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Christmas At The Coast

INSIDE - YOUR SPECIAL HOLIDAY GUIDE TO ALL THE FESTIVE ACTION!

Kenya Airways Enjoy Another Great Year!

ONCE AGAIN Kenya Airways was able to host a Christmas Party for its staff and there was great rejoicing on hearing that in the first six months of its financial year the target budgeted had been surpassed.

One hundred and fifty Kenya Airways employees at the Coast celebrated this news at a Christmas Party at the new Orchid Bay Hotel (on Nyali Bridge) on Tuesday (December 16).

All were able to bring a spouse along if they wished.

In thanking them, Said Antar, the Kenya Airways Manager, Mombasa Station, declared 'this has been achieved because of your hard work and effort.'

We were unable to host a Christmas Party last year because of being unable to meet budgetary requirements.

Instead we had to introduce cost cutting measures.

It is wonderful being able to hold our Christmas Party again and another will take place next Tuesday at this hotel for a similar number of employees'.

He told them 'we are trying to make Kenya Airways a world class airline.'

What we have been doing was to try and improve what we had, and I think this has been achieved.

Kenya Airways is now growing additional aircraft are coming and were opening up new

routes while the challenges ahead of us are much bigger than ever before.

Again, thank you very much for your co-operation.

There was a buffet dinner which included chicken, roast meat and and some delicious apple pie, while the entertainment provided by the hotel in the

form of two 'Black Angels' was found hilarious, and everyone enjoyed dancing to the latest sounds from D.J. Shabir Jeevanji of Music Master.



THE TEA flight from Switzerland arrives 'Full Up' at Mombasa's Moi International Airport on Monday (December 15). It is on charter to Beach Safaris of Switzerland and is the result of a vigorous promotional campaign in the media. Royale Tours and Safaris which look after the ground arrangements of their clients in Kenya.

STARION Is Back In Business

Mombasa's Magic Nightlife is back!

A spokesman for the STARION Nightclub said:

"On Saturday, December 20, just in time to make your Christmas break even more enjoyable, the famous STARION Night-club in Nyali opens its doors again after being closed for almost two years.

"In order to ensure a maximum guest satisfaction, famous DJ TONY RUSSO has been appointed as the host for the patrons of the club.

"The club, that has been put under the motto "For the Vibes of the Nites", opens its doors daily from 21.00 p.m. until dawn.

"STARION is dedicated to become once more a No1 spot in the nightlife of Mombasa."

'Full' Charter

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Happy Christmas



HAPPY CHRISTMAS - For this beautiful baby born blind due to cataracts the festive season means that much more ... now that she can see! Thanks to the wonderful work of the Kwale District Eye Centre, where she was successfully operated on and now leads a completely normal life!

THERE WAS great jubilation at Moi International Airport on Monday (December 15,) when the TEA flight from Switzerland arrived absolutely 'Full Up'.

This was the first time for it to do so for several months with forward bookings presently looking good.

The aircraft is chartered by Beach Safaris of Switzerland and has been operating into Mombasa for the past four years.

Most of the passengers arriving on Monday were clients of Beach Safaris and waiting outside the airport were Royale Tours and Safari drivers to take them to eight hotels on the Kenya coast which gave them a very big welcome for they, too, have been seriously affected by this slump in tourism.

BEACH SAFARI

Royale Tours and Safaris is a locally owned company run by Murad A. Saad and Helen Saad Bisig who are the sole owners.

It not only looks after the transfer, excursion and safari arrangements for Beach Safaris, but Fischer Reisen of Germany as well.

Beach Safaris is a privately owned company in Switzerland.

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World Will Never Forget Mother Teresa

CALCUTTA BURIED its most revered daughter, Mother Teresa, on Saturday, last September 13th.

Her death came as the world was still staggering from the abrupt end of a fairy tale, Princess Diana. The world now grieved at the

death of the true Queen of Hearts, India, most fittingly accorded a state funeral for its loved daughter.

A day of national mourning was declared and flags flew at half mast.

Multitudes of the poor in Calcutta slipped past the police to run alongside the garlanded carriage that bore Mother Teresa to her funeral.

The beggars, disabled, the poverty stricken, the old and infirm cried "Maa Zindabad" (Mother you are immortal), "Rahem Ka Diya Bhuj Gaya" (The Flame of Compassion is Extinguished).

The poor of the poorest wept for their mother.

The Mother to whom they were the focus of all existence, and on them she lavished not merely care but love.

The founding of the Missionaries of Charity was the work of one woman - Agnes Gonxha.

In an age where compassion for the poor and needy has become an outdated concept, Mother Teresa, as she was affectionately known the world over, has given it a new meaning and forced a cynical world to acknowledge and honour such a spirit.

The figures in the blue bordered white saris are a familiar sight the world over - wherever pain has to be eased, loneliness soled, poverty and hunger assuaged.

In slums from Calcutta to Nairobi to New York; the famine infested waste of Africa; amidst earth quakes and floods; cholera infested camps; indeed, wherever human need is acute, they are there.

Mother Teresa created an organisation, that after 48 years, has over 3000 people ministering to the needy, dying and orphaned in the slums of over 200 cities all over the world.

She always had hungry and dying people on her hands, cradling abandoned children from the slums.

All this was her burning priority. In the process, she became a world renowned figure.

This kindly wrinkled face was better known than those of most

statesmen.

Mother was born to Albanian parents in Skopje, Yugoslavia in 1910 and baptised Agnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu.

At the age of 12 she wanted to be a Missionary, "to go and give the love of Christ".

By the time she was 18, she had joined the Irish Branch of Loreto nuns who were working in Calcutta.

At the age of 27 she took her final vows.

At the Loreto St. Mary's School

at Fort Jesus' in aid of the handicapped Girl Guides at the Coast.

When 'Spring time at Fort Jesus' comes to my mind, I nostalgically recall the magnanimity of a dear and respected friend Janab Kadiri sahab.

This respected personality of India is a premiere architect and the former Sheriff of the metropolis of Mumbai and above all a noble philanthropist.

And, it was through his courtesy

She was truly a Saint. She was affectionately talking Dutt sahib.

She was saying that once a contrarian journalist bluntly asked her "Are you a Saint?" she said "Yes and so are you".

It was typical of her to throw the responsibility on the questioner.

The message was that we could all be the good Samaritan.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL OUR ESTEEMED CUSTOMERS

SHAKUR BYTHEA of Mombasa's 'Bazm-e-Urdu' pays tribute to a very special lady who died in 1997.



in Calcutta, Mother taught Geography to Bengali girls from comfortable homes.

A sprawling slum outside the school offered a sharp contrast to the world within the secure walls of the convent.

It was on September 10, 1946 Mother was on a train heading for Darjeeling, when she heard a Divine Call.

"A Call within a Call", as she later explained.

She was already a nun.

This time the request was to serve the poorest of the poor.

The Loreto nuns were surprised that Mother chose to quit their congregation.

She seemed happy with them.

They were oblivious to the fact that Mother Teresa was destined to work for God.

She was inspired by Him and knew that to be closer to Him she needed to be closer to His needy creation.

It was this will in Mother that gave her energy, moving force and organisational skill and above all compassion which gave this world 'The Missionaries of Charity'.

For the 1979 Noble Peace Prize Winner, it had been a long journey to achieve her cause.

India, also gave its highest honour, *Bharat Ratan*, to the woman who adopted India, a foreign land as her own and did so much for its people, nothing could ever be enough.

"Perhaps the greatest message she has given is the value and dignity of human life"; the archbishop of Calcutta said in his eulogy, "All human life is precious".

This humble writer had the privilege and honour to meet this 'Saint of the Gutters' on Monday the 25th November 1991.

All this happened when yours truly had accompanied Mr. Sunil Dutt, the great film maker and equally great actor, to Nairobi Airport for his return journey to Mumbai.

Dutt sahib was in Mombasa for the Charity Banquet, 'Spring Time

that Sunil Dutt sahab came to Mombasa for this fund-raising function.

Coming back to the subject, the Air India Incoming flight, on that blessed night had Mother Teresa and her entourage on a visit to Nairobi.

The VIP lounge was radiant with the august gathering in its premise.

Dutt sahib and myself were seated next to Mother.

I kissed her hand and received her blessings.

I felt great within.

Let's make a choice, and lead behind a legacy of Good will a Good deeds.

Sahir Ludhianvi, the poet said "Mana ke is Zameen Kuch khaan kam kar jakey guzre jidhar ham".

Another one said: "Jaao zahid kisi mazlum aansoo pohcho,

"Phir jakey samjho gibaadat kya hai".

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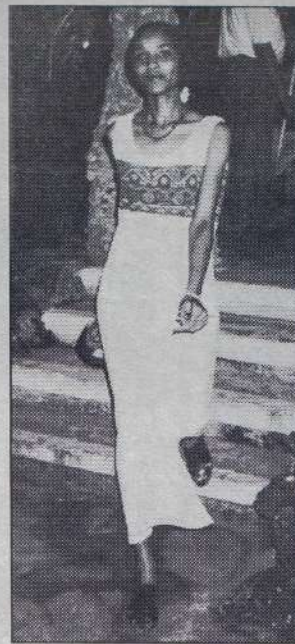
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ALICE IN A cotton viscose fully lined long black dress, which is part of the Tinga Tina Christmas Evening Collection.



JOSEPHINE wears a white Tinga Tina Dress with multi-coloured front panel from it's exotic 'Bubble Collection'.



ALICE in long cotton skirt, spaghetti strap top, voile loose shirt all in orange and a matching ciondo.

ON THE EVE of Jamhuri Day, a large crowd of diners gathered at the Jungle Village Restaurant not only for the enjoyable food but also for an exciting fashion show thereafter which was staged by the management with assistance from Noopy's Boutique of Moi Avenue who provided a whole new range of exceedingly popular Tinga Tinga casual wear of high quality cotton fabrics made in Kenya. Seen above are a few of the eye catching outfits.

Wild Weekend With 'Jungle Rock Party' At Safari Beach

SAFARI SANDS Club is being transformed into a jungle, alive with wildlife (lifesize wood-carvings with which Safari Beach Hotel abounds) all for a Jungle Rock Party there on Boxing Day, December 26.

That afternoon there is the Alliance Hotels boast race with twelve Ngalawas, captained by their owners, competing.

Each will be carrying their own team comprising staff and guests, and takes place in front of Safari Beach Hotel.

It's great fun to watch! In the evening Africana Sea Lodge's popular Banda

Disco will host D. J. Pinye in 'Soul Nite'.

He is the hottest DJ in Nairobi and last time he was at Safari Sands Club it was packed out.

On Sunday (December 28) the annual Windsurfing Regatta, organised in conjunction with Francorosso Windsurfing, takes place in front of Jadini Beach Hotel.

It is open to all windsurfers. There will be a beach barbeque and lively music by the Take 5 Jazz Band.

The Tropical Jam Weekend ends with a feast - a 'culinary

safari through Kenya' at Jadini's Jambo Village with traditional food and drink plus entertainment, the music-makers being the African

Sounds and D.J. Pinye.

Throughout the weekend International Distillers will be sponsoring a series of raffles and interesting promotions.

Special Report by
NETA PEAL

Attire is 'Jungle gear'!

