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"Friends Of Tsavo" Hold Charity Walk

U.T.C. DRIVERS AND GUIDES FORM GROUP TO RAISE FUNDS FOR PREVENTION OF DEADLY FIRES IN PARK

East and Tsavo West - the largest and most diverse national parks in Kenya which are extremely popular because of their nearness to the Kenya coast.

Said Abdul Aziz Abdalla, Secretary of the 'Friends of Tsavo', 'we are working in close collaboration with the Kenya Wildlife Service and speak with one voice.

'They make proposals and we decide how we can help. Our main target is to augment the conservation effort by not only looking after the interests of the animals but of the local people as well.

'In our activities we are trying to create an awareness among them of the benefits to be derived from preserving their rich heritage'.

Funds raised in the Charity Walk go to the 'Friends of Tsavo' Charitable Trust formed with a commitment to contribute towards conservation undertakings in Tsavo National Park.

It is managed by a Board of Directors and 'invites all to join as members and be a partner in a collective effort to determine the future of Tsavo's wildlife'.

The first joint exercise by the 'Friends of Tsavo' was a 'clean-up' of Tsavo East National Park where an incredible amount of litter was collected including cigarette packets and butts, also plastic bags and bottles which are particularly injurious to animals.

It is understood that in Amboseli one elephant died because of feeding on toxic material.

It attracted 36 'Friends' mostly from the tourist industry as well as some from private com-

panies. The motivation to help Tsavo and KWS came from UTC driver/



ABDUL AZIZ ABDALLA

guides who feel concerned about the many problems facing the park including environmental

degradation and animal harassment.

Said Abdul Aziz Abdalla, who has been a driver/ guide with UTC for eight years 'we felt there was need to support KWS and the work it does as much as we can.

'KWS does not have the finance nor manpower resources it needs.

'We felt it was part of our responsibility as fellow Kenyans to help in the conservation effort.

'We held discussions with KWS as to how we could involve and educate the private sector about the importance of wildlife conservation and the threat to Tsavo National Park.

'It resulted in the birth of the 'Friends of Tsavo' to support the conservation effort and to invite well-wishers to join us'.

Chairman is Khalid Shapi, UTC's Managing Director East Africa; Vice-Chairman Nawaz Khan, formerly UTC's Fleet Manager, and Treasurer, Tanuja

Chohan, UTC's Chief Accountant, Coast.

As part of its educational/ awareness exercise and in conjunction with KWS one of its greatest 'Friends' Bamburi Cement Company (a corporate member) is printing leaflets in four languages containing the Rules and Regulations to be observed whilst in Tsavo National Parks.

They will be going to all hotel rooms at the coast and lodges in the parks so guests will be well informed about them.

It is also the responsibility of driver/ guides to advise passengers of these when on safari.

Said Abdul A. Abdulla, Secretary 'there is a human-versus-animal conflict there.

'We had to consider how to get people to change their attitudes towards wildlife and to appreciate them.

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Have A Smile



"He doesn't trust banks."

Special Report by
NETA PEAL

BY JOINING a ten km sponsored Charity Walk from Mombasa's Treasury Square on Sunday, September 26, you can help protect Tsavo National park - the animals and Savannah - from further outbreaks of fire.

It is the first fund-raising effort by the 'Friends of Tsavo' the branch of UTC driver/ guides which is reaching out and receiving the support of many well-wishers both young and old, from tourist associations, private sector, clubs and schools.

The 'Walk', is to raise funds to provide for a 500 km "fire-break" around the perimeter of the park which will help prevent fires spreading into the park itself.

It will also ensure that such a firebreak is maintained.

With an increasing population along the boundaries of the park the threat to Tsavo's future viability grows.

Farmers, cattle herders and those who burn charcoal need to be educated on fire hazards and the importance of ensuring that the fires they light are properly doused afterwards.

Also that the grass in an area of two to three metres between settlements and the park is cut to prevent any fire from spreading into it.

Fires are not only a threat to the wildlife inhabitants of the park but to its vegetational structure and composition.

Last year's fire devastated nearly 4,000 sq. kms of these 21,000 sq. km parks of Tsavo

Najib Balala Launches The Mombasa Cultural Carnival In Song And Dance

WOMBASA'S central district was all colour and dance on Saturday, September 11, when the Mombasa Cultural Carnival was being launched.

Traffic came to a standstill as dancers from Bombolulu Cultural Centre and Florida Nightclub danced around from the pavement on the road handing out flyers and

dancing to the amusement of the motorists and passers-by.

On the side of the Royal Casino Club, Mr. Joseph Ngala's Bango Band gathered a large crowd of fans and onlookers with youngsters dancing to the beat.

Najib Balala, the Chairperson of the Mombasa

Cultural Trust and it's convenors, officially launched the Mombasa Cultural Carnival.

Following the success of last year's carnival, Tasneem Adamji is once again the Chief Co-ordinator for the event.

This year, the Carnival will be held on Saturday, November 27, 1999 at Mama Ngina

Drive.

The actual day, going by the last year's event, promises to be a fun filled starting out at 3.00 p.m. with the parade culminating in entertainment on Mama Ngina Drive.

The event is free for all, and there are cash prizes to be won for the best dressed child, female, male and float.



OFFICIALLY LAUNCHING the Mombasa Cultural Carnival on Saturday, September 11, 1999 is Chairman of the Mombasa Cultural Trust Najib Balala (centre), flanked by (from left) Convenor PR and Marketing and Trustee Zainab Jaffer, Convenor Tour Operators Khalid Shapi, Chief Co-ordinator and Trustee and Chairman Mombasa and Coast Tourist Association Tasneem Adamji, one of the dancers from Bombolulu Cultural Centre in full Masai regalia, Convenor Catering and Trustee Zul Harunani and Convenor Music and Entertainment Andy Stuart.

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The public is informed about the delay.

We are very sorry for any inconveniences caused.

Please buy our raffle to help the needy girls.

Mrs. D. P. Shah,
Commissioner and Trainer,
Administrator (Hon.)

Delphis Bank's First Ever Children's Party For 'Junior' Account Holders At Nyali Beach Hotel

DELPHIS Bank is set to hold the first ever Children's party at the Nyali Beach Hotel on September 25, 1999.

The party will be held to celebrate the first anniversary since the floating of their famous Delphis Junior Account introduced last year to encourage Childrens' savings.

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Handsome interest presently ranging from seven to twelve per cent per annum paid monthly on balances of K.Shs.5,000/= and over, and the childrens' party to be held annually.

This year's party scheduled to be held at the five Star Nyali Beach Hotel is billed to be one of the biggest ever to be held in

Mombasa.

The Bank in close coordination with the Hotel has organized various entertainment activities for the whole range of Children born today to 18 year olds.

The events include magic shows, face painting and handsome giveaways among the exciting entertainment lined up for the children.

Mombasa Branch of the medium size Delphis Bank has been in the forefront in its concern for the Children in this City.

Last year the Branch celebrated Christmas with the less privileged when the Staff collected among themselves and gave foodstuff to the Mombasa Childrens' Home.

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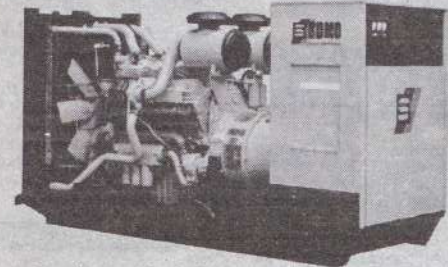
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Mayor Mwahima Receives Donation Of Implements For 'Mombasa Clean Up Day'



HIS WORSHIP the Mayor of Mombasa Councillor Mwalimu A. Mwahima (third left) is seen receiving a donation of Trash Drums from Shell and BP (K) Limited towards the 'Clean Up Mombasa 1999' campaign. Seen during the donation are (from left) Acting Manager Shell and BP (Kenya) Limited Peter Shwashwa; Councillor Mohamed Mzee, Jomvu Kuu Ward; His Worship the Mayor; Deputy Town Clerk Hamisi Mboga; Chairman Environment Trust of Kenya Z. K. Nderu; Executive Member Environment Trust of Kenya Hassan M. Hassan. 'Clean Up Mombasa 1999' will be held on Saturday, September 18, 1999.

Somak Achieves Another Milestone



SEEN AT the opening ceremony of the new state-of-the-art SOMAK Mombasa office in Bamburi are (from left) Group General Manager Alliance Hotels Chris Modigell, Chief Executive Somak Travels Suresh Sofat and Chairman Travellers Hotels Dalip Singh Dhanjal.

SOMAK Travel Limited, Company owned by the Sofat family and in operation since 1968 have achieved yet another milestone with the opening of their new state-of-the-art office building situated on the Mombasa-Malindi road, opposite the Bamburi Nature Trail.

Mr. Suresh Sofat, Chief Executive stated that this investment following the head office building opened last year in Nairobi is testimony of the confidence and faith he has in Kenya and the tourism industry.

This also portrays Somak's commitment to providing quality service to its clientele.

The office building follows the modern trend of having an open plan and has catered to the requirements of future expansions and the overseas operators needing office space.

The entire operations of Somak is co-ordinated and controlled by their in-house designed and developed software.

Somak's Mombasa fleet of over 75 vehicles comprising of minibuses, land cruisers and cars will be serviced and maintained at their fully equipped workshop located on the same

premise.

Somak also has a 24 hour radio monitoring facility thereby ensuring immediate back-up and security to its clientele.

The principle in designing this modern building in line with the culture of the Coast was to provide all service under a common roof.

Diamond Trust Appoints New Managing Director

MR. ALAN P. BEAUREGARD has joined Diamond Trust Bank as Managing Director with regional responsibilities. Mr. Beauregard has more

than 30 years of experience in the financial services industry gained in North America, Europe, the Middle East, Far East and the Indian sub-continent.

He has held a number of senior commercial banking positions including general manager of the Gulf Bank, Kuwait, general manager of Bankers Trust Company, Tokyo and general manager of Bankers Trust Company, London.

In recent years he has been associated with Booz, Allen and Hamilton, KPMG/Barents and Deloitte and Touche as a consultant to private and public sector financial institutions in Bangladesh, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand and in a number of Central European countries.



