptances	177,064	224,609	
b) Other contingent liabilities	41,928	22,282	
c) Total off balance sheet items	218,992	246,891	
4 CAPITAL STRENGTH			
a) Core Capital	471,438	454,151	
b) Minimum statutory capital	350,000	350,000	
c) Excess (deficiency) (a-b)	121,438	104,151	
d) Supplementary capital	35,409	35,304	
e) Total capital (a+d)	506,847	489,545	
f) Total risk weighted assets	3,335,834	3,964,762	
g) Core capital/ total deposit liabilities	9.02%	9.29%	
h) Minimum statutory ratio	8.00%	8.00%	
i) Excess (deficiency) (g-h)	1.02%	1.29%	
j) Core capital/ total risk weighted assets	13.41%	13.50%	
k) Minimum statutory ratio	8.00%	8.00%	
l) Excess (deficiency) (j-k)	5.41%	5.50%	
m) Total capital/ total risk weighted assets	14.42%	14.55%	
n) Minimum statutory ratio	12.00%	12.00%	
o) Excess (deficiency) (m-n)	2.42%	2.55%	
5 LIQUIDITY			
a) Liquidity ratio	33.40%	32.90%	
b) Minimum statutory ratio	20.00%	20.00%	
c) Excess or deficiency (a-b)	13.40%	12.90%	

The above are extracts of the Bank's un-audited accounts and records of institution.

Signed:
 James Birrie Chairman Rana Sengupta Managing Director Sultan Khinji Exe

Fidelity Bank Sundowner At Koroga Club In Mombasa On 18th March

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Mr. and Mrs. Zarnack with Gerhard Rausch enjoying the well planned and attended sundowner.



Zul Charania with Mr. Altaj and Mr. Rakesh discussing dollar trends.



The Managing Director - Mr. Sengupta with the Chairman James Birnie and the Coast Regional Manager - Mrs. Sukesha extending a warm welcome to their clients.

Club in Diani on 19th March 2010



Director Kabir Khimji with Executive Director Sultan Khimji in animated conversation with Mr and Mrs Gurbux Singh.

Seen [right] Managing Director Fidelity Bank Mr. Sengupta, Rashmikant Jetha, RM - Sukesha with Mr. and Mrs. Harish Shah - expressing satisfaction and stress free banking.



Mr. Ochanda and Peter Rodwell in conversation and taking in the ambience at the Fidelity Bank sundowner at KCC.



Rashid Amir [left] and ShakeelKhan [right] having a tete-a-tete during the function.



ALL SMILES - Esther Muchemi and Shilpy Shah.



Shakeel Khan, Rajesh Vora, Mr. Dodhia, Keval Patel and Rajni Vora discussing expansion projects in Kenya.



Harish Shah with Fayaz Anjarwalla and Chandrakant Shah - laughter the best medicine.

SOMALI PIRATES TAKE A BEATING

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European Union Warship Destroys Pirate Boats

NAIROBI (Xinhua) - European Union Naval Force said on Monday its warship ESPS Victoria intercepted a pirate action group (PAG) comprising one mother ship, a whaler, and two skiffs.

EU Naval Force spokesman John Harbor said the suspected pirates were detected by the frigate's helicopter, about 40 miles from the Somali coast northwest of the Seychelles on Sunday.

Harbor said the helicopter crew saw that the mother ship was carrying a large number of fuel drums, and also the normal paraphernalia for hijacking ships (ladders, hooks, among others) as there was no fishing gear on

board. "EU NAVFOR warship closed the PAG position and, following the orders of the EU NAVFOR Force Commander Jan Thornqvist, a search was conducted with no opposition from the pirates," Harbor said a statement.

He said the boarding party confirmed the suspicions that these vessels were being used with the intent to carry out acts of piracy.

"All the suspects were then put into one of the skiffs and given the necessary equipment to reach the Somali coast.

Victoria then proceeded to destroy the other vessels," he said. The incident came barely a week after the Somali pirates hijacked three Thai vessels

almost 600 miles outside the normal operation area for the EU Naval Force.

The Somali pirates have expanded their range south and east in response to an increase in patrols by European and American warships off the Somali shore.

This was the second event in four days of patrolling in the area.

Two whalers were lifted on board of Johan de Witt and five crew members of the whaler were sent safely back to the shore.

The Horn of Africa nation is at the entrance to the Gulf of Aden, which leads to the Red Sea and the Suez Canal, one of the world's most important shipping channels.

The country has been plagued by factional fighting between warlords and hasn't had a functioning central administration since the 1991 ouster of former dictator Mohammed Siad Barre.

The Gulf of Aden, off the northern coast of Somalia, has the highest risk of piracy in the world.

About 25,000 ships use the channel south of Yemen, between the Red Sea and the Arabian Sea.



European Union Naval Force Dutch warship HNLMS Johan de Witt seen (left) while seizing two Somali pirate 'whaler' boats.

Navy Capture Two Somali Pirate Boats

NAIROBI (Xinhua) - The European Union Naval Force has seized two Somali pirate boats and yet prevented another pirate group from leaving the Somali coast.

Naval Force said the Dutch warship HNLMS Johan de Witt's weekend seizure was the second event in four days of patrolling in the most dangerous waters of the Somali coast.

"After four days of counter piracy operations, this is the second pirate boat, so called whalers, on her flight deck. A good start for a patrol that was slightly different from others," Major Theo Mestrini said in a statement.

Mestrini said the EU Naval Force spotted a whaler, near the Somali coast which was very close to one of the pirate camps where they had seen activities on Friday night.

"After Commanding Officer approval, we approached the whaler.

The crew was totally surprised and looked confused. Soon it was clear that this whaler was equipped to be used for pirating.

They were ready to set sail to the ocean, but we prevented it," he said.

He said the incident was the second event in four

days of patrolling in the area where two whalers were lifted on board of Johan de Witt and five crew members of the whaler were sent safely back to the shore.