The party's theme is "A Safari Adventure" accompanied by the best of rock music and maybe some thumping themes from the Jungle Book!

It is all part of the Tropical Jam weekend being presented by Alliance Hotels which are always to the forefront when it comes to festive season entertainment on the south coast.

On Saturday (December, 27) you can help raise money for a very worthwhile project.

It is the well run Diani Children's Village set up by Yvonne Matiba to give a home and loving care to orphaned and destitute children.

Yvonne, who is from Holland, is the wife of Raymond Matiba, Alliance Hotels Chief Executive Officer.

Its Charity Fun Run is now an annual event.

It starts from Jadini Beach Hotel at 8.00 a.m. and ends there.

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"It's your mother for you - she's leaving your father!"



"Yes, that man you met was drunk - it was your reflection in the mirror."



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"Here's a nice spot, dear."



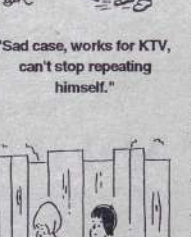
"You're putting on weight!"



"Sad case, works for KTV, can't stop repeating himself."



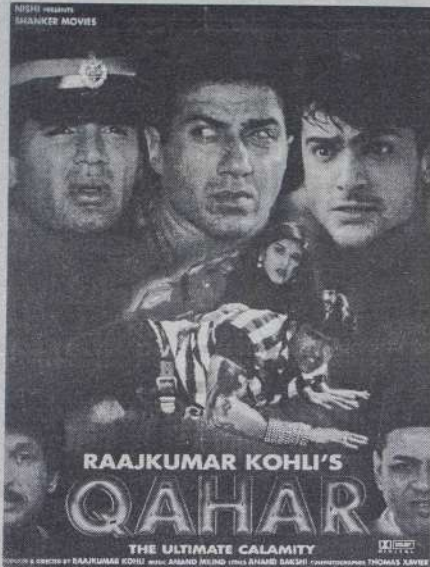
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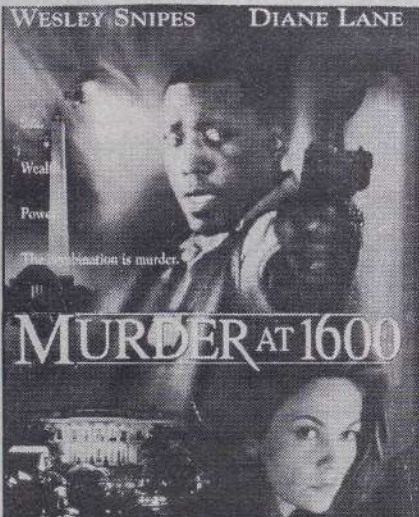
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The concert starts at 7.30 p.m. sharp at the Little Theatre Club. Entrance is free and a Collection will be taken up for Christmas Charities.

This is treat for all the family so don't miss it

Sunil And Sunny Compare Biceps

THERE IS an excellent choice of films this week at both the theatres offering a wide variety for all filmgoers.

The weekend attraction at the LOTUS CINEMA will be an action film Qahar starring Sunil Shetty, Sunny Deol, Arman Kohli, Sonali Bendre, Paresh Rawal, Raj Kiran, and Rambha.

When havoc reaches its extremity, it is known as Qahar and thus when evil has reached its extremity, God gives birth to an honest person to smash the oppressive power of evil over mankind.

Krishna, a young man joins hands with another young man Raja, to combat the evil forces of Velji and Nageshwar.

However they have to put up with an honest and duty-bound Police Inspector Amar who also wants to bring the baddies to justice but the legal way.

Inspector Amar feels that Raja and Krishna should not take the law into their hands but let the police do their duty and bring justice to all.

Little does he know that the reason Raja feels so strongly against Nageshwar and Velji is that the two have raped his sweetheart Neelam who commits suicide out of shame.

All these strong feelings make each person, Raja, Amar and Krishna, a Qahar, each being right in their own way.

Who outlives the other in the end - wait and see it in Qahar at the LOTUS CINEMA from today, until Monday.

Opening on Tuesday, is the Christmas attraction with Wesley Snipes and Diane Lane in Murder At 1600.

This is a fantastic thriller with murder and mystery as its basis and is such a good movie that it ran for more than two months in

the Nairobi theatres.

Showing for the last two days at the KENYA CINEMA is the highly erotic Kamasutra starring Naveen Andrews, Sarita Choudhary and Ramon Tikaram.

Please note the film is for adults only.

Continuing in its second great week at the KENYA CINEMA is

the romantic comedy Ishq starring Aamir Khan, Juhi Chawla, Ajay Devgan and Kajol.

There will be one showing on

Saturday at 9.00 p.m. and on Sunday at 2.30, 5.45 and 9.00 p.m.

Mohabbat with the newest heart throb in town Akshaye Khanna, Madhuri Dixit (showing a bit of flab in this film) and Sanjay Kapoor will be shown for one day only on Monday.

KHUMALO

Commencing on Tuesday will be the epic film Cry The Beloved Country starring James Earl Jones, Leleti Khumalo and Richard Harris.

This film is taken from the classic novel which is based on a true story in South Africa by Athol Fugard.

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2nd GREAT WEEK

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*ING: Amir Khan; Ajay Devgan; Kajol & Juhi Chawla (Unsuitable Under 10)

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GEMINI STARGAST

***SKATTARUS** Nov. 27 - Dec. 21
By and large all other things conditions are over. Things will start looking up for you now. You are financially in a very fortunate position.

***CAPPICORN** Dec. 22 - Jan. 21
You record material gains in one form or another. It will however be a week of stress and strain.

***AQUARIUS** Jan. 22 - Feb. 21
Some pinheads have become very agreeable to you. A week of caution in all aspects. Some will throw all your pins haywire.

***SPICES** Feb. 22 - March 21
You are prone to quarrel with everyone. An adverse and difficult phase of time. Take a deep breath and count to three every time you feel you are losing control of yourself.

***ARIES** March 22 - April 21
Big changes are in store for you. Employment situation. A very easy week but hectic weekend lies in store. Make the most of it.

***TAVRUS** April 22 - May 21
A refusal to heed another's advice could land you in a lot of trouble. You will have to be selective though, whose suggestions to listen to and whose not to. Young ones play a pleasing role.

***GEMINI** May 22 - June 21
Domestic problems need careful handling or they will blow out of proportion. A week that will have you worried about someone else.

***CANCER** June 22 - July 21
Try to look around and shed the sp. For there are others in a worse condition than you are in. Neither a particularly lucky nor an unlucky week.

***LEO** July 22 - August 21
Sudden emotional attraction could threaten existing relationships. Excess expenditure is not necessary. Save whatever you can now for the rainy day ahead.

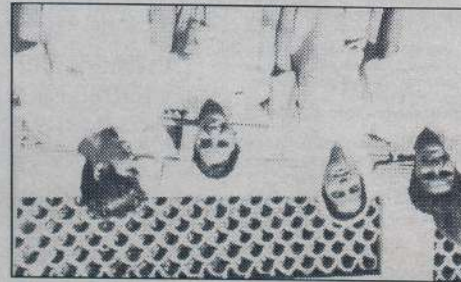
***VIRGO** Aug. 22 - Sept. 21
This is a constructive phase of your life. Aim high and reach your goal fast. Don't let undue criticism deter you from what you want to achieve.

***LIBRA** Sept. 22 - Oct. 21
The opportunity of what you want is there. You are not looking hard enough. Stick to your plans, don't let others make you change your mind about what you want to do.

***SCORPIO** Oct. 22 - Nov. 21
You feel that you are in the peak of your powers and anything is attainable. Your physical health however, has become sensitive and you must take great care.



SECURCOR International Marketing and Business Development Director, Ann Perkins (left), is seen with long service award recipient James M. Githinji. Mr. Githinji has been with Securcor for fifteen years and is based in Mombasa with Omega Courier Services.



AN URGENT APPEAL was launched by the Bombulu Workshops following the heavy rains which hit the coast in October. Mombasa Academy pupils assisted by donating boxes of clothes, mattresses and bedding. Donors were organised through the house systems and seen are some of the House Captains arranging the transportation of goods. The school appreciated the help of parent Mrs. S. Mamulie in delivering the donations and organizing their distribution. From left - Mateo Vilec, Philippe Geschwend, Paras Shah, Salima Sheikh Said, Feshma Sheikh, Fumit Manji.



LIONS CLUB of Mombasa Bahari observed the Lions International World Service Day at the International Fellowship for Christ Church School, Mikhindani where 150 orphan and destitute street children were served lunch and entertained with a magic show.



A MOST welcome gift of medicines from the Inner Wheel Club of Mombasa was received with delight by APDK's Bombulu Workshop and Cultural Centre. The workshop was the first to be established on the Kenyan Coast for physically disabled young people to give them career training and has been a great success until now. The medicines, worth approximately Shs. 20,000/- donated by the Inner Wheel Club of Mombasa, were of great help in this crisis. Seen are the Club's Chairman, Yasmim Khandwala (centre front) with members. Centre back is Bill Robertson, Bombulu's General Manager and his Personal Officer, David Kimanthi (far left).



DURING HINDU Service Week, observed throughout the Coast from November 7 to 14, youth of Vanza community came forward with more than Kshs. 10,000/- worth of food items. Shree Vanza Nayyvak Sewa Samiti, hosted a party for children at the Kazingo Mombasa Children's Home followed by games and gifts. Vanza youths are seen with some of the delighted residents of Mombasa Children Home.

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Tourism Industry Appreciates Fact That Government Has Shown Concern About Coast Security Situation

'CONTRARY TO projection 1997 turned out to be a disastrous year for tourism with most hotels suffering declining occupancies and other adverse effects caused by poor infrastructure, inadequate supply of utility services and insecurity at the Coast'.

So declared the Chairman of Kenya Association of Hotel-keepers and Caterers, Peter Mbogua, when addressing its Annual General Meeting at Diani Reef Grand Hotel recently.

Referring to the most serious financial situation that the hotel

industry, particularly at the coast, is currently facing, the chairman said 'in this regard I appreciate the initiative taken by Coast Region member who formed a committee that compiled a memorandum on the crisis.



This, together with other proposals, were presented to the Minister for Finance and copied to the Office of the President and other relevant Ministries.

While not all proposals submitted have been granted, I am pleased to report that the Minister for Finance has approved a deduction of all input VAT paid on goods or services used for restaurant services'.

Referring to the recent imposition of a visa requirement for British passport holders visiting Kenya, the chairman said 'we were all disappointed at this news.

'INAPPROPRIATE AND HARMFUL'

We consider it to be harmful to the industry and the timing was most inappropriate'.

Adding 'in a joint letter with the Kenya Association of Tour Operators we have requested for this decision be rescinded'.

Speaking on the subject of the Kenya Tourist Board he said 'the association will continue to liaise with KTB and the Ministry of Tourism and Wildlife to petition the Treasury to allocate more resources to KTB's expenses especially for marketing services'.

He noted that immediately after the General Election the Kenya Tourist Board will embark on a promotional advertising campaign and is also going to invite travel writers, journalists etc. here.