ALAN P. BEAUREGARD

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MD

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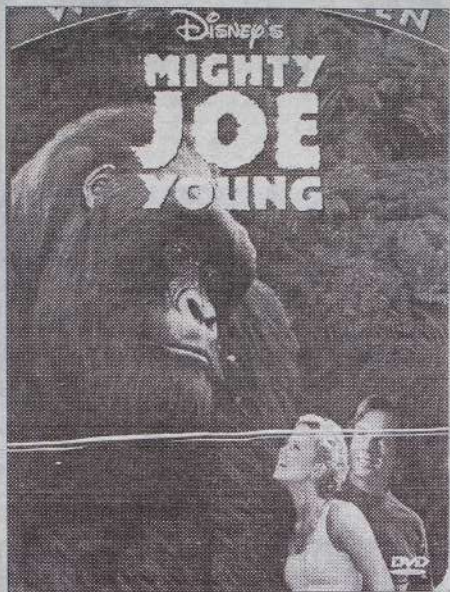
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K. K. Guards Achieve Hat Trick By Winning 'Best Arena Event'



K. K. GUARDS have won the Best Arena Event at the recently concluded Mombasa Agricultural Show for the third year running. Seen above are K. K. Guards personnel (standing, from left) James Otieno, Samweil Ogotu, Daniel Pono, and Ferdinand Mwanyika (front) with their trophies.

Salman And Arbaaz With Latest "Sensation" Rani

TWO REALLY great films to look forward to this week at Mombasa theatres for cinemagoers.

Starting today at both KENYA and LOTUS CINEMAS is the much-awaited Sohail Khan's production *Hello Brother*.

It stars his real-life brothers Salman and Arbaaz Khan with the latest sensation in heroines, Rani Mukherjee.

After the runaway success of *Pyaar Kiya To Darna Kya*, Sohail Khan has released yet another blockbuster.

He knows he can't go wrong with brother Salman who is really riding the high wave right now and Arbaaz makes a perfect accompaniment to him on screen.

Hello Brother is about Hero (Salman Khan), an ambitious and fun loving guy who has a zest for life in spite of his impoverished and orphaned upbringing.

He works for a courier company, whose owner is Khanna (Shakti Kapoor).

Hero has a soft corner for Rani (Rani Mukherjee), a nursery school teacher who lives in the same basti as he does, and whom he has grown up with.

Love Triangle

Unknown to Hero, she has been swept off her feet by Vishal Singh (Arbaaz Khan), a top officer from Delhi Narcotics Division, who has been transferred to Mumbai to combat the drug situation there.

Now figure out the love triangle here, and add to it the drug dilemma, to find out what really goes on.

Johny Lever provides the comedy, while the songs and music is climbing the charts

very surely.

At the KENYA CINEMA from Tuesday onwards is what has been voted the Best Family Movie of the Year, Walt Disney's *Mighty Joe Young*.

Film Preview by Anjum Asodia

It stars Bill Paxton and Charlize Theron in the lead and has special visual effects by the very famous Dream Quest Images.

Joe, is a playful smart 15-foot-tall gorilla who has grown up together with Jill Young (Charlize Theron) in the remote mountains of

Central Africa.

When Joe's peaceful existence is shattered by poachers, Jill and zoologist Gregg O'Hara (Bill Paxton) rescue their innocent friend and move him to the safety of an animal conservatory in California.

But Joe's safety is short lived - no longer a myth, his notoriety makes him a target for an enemy from his past - a ruthless hunter who will do anything to capture the mighty Joe.

A must for the entire family, this is one film that should definitely not be missed.

Murder Mystery At Theatre Club Attracts A Full House

THE L.T.C. bar was full on Friday, September 10, when Mombasa theatre-goers turned out in force for a murder mystery dinner.

Act One, on the L.T.C. stage, introduced us to the inmates of Monument House - Dotty Dora, brewing up her poisons, Lucien and his laboratory in the East Wing, sweet little Sister Monica (definitely not the Mother Superior of the local convent), the belligerent and outrageous Emily, and Marcus, dressed in a toga and quoting Shakespeare's Caesar, to name but a few.

The act culminated in the demise of Caroline Horsey, and during dinner the cast managed to do away with a further three characters before the melodramatic denouement.

Clive and Jo Spence were the lucky detectives who won

dinner for two on the Tamarind Dhow and Philippe Zimmerlin carried off the bonus prize of a bottle of sparkling wine.

Thank you to Libba, the Tamarind and Whitesands for contributing so much to the success of the evening, and to Pauline Groom, whose set designs, poster designs and murals continue to enhance every event at the L.T.C.

Next at the L.T.C. is another chance to see *Talking Heads*, a production which received high praise when it was shown for

one night only in August.

The monologues, which will be performed by Jean Koch, Pauline Groom and Liz Jagdev are by the English Playwright Alan Bennett, and have appeared on the 'A' level syllabus.

If you are not an academic, however, don't be put off by this - Muriel, Irene and Lesley are all endearingly human and express themselves simply and directly, evoking our sympathy and compassion, as well as many smiles.

The curtain goes up at 8.00 p.m. and tickets are Shs. 200/= for students, 250/= for members and 350/= for non-members.

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★ SCORPIO Oct 22 - Nov 21

Some pioneering work will pave way for others. A sense of peace and harmony will revolve around others.

★ SAGITTARIUS Nov 22 - Dec 21

Discussion about romantic involvement will arise. Travel plans can lift spirits of loved ones.

★ CAPRICORN Dec 22 - Jan 21

Diplomacy counts throughout the week. Be sure to deal with financial matters firmly and with finality.

★ AQUARIUS Jan 22 - Feb 21

You sense powerful emotional forces that leave you very confused. Friendship brings in extra financial dividends.

★ PISCES Feb 22 - March 21

Associations with important people comes almost inadvertently. You should make good use of these contacts.

★ ARIES March 22 - April 21

Social life work projects keep you happily stimulated. There seems to be a new source of income somewhere along the line for you.

★ TAURUS April 22 - May 21

Instincts about investments can bring up a new and welcome change. Let the creative spark flow.

★ GEMINI May 22 - June 21

Prepare for a time of recognition. You can finish up old projects this week.

★ CANCER June 22 - July 21

You will find yourself going inward finding peace. Idealism holds sway, influencing your future activities.

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Special Report By Correspondent

Jaffery Academy Students Excel In G.C.E. 'O' Level Examinations

JAFFERY students have once again lived up to the

expectations of their teachers as well as the Khoja Shia

Ithnasheri Education Board by achieving excellent results in the May/ June London G.C.E. 'O' level examinations.

The top achiever is Murtaza Sunderji who has broken the school record by achieving an 'A' grade in all the nine subjects that he offered - a highly commendable performance.

Other outstanding students are:

Fehmida Samani, Zahra Premji (eight 'A's), Vaishali Upadhaya (seven 'A's and one 'B'), Dipesh Vajah (six 'A's and three 'B's), Gurmukh Roopra (six 'A's and three

'B's), Abdulhafeez Noorani (six 'A's and one 'B'), Mahmood Visram (five 'A's, two 'B's and one 'C'), Aamena Kanji (five 'A's, two 'B's), Shaheen Merali (five 'A's and two 'B's), Muntazir Jamal (five 'A's and two 'B's).

A spokesman for the school commented "the learning environment at Jaffery Academy contributes to the excellent results every year.

"The school is blessed with students of high academic ability and a team of devoted teachers who spare no pains to ensure the success of their students," he concluded.

								
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Her Highness Princess Zahra Aga Khan outlined a concept of volunteerism that can create and sustain healthy civic societies into the next millennium.

"Citizen participation, ownership, and empowerment," she said, "are all critical to a world of peace and understanding," as is "the interaction of citizens across groups... whether those groups are defined in terms of socio-economic class or in terms of ethnicity and race."

In a keynote address at the conference of the International Association for Volunteer Effort (IAVE) in Edmonton, Canada, attended by Canadian Prime Minister Jean Chretien and Alberta's Premier Ralph Klein, Princess Zahra, who co-ordinates social development activities of the Aga Khan Development Network (AKDN), drew on a centuries-old tradition of service and proven successes in international development to describe how to mobilise voluntary effort into the next century.

Speaking against an electronic collage of images of volunteers and communities from settings in which the AKDN operates around the world, Princess Zahra, daughter of His Highness the Aga Khan, Imam (spiritual leader) of the Shia Ismaili

Princess Zahra Outlines Concept Of 'Volunteerism' In The New Millenium

Muslims, spoke of the concept of service in her tradition of faith.

"Voluntary service to others," Princess Zahra explained, "is viewed as an integral part of daily life" in the Ismaili tradition, "never as a burdensome obligation or an elective activity."

"Service is a means for each individual to actualise Islam's ethics of inclusiveness, of compassion, of sharing, of the respect for life, and of personal responsibility for sustaining a healthy physical, social and cultural environment."

"Fundamental to this concept, she continued, was "generosity of material resources, of time, of thought, and of knowledge."

Princess Zahra, who graduated from Harvard in 1994 with an honours degree in development studies, noted that whilst the importance of donations of time and money was widely recognised, the other two elements were not.

"Thought helps others to help themselves."

"Knowledge enables the educated to provide technical information to the less-educated on how to meet their own needs better and serve others."

Commending the Wild Rose Foundation and the IAVE for the opportunity to share experiences at the conference, Princess Zahra cited examples encountered within the AKDN.



PRINCESS ZAHRA

professional architects and planners volunteering their expertise to help rural populations with "self-help" construction projects; community-based women's organisations in remote South Asian villages operating primary health care centres; and

communities in East Africa managing their own preschools.

Three characteristics, she felt, were instructive: governance structures where professionals are supported by trained volunteers; project planning and implementation by grassroots beneficiaries in partnership with governmental and non-governmental organisations; and a heavy dependence on volunteers in daily operations requiring "a level of preparation, oversight and recognition that is comparable to that provided to regular employees."

"When volunteers are taken seriously," said Princess Zahra, "the quality of their contribution and their own sense of satisfaction literally soar."