HNLMS Johan de Witt is the newest and biggest ship of the Royal Netherlands Navy.

She can operate near the coast, greatly enhancing EU Naval Force's new strategy.

"It's a new concept and to be honest, the ship was not designed for it. But it shows the flexibility of the ship, the craft and, of course, her crew; they are the ones that do the job," Commanding Officer Ben Bekkering said.

The incident came barely a week after the Somali pirates hijacked three Thai vessels almost 600 miles outside the normal operation area for the EU Naval Force.

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British Navy Hands Over Six Pirates

MOMBASA (Xinhua) - British Navy on Tuesday handed over six Somali pirates to the Kenyan authorities barely a month after the east African nation disowned an international agreement that allows prosecution of piracy cases in the country.

The six suspected Somali pirates were handed over to the coastal police chiefs to face prosecution and the latest brings the number of pirates in Kenya to over 120 suspects.

According to the State Law Office, the suspects were arrested by the British Royal Marine and taken on board The Lancaster Warship before being handed over to the Port Police.

They were arrested on April 9 on the Gulf of Eden for the alleged trying to attack Panama Vessel, MV Nada. The State Counsel Alexander Muteti confirmed that the suspects will be charged on Wednesday.

They were dressed in white overall and shoes before being

'ARRESTED AND JAILED'



MOMBASA (Xinhua) - British Navy officials escort a suspected Somali pirate (centre) through Mombasa port from where they handed over six suspected pirates to the Kenyan authorities for prosecution.

received by Port OCPD Ayub Gitonga.

Five AK rifles which were said to be in their possession were handed over to the police and will act as evidence during the prosecution of the case.

Attorney-General Amos Wako said in March they were not involved in signing of the agreement between the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International member state.

Security Council Suggest Special Pirate Tribunals

UNITED NATIONS (Xinhua) - The UN Security Council on Tuesday put forward the possibility of establishing international tribunals to try pirates, as its members called for tougher legislation aimed at prosecuting and jailing suspects caught off the coast of Somalia.

In a resolution unanimously

adopted, the 15-member body appealed to all States "to criminalize piracy under their domestic law and favorably consider the prosecution of suspected, and imprisonment of convicted, pirates apprehended off the coast of Somalia, consistent with applicable international human rights law."

The Security Council also requested that UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon present a report within three months on possible options for prosecuting and imprisoning suspects in connection with piracy and armed robbery at sea in the Horn of Africa.

In its resolution, members noted efforts by the UN Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) and other international organization and donors, including the Contact Group on Piracy off the Coast of Somalia (CGPCS):

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"To enhance the capacity of the judicial and the corrections systems in Somalia, Kenya, Seychelles and other States in the region."

They also highlighted the role of the European Union (EU), the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) and other partners in bringing suspects to justice, in cooperation with Somalia's Transitional Federal Government (TFG).

Ongoing violence between the TFG, heavily backed by the African Union Mission in Somalia (AMISOM) and other supporters, and rebel groups in the Somali

capital of Mogadishu prevents piracy suspects from being tried or imprisoned there. Some of the burden has shifted to neighboring Kenya's justice system.

The Security Council acknowledged "difficulties that Kenya encountered, encouraging its Government to continue prosecuting suspects and imprisoning convicted persons."

The Tuesday meeting came just days after B. Lynn Pascoe, UN under-secretary-general for

political affairs and chair of the Board of the Trust Fund to Support Initiatives of States Countering Piracy off the Coast of Somalia, unveiled 2.1 million U. S. dollars worth of projects planned to tackle the scourge.

The five projects being backed by the UN Trust Fund, which was set up in January by the Contact Group on Piracy off the Coast of Somalia, are focused largely on efforts to prosecute piracy suspects.

EXTENDED AIR PATROLS



Portuguese Maritime Patrol Reconnaissance Aircraft (MPRA) which has arrived in Victoria, Seychelles, to augment the other Maritime Patrol aircraft from Sweden and Luxembourg of EU NAVFOR's anti piracy operation - Atalanta. During the next few months the Portuguese P3 Papa aircraft will monitor the waters off the coast of Somalia providing the Force Commander with essential information on the movements of ships in the area. This is the first time a MPRA from Portugal has participated in the EU NAVFOR operation. The aircraft is a P3 Papa, equipped with several advanced surveillance systems which will significantly enhance EU NAVFOR's Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance (ISR) capability in the Somali Basin. The MPRA is manned by military crew of 41 support personnel from Portuguese Air Force

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'Pilot Error' May Have Caused Douala Crash

NAIROBI (Xinhua) -- An inquiry report into the 2007 Kenya Airways Flight KQ 507 that crashed in Cameroonian commercial city of Douala showed that pilot blunder was cause of the crash.

According to the report released on Wednesday by the Cameroon Civil Aviation Authority, the probable cause of the accident was:

"Loss of control by the crew because of spatial disorientation after a long slow roll during which no instrument scanning was done and in the absence of external visual references in dark light."

The document revealed the pilot had poor situational awareness and relied on his intuition, rather than visual instruments therefore misdirecting the plane.

In aeronautics, spatial disorientation comes about when the pilot's perceived direction is not correct to the reality.

Launching the report in Nairobi, Kenya's Acting Transport Minister Amos Kimunya however absolved the crew from blame, saying they were qualified.

"The report states that the aircraft had no technical defects and the flight crew were qualified and appropriately licensed," Kimunya told journalists in Nairobi.

Kenya Airways Chief Executive Officer Titus Naikuni said spatial disorientation is among the threats pilots face but the company's pilots have been trained to focus on what instruments say, not the brain.

The report also revealed that the pilot took off without getting a clearance from the control tower.

On this, the minister said no one can know the reason why he did that.

"We cannot say why the pilot did it but the fact that he was not reprimanded by the controllers

shows they had no problem with that," he said.