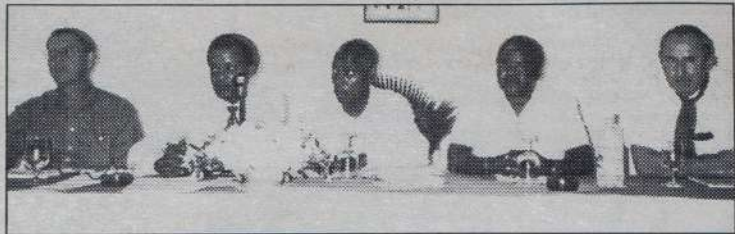
Declared the Chairman 'we shall be calling upon members to assist'.

Outlining the action taken by the association in dealing with the many issues affecting the industry he said 'as far as security is concerned the association's

low occupancy, particularly at the coast, but to allow hoteliers to pay in gradual amounts depending on the level of bed occupancy'.

On water, the Chairman noted that 'the supply of water continues to be critical, particularly at the

On Kenya Post and Telecommunication services the chairman remarked 'the association has continued to express concern that charges for these services continue to rise with no commensurate improvement



HAROLD KAMPA, Vice Chairman (right), seen during the Annual General Meeting of Kenya Association of Hotelkeepers' and Caterers' at Diani Reef Grand Hotel together with Peter Mbogua, Chairman; David Kamau, Chief Executive; Joshua Mwendwa, Chairman, Coast Region and Sigi Jogschat, General Manager, Diani Reef Grand Hotel.

Management Committee had petitioned government to act decisively and promptly to stamp out the state of insecurity to avoid the total collapse of the tourism industry.

He also mentioned that during the time he was Chairman of Kenya Tourist Board, and in liaison with chairman of various Kenya Industry association, they had presented a petition of President Moi.

Subsequently, in an effort to allay concern emanating from hoteliers, the government decided to take advantage of the association's Management Committee at Diani Sea Resort on September 25 and despatched three Ministers to address investors and senior executives in the tourism industry.

While nothing tangible appears to have emerged from their address, members of the tourism industry appreciated the fact that government had shown concern over the situation'.

On the question of roads 'which remain a major concern', the chairman said 'while urban roads in 26 municipalities are being repaired, inadequate progress is being made on roads outside designated urban areas.

The association's Management Committee will continue addressing the government to direct more resources towards such roads during the months ahead.

It is hoped, he said 'that donor funds which were withdrawn in August this year will be re-allocated for the various projects after the General Election.

ACTION FROM GOVERNMENT

Proper utilisation of the increased Road Maintenance Levy which was raised by some 28 per cent in 1997/8 is also expected to, hopefully, achieve some improvement on our roads'.

On the question of electricity, the chairman said 'the association has also appealed to Kenya Power and Lighting not to disconnect the power supply to hotels when bills become due during this period of

Coast.

The association will continue pressing government to speed up the installation of the second Mzima Pipeline to Mombasa and the second pipeline from the Sabaki Water Treatment Plant at Baricho to the Twi Boreholes on the South Coast.






on services required.

It is also hoped that partial privatisation of the Kenya Telecommunication company will be effected and make it more accountable to its customers.

A guest at the AGM was Fred Finn, the most travelled man in the world, who was back on his 562



FRED FINN, the most travelled man in the world back on his 562nd visit to Kenya was a guest at the Annual General Meeting of the Kenya Association of Hotelkeepers' and Caterers' held at Diani Reef Grand Hotel. Invited to speak he told hoteliers 'Kenya is still the finest country on God's earth and I am prepared to work with anyone here to promote this wonderful country which I love'.

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FULL CHARTER FLIGHT

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Miss. Marotta. They sell their packages holidays to Kenya through Teletext on TV on which they have been vigorously advertising as well as in newspapers, to re-assure tourists that Kenya remains an ideal and unique destination for a vacation.

The result of this aggressive marketing was a full TEA flight on Monday. Everyone is hoping for a peaceful General Election so that this upward trend may continue.

Due to tribal unrest and a 50 per cent drop in tourist arrivals on the Kenya coast and usual two charters a week operating during the winter season had to be cut back to one.

However, should bookings continue, and be sufficient in number, the

visit to Kenya.

He brings many holiday incentive and conference groups here, and has his own programme 'Finn's Destinations' on TV in the UK, as well as writing travel articles.

He told hoteliers 'Kenya always seems to be the victim of sensationalism and scandal-mongers in journalism'.

Explaining that what he writes about Kenya is objective and responsible Mr. Finn said 'I have just produced four double page spreads about Kenya as well as programme on TV seen by some six million people'.

He continued 'I am due to start a programme on the ITV network in March - the first programmes being about Kenya - the most magical country on earth'.

Adding 'I brought a group of people here last week from the UK who were only going to stay three days, instead they remained for one week.

Of the people I bring here, among who have been many celebrities, around 99.9 per cent return.

He hoped that government might reconsider its imposition of a Visa fee of £35 for British passport holders visiting Kenya and remove it altogether after the General Election.

Declared Mr. Finn 'Kenya is still the finest country on God's earth and I am prepared to work with anyone here to promote this wonderful country which I love'.

Need Some Information About Kenya Tour Industry

MY NAME is Jacquie

I am a Kenyan Student currently undertaking studies in International Tourism management.

I was wondering if you have any idea if there is any research work currently being carried out in Kenya On Tourism.

And if so what organisation? Hope you can be able to assist me otherwise:

Kristmas Njeme na Mwaka Mpya Jacquelyne Muhati <brli@wmcmail.wmc.ac.uk>

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'Such Fond Memories'

IT WAS ONLY recently that we discovered that we could once again read *CoastWeek* this time via the Internet.

Doing so has revived wonderful memories of our two years in Mombasa (1986-8) when Gene was the American Consul and our children attended Mombasa Academy.

Gene went from Mombasa to other foreign service adventures, culminating with a tour as acting Ambassador to Iceland in 1993/4.

He now has retired from diplomacy and is teaching International Relations and History at Washington, D.C. area colleges and universities.

Bonnie has been doing some writing, including several stories about our Kenyan adventures which have been published in the "Foreign Service Journal;" and Gene joined the fray recently with a story about a Mombasa incident (the death of an American citizen) which can be found at <www.unc.edu/depts/diplomat/>.

We would love to come back to Mombasa some day to relive those fond memories; but in the meantime we would love to hear from friends and acquaintances from Mombasa days, from the Nyalí golf club to Mombasa

Rotary to Mombasa Academy to the Friends of Fort Jesus, etc.

Best wishes to all on the Coast for a happy and festive holiday season.

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Finch Hatton did things in style. He brought Mozart and Crystal into the

bush. So does this upmarket Camp, which is lovingly hosted by owner Peter

Frank, previously a Regional Director with Hilton Hotels Ltd.

FINCH HATTON'S safari Camp is built at the edge of three Hippo Pools which are

fed by natural springs. Surrounding the Camp is the vast dry expanse of thorn scrub and

volcanic lava which characterise this further hilly section of Tsavo.

MOUNT KILIMANJARO

forms a majestic backdrop - visible from many parts

of the Camp. There are 55 very luxurious camps spaced on both sides of the Hippo pools.

The tents are based on wooden platforms and face towards the water.

Each has a spacious and shaded veranda with a Lamu style day bed and chairs. The tents are

extra large and airy with many big screened "windows".

They have wooden floors, rich Kilim rugs and high quality beds and mattresses. There are mini

fridges in each tent and the en-suite bathrooms have stone floors, oval mirrors and showers.

HIPPO POOLS

reach out from under the main lodge, with its open terrace, looks out

over and towards Mount Kilimanjaro.

There are lava stone walls, and a high and intricate thatched roof.

The Camp has been decorated in keeping with its name - Old Fashioned, British and

High Class. There are leather couches, brass lamps and writing desks.

On the walls are prints of old safari photos, and there is a

fire place with a big chimney.

Guests are requested to 'dress' for dinner - no shorts.

And, yes, there is ... Mozart and Crystal.

The Camp is not fenced, and animals are free to wander in

the grounds.

There are always a battalion of busy 'askari' escorting guests to and from their tents.

ELEPHANTS

have been seen on the Camp paths, and at night Hippo pass the

tents to graze.

(The proximity of wild animals means that children are not encouraged as guests).

The natural vegetation has been retained, and the Camp paths pass through lava rocks

and bush. Some tents are under tall trees.

There are bridges over the stream, a raised walk way and two special observation

areas. At night the Hippo pool is discreetly illuminated.

The furthest tents are quite a hot hike from the main lodge,

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PETER FRANK

's experience in the Kenyan tourist

business, his knowledge of this area of the country, and his

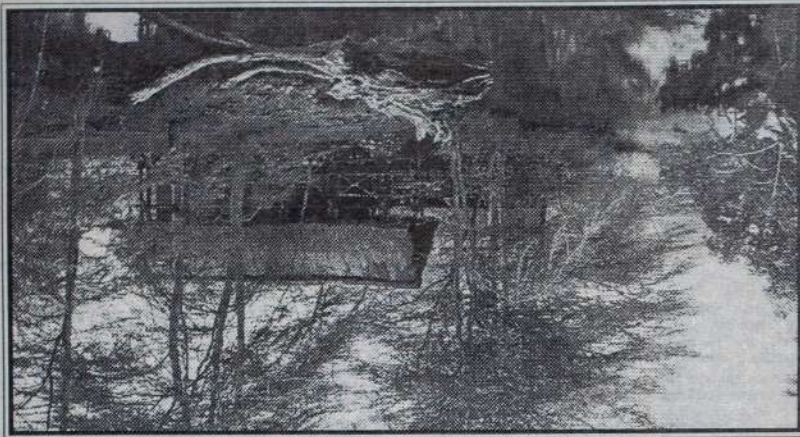
stated determination to keep this Camp "operating in a

completely professional manner," all recommend that a

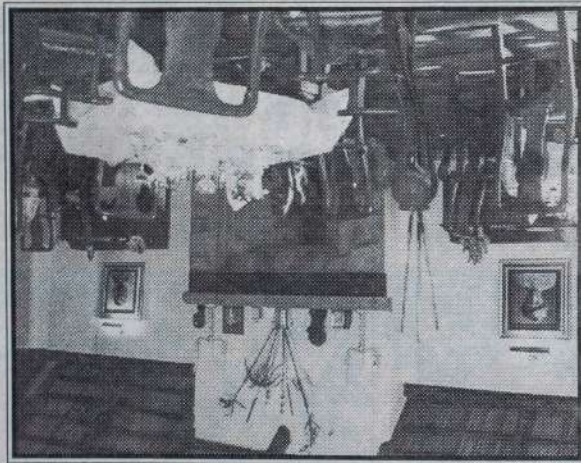
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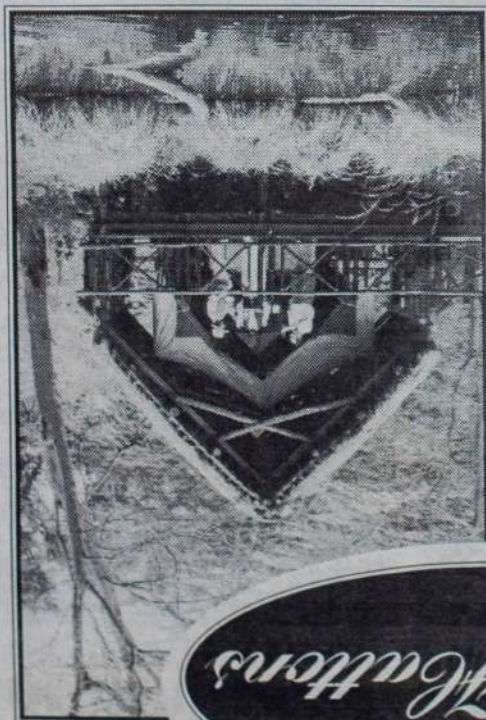
GETTING BACK TO NATURE at FINCH HATTON'S luxury safari camp.