This dependence on volunteers, she continued, encourages individual and community initiative, and leads to improved human resources and the identification of leadership capacity "by giving individuals far below the usual seats of power the opportunity to participate in the making of decisions."

It also contributes to generating financial and in-kind resources at the community and institutional levels, she observed.

Resources, which the AKDN has found to demand "sound financial management and reporting, and quality control," said Princess Zahra, referring to an Islamic ethic that stresses the good management of charitable resources as a necessary aspect of volunteerism.

Concluding her speech with a focus on the problem of mobilising volunteers, Princess Zahra pointed to the experience of the Ismaili community where youth introduced to the ethos of volunteerism through simple tasks in Jamatkhana (community centres) go on to contribute towards more complex endeavours as they advance academically and professionally.

Appropriate Incentives

"Socialising young people to see voluntary service as an important part of everyday life is the key," Princess Zahra declared, "and providing models, opportunities, programmes and appropriate incentives are the means."

The Aga Khan Development Network is a family of private, non-denominational development agencies and institutions with specific mandates that range from health and education to rural development, culture, the built environment and the promotion of private sector enterprise.

These agencies and institutions, working together, seek to empower communities and individuals, often in disadvantaged circumstances, to improve living conditions and opportunities, especially in Africa and Asia.

Voting For Khomeini As TIME Personality Of Century

Salaam Alaykum!

TIME magazine is holding a survey asking its readers to vote for the Leading Personality of the Century.

I am urging all Muslims to go to the site mentioned below and vote for 'Ayatullah Ruhollah Khomeini' to be the Leading Personality of the Century.

There was a mail circulated earlier asking people to vote for the Holy Prophet but one of the criteria for the personality should be that he/she was born this century.

At the moment, the number one man is Elvis Presley, followed by Yitzhak Rabin.

Please don't wait; we want as many votes as possible for a truly worthy Muslim personality.

TIME will publish the list in its December 1999 issue, so hurry.

Just visit the site <http://cgi.pathfinder.com/time/100/poc/century.html>

and in the box write "Ayatullah Ruhollah Khomeini" Shakir Nazerali <shakir_nazerali@hotmail.com>

APDK Mourns Tragic Loss Of Christoffel Blindenmission Regional Representative

THE ASSOCIATION of the Physically Disabled of Kenya Coast Branch learnt of the tragic and untimely death of the 'Christoffel Blindenmission' Regional representative of East Africa, Mr. G. Goldmann, through the air accident in Nairobi, Kenya, with great shock.

The deceased's relationship with the Association has been a close one and sincere, and the Association has always trusted upon him for advise, counsel and help, both during the times of

normally and distress. He was always ready to

In this way the Association had considered him as one

at this moment go to the bereaved family and we pray that the Almighty may lessen the heavy burden in their hearts and grant them divine comfort.

H. S. Hafidh, Vice Chairman, APDK Coast Branch

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share our problems and find solutions to overcome them.

among us and our own.

We therefore feel the personal loss in his demise. The Association for a long time with the affection he deserved will as such remember him and may God rest His Soul in peace.

The Association's thoughts

MORE PHOTOS IN NEWS ITEMS

I would like to thank coast week for their excellent news coverage every week.

However I would like to suggest that you show more pictures in your articles.

Keep up the good work. Shazaad Kasmani <hotbite@coolmail.com>

Let's Start At Epidemic And Get The World Infected ...!

Smiling is infectious, you catch it like the flu. When someone smiled at me today, I started smiling too. I passed around the corner and someone saw my grin. When he smiled I realized I'd passed it on to him. I thought about that smile then I realized it was, a single smile, just like mine, could travel round the earth. So, if you feel a smile begin, don't leave it undetected. Let's start an epidemic quick, and get the world infected! Keep the smile going by sending this on to a friend. Everyone needs a smile!

Joy Kemibaro <joyk@africaonline.co.ke>

Travel Trivia And Wildlife In And Around Mombasa

I am interested in any and all information on travel in, wildlife, cultural and historical tours of, scuba diving, dolphin watching, hotel accommodations - reasonably-priced, in Mombasa and local area for January 25 to February 3, 2000.

Please send information as soon as possible to Carol Colip at bellister.gbis.com or phone 775 423 2083 or mail 255 Drumm Lane, Fallon, Nevada, USA 89406-7131.

Thank you Carol Colip, <bellister.gbis.com>

TWENTY YEARS' AGO ...

COASTWEEK, September 14-20, 1979:

A PICTURE of a wide-eyed, regal-looking lion from the Amboseli Game Reserve graced the front page of COASTWEEK. The five-year-old large wild cat was spotted by Mombasa camera buff Mustafa Nasser during a visit to the teeming wildlife park. The National Geographic Society magazine had a full-time correspondent in the Reserve studying the lion's behavior patterns and were expected to feature it in future issues.

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

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

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

POLICE in Tanga were investigating the theft of 68 bags of coffee worth 100,000/- while in transit at the port for export to Europe.

THE UNITED Nations Information Center was to stage an exhibition featuring the different activities and programmes of the world organization. The two-day show organized with the co-operation of the Aga Khan Education Department, was to be held at the Aga Khan High School with an aim to "acquaint the public with the work of the United Nations and motivate them towards greater support of the United Nations programmes."

TOP Ten on the Charts compiled by 'Disco Bug' were 'Double Disco' by Fingers, 'I Was Made For Loving You' by Kiss, 'Going Through The Motion' by Hot Chocolate, 'Pop Music' by 'Bad Girls' by Donna Summer, 'Re-United' by Peaches, 'No Good Searchin'' by Eruption, 'Disco Rockin'' by Fingers, 'Love You So Bad, It Hurts' by John Paul Young, and 'Good Times' by Chic.

REGAL Cinema was screening 'Bittersweet Love,' starring Meredith Baxter (of 'Family Ties' fame) and Michael Lewis. NAZ Cinema was ending its run of 'Lewman' and moving onto another Western, 'Eagle's Wing,' the story of Kiowa dog soldiers and their constant warfare with the Comanches. KENYA Cinema, meanwhile, was running 'Ruby,' a horror flick starring Piper Laurie as a teenage daughter possessed by an evil power. At CHOX, Hema Malini and Dharmendra were bound by 'Pratiggya' ('Vow').

The C.C.A. League gets off the ground with the inclusion of Aga Khan and Mombasa Youths, as the suspension on Coast Jamatkhana is lifted.

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'Friends Of Tsavo' Charity Walk

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We considered one way of doing so was to motivate people into activities from which they might benefit.

But firstly it is necessary they appreciate the importance of wildlife and the need to preserve it.

However, this at the moment is rather difficult as local peoples around the parks are getting no benefit from the wildlife.

We need to encourage community participation and

Another threat to the 21,000 sq. km Tsavo National Park is the increasing human population on its boundaries which is exerting much pressure on the wildlife, particularly in the migratory corridors.

Said Abdul 'there are areas in which animals expect to move freely outside. Because of the population build-up they are becoming less and less able to do so.

'It is exerting pressure on animals who try and keep away from human settlement, but can no longer do so.

'Hence farms are being destroyed.

'The elephant population suffered considerably from poaching in the past with their numbers decreasing from 40,000 to about 6,000 in Tsavo National Parks, while rhinos were completely eliminated'.

Another worrying factor explained Abdul is that a census undertaken this year revealed that the birth rate had dropped from 3.5 per cent to one per cent.

It means that something is very wrong.

It comes at a time when there was hope of it actually increasing and in face of the downlisting by CITES from Appendix I to II

concerning the sale of elephant products.

The Charity Walk, which starts at 8.30 a.m., is the first fundraising and public awareness exercise to be organised by the 'Friends of Tsavo'.

Tsavo needs your support!

Join in the walk, or sponsor someone or send a donation to the 'Friends of Tsavo', P.O. Box 84782, Mombasa.

Membership is open to both Kenyan residents and non-Kenyans with corporate membership for companies and organisations.

Such is the enthusiasm to 'save Tsavo' that 34 projects have already been mooted by the Trustees and Board of Directors of the 'Friends of Tsavo' Charitable Trust!



WINNER OF the Express Travel Group Executive Secretaries Club Meritorious Award Gulshan Jivraj (centre) receives her prize of two nights accommodation for two at Voyager Hotel from Freight Director Express Kenya Limited Ernst Habermacher as Manager Express Travel Group Mombasa Goolzar Rattanshi, during the Club's sixth anniversary celebrations at Nyali Beach Hotel.



KHALID SHAPI,
Chairman 'Friends of Tsavo'

involvement in conservation endeavours by providing incentives so that benefits accrued from tourism and conservation policies can be shared with them'.

Abdul then referred to the Muramba Wildlife Community Sanctuary bordering Taita Hills/Salt Lick Lodge and Tsavo West National Park.

It had been established on the initiative of KWS after convincing local farmers that as subsistence farming was making no difference to their lives that a wildlife conservation through tourism effort might provide a better alternative.

Explained Abdul 'if the 'Friends of Tsavo' are able to collect the necessary funds we could help them set up their own tented camp or lodge, with boreholes, so as to earn a living from tourism.

If properly set up and managed it could become a wildlife sanctuary like the one at Taita Hills thus offering employment opportunities to the local people.

The 'Friends' could then approach those in the tourism industry to give their support by taking tourists there'.

Another money-making idea for the local people is to establish nurseries with plants to sell for the re-afforestation of the park, also the proper utility of wetlands areas where fish farming can be introduced.



NAWAZ KHAN,
Vice-Chairman 'Friends of Tsavo'.



TANUJA CHOCHAN,
Treasurer 'Friends of Tsavo'

Diploma For Alefiyah



ALEFIYAH MAMUJEE of Aga Khan Nursery School, who was the first student to qualify with a higher credit, is seen being awarded a London Montessori Diploma by Mrs. Shefali Shah, proprietor of Joyland Montessori College in Mombasa.

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Extraordinary Response To British Prime Minister's Challenge

Greenwich Millennium Dome In England Surpasses All Architectural Monuments

EXCITING THINGS are happening in England with preparations going ahead "full steam" for the opening of the Millennium Dome at Greenwich, London.