Naikuni said that Kenya Airways has settled 92 percent of the claims from victim's families.

"Negotiations are ongoing with families of the remaining eight percent which we hope to conclude soon," he said.

Kimunya said the government will implement recommendations of the report to enhance safety in the aviation industry.

"Through our participation in this investigation and drawing experience from other air accidents elsewhere, we have taken on board lessons learnt and applied them in improving aviation safety," he said.

During the crash that happened on May 5, 2007, 114 people on board lost their lives.

The plane crashed in a mangrove swamp less than seven km from the runway but it took officials about two days to find it. The wreckage of the plane was found buried deep into the swamp.

Investigations into the Boeing 737-800 crash have been going on since 2007.

The team comprised of experts from Kenya Civil Aviation Authority, Cameroon Civil Aviation Authority and Boeing experts from the United States.



WASHINGTON (Xinhua) -- Chinese Finance Minister Xie Xuren [right] is seen meeting with Kenyan Finance Minister Uhuru Kenyatta at the World Bank and IMF Spring Meetings in Washington D.C., capital of the United States, April 25, 2010.

NAIROBI WILL HOST FOOD SECURITY TALKS

NAIROBI (Xinhua) -- Leading agriculture and climate scientists, policymakers, farmers and development experts from around the world will gather in the Kenyan capital Nairobi next week to focus on the threat of climate change to global food supply.

The conference which is jointly convened by the Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research (CGIAR) and the Earth System Science Partnership (ESSP) will be kicked off in Nairobi on Tuesday.

"If not dealt with, climate change could imperil efforts to reduce poverty and hunger and threaten

the stability of entire nations as farmers struggle in hotter and more uncertain conditions to feed a population set to reach 9 billion people by 2050," said a statement from CGIAR.

Researchers warn shifting weather patterns are poised to depress crop yields in poorest regions, leaving millions facing increased hunger and poverty.

The conference is linked to a rapidly emerging research program led by the CGIAR in partnership with ESSP that seeks to provide farmers and policymakers the means to support sustainable food production in a world where farmers will be under pressure to simultaneously increase yields and reduce carbon emissions.

Kenya To Establish Nuclear Power Plant In Seven Years

NAIROBI (Xinhua) -- Kenya is exploring power generation from nuclear sources in cutting cost of production in the country, a government economic think-tank disclosed here Monday.

The initiative is among a raft of options being pursued by the East African nation in addressing the high electricity costs in line with the envisaged expanded economic growth being pursued under the ambitious growth plan dubbed, Vision 2030.

The National Economic and Social Council (NESC) said the plan is targeting an annual economic growth rate of 10 percent to the year 2030.

"Setting up a nuclear plant takes about seven years and is an option being explored by the Kenyan government," NESC secretary Julius Muia told Xinhua in Nairobi.

NESC said the initiative could see the establishment of a nuclear power plant in the country in the next 10 years.

The nuclear energy power generation could see the country shifting from the current over reliance on hydropower generation. The robust economic growth is expected from the manufacturing sector.

Muia said the initial plan to this end was adopted at the Council's meeting held on April 10 in Nairobi.

Already, talks are ongoing between the Ministry of Energy and that of Finance, with a decision expected in the short term.

Nuclear power is a major undertaking that requires careful planning, preparations and investment in sustainable infrastructure to ensure the nuclear enterprises.

The Kenya's economy has been on a trajectory from a low of below one per cent in 2003 peaking at seven per cent in 2007 when it suffered a dip following post election turmoil that rocked the country and the global financial crisis.

However, it has since shown signs of recovery.

Preliminary estimates indicate that a growth of 2.8 percent was achieved in the fourth quarter of 2009, largely as a result of improved performance in Agriculture, Manufacturing, building and construction, and transport and communication.

It is expected to grow by 4.4 percent in 2010.

by Xinhua correspondent
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High Commissioner For Pakistan Receives A Warm Welcome In Mombasa

The newly appointed High Commissioner of Pakistan H.E. Masroor A. Junejo paid his first visit to Mombasa to familiarize and meet civic leaders and government officials and to interact with the business community, Pakistanis residing in Mombasa, Kenyans of Pakistan origin and membership of the Muslim Association of Mombasa who have always been in the forefront in promoting cultural and mutual bilateral relations between Kenya and Pakistan.

H.E. arrived in Mombasa accompanied by his Commercial Counselor Dr. Amjad Iqbal.

He spent his first day with a large delegation of businessmen in tea business.

Next day Shaahid Sheikh who has built a reputation for assisting Mombasa residents on matters related to Pakistan imports and visas, organized a reception at his residence in Nyali to welcome H.E. Masroor A. Junejo and to provide him an opportunity to meet the business community and social elite of Pakistan origin.

Prominent members of the business community, rice importers, tea exporters, car dealers, bankers, members of the Muslim Association of Mombasa were all present to receive H.E.

Masroor A. Junejo and Dr. Amjad Iqbal, Commercial Counselor.

Shaahid Sheikh welcomed and introduced H.E. Masroor A. Junejo and Dr. Amjad Iqbal his Commercial Counselor and also



High Commissioner Cutting Cake: H. E. Masroor A. Junejo, High Commissioner for Pakistan, cutting welcome cake to Mombasa. Witnessing the ceremony Sheikh Tawlib, Assistant Chief Kadhi [left], Shaahid Sheikh [third from left], Ramzan Sheikh [second right] and Ansar ul Haq [right].

thanked H.E. Floriano des Ines, Consul for Mozambique and Sheikh Tawlib, Assistant Chief Kadhi, community leaders and all present at this function on a short notice.

He then called upon H.E. Masroor A. Junejo to come

forward and share his thoughts. In his address, H.E. Masroor

A. Junejo thanked Shaahid Sheikh for having provided him



High Commissioner with Shaahid Sheikh: H.E. Masroor A. Junejo High Commissioner for Pakistan [right] seen with Shahid P. Butt [left] and Shaahid Sheikh [center].

with the opportunity to meet distinguished members of the Mombasa community and stated, "Pakistan has always accorded great importance to its relations with Kenya.