MOZART AND CRYSTAL in the banquet/ dining room.



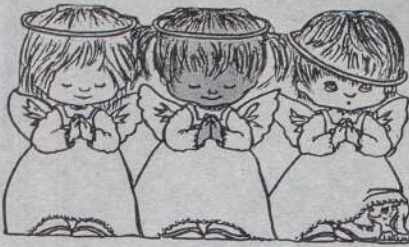
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The ten day programme also features "Kiddies on the Block" which promises lots of thrills for children and will certainly keep the youngsters busy.

There will be events such as swimming, windsurfing lessons, pool Olympics and tennis among others with soothing melodies from Daniel the pianist on day one.

Tuesday, December 23, will offer a wonderful bird watching opportunity for enthusiasts along the Tiwi

Estuary which is fast gaining popularity amongst bird watchers.

In the meantime, children will compete in sand castle building along the beach front and the day will be crowned with Disco music in the evening.

Special Report By Correspondent

Wednesday, December 24, Professor Zindas Circus Show will be on stage followed by a

raffle whilst kids will be enjoying a variety of games which will include an ice cream eating competition.

On Christmas Day, guests will put their mental arithmetic to test as they guess the weight of the Christmas cake prior to attending an interdenominational church service just within the hotel premises.

There will be a monster relay during the day.

Guests will be entertained with the latest musical hits spinned by an experienced D.J., as they await the arrival of Father Christmas.

This will pave way to balloon toss.

Mkokoteni race will also feature among the sporting activities before the African Sound Traditional dancers take the centre stage.

Children will have their faces painted and will be thrilled with a magic and animal show.

There will also be a dancing competition to crown the day.

On the New Years Eve there will be an African market day with displays of African art, culture, cooking, fashion and life.

Acrobats and Traditional Dancers will entertain the guests as they await the award giving ceremony to crown the year.



GENERAL MANAGER Nyali Beach Hotel Mr. Ben Owira (right) chats with Ms. Perviz Vatcha (left) of Bunson Travel and Mr. J. Patel during the Travel Trade Cocktail Party held at the Nyali Beach Hotel.



BLOCK HOTELS Managing Director Nigel Carpenter (right) is seen with Mrs. Carpenter (left) and Herta Bedidt at the Travel Trade Cocktail Party held at the Nyali Beach Hotel.

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A New Look For Mamba International Night Club

MULTI-MILLION Mamba International Night Club opened on Thursday, December 18, 1997, from 7.00 p.m. till dawn.

According to Managing Director Harald Schmidberger, who had flown all the way from Australia to Kenya, he has invested more than K. shs. 20 million in the project re-

development.

Mamba International Night Club has offered jobs to 130 Kenyans - all who will be trained to achieve international standards.

Mamba International Night Club will keep Fridays as Ladies Night, Saturdays Mamba Fever Night and Super Sundays Special Family Shows with a treat of Crocodile Show and then Disco treat and Magic shows.

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The Managing Director further said he would not entertain Drug traffic or Bhanga and "any body caught will be a Police case."

D.J's Robert B.B.S. a producer and singer will be behind the Cock Pit control alongside Kenya's own Kelvin.

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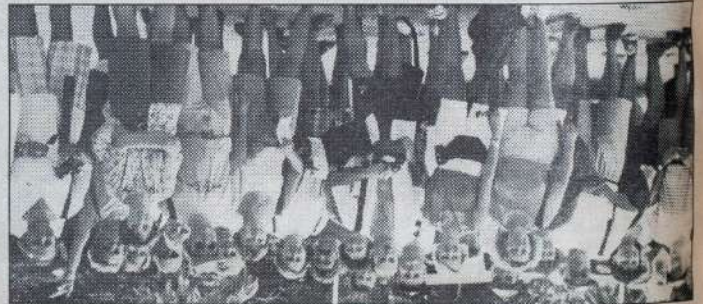
IT WAS smiles when Margaret May received the Kuoni award for the Leading Long Haul Consultant of 1997. Mrs. May received her award from Catherine Pearson of Kuoni Travel, Black Hotels Director, Hazel Johansen and Hazel Kaere and Marketing Mr. Smith of Kenya Airways at a special traditional Kenyan Sala dinner hosted at Nyal Beach Hotel. She also won two return air tickets from London to Mombasa, a week at Nyal Beach Hotel and a dhow cruise from Southern Cross. Mrs. May scored top marks in a series of training exercises which Kuoni have been hosting since May. Sixteen consultants sat the final exam at Nyal the morning before the dinner. The consultants were the finalists in the competition which had over 500 entrants.



A 'Passage Through Africa' For New Year

NYAL BEACH HOTEL'S Management team prepare for the New Year's Eve celebration at Nyal Beach Hotel where this year's theme will be "Passage Through Africa" featuring cultural heritage from different African countries. There will be many prizes including those for the most traditional and original costumes among others.

REBECCA CLOSE of Kuoni seen (left) with, Black Hotels Director Sales and Marketing Kaare Johansen, the winner Margaret May, Kenya Airways Hazel Smith and Kuoni Travel's Catherine Pearson.



YACOC incentive group from France are seen at Carneval Food Paradise before returning to Salsal Beach Hotel after a full day's 'Swahili Dhow Safari by Jahaazi Mairu'. All are garage owners or from transport companies who had achieved Yacoco's sales targets, their reward being a VIP holiday in Kenya arranged by UTC.



Russians At Diani Reef Grand Hotel

A GROUP of Russian Travel agents from Moscow concluded their week-long familiarisation tour of Kenya's tourist facilities at the invitation of Habi's Tours and Travels, Diani Reef Grand Hotel General Manager, Sigi Jogschal (centre, in tie) hosted them to a dinner before their departure.



THE CAPTAIN and crew of Caledonian Airways were among the repeat guests at a cocktail party hosted by Mombasa Continental Resort to thank them for their continued support. Captain F. Peter Smith (centre, back in glasses) is seen with Vice President Finance Zakhem Group Rachid Hamila (centre, in glasses), the hotel's Acting General Manager Eric Kuhlman (left) and Sales and Marketing Manager Anne Bockle.

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Mombasa Thespians Will Miss Talents Of Agile Winnie Angore

THE COAST Development Authority's Managing Director Professor Juma Lugogo and Professor Justine Irina of Moi University will lead a farewell party for actress Winnie Angore at the Little Theatre Club on Saturday, December 20 starting 8.30 p.m, writes TOKA AKHABELE.

Miss Angore leaves for further studies in the United States of America in January 1998.

Her last play at the Little Theatre Club was *Zinduko Theatre Production's Medicine For Love* which ended last week.

For those who watched the play will agree that the Mombasa acting fraternity will be missing a most talented and dedicated actress.

It is only hoped that she will keep her acting spirits alive while in America.

The farewell party will be used to raise "something small" for Winnie or as her last Producer, Hillary Namanje had to say "she needs a warm send off".

Mr. Namanje has called on all acting fraternity and well wishers

to converge at the Little Theatre Club on Saturday night to bid farewell to Winnie.

There will be no dressing code and those who dress crazily will be acknowledged.

Miss Angore has acted in *The Government Inspector, Marriage of Anansewa* and *Home Is Where Your Clothes Are* among other plays.

Meanwhile, after a successful run of *Medicine For Love, Zinduko Theatre Productions* has called for an audition of Dario Fo's *Accidental Death of an Anarchist*.

FINE LITERARY PRIZE WINNER

Dario Fo is this year's Literature Nobel prize winner.

The play will be staged in January 1998.

The Director of the play Harun Lumili says the script's main character is a madman and needs somebody mad.

If you feel you have been in and out of Mathare and Port Reitz Mental Hospitals then Friday, December 19 will be the day for you to prove your madness.

The auditions will be at the Women's Network Centre from 4.00 p.m.

Cornwell Retrospective At The Old Law Courts



SABLE ANTELOPE in the Shimba Hills - FRANK CORNWELL

TALENTED South Coast Kenyan artist FRANK CORNWELL has been host-ning a fascinating retrospective of the past

ten years' creative work during a one-week Exhibition at the Old Law Courts, Mombasa. He considers himself "one of the few remaining dinosaurs of the Kenya Arts and Crafts Society, Nairobi, (circa 1950s)". Likewise a relic earlier advertising agencies, display and exhibition operatives. A Wartime Art Student of the Ealing School of Art, London, (which included ducking

into Air Raid shelters) his art has progressed through Scouting, Army Service and the Colonial (Kenya) Police Force. When art improvement was not possible, observation became an important exercise. Commenting on today's artists he politely suggests that "too many may have rushed into brush and-colour before establishing basic good draughtsmanship".

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DURING THIS month of December we begin to hear Christmas songs, see Christmas cards, and wish one another Merry Christmas!

I often wonder why God's highest Gift (Hisson) should not awaken man's deepest gratitude evidenced in repentance of sin and rejoicing of soul.

It is Christ who puts joy in Christmas, no wonder it has been wisely said that it is the first six letters of the word Christmas which makes Christmas Christlike and meaningful.

John Hus said it well: "Rejoice, that the Im-mortal God is born, so that mortal men may live in eternity. Rejoice because the rich Lord of the Universe enrich us needy ones".

May all we say, think and do emerge from our knowledge of the Christ who was born, for it has been said that, "The extreme commercialization of Christmas must be a stench in the nostrils of God".

Joan Clayton put it we, "If Christ is taken out of Christmas, there would be no point in celebrating anything".

How true for it is selfishness that makes Christmas a burden and a bother, but love for God and neighbour makes it a delight! J. I. Packer defines the Christmas spirit in his book: Knowing God.

"We talk glibly of the Christmas spirit, rarely meaning more by this than sentimental jollity on a family basis, it ought to mean the reproducing in human lives of the temper of Him who for our sakes became poor the spirit of those who, like their master, live their whole live on the principle of making themselves poor - spending

men, giving time, trouble, care and concern to do good to others - and not just their own friends in whatever way there seems need".

Kathy Peel says to overcome Christmas chaos "we need to know that Christmas is the celebration of the most wonderful gift in all of human history - God sent his Son to redeem our world".

How true for Christmas is the anniversary of God's greatest gift to man, to a world that was lost in sin, he gave his Son and He gave Christ for

Our Heritage Of Faith

definite purpose. "This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners".

Dear readers if this Christmas season finds you a pertinent sinner who rejoices over the unspeakable gift of full and free salvation which came to all people through the birth, life, death and resurrection of Christ - yours is going to be a merry Christmas indeed! For Christmas without Christ is chaos.