Situated on an 181 acre site on the North Greenwich peninsula, bounded on three sides by the River Thames, it goes on record as being the world's biggest dome with a circumference of one kilometre.

Two Wembley Stadiums would fit inside, or 12.5 football pitches.

It is tall enough to house Nelson's Column and 40,000 people at a time.

It will glow at night providing a beacon on the Thames peninsula.

Huge screens in or near it will allow people to see the New Year beginning in time zones all over the world.

Greenwich being the official start point of the Millennium.

In addition, and according to a report in *The Times*, "three miles of the Thames will be turned into a Millennium party zone on New Year's Eve for a celebration that is expected to attract 2.5 million people."

A firework display will include a "River of Fire" effect moving from Tower Bridge to Vauxhall Bridge as Big Ben strikes midnight.

For nearly 24 hours roads beside the river will be over to fun fairs, carnivals, concerts, street parties, dancing and light shows.

There are plans to turn London's famous Trafalgar Square into a giant ice-rink during December.

The ultra-modern Millennium Dome is being built at an expected cost of Sterling Pounds 1.25 billion, most being funded by the British taxpayer.

It will be a most impressive showcase of the latest British inventions and designs and with 12 million visitors expected annually will do much to promote increasing business from which tax payers stand to benefit as the economy improves.

Of interest is the fact that British innovations were encouraged by

a government scheme labelled 'Products 2000' under which grants were given to individuals or companies to help develop exciting products for the next Millennium giving an emphasis to environmentally beneficial inventions and advanced technology.

The response to this Design Council initiative has been described as 'extraordinary'.

The Dome will have fourteen designated zones, one being devoted to the 'Body'.

In it will be the world's biggest physical representation of the human form - 'a sitting human figure taller than the Statue of Liberty'.

It offers inside a rich and intellectually accessible exploration into the world of human biology and medical science.

Visitors enter this human form on a walkway through the back into "an empty, cathedral-like space through which they will travel upwards in a lift to a 360-degree observation platform in the head."

From here they will be able to look out over the whole area of the Dome.

Descending, visitors will enter the outstretched right leg on a travelator, or moving pavement, being conveyed through an exhibition which the organisers describe as being interactive about the human body.

It is said that "from your voyage into this human machine you will learn how to get the best from it".

They explain "the human body is the most fascinating and complex object in the world."

"There has been no significant evolutionary transition in its shape, structure, composition or nature since Homo Erectus became Homo Sapiens between 100,000 and 150,000 year ago, or at least not until recently."

"Over the last hundred years new understanding of diet, exercise and science has helped transform our bodies and our lives."

"Today, we run and jump higher, faster and longer."

"We are stronger, brighter, live longer and grow taller."

"We are also bolder and, more prone to cancer and allergic conditions, but have wiped out five endemic viruses in the last five years alone."

"We are a species that can instrumentally affect our own future and the world around us."

The sponsors are **Boots**, the Chemists with **L'Oreal** and **Roche**, the designer being **HP: ICM Limited**.

Meanwhile, in the 'Money' zone you can explore the global revolution in finance that affects us all.

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"React to the news as it happens today - and might unfold tomorrow."

"See how electronic cash is taking over - and what this could mean for your mortgage, savings and pension."

The 'Money' Zone lifts the lid on the real world of the financial services industry.

With sponsorship made possible by the **Corporation of London** and a consortium of financial services industry institutions the 'Money' Zone brings to life the way money affects everything we do."

The 'Faith' zone consists of six dramatic canopies stretched across a formation of arches sheltering an exhibition about religious faith in Britain in the year 2000.

It will reflect the Christian history and nature of British society as well as the varied multi-faith landscape that exists in Britain today.

The Organisers explain - as Britain marks this hugely significant Christian landmark, the exhibition in the Spirit zone will ask what comprises faith, spirituality and belief in Britain today.

In the areas of 'Affirmation' and 'Making your Mark' we reflect on the ways Christian and the other Faith groups and leaders over the

past 2000 years have sought to answer the question 'How Shall I live?'

Visitors are also invited to leave behind their own public or private thoughts for the new Millennium.

A towering 'Contemplation' space at the centre of the zone offers the opportunity for quiet reflection.

The zone ends with a celebration of Britain's varied faith landscape as we enter the third Millennium.

The Hinduja Foundation

The **Laing Family Trust**, the **Hinduja Foundation**, plus several trusts and foundations with Christian interests, have lent their support because they believe that the spiritual and religious significance of the Millennium should be marked in the Dome.

Nestling beside the Dome is 'Skyscape' in a dramatic and attractive building in silver - a state of the art venue that will play host to a Galaxy of stars and live events during the year 2000.

Skyscape, sponsored by **BSkyB** is dedicated to unique live entertainment.

Its two 2,500 seat cinemas will be the biggest in the UK, using top of the range cinematic screen and sound technology.

As an integral part of the Millennium Experience its two giant cinemas together will see up to 50,000 visitors entertained every day.

They will be treated to a film experience that is currently in development.

It will be a unique half-hour 'special' featuring the best of British comedy by leading comedy writers.

Skyscape's second starring role will see one of the two vast cinema screens 'fly away' to reveal a 20 metres by 20 metre live performance stage.

Bigger than the 'LIVE AID' stage it will be the largest in the UK.

The stage will transform one cinema into an attractive 3,300 seater performance venue enabling the staging of a series of separately ticketed events

throughout 2000.

Top artists such as **Robbie Williams**, **U2** and the **Rolling Stones** are tipped to appear.

A building with exterior walls that move enabling it to change its facade is among the dramatic features of the joint Work and Learn zones.

The dynamic facade will be made from the largest revolving panels in the world.

At 12 meters high and 72 metres long they will show powerful images, which will change every five seconds.

Visitors first encounter with the 'Work' zone, sponsored by **Manpower**, will highlight the new world of work.

Meanwhile, the 'Learn' zone, sponsored by **Tesco** presents the new world of learning in an unusual and imaginative way accessible for all ages.

A deliberately theatrical school corridor with all its sights, sounds and smells - from school bells and ranting headmasters to boiled cabbage and playground laughter, will re-enforce the visitors pre-conception about learning.

As the bells ring, doors fly open and visitors are propelled into a new theatre space where they will be entertained by a show, part film, part theatre that has been commissioned from the **B.B.C.**

It will transform attitudes to learning by offering an experience that will be entertaining, memorable and unique.

The screen will then melt away and visitors will be led into the 'learning orchard'.

SchoolNet 2000

This, with trees and grass, will present an unexpected and new world of learning, one in which all barriers are broken down.

Within it are 50 interactive displays that will engage the visitor showing how this new era of life-long learning can be accessible through the expansion of technology such as **Tesco SchoolNet 2000**.

The dramatic structure of the 'Journey' zone rises to 25 metres in a series of angled points above the raised promenade of High Way.

Through the entrance below on Mast Way the visitor is taken into the journeys of the next Millennium in a series of static and interactive displays bringing to life the future of travel by land, air and sea.

Sponsored by **Ford**, the 'Journey' zone includes a virtual reality trip and invites visitors to see how our desire to stay on the move can be made easier, faster and cleaner.

Meanwhile the 'Living Island' zone considers choices open to inhabitants showing how small changes in lifestyle, multiplied collectively, can make a large impact on the future.

The response to the British Prime Minister's challenge to UK businessmen in September 1997 to come up with 2000 world leading new products has been described as 'extraordinary'.

In unveiling more than 2000 products and services Tony Blair said 'creativity in science, engineering, technology and design is of fundamental importance to the development of world class products and services which help businesses secure a competitive edge'.

Adding 'all millennium products

are inspiring other companies to use high quality, forward thinking designs to compete in a world market awash with new products'.

Among the first millennium products to be selected in the nation-wide initiative run by the Design Council was 'Gorix' described as a 'break-through in smart materials'.

It conducts electricity through its fibres allowing them to be heated.

Applications include diving suits, ski-wear and blankets to combat hypothermia.

Gorix have also been commissioned to create gloves for NASA.

Britain's 'Millennium Experience' takes place on a 181 acre site on the north Greenwich peninsula.

It is part of a 300-acre former gasworks, derelict for more than two decades.

It represents the largest undeveloped site on the River Thames.

Formerly owned by **British Gas**, the site was sold in 1997 to **English Partnerships (EP)** a government regeneration agency. EP commissioned the **Richard Rogers Partnership** to draw up a master-plan for the whole of the 300-acre site.

It includes 3,000 new homes, a business district, industrial and retail areas.

EP is developing in time for the year 2000 a new 1400 home Millennium Village using building and design techniques to the highest environmental standards for private housing, also social housing for education and community use.

At the heart of the site, according to details on Internet, is a new underground station on the Jubilee Line and a transport interchange.

The station designed by **Alsop and Stormer**, is the largest in Europe.

The transport interchange has been designed by **Norman Foster Associates**.

The UK's first major ecologically sensitive river scheme is being developed on the Greenwich peninsula to provide beaches, mud flats and a terraced salt marsh.

The **New Millennium Experience Company Limited** is responsible for delivering the UK's national focus to mark and celebrate the arrival of the third millennium in line with the policy of the government and Millennium Commission.