"We have enjoyed very cordial and friendly ties and we share political socio-economic and people to people co-operation."

"Pakistan greatly values the relationship with the Republic of Kenya.

"It is indeed satisfying that bilateral relations between our two countries based on mutual beneficial co-operation in diverse fields have all along remained cordial."

"While Pakistan continues to remain a major market for Kenya tea, Pakistan can surely serve as a reliable supplier of numerous commodities.

"The government of Kenya takes pride in organizing "EXPO-PAKISTAN," a unique platform for those who desire to benefit.

"This is an ideal one stop sourcing event showcasing the premium products manufactured in Pakistan.

"The government of Pakistan plays a crucial role in encouraging and creating an environment for the private sector to contribute to the economic development of Pakistan.

"Expo-Pakistan is a landmark event to increase exports and encourage investment.

"Businessman interested to attend this event and seek further information, please do not hesitate to contact the High Commission and Dr. Amjad Iqbal, Commercial Counselor for Pakistan High Commission.

"Since my arrival in Kenya, I have met a number of Kenyans of Pakistan origin.

"They remain dedicated and law abiding citizens of Kenya and also serve as useful bridge between Pakistan and Kenya and thus facilitate consolidation of relations between the two countries.

"Kenya is home to a large community of Kenyans of Pakistan origin. We do appreciate their role in strengthening bilateral ties between Pakistan and Kenya remaining loyal citizens of their adopted country.

"In Mombasa, Shaahid Sheikh in one such person who is always available whenever my office requires his services.

"He has also on several occasions assisted Mombasa residents in connection with their Pakistan visas and related issues and we recognize his efforts and contributions!"

We consider Shaahid Sheikh an important link between Mombasa and my office.

However, anyone wishing to reach me or my office is always most welcome!

The next day H.E. Masroor A. Junejo had a very busy schedule.

This was a hectic day for H.E. Masroor A. Junejo, however in his limited time he visited the tea auction and met with a number of large Pakistan rice importers and also paid a courtesy call to His Worship the Mayor of Mombasa, Councilor Ahmed A. Modhar accompanied by Shaahid Sheikh.

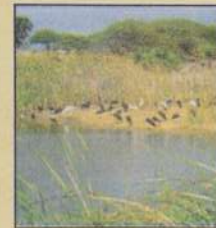
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Special Report by Shaahid Sheikh

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The event was held on March 07, 2010, and the venue was La Marina Restaurant on Mtwapa Creek with 15 boats participating. Only two returned to La Marina with a nil catch.

A total of eight bill fish were 'tagged and released' and most boats brought in felusi which seemed to be the predominate catch for the day.

No juniors took part in this competition and of the two ladies fishing one was most unlucky in losing a marlin after battling with it for five hours.

It was good to see so many people at both the Auction and at Prize Giving the next day which is a great social day for family and friends.

Thanks go to all the volunteers who year after year help to organize the event as well as to La Marina for looking after us so well and allowing the event to take place at their attractive and scenic restaurant on the creek.

The winners were as follows:

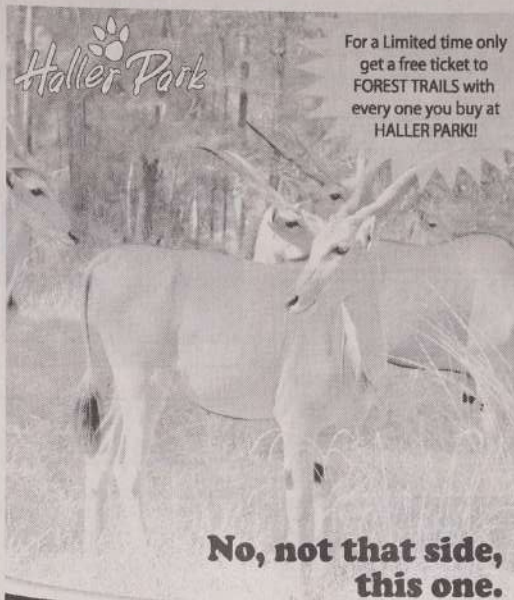
First: "Kabangi" fished by Sabril Hashim, Mohamed Saidi and Muna 645 pts.

Second: "Nala" fished by Vikash Shah, Abbas Somji and Peter Mutemi 600 pts.

Third: "Suli Suli" fished by Pat Griffin, John Raynor and Gordon Holt 355 pts.

Fourth: "Baloo" fished by Hanspieter and Meike 320 pts.

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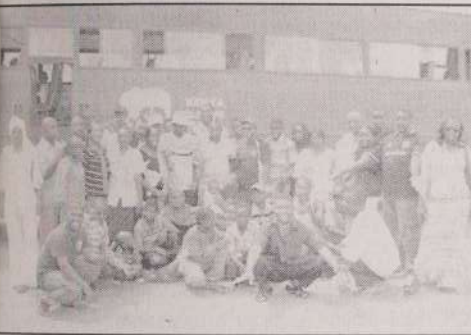
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6	5	4	1	9	7	3	2	8
9	8	3	6	2	4	1	5	7
1	7	2	5	3	8	6	4	9
2	4	5	9	8	6	7	1	3
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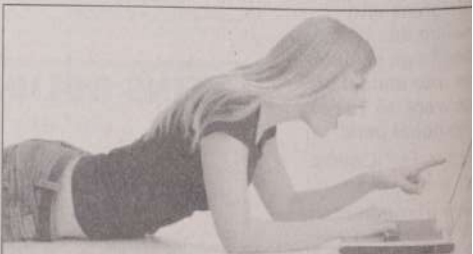
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The banner from the Rotary Inner Wheel Club of Mombasa, also circulated by email to golfers from Nyali Golf and Country Club, Leisure, Malindi and Mombasa Golf Club inviting them to participate in the Charity Golf Competition on Saturday 24th April 2010 at Nyali summed it up well.