It is said that during world war I on a Christmas Eve German and Allied soldiers left their trenches and met in "no man's land" to shake hands and sing Christmas carols, but the officers ordered it stopped.

They couldn't have a war with men acting like brothers!

Big Diani 'Fun Run'

AS THE spirit of giving pervades the Christmas Season, Alliance Hotels is organising their third charity fun run/walk to raise funds for the Diani Children's Village Development Project.

The Diani Children's Village is legally recognised and gazetted, and was founded in 1994 by Yvonne Matiba and Antonette Von Oosten.

It is situated between Ukunda and Diani on the main road and presently consists of one home for twelve orphaned or abandoned children.

There are plans to build three further homes to provide more children with as normal a way of family life as possible, a good education, and a secure future.

A plot of land and architectural designs for the new houses have already been donated, so the funds are being raised for the actual building of the houses, hoped to start in 1998.

This year's fun run/walk, which will be part of the Tropical Jam weekend of entertainment and activities, is scheduled to start at Jaldiini Beach Hotel on Saturday 27th December 1997 at 8.30 a.m.

The route will cover a distance of approximately 10 km along the main Diani road until Barclays Bank and back along the beach.

The fun run is open to anyone locals, residents, visitors of any age.

Charity entrance fee is Shs. 300/- per person, and an emergency back up service, security along the route and refreshment stands have been organised.

The 'Fun Run' will not only help to build houses but will also change the lives of so many orphans and abandoned children in the Diani area, where such homes are badly needed as three new houses would be able to accommodate thirty six children.

If you require any more information regarding the Diani Children's Village, the fun run/walk, or should you wish to support our cause with other contributions such as donations of gifts, Yvonne Matiba can be contacted at Safari Beach Hotel, telephone Diani 2726.

"Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to men on whom his favour rests".

Jim Elliot, Martyr: "He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose, and Paul adds "For to me to live is Christ and to die is gain!".

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Those that have truly had a Christ-centred Christmas are characterised by what we read in Matthew 2:11 "They saw the child and they bowed down and worshipped Him, then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold and of incense and of myrrh".

Doug Hayhoe, in his article "Is Jesus Christ really God?" says "When we see Christ as the eternal son - willing to lay aside his two head glory to become a man, a servant, and go to the cross for our sakes and suffer there under the load of our sin - we bow our heads and worship".

May this Christ be our focus this Christmas Season.

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Entertainment Diary

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A Major Facelift At Whitesands

SAROVA Whitesands, Kenya's largest five star Beach Hotel, has embarked on a facelift programme aimed at making it the number one destination on the Coast and in Kena as a whole.

Mr. Martin Wicks, the hotel's newly appointed General Manager, said during a recent interview that Whitesands already boasts some of the best conference facilities along the Coast after a recent refurbishment programme.

He said the hotel, the only Sarova Unit at the coast, is growing as a great conference and incentive destination both on the international and national scene and can provide exactly what the conference clients require.

"Whitesands by nature," said Mr. Wicks, is very capable of facilitating the tourists, the businessman, the conference delegate and the locals and yet remain personal and intimate.

"Whitesands have over the years made great strides in improving its room, upgraded toiletries, satellite Televisions, mini bars as well as the personal touches such as fruit baskets,

newspapers and business services".

The hotel recently developed one of its restaurants "Tamanisha" into a theme bar with televisions, Stereo, Band Nights, and pool tables and is becoming quite popular with both locals and hotel residents.

Plans are also underway to relaunch the Lido Restaurant as a night time dinner destination, for specialised high quality seafood and steaks

"Our research shows there is a high demand for this style of restaurant", said Mr. Wicks adding that its setting is quite fantastic and will be accompanied with live music.

Martin Wicks said the hotel has radically changed its animation programme which will now include a variety of events to keep the guests entertained such as massage, hair demonstrations and talent nights in which guests will be invited to participate.

Rhythms Night Club, relaunched recently now hosts between two to three major events each month and has been experiencing a good turnout for night revellers.

Special Report By Correspondent

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Super-Dupa SOMAK Scuba!

THE TREND-SETTING Somak Travel, UK, has just introduced Scuba Diving holidays in Kenya and an unforgettable experience for its first group from Manchester included diving with some playful Dolphins!

They were here for one week to explore the Kisite Mpunguti National Marine Park and Wasini on the south coast.

All were very experienced wet and dry suit divers who had dived all over the world.

They described their experience in Kenya as 'brilliant' and intend returning next year. Also impressing them was the VIP treatment they received and the opportunity to discuss, and be advised, on itineraries before arriving here.

While diving with Grand Slam, owned by Roland and Stephanie Fernandes, one of Somak's appointed scuba divers based at the Indian Ocean Beach Club on the south coast, they were also thrilled to be joined one day by Martina Navratilova, a former Women's World Tennis Champion on her first visit to Africa, also Colleen Hogg, Somak's Operations Manager, Mombasa.

She is a qualified scuba diver holding PADI's Advanced and Rescue certificates and is presently going for her 'Dive Master'.

In June, Colleen hopes to qualify as a 'Full Instructor'.

It was she who initiated Somak's scuba diving holiday programme.

Unfortunately, it poured with



MEMBERS OF the Salford Scuba Diving Club Manchester, UK, are seen at the Indian Ocean Beach Club with Simon Belderok, Dive Instructor Manager, Grand Slam (second left), his assistant, Max Nzai (right back) and Fred Walker, Salford Diving Club Head (second right back). Centre is Colleen Hogg, Operations Manager, Somak Travel, Mombasa. It was the first group to enjoy Somak's new scuba diving holidays

rain during the first dive, but the second was described by Martina as 'fantastic'.

She would have liked a third dive, but flying the following morning put an end to that.

Somak is the largest independent British tour operator into Kenya and despite a general slump in tourism following exaggerated media reports about tribal unrest on the Kenya coast is now happy to reveal that its charter from Gatwick is already fully booked for Christmas.

Additional seats are having to be acquired from Britannia and Kenya Airways with whom Somak has always had a close relationship.

Said Colleen, in an interview 'booking continue to look very good next year upto mid-March, then again in August.

We believe that dynamic marketing is the answer and are doing just that by also introducing scuba diving holidays here to attract experienced divers and scuba diving clubs worldwide, particularly from the UK and USA.

Somak has just opened offices in Los Angeles and New York.

'Bookings' said Colleen 'are

coming in from New York for diving.

She believes that Somak is the first to promote scuba diving holidays on such a scale, with highly qualified and experienced instructors on both the north and south coast.

Dive operations promoted by Somak include Wasini Restaurant and Dhov Safaris (Sally and Steve Mullens have

assisted Colleen very much from the beginning), Grand Slam on the south coast, Buccaneer Diving (owned and managed by Bruce Phillips) and Steve Curtis of Aqua Ventures, Watamu.

Together said Colleen 'we are launching a very informative diving brochure soon which will contain many exciting itineraries, including one week on a 'live aboard' boat owned by Shields and Van Ballard who regularly take divers to visit some of the best diving sites in the world at Pemba.

The brochure also has a section devoted to deep sea

diving in from New York for diving.

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A video film will also help in its promotion and the brochure will contain special shots from it which, said Colleen 'will present a new angle to scuba diving which, in turn, highlights Somak's unique approach in helping develop tourism to Kenya's beautiful underwater world'.

At Wasini, the group from Manchester dived with a SSI instructor, Mahmoud, also Colleen, and were surrounded by five very playful Dolphins

Said Colleen 'the group has a wonderful introduction to this new Somak programme and have many interesting tales to relate about their underwater adventures in Kenya'.

Meanwhile, Colleen mentioned how Bruce Phillips of Buccaneer based at Whitesands Hotel is experiencing some really lucky dives with clients in some cases swimming with giant Monty Rays Dolphins, Whale Sharks, giant Turtles etc.

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Special Report by NETA PEAL

\$10,000 Gift From Lions International Foundation

THE AREA around the town of Mombasa, Kenya, East Coast of Africa was recently hit by floods specially around Bombolulu, Kinango, Kaloleni and Kilifi.

These disaster have cost many families to become homeless, loose their livelihood, lost of family members and their belongings.

Lions were among the many institutions who helped this disaster affected families.

Lions received an Emergency Grant of US \$10,000 from Lions Club International Foundation.

The Lions of District 411, lead by the District Officer of the coast area, on 23, November, 1997.

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Gala Gourmet Weekend At 'Whitesands'

SAROVA Whitesands has organized a gourmet Christmas Eve Gala dinner at its Pavilion Restaurant which will be accompanied with melodious sounds from the Pioneer Live band.

This will be followed by Christmas Carols near the bonfire warming up guests for the all night long dance at the Rhythms Night Club.

The evening's climax will however be shortly after 8.00 p.m. when Father Christmas will be arriving on a "Mkokoteni" with presents for youngsters.

Adults will pay K.sh. 1,000 while children below the age of 12 will be charged K.sh. 700.

A traditional Christmas day lunch will be hosted the next day at the Pavilion as Mombasa Roots play their latest hits live on the Beach Lawns.

For lunch, adults and children will be charged K.sh. 1,000 and K.sh. 500 respectively.

For New Year's Eve the hotel has arranged a Masked Ball.

A Scottish Pipe Band and dancing "Lions" will lead guests to a welcome cocktail at the Jambo Pool from 7.00 p.m.

The Gala dinner will be served from 8.15 p.m. on the beach lawn under the stars and swaying palm trees from the authentic Makuti Hut Buffets.

The evening will be marked by a variety of entertainment activities which will include a live band, fabulous raffle prizes and fireworks to usher in the new year.

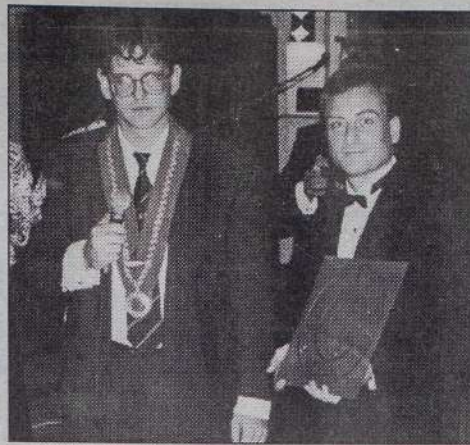
The nine day programme released by the hotel also features a wide range of sporting activities to keep the guests busy each day.

Some of the events will be coconut climbing exhibition, children custard eating competition and water polo.

There will also be tennis competitions, volleyball, aqua aerobics, tug of war among many more.

The Rhythms Night Club will be featuring a wide range of shows such as live cabaret show, acrobatics, African disco featuring Lingala music and snake shows.

RECOGNITION PLAQUE



GENERAL MANAGER of Whitesands Hotel Martin Wicks (right) receives a Plaque of Recognition for the hotel's successful hosting of the 'Chaine des Rotisseurs' dinner which was recently held there from the Bailli of the Mombasa Chapter Mr. Hugh Walters. Chaine des Rotisseurs hosts about seven dinner meetings each year at selected venues.

Goans Enjoy Prawn Masala And Luxury Holiday At Shanzu

STEAM BATHS, also delicious Prawn Masala at Sunday's Curry Lunch were some of the highlights enjoyed by nearly one hundred members of Mombasa's Goan Community spending a long weekend at the five star Mombasa Continental Resort, Shanzu.