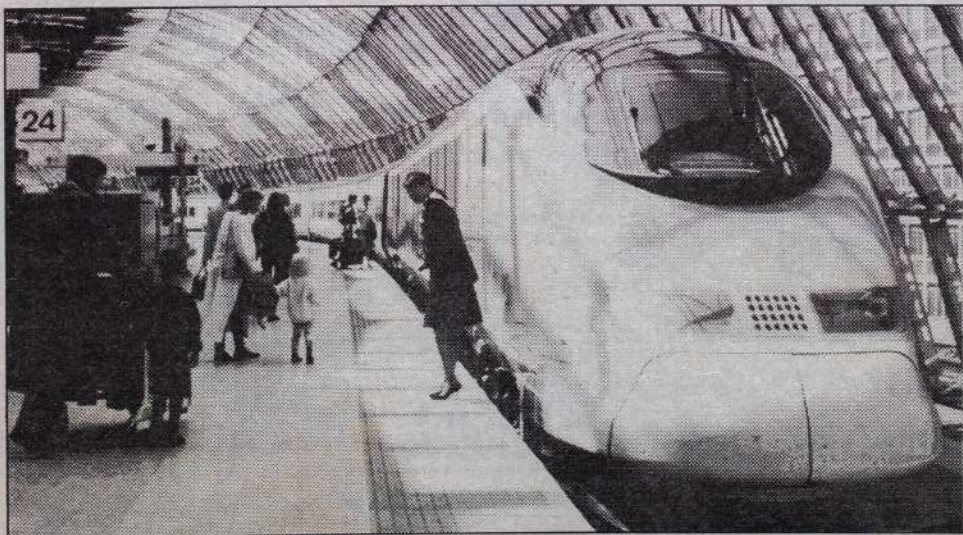
The Millennium Experience is part-funded by the Millennium Commission, the independent body set up to fund projects to celebrate the millennium using National Lottery funds.

The commission is chaired by the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport.

The Millennium Experience incorporates the Dome at Greenwich and a linked programme of events and activities throughout the UK branded 'The Challenge'.

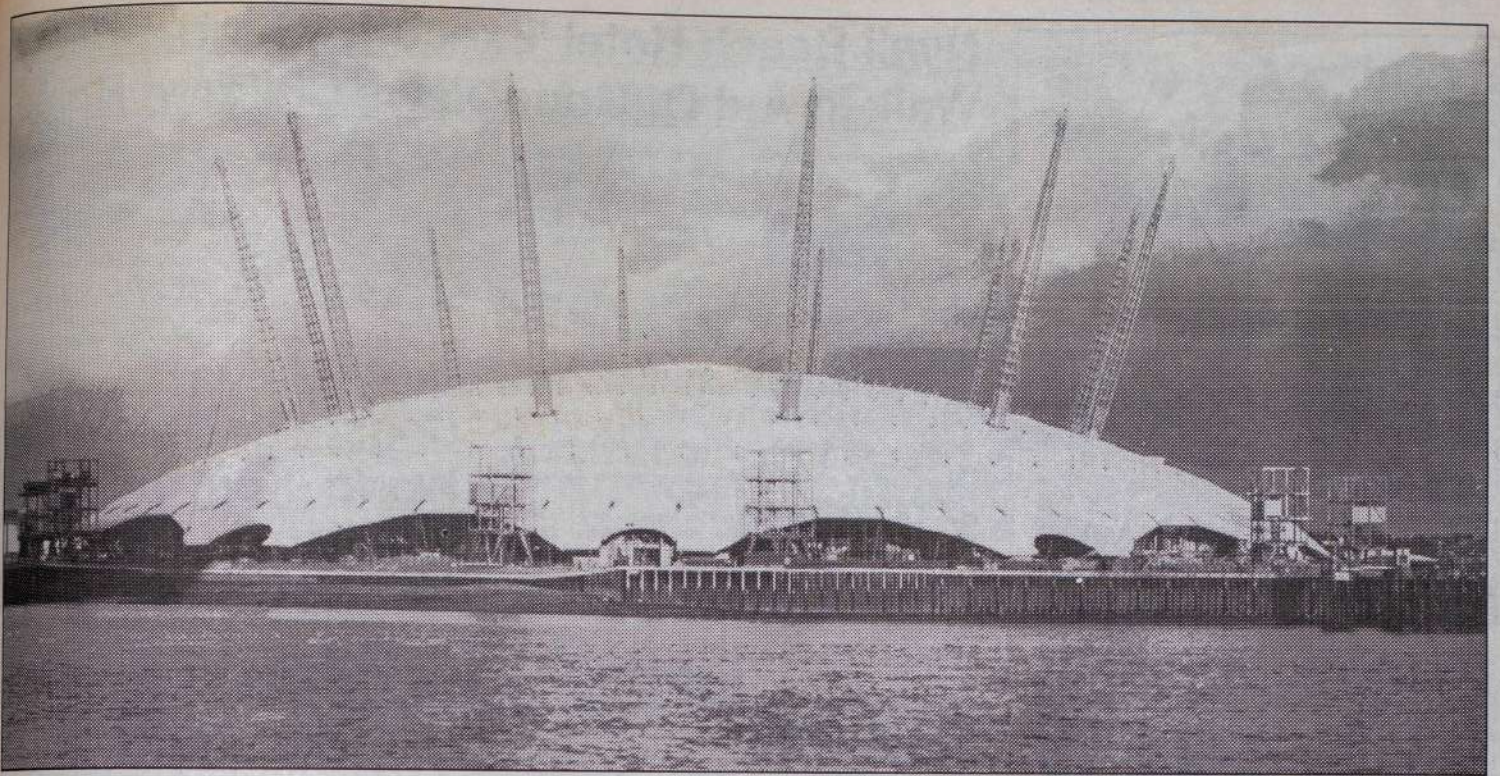
Its aim is to 'create a world profile for the celebration of the millennium in the UK'.

To assist, and where possible, contribute to the government's policy that there will be a lasting legacy for the nation from the 'Experience' (the Dome and The Challenge).



EUROSTAR TRAIN AT WATERLOO STATION.

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THE COMPLETED Millennium Dome on the Greenwich Peninsula.

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In giving the project its full backing the British government said 'we now propose an exhibition which will make a statement for the whole nation at the dawn of the millennium.

It will open a window on the future, the future for individuals, for society, the environment and the world.

Despite attracting much controversy from start to finish, in part due to its cost and the Millennium Dome being compared to a 'dustbin lid', it is a very ambitious venture and a wonderful opportunity to show the world the best of British talent and state-of-the-art technology.

There is little doubt it will attract the targeted 12 million visitors in the Year 2000.

The Millennium Dome was designed by architects, The Richard Rogers Partnership, and consulting engineers, Buro Happold, Laing and Robert McAlpine are the joint managing contractors.

Exciting Eurostar

An exciting experience when visiting the UK is to travel on the sleek, quiet, air-conditioned, award winning Eurostar which takes you 255 feet below the English Channel en-route to France and Brussels from Waterloo Station in the heart of Central London.

The Channel Tunnel is considered to be one of the most important and exciting engineering feats of the 20th century.

Built by five British and five French construction companies it is 31.35 miles long over-all with 24 miles under the sea.

Its cost at the time of opening was almost £9 billion.

We travelled First Class in the height of luxury the journey taking just two hours of which 20 minutes were spent in the tunnel linking England to France.

Eurostar has a maximum operating speed of 185 mph which, at the moment can only be attained on the French side.

In spacious reclining seats with foot rests we were pampered throughout the journey enjoying the complimentary champagne, fine wines and a delicious lunch served at our table bathed in a peach-like glow from an adjacent lamp by a smartly attired multi-

lingual staff.

The dessert - a peach mousseline, was terrific!

Accompanying the coffee was some of the world's finest chocolate

There were hot eu-de-cologne scented towels to freshen up with.

There are 'complimentary' international newspapers and Eurostar's own 'on-board magazine to read.

There are telephones and you can use mobile phones and laptop computers during the trip.

The facilities are strictly ultra modern including the toilet where you stamp on a black ring on the floor to get water to flush the toilet and wash your hands.

Eurostar has its own award winning purpose built station adjacent to Waterloo.

'Waterloo International' has been given a dramatic tapering roof which is constructed from 2.5 acres of glass and two acres of stainless steel sheeting supported by 37 bow arches.

Entrance to it is hassle-free starting with an escalator ride down to its front entrance and automatic ticket barriers to avoid queuing.

The purpose built departure lounge has comfortable seats, Bureau de Change, telephones,

shops and Costa's Coffee Boutique offering the greatest Cappuccino.

There are lifts and escalators to and from platform level.

The 400 metre long 18 carriage white/blue and yellow train can carry 766 passengers in First and Standard class fully air-conditioned carriages.

Those travelling in the latter class have access to two Buffet Cars.

There is also a Premium First Class with a complimentary, executive car service available on arrival, if you wish.

It takes three hours to reach Paris and during the summer season it has up to 21 trains going there a day, and ten to Brussels.

It also operates a daily service from Waterloo and Ashford to Disneyland, Paris, making it possible to now travel from the centre of London straight to the gates of its Theme Park in just three hours with special fares and inclusive breaks to promote family travel.

In March this year, the planned formation of the Eurostar Group was announced.

It is a unified management structure to benefit both customers and business.

The Eurostar service itself is

operated jointly by Eurostar (UK) Limited, French Railways (SNCF) and Belgian Railways (SNCB/NMBS).

The three railways are each represented on the board of the Eurostar group.

SNCF and SNCB are state owned, while Eurostar (UK) is owned by a private company - London and Continental Railways (LCR).

In 1998, LCR awarded to Inter Capital and Regional Rail Limited (ICRR) a management contract to manage Eurostar (UK).

ICRR is a consortium comprising the National Express Group (40 per cent shareholding); SNCF (35 per cent); SNCB (15 per cent) and British Airways (10 per cent).

Launched on November 14, 1994 Eurostar trains now make up to 21 departures each day from London Waterloo International to Paris and up to 10 to Brussels.

Some services stop at Ashford, Calais, Frethun or Lille en-route.

Eurostar's profits are also up.

Its total revenues across the Eurostar business as a whole for the first six months of 1999 amounted to Sterling Pounds 198.3 million compared to Sterling

Pounds 186.8 million for the same period in 1998 - an increase of six per cent.

Since 1993 it has won some thirty awards, one in 1994 being the prestigious Royal Institute of British Architects Presidents Award for the 'Building of the Year - Structural Steel Design'.

Once again this year it has won awards from the *Business Travel World* magazine for the 'Best International Rail Business Network Service' and 'Best Business Cross Channel Transport'.

Among Eurostar's special offers this summer is a day trip to Paris travelling Standard class with lunch at Alcazar, Terence Conran's restaurant, for Sterling Pounds 79 inclusive valid until August 31.

Of interest is the fact that the Channel Tunnel is actually not one tunnel, but three.

There are two rail tunnels.