It was an invitation to "play for a purpose" continuing with the spirit of giving to those in need that has pervaded a few recent competitions at Nyali.

To encourage greater participation, lots of slots were left for post entries and four balls of players' choice were allowed to be formed.

While enjoying a round of golf to try and win from what was promised to be "several good quality prizes", with some of the usual freebies like the light refreshment, courtesy Whitesands Hotel, and dinner catered by Abbo on offer to all, winners and losers alike, the participants contributed to the Inner Wheel project of "HELP bring HOPE" covering education, microfinance and breast cancer assistance to the needy.

Apart from the members' contribution, Inner wheel were able to marshal support from several well wishers whose names are listed below.

George Njuguna who won second place in B Division in the

Rotary Inner Wheel Club "Playing For A Purpose"

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Q. Somji [right] A-Division winner during April Mug at MGC, receives a Mug from April Mug sponsor Peter Mwangi.

last week's Mug at Front Club claimed the top, overall winner's prize for the Inner Wheel competition with 38 stableford points, the same winning score as last Saturday's SOS Charity competition, an indication of the difficult conditions which kept the scores in check, no one being able to rise above thirties and less than 30 players in the thirties, bulk being in twenties and a couple even in tens, something to do with the lush growth just off the fairways, with absence of first cut on almost all fairways.

George played a steady 18 points first nine and 20 on the back, to ensure a good count

back to beat off any challenge.

However, challenge there was none, his 38 being two points better than the next best.

George's 20 points on the back nine included pars on 10th, 17th and 18th and one over par on par four 13th which gave him three points each, setting off 1 point each resulting from double bogeys on two stroking 12th and 14th, leaving him with 2 surplus points.

Next in line was Wanyonyi Chebukati who continued with his good form from the previous week when he won the B Division

in the men's mug at Nyali with 72 nett. Wanyonyi improved on his performance by one shot, bringing in 71 nett, translating into 36 points to claim the men's winner prize.

His first nine score of 19 included a blank on 8th and double bogey on 4th, comfortably off set by pars on 2nd, 6th, 7th and 9th.

Two more double bogeys on 12th and 13th and bogey on 17th resulted in deficit of 3 points, reduced to 1 by 3 points each scored with pars on 11th and 18th.

Sandeep Gudka's was another name that has been cropping up on the board recently, this time to claim second place with 35 points after fighting off a challenge from Dominic Makau and Allen Dainty.

Sandeep made sure of dealing with just such an eventuality by returning a good 2nd nine score of 20, despite a blank on 14th, with pars on 10th, 11th, 15th and 18th.

Between Dominic and Allen, the count back was simple, 17 and 18 for Dominic ensured his third place over Allen whose breakdown was the exact reverse of 18 and 17.

Count back was also needed to decide 5th and 6th place, between Ben Mureithi and Ushwin Khanna on 33.

Ben Mureithi was another player who had featured in the B Division in men's mug at Nyali last weekend.

He and Ushwin also presented

another mirror image a down with 15 and 18 for 18 and 15 for Ushwin.

The winning lady was fittingly, Jayne Githere, President of the Rotary Mombasa.

Jayne who had rushed Rotary function, making time for tea off settled down round quickly, bringing 11 for the two nines respect

One point behind Jay Florence Karimi with two nines of 17 each and she went to Kellen Weku on two even nines of 16

Two Sheikhs, Ijaz and claimed in that order nine on 18 and 2nd nine

A very enjoyable day of the interest of a good cause, what this competition is about.

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2. P. Gandhi : Rohit Chaudhary
3. Kirti Shah : Dipak Shah
4. Janak Babla : Neeraj Babla
5. Pannik : Amu Shah
6. Tushar : Bharti Pujara
7. C. P. Shah : K. P. Shah
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West opted for the Trump lead.

The Trump lead indicated that East held the Queen of Trumps so declarer won the King of Trumps and led a

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♠	8											
♥	A	K	10	9	8	2						
♦	A	K	8	7								
♣	10	8										

WEST				
♠	A	J	5	4
♥	J			
♦	9	3	2	
♣	K	J	6	2

EAST				
♠	7	3		
♥	Q	6	5	4
♦	Q	10		
♣	Q	9	7	5

Spade to his King.

West won the Ace and led a second Trump.

Declarer rose with Dummy's Ace (East's Queen falling) and led a third Trump to his Knave, drawing West's last Trump.

Declarer cashed the promoted Queen of Spades, discarding a Club from Dummy.

He crossed to the Ace-King of Hearts, West revealing a Singleton Knave, then led the Ten of Hearts for a ruffing finesse against East's Queen.

East chose to cover, enabling Declarer to ruff with his last Trump, ruff a black card, then run established Hearts.

Twelve tricks and slam made.

SOUTH					
♠	K	Q	10	9	6
♥	7	3			
♦	J	6	5	4	
♣	A	3			

Coach Mohamed Returns From Technical Swim Course

The Aga Khan Academy Head Swimming Coach has returned from a two week high level technical Swimming Coaches Course, writes **ABDULRAHMAN SHERIFF**.

The course was held in Nairobi from April 13-22, 2010.

The course covered a lot of technical aspects of swimming and mostly stroke mechanics and the importance of swimmers dryland fitness conditioning.

Derek Howarth from the USA was the course director.

He has a vast experience in coaching as he has coached several USA national swimmers.

He was the 2005 and 2006 Gulf Age Group Coach of the year and was also the 2006 America Swimming Coaches Association (ASCA) Age Group

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Aga Khan Academy head coach, Mohamed Ahmed with coach Derek Howarth.

Coach of the year.

Derek is currently the Coach of Alamo Area Aquatics Association (AAAA).

"We learnt a lot of very important items during the course and say it was worth the weeks" said coach Ahmed.