It was also to celebrate Jambhuri Day on which they came together in the Ballroom to say Mass and pray for peace.

Said Max Noronha, the community's Social Secretary who organised it all 'I can highly recommend such a weekend package and we hope to return at the end of December'.

They made full use of the facilities - dancing in the Tony Le Club Disco, steam baths after playing tennis, exercising in the gym, swimming and organising lots of fun and games on the beautiful

uncluttered white sand beach. Others lounged around under palm trees on comfy sunbeds.

Declared Max 'everything one needs is here for a thoroughly enjoyable weekend, and the food and service have been excellent'.

With the hotel industry at the coast being faced with a 50 per cent drop in

tourism, the hotels are happy to report the occupancy is rising and that 95 per cent of the rooms have already been booked from December 20 - January 1.

The three-day Christmas Bazaar at the hotel offered an exciting range of goods.

Monad Enterprises had a big selection of the latest toys and games, while many shoppers were interested in the pure silk Pakistani carpets and cushions being offered by Pakistan Handicrafts.

Among the many exotic ornaments was a collector's piece - Alexander the Great in a horse drawn chariot - all in brass.

The Traditional Workshop for Disabled Young Women, Shanzu, had a variety of handmade goods for sale including kofia-style hats made from colourful kikoi, as well as waistcoat, and leather pouches.

The Mombasa Goan community virtually took over the Frangipani Restaurant's Terrace overlooking the gardens and swimming pool for the Sunday Curry Lunch the highlight being the Prawn Masala which was cooked in-situ at the buffet according to individual taste.

Special Report By Correspondent

Special Report by NETA PEAL

Special Christmas At Shimba Hills Lodge

SHIMBA HILLS Tree Lodge, the only tree hotel on the Kenyan Coast, has laid out a splendid Christmas treat in the bush.

The holiday will start with a special snowdowner walk in the wilderness where you will be able to watch the sun set in a pale orange glow over miles of Africa while sipping a drink with the warden on guard.

On Christmas Day, life will be

full of natural magic.

Ironically, there will be no Christmas carols except the sounds of the birds and other wild animals in the morning.

The Lodge Chef has prepared a special Christmas menu consisting of a roast turkey for both lunch and dinner.

Afternoon on Christmas Day will be a close encounter with nature before a game drive takes

you to see how the wild population celebrates the holiday.

An optional walk to the Sheldrick Falls will be arranged where guests will swim under the seventeen foot waterfall before returning to the Lodge where hospitable bush babies will be welcoming them to the Lodge Bar.

Upon advance request, the

management will offer a special bush barbeque for guests who wish to have lunch at some of the scenic spots of the park overlooking the Diani area.

Being at the Lodge over Christmas will definitely be the only way to make this Christmas Day a special one, especially for those who have been tired of the noisy life of the cities.

WHITESANDS MOMBASA

XMAS EVE GALA DINNER

At the Whitesands Pavilion Restaurant.

On 24th December, 1997 from 8.00 p.m.

Gourmet Gala Dinner to the sound of the Pioneers Live Band.

Christmas Carols by Bonfire at 9.30 followed by Jiten's Disco at Rhythms Night Club.

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'Repeat Guests' At Alliance Hotel Tea Party Commend Kenya For Its Peace And Beauty

KENYA ATTRACTS a high percentage of 'repeat' holiday-makers many of whom are to be found at Alliance Hotels on the South Coast, thus proving that the country remains an alluring destination.

Among the guests at a 'High Tea' party in their honour at Jadini Beach Hotel were Horst and Uschi Nath from Neumunster, Germany, back on their 25th vacation there.

They take two vacations annually each of six weeks duration.

Declared Horst 'everything is fine here and we regard Jadini as our second home'.

No stranger is Urs Steinecher who for eight years from 1974 was Resident Manager, Airtour Suisse here.

He now has his company in Switzerland - 'Reisebüro Glarnisch' at Nafels, and was back on his 20th visit to Jadini bringing with him a 12-strong group of tourists.

Said Urs 'groups I bring here usually number between 30-40.'

This time 24 cancelled following exaggerated reports about tribal unrest on the Kenya Coast.

He mentioned that those working in the tourist industry in Switzerland had been angry at such reports as they were 'not fair to the country, nor correct'.

Meanwhile Urs hopes that the pot-holed road from the Moi International Airport can be repaired soon.

'Those on their first visit to Kenya are absolutely shocked by its state.'

He noted that 'first impressions are often lasting impressions of a country'.

Thanking 'repeat' guests for their continued support Chris Modigell, Group General Manager, Alliance Hotels who had just returned from attending travel markets in the UK and Germany, said 'as I look around I see many familiar faces'.

It confirms 'he said' that Alliance Hotels are still alive.

He went on 'Kenya continues to suffer from extremely exaggerated reports and totally unfounded press reports abroad which have painted a horrific picture of the country'.

Giving an example, he said that while on vacation in Switzerland he had read in a South African paper that 100 houses at Diani had been burned.

Chris who has lived in that area for some 22 years telephoned Raymond Matiba, Chief executive Officer, Alliance Hotels who described the report as 'Rubbish'.

COMPETITION

Only one small hut in a village had been burned.

Chris continued 'while Alliance Hotels are doing much better than many of its competitors, the damage done to the industry had resulted in almost 300 Kenyans losing their jobs in our establishments'.

URSULA VON LANGEN



ONE OF the tombola winners at the High Tea was Ursula von Langen (centre) from Germany whose husband Dirk, used to be chef at Jadini Beach Hotel. Her prize presented by world traveller Fred Finn was seven nights accommodation for two at Jadini. Looking on (right) is Chris Modigell, Group General Manager Alliance Hotels.



THERE WAS loud applause from the many 'repeat' guests at the Alliance Hotels party when Rashid Sakara (centre) was presented with the Employee of the Month Award for October. Rashid has been a painter at Jadini for fifteen years and presenting the award on behalf of Alliance Hotels was Fred Finn (left).



AT THE 'High Tea' Party for repeat guests was Urs Steinacher (second right) who has clocked over 20 visits to Jadini. Urs who used to be Resident Manager for Airtour Suisse in Kenya now has his own company, Reisebüro Glarnisch in Switzerland. He sends many tourists here and accompanying him on this visit were 12 holidaymakers. Two of them Mr. and Mrs. Daniello Meyer who run a famous hotel 'Thermevals' in Switzerland are seen here with him. On the right is Assistant Operations Manager Alliance Hotels Julie Matiba and left is Executive Assistant Manager Jadini Beach Hotel Godfrey Ikanda.

He urged guests to continue being 'Good Ambassadors for Kenya by telling your relatives and friends on your return home that Kenya is still a most wonderful country with the most hospitable people'.

Among the 'repeat' guests was Fred Finn, the most travelled man in the world who was back on his thirteenth visit to Alliance Hotels.

PROGRAMMES

Quipped with well travelled Chris Modigell who spends most of his time promoting the country and Alliance Hotels abroad 'I think I am a runner up!'

Fred told guests that in 30 years he had visited Kenya 562 times and has never had a bad experience.

Adding 'Kenya is the most diverse country in the world and, probably, the most beautiful.'

'Above all else it has the nicest people on God's earth'.

He mentioned that he is starting a TV programme in the UK during March which will continue for 13 weeks.

The first four programmes will be on Kenya 'a country I love'.

On behalf of Alliance Hotels, Fred presented an 'Employee of the Month' (Oct.) award to Rashid Sakara who has been a painter at Jadini for 15 years.

Rashid not only received a certificate and a cash award, but congratulations galore.

Fred also presented prizes to Tombola winners at the party, one being Ursula von Langen from Germany whose husband, Dirk used to be a Chef at Jadini.

They returned home 12 years ago and this was her first visit since then.

Ursula was delighted with her prize - seven nights accommodation for two, half board, at Jadini!

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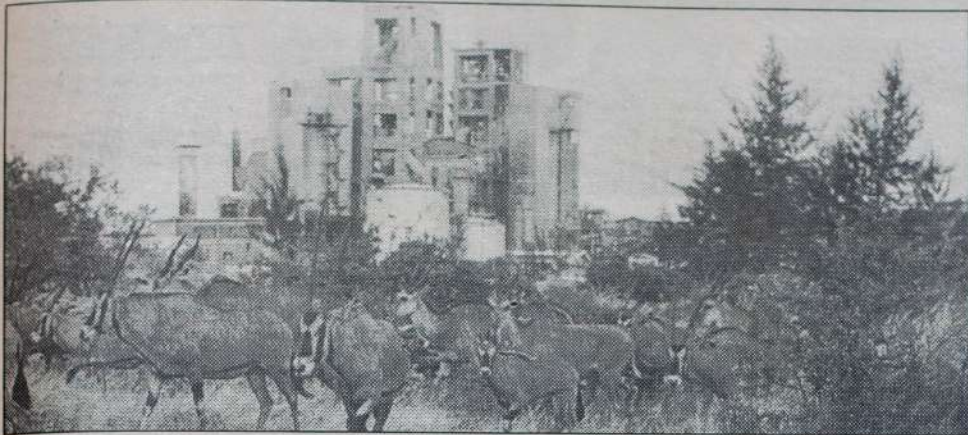
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Nach den sintflutartigen Regenfällen Ende Oktober, die nicht nur an der kenianischen Küste großen Schaden anrichteten und durch die auch die im weltberühmten "Bamburi Nature Trail" lebenden Tiere und Vögel erheblich gestört wurden, hat sich der Park wieder erholt und ist nun, wie auch das beliebte "Whistling Pines Restaurant", für Besucher wieder geöffnet. Büffel und Elenantilopen genießen das zarte Gras, das nach dem vielen Regen reichlich sprießt.

Operation Strandreinigung 1997

DAVID OLENDI, Environmental Education Officer, Bamburi Nature Trail, und Präsident des koordinierenden Strandreinigungs Komitees, berichtet:

DIE INTERNATIONALE Strandreinigungsaktion 1997 wurde Ende September abgehalten und am öffentlichen Jomo Kenyatta Strand in Bamburi offiziell eröffnet mit einer Rede vom Provincial Commissioner der Küste, die in seinem Namen von seinem Stellvertreter J.O. Lieta, vorgelesen wurde.

Die Bamburi Blasmusik, unter der Leitung von Timothy Ayieko, hatte vor der Ansprache die Nationalhymne gespielt.

Rund 1300 Freiwillige hatten sich zu dieser internationalen Säuberungsaktion eingefunden.

Die Hauptorganisatoren waren: Baobab Trust, Kenya Wildlife Service (KWS), Fisheries

Department, Ministerium für Tourismus und Wildleben, Wildlife Clubs of Kenya und Strandhotels.

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Es war das fünfte Jahr, daß Kenia sich an dieser Aktion beteiligte.

1993 sammelten 200 Freiwillige 3 Tonnen hauptsächlich Plastikabfälle zwischen Watamu und Mombasa.

1994 waren es 375 Freiwillige, die 4,200 Tonnen anorganische

Abfälle von den Stränden zwischen Watamu und Diani entfernten.