Traffic from Britain to France travel through the northern tunnel, while the southern tunnel carries traffic from France to Britain.

A third smaller service tunnel allows engineers to travel along the system without stopping the traffic.

They go on record as being the world's longest tunnels.

Cars, coaches and trucks use 'Le Shuttle' service to cross to France.

Kenya Airways

A very comfortable way to travel to London is by Kenya Airways/KLM which offer daily flights, some via Amsterdam.

Creeping into Mombasa's Moi International Airport half-awake at five in the morning it was most uplifting to have a trolley immediately made available and to receive such a cheerful welcome at the 'Check In' counter.

All formalities were swiftly dealt with and on the terminal's first floor there was piping hot Kenya coffee to drink.

A pigeon gave a 'flight' show keeping passengers amused, while the opening of the Duty Free shop there at 6.00 a.m. (unheard of in the past!) met with a positive response particularly from the many Dutch holidaymakers returning home to Amsterdam.

On the 7.00 a.m. 'Jetlink' Boeing 737 flight to Nairobi the Continental Breakfast was served by female cabin staff in attractive

pinafors with outside pockets.

It came in a pink (cardboard) style hamper which is so convenient not only to serve but to dispose of afterwards.

It is a brilliant idea!

It had been raining and it was interesting to note that in the First Class compartment, through which all passengers pass, a strip of carpet had been laid in the aisle so it could be rolled up when the plane departed leaving the original carpet immaculate.

The flight to London, via Amsterdam, was relaxing and comfortable with an attentive, smiling, cabin staff.

On the return flight to Kenya there continues to be a very efficient and fast check-in at the Kenya Airways/KLM counters at Heathrow.

Delectable Dessert ...

Inside the terminal it was interesting to note that 'Duty Free' had been replaced by 'Tax Free' with prices for alcohol and perfume about the same as before.

On August 1, the price of some spirits had been reduced by 50 per cent!

Because of it being a peak time for air travel there were unavoidable delays in take-off from Heathrow and Amsterdam.

There was a late dinner compensated by a most delectable dessert.

A rather nice touch washing the packed main course labelled 'Bon Appetite' and to read what sauce accompanied the chicken!

Before landing in Nairobi there was a super Continental Breakfast which included the most delicious strawberry yoghurt and the lightest of croissants.

Fortunately, we arrived in Nairobi in time for me to catch, by the skin of my teeth, the 10.00 a.m. flight to Mombasa.

Luckily, Immigration formalities were fast as was the arrival of baggage.

However, I do feel that more attention could be given at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport to the labelling (so all can see) of the Flight Number from which luggage is coming from on the belt.

It would save an awful lot of confusion, particularly when people are in a hurry with connecting flights to catch.



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Nyali Beach Hotel 'Executive Club' Charity Walk In Aid Of Good News Children Home

NYALI BEACH Hotel Executive Club has organised a charity walk on Saturday, September 25 to raise K.Shs. 291,700 education fund for 30 children of Good News Children's Home in Likoni, writes **ANDREW KILONZI**.

The 13 kilometre walk will be flagged off at 9.00 .am. at Fort Jesus with the next check point at United Touring Company (UTC) along Moi Avenue.

Participants will then head to Saba Saba, Engen Petrol Station, BP and finally finish at Nyali Beach Hotel.

Members of the club appeal to all Mombasa residents and visitors for support.

Good News Childrens' Home is currently catering for 30 children, 26 of whom live in the home.

The amount to be realised from the Charity will cover the year 2000 school fees for 17 children (as other 13 have their school fees sponsored), uniforms, shoes, sportswear, text and exercise books.

With the exception of two children at Deansbrook School, Nyali Beach Hotel has helped pay K.Shs. 35,900/- in 1999 towards school fees for the remaining 15 unsponsored children in six schools.

These include one in Aga Khan High School, three in Consolata Primary School, five at Shika Adabu and one in Likoni Primary School.

Next year five more children are expected to join Consolata Primary School.

The history of Good News Childrens' Home points back to the birth of an interdenominational childrens' ministry in December 1991.

The ministry started by holding camps for children from all churches, schools and childrens' homes.

In 1993, while visiting Alms

Home at Makande, Mombasa, the ministry officials came in contact with street children thereby realising the great need to reach out to street children too.

This was followed by a special Wednesday feeding programme called Mercy ministry, where street children from Mombasa were fed with bread and tea then counselled.

It was the burden of sheltering these children that finally gave birth to the first childrens' home

for boys in Coast region - Good News Childrens' Home - in mid 1995.

Currently the home has 26 boys fully settled and only admits boys of ages five to twelve who are recommended by the officials.

Plans are underway to build a home that can accommodate 60 to a hundred children on a five acre plot of land already identified at U'tange, Bamburi awaiting funds.

Coast Province Miss World (Kenya) Finals

MAMBA Disco is to host the Miss World (K) Chapter Coast Province finals on Friday, September 17, 1999.

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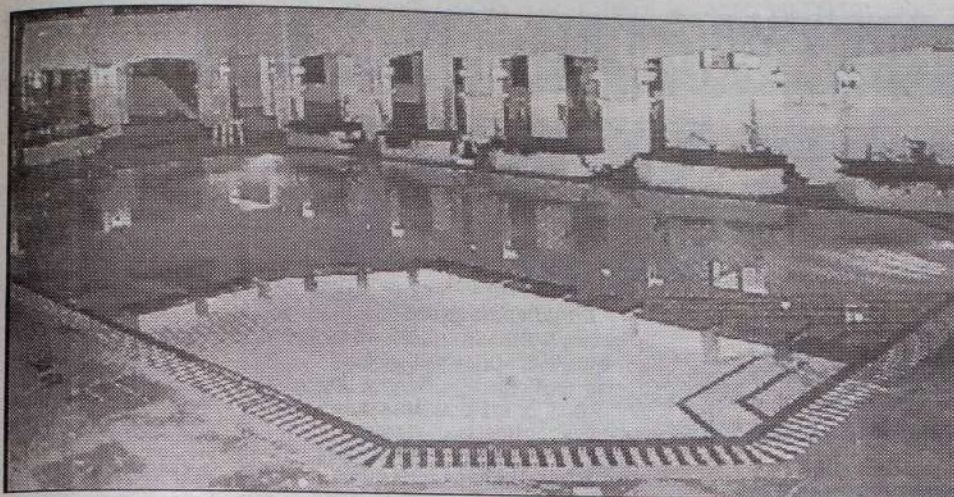
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DAS GIRIAMA BEACH Hotel wurde ursprünglich in den siebziger Jahren als ein Gebäudekomplex mit Wohnhäusern entworfen.

Es war von einem Elternpaar in weiser Voraussicht für die Familie als Investition für die Zukunft geplant.

Als die zehn Maisonnettes und zwanzig Einzelzimmerwohnungen direkt am Meer bezugsbereit waren, bemerkte ein guter Freund der Familie, diese Häuser würden sich bestens als Apartment Hotel eignen.

Nach kurzer Überlegung entstand das **Casurina Apartment Hotel** unter dem Management einer lokalen Hotelgruppe.

Einige Jahre später wechselte das Casurina den Besitzer und wurde nun **Giriama**

Apartments genannt mit dem berühmten **Deutschen Biergarten**, der zu jener Zeit bald ein großer Hit wurde.

1987 beschlossen die Investoren, das Geschäft zu erweitern.

Viele können sich erinnern an das **Giriama Apartment Hotel**, das für sie fern von zu Hause ein zweites Heim wurde.

Heute ist die jährlich durchgeführte Giriama Beach Party sehr beliebt wie auch jeweils am Ostersonntag der Strandgolfdienst bei Sonnenaufgang.

Sehr geschätzt von den Gästen sind auch die üppige Gartenanlage mit den Teichen und Bächen, die durch das Hotelgelände fließen, und der stets freundliche, effiziente Service.

"Giriama" ist immer noch ein Apartment Hotel mit zehn Maisonnettes am Strand, die für lange oder kurze Zeit vermietet werden, und mit 72 Doppelzimmern, die auch als Einzelzimmer abgegeben werden.

Gold Star

"Giriama" hat nun ein Schwesterhotel in Nyali, das **Bahari Beach Hotel**, von derselben Gesellschaft gemanagt, dem kürzlich der begehrte **Gold Star Award** für Qualität verliehen wurde, welcher im Oktober in Genf in der Schweiz überreicht werden soll.

Mr **Nicholas Laika** steht Ihnen in diesem Hotel stets zu Diensten als Teamleiter, zusammen mit Ms **Virginia Karimi** und ihrem Team junger Berufsleute im Empfangsbereich.

Sie sind auch stets herzlich willkommen an den Buffets zu angemessenem Preis sowie für Snacks, Tee und Kaffee den

ganzen Tag über.

Das **Giriama Beach Hotel** wird hauptsächlich in Europa vermarktet durch Reisebüros und Reiseveranstalter.

Es ist aber auch beliebt bei **Kenya Residents** in der lokalen Saison für Urlaub und Gruppenseminare.

"Giriama" hat sich einen Namen geschaffen für Hochzeitsempfangs, Konferenzen, Geschäftsessen, Workshops, Trainingsseminare

und für andere Interessengruppen mit "all inclusive" Arrangements, die nach Maß zugeschnitten werden.

Unter den Aktivitäten für Tagesbesucher und Hotelgäste sind: Volleyball am Strand, Tischtennis und Billard, Darts, Schwimmen im Deck Pool bei der Beach Bar (mit Baby Pool), schwimmen im oberen Pool, Spaziergänge am kilometerlangen Strand von Bamburi bis Shanzu entlang der

Grenze des Marineparks.

Wassersport, angeln, surfen und Ausflüge zum Riff sowie Golf spielen im nahen **Nyali Golf and Country Club** zu reduziertem Preis kann ebenfalls arrangiert werden.

Als Abendunterhaltung gibt es Stammestänze und lokales Cabaret oder einen kleinen Ausflug nach 23 Uhr ins "Pirates" zu Disco und Tanz.

Nachdem das **Giriama Beach Hotel** seine Tore für die Gäste aus nah und fern wieder geöffnet hat, gibt es bereits große Pläne für eine Super Beach Party am Silvester, um die Jahrtausendwende würdig zu feiern.