The academy Head Coach been appointed by Kenya Swimming Federation (KSF) constitute and head the Open Water Commission will come up with a calendar of open water events to be held in the KSF calendar.

KSF has now constituted commissions including canoe, water polo, synchronised and water.

The open water commission will really impact on those who cannot afford to train in a pool and also those swimmers who cannot afford to swim in swimming pool galas.

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EXCLUSIVE - GREG NORMANS' GOLF LESSONS

Spedag Defeat Furaha In Women Cup Competition

Spedag Ladies proved their superiority when they defeated Furaha Ladies 1-0 during the final match of the Shariff Nassir Memorial Women Cup competition played at Shimanzi ground last Sunday.

The competition was organised by Leuben Mwita, Rebecca Lukale, Anthony Wamalwa, Joseph Oyoo and

Shamir Amran who donated the trophy in honour of the late former Cabinet Minister, Shariff Nassir.

National Ladies Soccer initiative (NLSI) Organising Secretary, Elizabeth Shako said the competition was organised as warm-up to the three Coast teams - Spedag, Solwodi and Furaha - to take part in the first ever Kenya Women Soccer Premier League.

OLD RIVALS

During the warm-up games, Spedag Ladies beat their old rivals Solwodi LC 2-0, goals scored by Jackie Ogo and Sharon Bushnei with Furaha LC edging Shining Stars 2-0, Fatuma Daniel and Betty Charo netted.

However the star of the match was Solwodi's Biasha Ali who played her heart out but was not lucky to score.

In a thrilling and hard-fought final clash, Spedag got their winning goal in the second half through prolific striker, Jackie Ogo.

Meanwhile, NLSI Chairperson, Asha Pili Ramadhan announced early this week that 12 teams from different parts of the country

represent Coast and North Eastern provinces.

Nairobi, Central and Eastern provinces will be represented by Mathare, MOYAS, Thika, Mbotela Kamaliza and Makolandesr while teams from Rift valley, Nyanza and Western provinces are Kisii Youth, Galacticos, Sotik All Stars and Western Commandos.

Meanwhile, Kilindini Youth and Bamburi Beach got walk-overs in the Shariff Nassir Memorial Premier league after their opponents Kongwea United and Red Sharks failed to appear at Tudor and Bilima grounds last weekend.

In the Emmanuel Karisa Maitha Memorial Under-15 league, Daytona Youth shared the spoils with Cameroon Youth when their match ended

in a 3-3 draw at Bilima ground.

Daytona's Sam Martin scored a hat-trick while Cameroon got their goals through Alfred Ogina, Abdalla Ali and Tsuma Charo.

On Sunday, Kilindini Youth has been drawn against Bamburi United at Tudor Primary School ground.

In Kisauni Youth Football Association's organised Easter Cup competition, Maweni defeated Makumba 2-0 with goals coming from Joseph Anduku and Hussein Ali.

In another clash, Bilima beat Montana 3-0 with goals scored by Yusuf Inyimba, Badi Mohamed and Said Abdalla.

Tomorrow, Montana takes on Red Sharks at Bamburi ground while Maweni Heroes to play Bilima at Khadija Primary School ground on Sunday.

Soccer Scene with Abdulrehman Shariff



have been selected to take part in the Women Soccer Premier League set to kick off anytime in May.

Asha said that the league is sponsored jointly by the Ministry of Sports and UNICEF.

NLSI deserves special mention for having come to the idea of organising a women premier league which will no doubt uplift the standard of the sport for Kenya ladies.

The teams to feature in the first ever women premier league are Spedag, Furaha and Solwodi who are to

KILULU CHARITY FISHING COMPETITION A SUCCESS

The organizers of the Kilulu Charity Fishing competition wish to thank all our generous sponsors very much for their kind support which enabled us to hold this very successful fishing competition, which raised more funds for our retirement home than in previous years.

The event was held on 7th March and the venue was La Marina Restaurant on Mtwapa Creek with 15 boats participating.

Only two returned to La Marina with a nil catch.

Eight bill fish were tagged and released and most boats brought in felusi which seemed to be the predominate catch for the day.

No juniors took part in this competition and of the two ladies fishing one was most unlucky in losing a marlin after battling with it for five hours.

It was good to see so many people at both the Auction and at Prize Giving the next day which is a great social day for family and friends.

Thanks go to to all the volunteers who year after year help to organize the event as well as to La Marina for looking after us so well and allowing the event to take place at their attractive and scenic restaurant on the creek.

The winners were as follows:

First: "Kabangi" fished by Sabril Hashim, Mohamed Saidi and Peter Mutemi 600 pts.

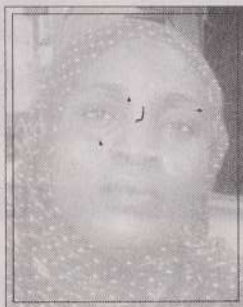
Second: "Nala" fished by Vikash Shah, Abbas Sorjji and Peter Mutemi 600 pts.

Third: "Suli Suli" fished by Pat Griffin, John Raynor and Gordon Holt 355 pts.

Fourth: "Baloo" fished by Hanspieter and Meike 320 pts.

Fifth: "Arielle" fished by Charli and Beat 320 pts.

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Asha Pili Ramadhani, Chairperson, NLSI.

Special Report by Correspondent

Redeem High School Wins Coast Sakata Ball Safaricom Challenge

Redeem High School from Ukunda came in limelight last weekend when they managed to win their first major provincial competition.

The school which was established in 2004 emerged the winners of the Coast Sakata Ball Safaricom Challenge after recording a 4-2 post match penalties victory over Sparki Youth during the final match at Mombasa Municipal Stadium last Saturday.

The final match victory for Redeem enabled the six year-old school from Msambweni district to qualify for the national Sakata Ball Safaricom Challenge scheduled to take place in Nairobi in August.