1995 wurden 4,102 Tonnen anorganische Abfälle von 774 Freiwilligen an den gleichen Strandabschnitten eingesammelt.

Von Watamu bis Diani

1996 wurden von 1904 Helfern 10,781 Tonnen Abfälle und 1997 von 1360 Helfern 9,261 Tonnen Müll zwischen Watamu an der Nordküste und Diani an der Südküste eingesammelt, einschließlich einer "Unterwasserreinigung", koordiniert von den Tauchschulen Baracuda und Aqua Ventures und vom Kenya Wildlife Service.

Zwei Dutzend Taucher holten in einem Gebiet von 2,78 km an fünf Stellen 112 kg anorganische

Abfälle aus dem Meer, die 6 Säcke füllten.

Unter den registrierten Abfällen waren Spritzen und Nadeln, Kondome und Tampons, Unterwäsche, Autoreifen, Anker, tote Tiere wie Ratten, Fische und Wasserschildkröten, Autobatterien, Liebesbriefe, mehrere Dutzend Musikkassetten, Arzneifläschchen, Fischernetze, Bojen, Zigarettentümmel, Glasflaschen, haufenweise Plastiksäcke und andere Plastikartikel.

Diese Abfälle stellen nicht nur ein Gesundheitsrisiko für die Menschen dar, sie sind für die Meeressäugtiere und Fische eine tödliche Gefahr.

Die Herkunft der Abfälle kann in zwei Kategorien aufgeteilt werden, je nachdem sie vom Meer oder vom Land her stammen.

Es ist jedoch sehr schwierig, die genauen Quellen festzustellen.

Vom Meer her: verursacht durch Freizeitaktivitäten wie Sportfischen, Vergnügungsbootsfahrten; kommerzielle Fischerei; Frachter und Tanker, die ihre Abfälle einfach ins Meer leeren.

Viele Abfälle werden vom Wind und von der Strömung weit abgetrieben, so daß ihr Ursprung kaum feststellbar ist.

Vom Land her: Creeks, Bäche und Regenwasser bringen Abfälle aller Art an die Küste und ins Meer.

Die Kanalisation und das Abwassersystem sind unzulänglich; viele Leute verstreuen gedankenlos Abfälle, andere laden bewußt Schutt am Strand oder im Meer ab.

Der Indische Ozean ist der Lebensraum für Pflanzen und Tiere.

Das delikate Ökosystem wird durch Ausbeutung und Verschmutzung vom Land und vom Meer her schwer geschädigt.

Wat- und Wasservögel

Seegrassbetten, Mangrovenwälder und Korallenriffe werden zerstört und die Lebewesen wie Meeresschildkröten, Fische, Meeressäugtiere, Wat- und Wasservögel sind bedroht, weil sie zwischen richtiger Nahrung und gefährlichen Abfällen nicht unterscheiden können.

Die Strandreinigungsoperation war jedenfalls ein Erfolg, mehr als 1300 Personen sammelten rund 9 Tonnen anorganische Abfälle, die in der Baobab Farm sortiert, registriert und wofürlich für Recycling verwendet werden.

Deutsche Reisefachleute in Kenia als Gäste von LTU

LTU Touristic Services - einer der führenden europäischen Reiseveranstalter - versucht nach besten Kräften, wieder mehr Touristen nach Kenia zu bringen.

Aus diesem Grunde hat die Reisefirma im Oktober zwei Gruppen von Reisefachleuten auf Erkundungstour nach Kenia eingeladen.

LTU führte überdies im November in Italien ein einwöchiges Seminar durch für die betreffenden Reisebüros, um gemeinsam mit einigen

Hotellern aus Kenia für Ferien am Indischen Ozean zu werben.

Zur LTU Gruppe gehören LTU International Airways und fünf Reiseveranstalter:

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LTU brachte bisher rund 25.000 Touristen im Jahr nach Kenia.

Nach den Unruhen im August dieses Jahres an der kenianischen Küste gingen die Buchungen jedoch um rund 50 Prozent zurück, wodurch LTU

zu Beginn der Wintersaison ab 1. November zwei wöchentliche Charterflüge zu streichen.

Ruth Sperber, Resident Manager von LTU Touristic in Kenia, bemerkte jedoch:

"Falls die Buchungen wieder zunehmen, ist LTU bestimmt flexibel und wird mehr Plätze in Chartermaschinen zur Verfügung stellen."

Die ersten vier Tage in Kenia verbrachten die Reisefachleute im Reef Hotel,

wo sie herzlich willkommen geheißen wurden.

Nur einer der 15 Besucher war vorher in Kenia gewesen.

Keiner hatte jedoch gezögert, der Einladung Folge zu leisten.

Das einzige Problem bei ihrer Ankunft in Mombasa war das Wetter.

Es regnete in Strömen und niemand hatte einen Regenschirm mitgebracht!

In Deutschland war es eisig kalt und alle hatten sich auf die Tropensonne gefreut.

Im Reef Hotel gefiel es ihnen

sehr gut und sie lobten den hohen Standard und das gute Essen.

Während sie im Reef wohnten, besuchten sie die acht Hotels an der Nordküste, auch Malindi, wo ihre Kunden absteigen und kehrten am Abend ins Reef zurück, um das Unterhaltungsprogramm anzusehen.

Die Akrobaten "The Flying Panthers" hatten ihnen besonders gefallen.

Die Gruppe wurde angeführt von Yvette Horig von LTU Touristic Service, Deutschland, die bekanntgab, daß in den letzten paar Wochen die Buchungen für Keniareisen beträchtlich zugenommen haben.

Die Reisefachleute wurden auch auf eine 2-Tage-Safari geführt durch die Tsavo Nationalparks mit Übernachtung in der Salt Lick Lodge von Hilton International.

Die restlichen Tage der Woche verbrachten sie an der Südküste mit einem Wochenende im Chale Island Paradise.

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KING (Jack) E.H.- Loved father of Clive, father-in-law of Estelle and granddad to Braden and Carlin on Monday, December 15, Died quietly at home.

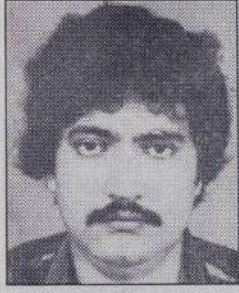
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BRIDGE RESULT

RESULT OF the Duplicate Bridge played at Mombasa Sports Club on Wednesday, 10, December.

Ranchhodbhai and Dinesh 136; Rohit and Rohit 126; Harkhubhai and Janakbhai 115; Kiritt and Chuni 114; Dr. J. D. Shah and Bharti 113; Harilal and Dr. Rawal 108; Pulin and Tushar 101; Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Shah 97; Dr. V. J. Patel and Laxmikant 97; Kiritt and Nitin 73.

Jaffery Sweep Postel Cup With Great Win Over MSC

JAFFERY SPORTS Club won by 108 runs the finals of the Kenya Postel Directories sponsored knock out played against Mombasa Sports Club at the latter's ground on Friday before a capacity crowd.

Having won the toss, Jaffery opted to bat but were in deep trouble when they lost three wickets for 66 runs on board.

These included wickets of their dependable batsman Mohamed Fazel (23 runs) and Riyaz Fazel (duck).

However, Jaffery's determined captain Azim Karim (83 not out) and Mohamed Sheikh (91 runs) from Nairobi's Sir Ali Sports Club and Kenyan International took control of the game.

They played correct cricket and entertained the crowd with several sixes.

With the exit of Mohamed Sheikh none of the other batsmen could click and Jaffery were 241 runs for loss of nine wickets in 45.5 overs when rain stopped play.

Ravinder Shah from Nairobi Gymkhana took four wickets for 41 runs and was a terror to Jaffery's batsmen.

Charith Senanyake also bowled well and took one wicket for 14 runs.

Jayanti and Zaher Ladaik took one wicket each.

Mombasa Sports Club chasing a huge score in a reduced overs game started off disastrously.

They lost three wickets for 41

runs which included the prime wicket of Ravinder Shah for a duck.

However Charith Senanyake played very well by scoring a good 57 runs.

With Rajesh Chudasama (13), the were keeping the run rate on target and were actually better off than Jaffery Sports Club in the first 20 overs.

Mombasa Sports Club decided that rather than to chase the score they would be better off to block the wickets and win the game should the umpires decide to award the game on the 20 overs basis if the game was stopped either due

to bad light or abandoned due to rain.

The decision did not pay any dividends as Rajesh Chudasama being a good stroke player was not able to block his wicket and neither of the other players could manage to do the same and all of them were out with at least four overs to spare for 133 runs.

Mombasa Sports Club should have at least played their normal game for 35 overs before taking any decision on bad light or abandonment.

Zuly N. from Nairobi Jaffery took one wicket, Qayam took three

wickets which included the prize wicket of Ravinder Shah, Hasnain A. and Husein A. took 2 wickets each.

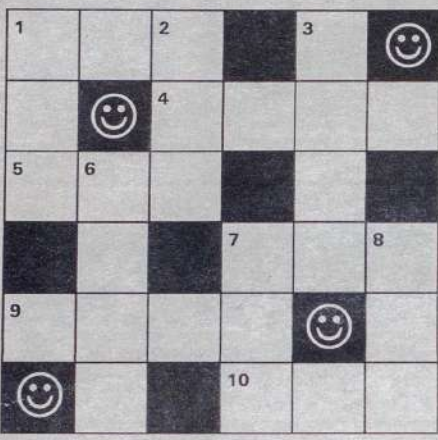
The presentation of the trophies of this tournament was held on Tuesday, December 16, at the Mombasa Sports in a cocktail party hosted the sponsors Kenya Postel Directories.

The highest run award was given to Azim Karim while the highest wickets went to Hasnain Alidina both of Jaffery Sports Club.

The young up-coming player award went to Yusuf Husain of Burhani Sports Club.

KRAZY KORNER

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ACROSS:

1. You do this when you are in a hurry ... ? (3)
4. Watery substance found in batteries ? (4)
5. People often use this for drinking ... ? (3)
7. Clever students do this in Maths ... ? (3)
9. To 'rip' or 'shred' something.... ? (4)
10. Hippopotamus love playing in this ... ? (3)

DOWN:

1. The hard edge of a cup or glass ... ? (3)
2. Very annoying behaviour ... ? (3)
3. You can keep it in your brain ? (4)
6. All finished up ? (4)
7. It keeps you hand close to your body ... ? (3)
8. A sad idea, or a firework which has failed to go 'bang' ... ? (3)

LAST WEEK'S KRAZY CROSSWORD KLUES:
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DEPARTING FOR South Africa are, from left, (front row) Meera Shah, Heena Shah, Heeral Kanabar and Jinita Shah, (back row) Trainer Peter Mutuku, Giren Rajani, Poojan Kanabar, Paul Muland, Jishit Rajani, Fahd Daim, Parit Shah and Head Coach Kenny Majimbo.

BRIDGE RESULT

THE RESULT OF Monthly Bridge Tournament sponsored by Mr. Harkhubhai.

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V.I.P. Pothole Squad Hard At Work

YULETIDE is upon us again. It is the season when a lot of people indulge a little bit more than normal.

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These hazards are in fact quite formidable.

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The door stopper is waiting for one to stub their toe on.