IM BANNES DES SCHWARZEN

KONTINENTS ...

VOR ZEHN JAHREN hing die gebürtige Bargener Hans Blaser seine Garage in Gempnach an den Nagel und wanderte nach Afrika aus.

Richtig zu Hause fühlt sich der Seeländer heute nur noch in Kenia.

Lange Jahre reparierte Hans Blaser in seiner Gempnacher Garage tagein tagaus pannenreife Autos und zapfte Benzin aus seinen Tanksäulen.

Vom geordneten Leben in der beschaulichen Schweiz und trüb-nassem Nieselwetter hatte er allerdings je länger je mehr die Nase voll.

"Schon als Kind war ich Kenia-Fan, fühlte mich magisch zum schwarzen Kontinent hingezogen," erinnert er sich.

Nachdem er das Land 1971 zum ersten Mal bereist hatte, ließ ihn die Faszination nicht mehr los.

Afrika zog ihn immer stärker in seinen Bann.

"Und so füllte ich schließlich den tragweiten Entschluß, zusammen mit meiner Freundin Elisabeth Spielmann der Schweiz den Rücken zu kehren und ins kenianische Mombasa auszuwandern - für immer," so Blaser.

Startschwierigkeiten machten ihm und seiner Lebenspartnerin zu schaffen.

Die beiden Auswanderer gründeten ihre eigene Firma, vermieteten Autos und boten Safaris an.

"Es schien anfänglich fast unmöglich, sich in diesem chaotischen Land zurecht zu finden und es brauchte viel Zeit und Geduld, bis wir in Kenia wirklich etabliert waren."

Dank seiner zuverlässigen Arbeit - wohl in Überbleibsel aus

eigenössischen Tagen - sei es ihm dann jedoch gelungen, eine treue, größtenteils europäische Stammkundschaft aufzubauen.

Heute vermietet Blaser neben dem Geschäft mit Autos und abenteuerlichen Fahrten durch den Busch noch Gästezimmer und eine Ferienwohnung für Individualtouristen aus aller Welt. Er führt seine Safarigäste an Orte, die noch kein Reisender vorher gesehen haben soll.

Es gelingt ihm regelmäßig, in Gebieten, so groß wie der Kanton Bern, ganze Herden grauer Dickhäuter, Löwen, Giraffen und Antilopen aufzuspüren.

Auch mit den Einheimischen komme er gut zurecht, rede mit seinen fünfzehn Angestellten mittlerweile mehr als nur ein paar Brocken Suaheli und versuche, sich in jeder Form Land und Leuten anzupassen.

"Nicht nur die Reisegäste, auch meine Mitarbeiter sollen sich wohl fühlen," ergänzt Blaser.

Einige wohnen im gleichen Gebäudekomplex wie Blaser und seine Freundin, andere gehen abends wieder zurück in den Busch.

Hans Blaser liebt das Chaos. Er scheint dafür gemacht, in einem Land zu leben, in dem vieles dem Zufall überlassen bleibt.

"Ich mag es, wenn Situationen aus dem Ruder laufen; ich mag die Improvisation, Überraschungen und Spontaneität, denn meiner Ansicht nach steckt hinter jedem Chaos Struktur."

Trotz all des Unvorher-

sehbaren gelinge es ihm, seinen Betrieb mit fünfundzwanzig Mietautos und zwei Safari-bussen unter Kontrolle zu halten, sagt Blaser nicht ganz ohne Stolz.

Vorausgesetzt, daß keine politischen Wirren das Land in eine gesellschaftliche Krise stürzen, möchte Hans Blaser niemals in heimatische Gefilde zurückkehren.

In seinem Sohn Peter hat er bereits einen potentiellen Nachfolger für sein kleines, kenianisches Reich gefunden.

Höchstens einmal pro Jahr reist Hans Blaser von Kenia in die Schweiz, um Familienangehörige und Bekannte zu besuchen.

"Ganz zu Beginn packte mich schon ab und zu das Heimweh, heute ist dies allerdings vorbei. Ich bin in Kenia zu Hause."

Ein Dorn im Auge sind Blaser die immer wiederkehrenden Schauer-märchen in der europäischen Presse.

"Katastrophen, Dramen und Hungersnöte prägen Europas Bild vom schwarzen Kontinent, und der Rest der Weltverschließt sich dabei den prachtvollen Schönheiten Afrikas."

"Ich fühle mich in all den Jahren niemals an Leib und Leben bedroht."

"Natürlich hält das moderne Leben höchstens in den großen Städten Einzug; auf dem Land ist die Zeit stillgestanden."

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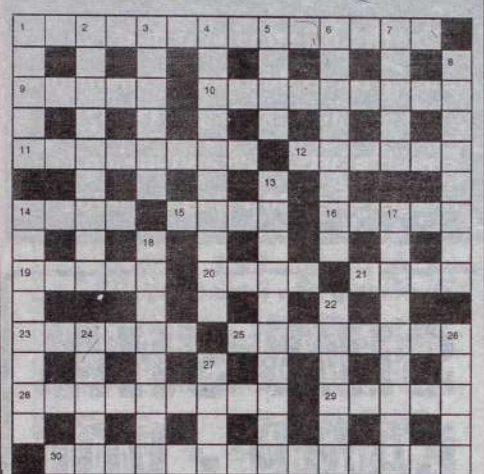
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NAME.....
ADDRESS.....

- ACROSS:**
 1. Dolph back in USA? (anag.) - No here in co. Durham [6, 8]
 9. Bogus [5]
 10. An abomination as Jacques might put it [4, 5]
 11. Hamelin's piper asked for a thousand [8]
 12. Mercury, say, or Venus [6]
 14. Celebrated African jungle Trader [4]
 15. Closed [4]
 16. In a 'very' musical manner [5]
 19. The scintillating skating star Henie [5]
 20. Eye-downers 'eleven' [4]
 21. One of Jacques' Cream cheeses [4]
 23. Persistently maintain [6]
 25. Sharp-built, swift-sailing vessel [8]
 28. Central American republic [9]
 29. Taffy's homeland [5]
 30. Not alive to anything? [4, 2, 3, 5]
- DOWN:**
 1. Envelope in thick mist [5]
 2. Keep doggedly at it, military stie? [7, 2]
 3. Cook too thoroughly? [6]
 4. Princely place for promenaders [6, 4]
 5. Slick like a little one? [4]
 6. Where Leo would feel quite at home, in Wilts? [8]
 7. Scottish county town on the Moray Firth [5]
 8. A metronome will do it for you [4, 4]
 13. The Duke's fast moving '39er [10]
 14. Where, in Sussex, St. Leonards links with [8]
 17. Tony Curtis in the Boston [9]
 18. Dan's beat (anag.) is here in Surrey [8]
 22. What daddy wouldn't buy me [3-3]
 24. Alan Ladd's classic '53 western [5]
 26. Levelled to the ground [5]
 27. Saintry circle [4]

ANSWERS TO CROSSWORD NO. 543

- ACROSS:** 1. THEODORE, 5. DORSET, 10. LEGAL, 11. BREVIE, 12. ANN, 13. SWINGING ON A STAR, 14. ASHEN, 15. TRANSFER, 18. VENERATE, 20. HAGUE, 23. TOO-RA-LOO-RA-LOO-RA, 26. TOO, 27. LASSO, 28. ROGER, 29. COYOTE, 30. MARYLAND.
DOWN: 1. TALISMAN, 2. ENGLISH, 3. DILLIGENCE, 4. ROBIN, 6. OPERA, 7. SEATTLE, 8. TENURE, 9. LEMONADE, 15. TEAHOUSE, 16. SCHOLARLY, 17. REPAIRED, 19. ECONOMY, 21. GEORGIA, 22. STATIC, 24. ALLOT, 25. RHODA.

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ISAT with Kachumbari in a group of people last Saturday and the topic of the moment was the issue of the late C.Js successor.

Most people in the group were laying their bets on the more seasoned members of the bench especially those who were way beyond the formal retirement age.

This, most of those round the table were convinced, was one of the key criteria that the new CJ would have to meet.

Whilst all this was going on, a fellow walked up to one of the people in the group and asked for some change which was duly given.

He walked away and a few minutes later returned to join the table.

After a bit of shuffling around of

Revamped Municipal 'Parking Fee' System Needs A Lot Of Reviewing

chairs and butts, he found some space and joined in the discussion.

A few minutes later, he turned the whole subject round to the revamped parking fee collection system that had been unleashed on motorists in Mombasa in the preceding few days.

It was difficult to stop interjections from all those present.

Despite the changes that have been instituted by the various

parties involved in the first resistance to the system, there are still a lot of things that are wanting.

The discussion that ensued covered quite a few of the areas that need to be reviewed.

The forty bob that one now pays to park for the whole day is fine.

It caters for the least regular customer of the public parking bays.

It serves the out-of-towner who has come in to the metro to spend a whole day attending to his problems.

It also caters for those who have offices out of town and have had to come in to do a large number of things that may take the best part of the day.

It however does not cater for the most frequent users of the facility.

Those who work in town and will have to park there every day have to dig into their pockets every

day and pay the red or yellow coated attendant (why the difference?) the requisite fee.

Wouldn't it make sense if they

Why should someone that wants to dash to an ATM and withdraw money on the way to the airport have to pay the full day parking fee?

There are simple ways of making it possible to pay for the period of time one wants to stay.

There should be an hourly rate set to allow for the short-term transient traffic to utilise the facility.

One issue that really set the table ablaze was that even on a Saturday, when the statutes of the town say that parking should only be charged for half a day, one still has to cough up the full forty bob.

The consensus was that this must surely be an abdication of duty.

The parking meters that are being replaced allow the motorist (and probably ratepayer) to pay for only the time he needed to park.

The meters also had it clearly

stated that they would only be valid until midday.

After that one could park freely anywhere in the designated areas.

Not so now. The time has been slightly extended to the early afternoon and the amount is the same as for a full day's parking in the weekday.

Perhaps the extension of time by half an hour makes charging for the afternoon legitimate?