Redeem took the lead in the 17th minute when Riziki Mussa found the back of the net but Peter Omondi leveled in the 40th minute for the winner to be decided on penalty kicks.

Redeem scored their threespot kicks through Hamisi Mohamed, Riziki Mussa and Athman Mohamed with shots from Suleiman Dera and Rashid Mwasihi missing the target.

Kelvin Odhiambo scored the only penalty for Sparki with shots by Fredrick Manja and Fredrick Okoth kicks saved brilliantly by Redeem goalkeeper, Bakari Hemedi and a kick by Francis Lazaro, hitting the post.

During the semis, Redeem beat Voi's Kingstone Villa 2-0 with goals coming from Mwambambe Mohamed in the 10th minute and Baraza Hamadi in the 27th minute while a 40th minute goal by Fredrick Okoth helped Sparki to beat Msambweni's Pumziken 1-0.

Redeem were awarded Sh100,000 with each player getting a gold medal and a bag containing playing kits.

Sparki got Sh50,000 with players presented with silver medals and bags of playing kits.

Best strikers - Peter Ingoso of Kingstone Villa of Voi and Sparki's Peter Omondi were named the best strikers and were each awarded Sh5,000, Ali Mohamed of Spaki got the best player's award of Sh10,000 with the best goalkeeper, Redeem's Bakari Hamadi also receiving Sh10,000.

In other matches, Pumziken defeated Mariakani Youth 2-0 through goals by Mustafa Athmani and Mwangalika Kibanda while Sparki needed a goal from Thomas Odhiambo to beat Maweni of Malindi 1-0.

Redeem coach, Alex Kana said he was impressed with his boys winning their second major trophy having won Ukunda Safi soccer competition in 2007.

Kana said they were aiming to qualify for this year's Coast Provincial Secondary Schools soccer competition.

"On several occasions, we've been losing finalists since 2007 but this time, we are going to fight it out to win a place and represent Msambweni in the provincial soccer tournament," he said.

The match was attended by the Chief IT officer Safaricom, Robert Mugo; Senior Brand Asset Manager, Cleopatra Mbeo; Brand Asset Manager, Virginia Wanyanga; former Harambee Stars coach, Mohamed Khari and former legendary goalkeeper, Mahmoud "Kenya One" Abbas.

ABDULREHMAN SHARIFF writes

Huge Entries For This Year's Coast Open Squash Tourney

This year's Coast Open Squash tournament will be held at Bamburi Beach Hotel from today to Sunday, writes ABDULREHMAN SHERIFF.

The tournament organising committee official, Yusuf Zavery said forty players have confirmed their participation in the tournament

Africa Concours Entries Heading For The 50 Mark

FROM BACK PAGE Regulations for the Classic sale will be published in June and are currently available on the Concours website.

Meanwhile the AccessKenya Group is making preparations to take to a higher level the hi-tech feel introduced to the Africa Concours d'Elegance last year.

This will include a real time results service and SMS voting by spectators for the best new car on display in Auto Expo (the motor trade section).

There will be a digital media centre for the media to file their stories and results will be posted on the Concours website: <http://www.concourskenya.com>

African Soccer Chief Expects Continental Team Win World Cup

JOHANNESBURG (Xinhua) — It would be "a dream come true" for an African nation in 2010 to win the FIFA World Cup for the first time, Confederation of African Football (CAF) President Issa Hayatou said here on Monday.

When South Africa hosts the FIFA World Cup from June 11 to July 11, it will be the first time in FIFA's 106-year history that the tournament is held in Africa.

In addition, since the Federation Internationale de Football Association (FIFA), the International Federation of Association Football, was founded in Paris in 1904, no African country has won the World Cup.

Hayatou was in South Africa to receive an award, the Order of the Companions of Oliver Tambo (gold) from South African President Jacob Zuma at a ceremony.

The South African government's BUA news agency reported on Monday that national orders are the highest honor awarded in South Africa to outstanding individuals in the field of sport, arts, science and technology as well as individuals' general contribution to a free South Africa.

The ceremony will coincide with the country celebrating 16 years of freedom and democracy.

South Africa held its first democratic elections on April 27, 1994.

At a media briefing in Johannesburg on Monday, Hayatou said the award was an honor for him as it signified the recognition of the African continent's beautiful game.

"It's an honor I cannot even begin to describe.

"How I wish we can take Tuesday's celebration to the field and see one of the African countries reach the finals of the tournament," he said.

Danny Jordaan, South African chief executive of FIFA's 2010 local organizing committee, described the South African government's decision to bestow the Order of OR to Hayatou as recognition of the role football plays in the development of the continent.

"Football is hope no matter how you look at it, you can ask the poorest of our people in this country about how they feel about the World Cup coming to South Africa.

"The answer will be one of happiness."

Six of the 32 teams competing in this year's World Cup are from the African continent.

They are Algeria, Cameroon, Cote d'Ivoire, Ghana, Nigeria and hosts South Africa.

The rest are made up of teams from America, Europe and Asia.

"The performance of the African teams in this World Cup will be key to an argument for more African teams to be included in the future," Jordaan said.

sponsored by Bamburi Beach Hotel.

Zavery said it has attracted top Kenyan players including Hardeep Reel and Joseph Ndungu among many others.

Two Kenyan based Zambian professional squash players have also confirmed their entries along with a strong squad from Tanzania, most of


them from Zanzibar Island.

Top Coast players who have entered are Vimal Shah, Yusuf "Junior" Zavery, Tanveer Diamond, Onesmus Muthee and Hussein Namajee.

The Coast open is the only squash tournament that has always attracted top players from East African nations.