Often the tongue of the door is not accounted for leading to a nasty cut from it.

Then there are table legs and corners, open windows that one can walk into or get concussion from standing up under an open window when your head hits the pointed corner of the frame.

The kitchen is full of traps like all the cutlery we use, the various additives put into cooking and presentation of food, detergents, polishes, and the whole host of chemicals that we are wont to use to make life a lot easier.

Yet we somehow survive these hazards year in and year out as we are in control of most of them.

Out on the road the rules are not so easy.

The driving in this country is already bad enough.

We are turning out ill mannered, offensive drivers who know nothing about the use of the road.

All they know is that they can get into the car and point it in the

general direction they wish to go without caring about what happens around them.

The number of incidents that occur because each driver tries to "out macho" the other driver is on the rise.

The incidents are not limited to accidents but also include traffic jams, time wasting queues behind meateads that stop at will, lorry and bus drivers

However, the problem has now moved to the middle of the Changamwe shopping centre.

Some truck stopping potholes have developed over the last three to four weeks as no one has attended to them.

Attempts to find out who is responsible for the maintenance of this part of the road has led to an endless circle of denials.

It is after all part of the tourist grand entry into Mombasa.

The state of the road is bad enough for locals.

One wonders what impression we are creating on the first time visitor to our supposedly attractive country.

The state of the road there is made worse by the fact that garbage has been allowed to collect on the side of the road such that even the generally adventurous matatu dares not leave the tar and fight for right of way with pedestrians.

They would have to plough through the garbage and take with them the not so pleasant aftermath that is the putrid smell of rotting material.

The result is that there are traffic jams caused whilst traffic is reduced to a single lane because of the massive potholes.

The same scenario is repeated adjacent to Mackinnon market in town.

Meateads have established a stop adjacent to the new Plaza that has been built there.

The road at that point is normally reduced to a single lane because of the matatu activity.

The single lane that all the other traffic is supposed to use is badly potholed that no vehicle can travel at any speed higher than five kilometres per hour.

This bottleneck causes a traffic jam that can extend all the way back to other jam causing area, Kibokoni.

Again, the responsibility for repair here is not clear to most people.

If it is a trunk road, then it falls under one of the ministries.

If it is not a trunk road then it falls under our Town Fathers.

It is obvious that trunk roads are the main arteries on the island that link the trunk roads from where they enter onto the island to where they leave.

A little bit of judicious repair can go a long way to getting the motoring public back onto the side of the maintenance men.

If they concentrated on only the bottleneck areas (using the excuse that they are waiting for El Niño to go away to carry out the planned recarpeting) it would make a lot of difference to the flow of traffic on the island and its environs.

Some patch repairs have been started.

The section on the Nyali bridge that looked moth eaten has been given a slap of tarmac.

Frenzied Activity

The last time when there was such frenzied activity, was when the town was expecting a VIP visitor.

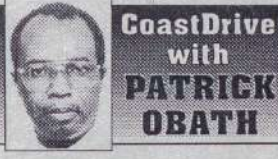
That work has been done on the same area would suggest the same.

There are patch repairs taking place on the Makupa Causeway which point to the same event.

The VIP pothole hit squad is working in earnest.

As Yuletide approaches we wish all the readers of the column a feisty festive season.

As Kachumbari says, the proof of the pudding is in the eating.



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'Pamba Roho' Kicks Off At Tricky 'Fort Jesus' Ground

THE PAMBA Roho Knockout Tournament kicked off yesterday at the Fort Jesus grounds in Mombasa.

Eight teams selected from the league will participate in this tournament which is expected to be a real thriller.

The League Tournament ended with a final match between Brazil F.C. and Kingstone F.C.

The Tuesday match ended in a 1-1 draw after Kingstone's Omar Athman earned his team an equaliser in the last minute of the game.

Abdalla Omar had scored for Brazil F.C. in the opening minutes of the game when Ali Ahmed pass the ball to him.

The game was extended into the sudden death penalties which did not materialise.

One of the teams claimed that the other team's goalkeeper had fouled before he saved the first penalty kick.

The management of the league under Chairman Alamin Babdala ruled that the final be replayed on December 22.

The Pamba Roho Soccer Tournament sponsored yearly by Compagnie Maritime Belge Transport and Shipping Company (CMB) is venue on a small ground at the famous Fort Jesus facing the Indian Ocean.

The organising committee members we managed to talk to

are Chairman Alamin Mohamed (Babdalla), Vice Chairman Abdalla Abas, Assistant Secretary Abdulkarim Breik and two committee members Mr. Hussein Bakari (Chaga Boy) and Hamid Abubakar.

one end of the field to the other.

At one time a goal was scored from a goal kick which was taken by the opposing goalkeeper.

• "Pamba Roho" is a Swahili phrase meaning decorating the heart and one will never know it's true meaning until he participates as a spectator, player or official in the Pamba Roho Tournament.

The Coast KFF Chairman Awadh Oshan is determined to help in uplifting the standard of women's soccer in the Province.

At the just ended Women Soccer Tournament at the Mombasa Municipal Stadium Mr. Awadh was requested to contact prominent business people to help in sponsoring the coast teams to play against teams from the other provinces.

Mr. Awadh is scheduled to approach Mr. Mohamed Zubedi and Mr. Sajjad Rashid on the issue.

He made it clear that teams from Nairobi fared very well because they get a lot of support from Nairobi residents.

The teams in Chairman Oshan's jurisdiction are Tata FC, Comandos FC of Kilifi and Mombasa Railways F.C.

Oshan revealed that Kenya will participate in next year's Women's Football World Cup and Coast will participate in this year's Inter Provincial Women Soccer Tournament scheduled for December 19 at Thika.

Women's Football

Keccosso Sports organisers were requested to include women's football in their programme for the promotion of the game.

Keccosso organises sporting activities for Kenya Ports Authority, Kenya Railways, Kenya Airways, Kenya Posts and Telecommunications and Ministry of Transport and Communications.



**Soccer Scene
with SERAJ
MOHAMED**

We noticed some very special items at the Pamba Roho competition:

• The ground is the only one in the whole world with only three corners.

• The ball does not get out of play on the side where the Fort Jesus wall is situated.

The ball just bounces off the fort wall into play. Sometimes goals are scored by bouncing the ball onto the wall.

• When the ball is kicked into the Indian Ocean another ball is played while some ball boys swim to collect the ball from the sea.

To be a ball boy at the Pamba Roho, one must be a deep sea swimmer.

• Due to the size of the field of play the ball can be kicked from

'A' For Discipline



RASHID HUSSEIN of Pwani Academy made his school proud when he participated in the under 17 National Football Tournament held in Thika. Rashid who played for Coast Province Team said that the tournament gave him good exposure in the sport. Football being a disciplined game helps to instill self discipline and team work in the players. In fact, Coast Team was awarded a medal for the best discipline in the tournament. The 14 year old Rashid aspires to play professional football in the near future. The Director of Pwani Academy, Mr. Karim Chakera (left) admires the medal awarded to Rashid Hussein for the best discipline.

Nyali Open Golf Championships

THE TWENTY eighth annual Nyali Open Championships will take place at Nyali Golf and Country Club on Saturday and Sunday, December 20 and 21, 1997, writes FOLLOW THRU.

This is the penultimate event in the Kenya Golf Union calendar and for the first time will be played over 54 holes, 36 holes to be played on Saturday with the final 18 holes on Sunday morning.

The competition has a new sponsor this year - Kibo Sports Limited, who are no strangers on the golfing scene in Kenya.

The Nyali golf course has never been in finer condition.

The unrelenting rains of the past months have ensured lush fairways and demanding rough.

The new contours on many

fairways will require more accuracy and with little breeze from an uncertain direction, correct club selection will be paramount.

The handicap is limited to those playing off eleven and under and a good field of more than seventy of Kenya's top golfers is anticipated.

As well as local players, the competition has attracted six players from Tanzania and four from the United Kingdom making it a truly international event.

Kumar Dhall will not be defending the title he won in 1995 but, Dismas Indiza currently leading the Golfer of the Year points, Richard Ainley, the runner up in the Kenya Amateur Matchplay Championships played at Nyali in July and the 1995 Nyali Open champion, and Nyali's Wachira Mahihu will all be closely contesting for the Championship.

Wachira is enjoying an extremely good golfing year having competed in many up-country events with much success.

Wachira is in third place in the Golfer of the Year table.

Also competing will be veteran golfers David Wandua, Ben Okello and Hassan Ramadhan, all past winners, and a large number of Kenya's top golfers.

Players from Nyali and Mombasa Golf Clubs are expected to lead the challenge for the net prizes and among the favourites will be Davis Muli, in excellent form, ever steady 'Musa' Odada as well as Vimal Patel, Dave McConnell and Steve Mbotte.

Mr. Sam Mwal, the Chairman of the Kenya Golf Union, will be

playing in the Championships as well as representing the Union at the prizegiving.

It will be interesting to see what part climatic conditions play in this event.

The temperatures and, more

importantly, the humidity have been at exceptionally high levels for December and stamina will be essential.

Players should be prepared with bottles of water and plenty of hand towels.

TIDE TABLES

MOMBASA, December 19 - 25, 1997

FRIDAY High Water - 3.0 m. at 07.04 hrs. (7.04 a.m.) and 2.7 m. at 19.37 hrs. (7.37 p.m.). Low Water - 0.8 m. at 00.47 hrs. (12.47 a.m.) and 0.6 m. at 13.22 hrs. (3.22 p.m.).

SATURDAY High Water - 2.8 m. at 07.41 hrs. (7.41 a.m.) and 2.6 m. at 20.19 hrs. (8.19 p.m.). Low Water - 1.0 m. at 01.27 hrs. (1.27 a.m.) and 0.8 m. at 13.50 hrs. (1.58 p.m.).

SUNDAY High Water - 2.5 m. at 08.23 hrs. (8.23 a.m.) and 2.5 m. at 21.12 hrs. (9.12 p.m.). Low Water - 1.2 m. at 02.14 hrs. (2.14 a.m.) and 1.0 m. at 14.38 hrs. (2.38 p.m.).

MONDAY High Water - 2.3 m. at 09.19 hrs. (9.19 a.m.) and 2.4 m. at 22.23 hrs. (10.23 p.m.). Low Water - 1.3 m. at 03.14 hrs. (3.14 a.m.) and 1.1 m. at 15.32 hrs. (3.32 p.m.).

TUESDAY High Water - 2.2 m. at 10.37 hrs. (10.37 a.m.) and 2.4 m. at 23.44 hrs. (11.44 p.m.). Low Water - 1.4 m. at 04.43 hrs. (4.43 a.m.) and 1.2 m. at 16.50 hrs. (4.50 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY High Water - 2.6 m. at 12.05 hrs. (12.05 p.m.). Low Water - 1.3 m. at 06.19 hrs. (6.19 a.m.) and 1.2 m. at 18.13 hrs. (6.13 p.m.).

THURSDAY High Water - 2.8 m. at 00.55 hrs. (12.55 a.m.) and 2.2 m. at 13.23 hrs. (1.23 p.m.). Low Water - 1.1 m. at 07.27 hrs. (7.27 a.m.) and 1.1 m. at 19.16 hrs. (7.16 p.m.).

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

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