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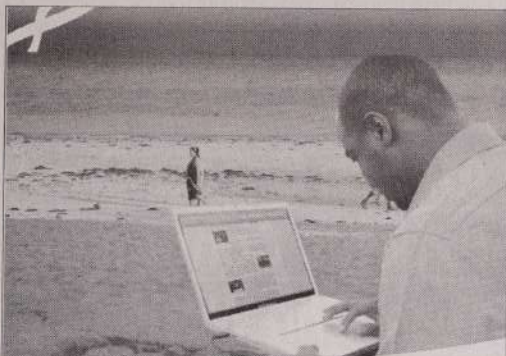
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Africa Concours Entries Heading For The 50 Mark

Entries for the 2010 AccessKenya Africa Concours d'Elegance are heading for the 50 mark with a mix of regular competitors and cars and motorcycles which will be appearing for the first time at the Nairobi Racecourse.

This year's vehicle beauty contest is scheduled for September 26th and will celebrate the 40th anniversary of the Alfa Romeo Owners Club (Kenya) and the Centenary of Alfa Romeo a legendary Italian car manufacturer.

The 1947 Bentley Mark VII entered by Vintage Weddings and the 1952 Rolls Royce Silver Dawn of Roger Tanner will enrich the class for over 3,000 cc touring cars.

These two British limousines will grab the attention of Concours fans who will also flock to see the sports cars.

A new entry in this category is the 1967 Triumph TR 4A IRS of John Sawers.

This will be up against two Alfa Romeo Spiders both made in 1972.

Regular Concours competitor Paul Chemngorem will be showing his 1956 Volkswagen Beetle and a Karmann Ghia version which was made in 1960.

Entries in the small salon car class include the 1972 Austin Mini of Vitafoam Products and Faisal Mohammed's 1976 Citroen 2CV.

The AccessKenya Africa Concours d'Elegance has a prize fund of 1.75 million shillings and is open to all makes and types of cars, station wagons, pick-ups and motorcycles made in 2008, or earlier.

The event provides the opportunity for enthusiasts to show their treasured machines in the 12 classes for cars and eight for motorcycles.

Regulations and information are available from the Bob Dewar Publicity offices in Block G of Norfolk Towers, Kijabe Street.

The email address is info@bobpr.com and the Concours website is www.concourskenya.com and the telephone numbers are 316160, or 2229793 (during working hours).

To give Concours competitors an added incentive to wear costumes for assessment at the end of the judging line in front of the Racecourse grandstands



ALVIS FIREFLY. Simon Fisher will be contesting the AccessKenya Africa Concours d'Elegance with his 1934 Alvis Firefly. This has won the award for the most elegant car at two previous events. [INSET] The 1996 Harley Davidson of Wilson Graham headed the parade of the motorcycles which participated in last year's Africa Concours d'Elegance.

Victor Ludorum awards for cars and motorcycles have been introduced for the first time.

These will be won by the car and motorcycle competitors with the best combined score for the Concours d'Elegance and the fancy dress category.

Among the motorcycles making their debut in the Concours are the Harley Davidson of Philip Dodd and the racing Yamaha TD 1 entered by Sati Jabbal.

Following the pattern of recent years, there are a significant number of big bikes like Yorgen Englund's Victory Hammer and a Honda GL 1000 entered by Rick Agaglatte.

There is strong support for the pre-1940 car class and the oldest machine listed at present is a 1930 Ford Model A Safari Wagon entered by Nimrod Africa Limited.

This will be up against a 1932 Ford Phaeton (an open touring car)



entered by Vintage Weddings and the 1934 Alvis Firefly of Simon Fisher.

In contrast to the treasured machines contesting the AccessKenya Africa Concours d'Elegance, there are many unwanted classic cars and motorcycles in Kenya.

The annual Classic Sale

provides the ideal opportunity to sell a car or a motorcycle in 1985, or earlier regardless of the vehicle's condition.

A significant number of spectators at the Concours are interested in purchasing a classic car as a Concours restoration project, or a weekend nutcase.

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MOMBASA, April 30 - May 06, 2010

FRIDAY High Water - 3.3 m. at 05.12 hrs. (5.12 a.m.) and 3.8 m. at 17.25 hrs. (5.25 p.m.). Low Water - 0.5 m. at 01.01 hrs. (11.01 a.m.) and 0.4 m. at 23.43 hrs. (11.43 p.m.).

SATURDAY High Water - 3.1 m. at 05.48 hrs. (5.48 a.m.) and 3.7 m. at 18.00 hrs. (6.00 p.m.). Low Water - 0.6 m. at 11.36 hrs. (11.36 a.m.).

SUNDAY High Water - 3.0 m. at 06.24 hrs. (6.24 a.m.) and 3.4 m. at 18.34 hrs. (6.34 p.m.). Low Water - 0.5 m. at 00.21 hrs. (12.21 a.m.) and 0.7 m. at 12.12 hrs. (12.12 p.m.).

MONDAY High Water - 2.8 m. at 07.01 hrs. (7.01 a.m.) and 3.2 m. at 19.11 hrs. (7.11 p.m.). Low Water - 0.7 m. at 01.00 hrs. (1.00 a.m.) and 0.9 m. at 12.48 hrs. (12.48 p.m.).

TUESDAY High Water - 2.6 m. at 07.43 hrs. (7.43 a.m.) and 2.9 m. at 19.52 hrs. (7.52 p.m.). Low Water - 0.9 m. at 01.40 hrs. (1.40 a.m.) and 1.2 m. at 13.29 hrs. (1.29 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY High Water - 2.5 m. at 08.35 hrs. (8.35 a.m.) and 2.7 m. at 20.44 hrs. (8.44 p.m.). Low Water - 1.1 m. at 02.26 hrs. (2.26 a.m.) and 1.4 m. at 14.20 hrs. (2.20 p.m.).

THURSDAY High Water - 2.4 m. at 09.49 hrs. (9.49 a.m.) and 2.5 m. at 21.58 hrs. (9.58 p.m.). Low Water - 1.3 m. at 03.25 hrs. (3.25 a.m.) and 1.6 m. at 15.34 hrs. (3.34 p.m.).

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

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