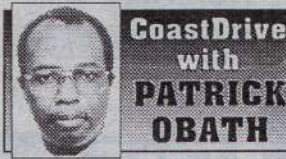
Those of sat around the table were in unanimous agreement that the whole system still needs a full revamp so that it caters for all categories of motorists.

Indeed, the designated parking areas have still not been marked. Work on meter repair, flower planting and tending, resurfacing of the damaged parking area and all the good words and works that have been said to emanate from this arrangement are yet to be seen.

How long after the start of revenue collection would the promised changes be effected.

Would they be planned as part of the town's major future vision? Would a public review take place every so often to get a feel for the success or otherwise of the partnership?

As Kachumbari says, it is just a matter of time so... why not?



Coast Drive with PATRICK OBATH

were able to buy a seasonal ticket?

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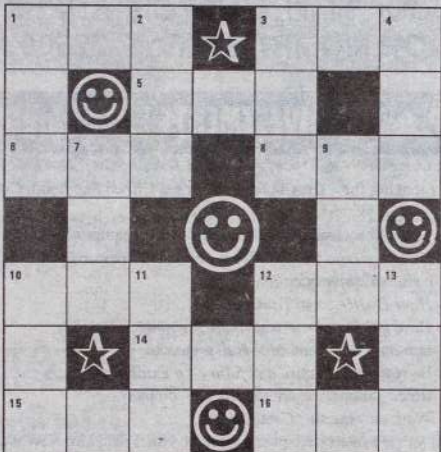
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Those who visit town and need to park for only a short while are also still being shortchanged.

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2. Another word for beer? (3)
3. Large? (3)
4. Small round mark? (3)
7. Limit? (3)
9. To '...' is human, to forgive divine? (3)
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New Recruit Rico Torriani Is Off Like A Rocket In Third Vice Commodores Cup

WEDNESDAY again and fair winds with a running tide, some more returning faces from northern climes and it looked good for a hard race.

Our visiting past commodore Simon Dyer and his wife Jenny could not make it for a last 'poddie around the pond' thus we bid them a fond farewell and a safe and speedy return.

The bosun fleet looked sad with all but one left on the shore due to a lack of sailors, the other classes made up the numbers and it looked to be a 'fast boat' day.

The betting was on the lasers as the wind was light but quick!

The Laser and 420 start was yet another cluttered affair with many boats all crying for the same square metre of water to sail on; (anybody would think the bay was not big enough!)

The cadets (Sea Scouts) are in great form and very difficult to intimidate out of a good placing at the start.

Some went inshore and up the bay whilst others moved into the channel and ran with the tide.

The 'tide runners' seem to get an edge so the last start of Ospreys could see the advantages and disadvantages.

There were three Ospreys out and the competition between them is hotting up.

Barry Mitchell and Peter Talbot in Tally-Ho I are the undisputed front runners and have been for some time.

Philip Jones and Seema Shah in Black Magic are determined to usurp them from their proud perch.

It looked like that they might just do that today as they battled the first mile never being more than a metre or so apart, when they turned at Likoni the distance between them was half a boat length.

Black Magic pushed into the gap between Tally-Ho I and Sha Khan in Naughty Potato.

They believed they had the edge and flung themselves into launching the spinnaker as they moved past.

They were in such a rush that they drifted off line and collided with Naughty Potato.

They then paid the price for the second time in a row for not

checking their boat before the start.

The spinnaker was tangled and in a mess; it had been rigged incorrectly and could not fly.

By the time they had cleared the tangled sail and done their penalty (two complete 360 degree turns) the race for them was over.

At the front of the fleet those Barnes were in amongst the 420's and giving the cadets a very hard time.

The trip to Europe seems to have honed Alastair Barnes skills for today he was on a Laser and staying ahead of his mother Marilyn Barnes.

The downwind leg of the race was very slow, there was not enough wind to really power the boats and a strong tide running against them.

The boats who did the best were those with patient sailors who just kept it balanced and sneaked a half metre here and there.

After the turn at K3 it once again became lively and the boats were all on their edges, those with crews on wires were stretched out to their limit trying to hold the boats flat and bouncing over the short swell.

For the tail-enders the wind started to drop allowing them little chance to catch up.

Alfred Okoth and Kevin Mwandao in Mikoni Mingi were making the best use of their handicap and sticking to the stern of their faster colleagues Samuel Ndaro and Stephen Ogada in Stothert and Pitt.

Marine Power had fallen back a little and Tally-Ho I was making inroads to everyone's lead.

Marilyn Barnes in Ishilia was staying in with the front runners but it was not good enough (perhaps rust is setting in?)

Although she was second to Alastair over the line, her handicap pushed her well down the field.

Once again the sailing secretary wound up the spring, stoked up the fire, cranked the engine, fed the names and numbers in and with a cough and splutter the ancient computer wheezed and gaped out the results.

First - Sihiri A. Barnes; Second - Mikoni Mingi A. Okoth and K. Mwandao, Third - Tally-Ho I B. Mitchell and P. Talbot.

THE THIRD Vice Commodores Cup, was the last in the series and Chris Barnes had a stranglehold on the cup, he turned up on Sunday determined that nobody was going to free that grip.

The one person who on recent form may have been a challenge was Sha Khan but he has been conspicuous by his absence recently.

Two bosuns were on the early start and the new recruit Rico Torriani was away like a rocket in Orion with his crew; new to the club Kelvin? (it would help if he registered his name correctly on the race sheet)

The next start was a treat to see 420's and Lasers all charging for the line together, around the start mark, it was a melee so good to see that Black Magic followed them just to watch the action.

Chris Barnes was left 30 metres behind the field, the younger Barnes Alastair and Samantha looked to have the best spot until Omar Mbithi and Edward Omondhi pushed through on the upwind side; Marilyn Barnes took the complete opposite route and went past the rear of the group on port tack (it didn't pay!)

Just when it seemed all was clear Andy Bernard ploughed through several boats shouting 'starboard' and forced them to turn away.

This tacking duel went on for the best part of half a mile and the bay was ringing with shouts of 'starboard' and 'windward boat keep clear'.

Seif Patwa was in the midst of this and having his customary shout whilst Samuel Ndaro with Stephen Ogada in DHE Mermaid were just trying to stay out of trouble.

The two Ospreys left on the next start, Black Magic and Meteorite, Black Magic fancied their chances in this small battle because Kalim Hassanali in Meteorite had an inexperienced crew in Amy Ginsburg.

Black Magic made a good start and set off after the rest of the fleet. As they beat up the first leg they were gaining on all the boats and it looked as if they might catch Likoni Buoy that they might catch everyone in short time.

At Likoni the front end melee was still going on and there was a small collision between two boats,

neither boat had remembered to carry their protest flags so there was no shout.

The bulk of the fleet turned and headed out to sea only to find a fluky dropping wind.

Rico Torriani was way out in front and could not understand where the next mark had gone, it appears that KPA had been busy and had towed it away to refurbish!

Not used to sailing in Mombasa Rico chose to go around the very dangerous Florida mark then on to South Reef.

This cost him dearly and his lead of more than half a mile was eroded in one fell swoop.

The rest of the fleet chose to draw an imaginary line inside where it should be and sailed this.

Had Rico chosen to be could have protested the race and had it cancelled, sportingly he did not much to his credit.

The light winds outside the harbour and the run down the tide allowed the lighter Lasers stretch the lead by a huge margin and from the turn there was only three boats seriously contesting the race.

The bulk of the fleet were embroiled in their own little personal battles as winning was no longer an option. Philip Jones and Seema Shah in Black Magic were pleased for two reasons, firstly they had no gear failure or malfunction and secondly they caught 50 per cent of the fleet and over-took them.

Interesting Beat

Given a little time they should be on the tail of Tally-Ho I and maybe even shake up the Lasers a little.

The race continued with an interesting beat from Peleleza to Likoni where some boats tacked tightly inside the southern shore and others crossed the bay in a long straight beat and came back in one.

Despite the fast tide it seemed that the long route across the bay was slightly quicker.

In the end Chris Barnes in Chanzo was first, Samantha and Alastair Barnes in Mikoni Mingi were second and Andy Bernard in Nyekundu was third.

The finish to the series was as follows; First - C. Barnes Chanzo; Second - Seif Patwa in Gypsy; Third - O. Mbithi and E. Omondhi in Stothert and Pitt.

Saida Samji Asserts Herself The 'Queen Of Golf' At Nyali

SAIDA SAMJI asserted herself as the 'queen of golf' in Mombasa when she fired an excellent nett 67 to win the Furniture-land Golf Day at Nyali Golf and Country Club last Saturday.

Saida has been playing exceedingly well this year and has consistently featured on the winners board. She gives just as much dedication back to the game as the pleasure the game

undoubtedly gives her, being the Lady Captain at Mombasa Golf Club and serving regularly on the Ladies Com-mitees for years.

A model golfer indeed and certainly a popular winner over a huge entry.

Nett 67 was the best score of the day and held by three others as well and the winning positions were decided after countback.

Nashon Okoth kept straight and narrow for once and hit the jackpot, being declared Runner Up.

Said Sheikh, in third position will be pleased to see his

regular playing pay dividends.

Hanif Walli, in fourth position and playing off nine, played an excellent round as well - not an easy feat considering many greens were carrying the scars of recent top-dressing, making putting extremely difficult.

Oliver Khabure, with nett 68, was in fifth place, counting out Akki Khan, Patrick Obath and Masood Rana.

Musa Odada was back to his old tricks, claiming the Best Guest prize on a very good score of nett 72.

NOTICE to Golfing members - Please note that the handicaps were reviewed on September 14, 1999. Kindly check your handicaps from the updated list.

Pak. Youth Beat Sports Club In High Scoring "Friendly"

IN A high scoring 30 over friendly last Saturday, Pak. Youth narrowly beat Mombasa Sports Club by two runs, writes DJW.

Batting first Pakistan Youth set off at a furious rate with 66 runs coming in the first ten overs.

Naem hit seven fours in scoring 44 and Farooq his another six boundaries in his 36 runs.

Sunil Chudasama bagged three wickets for 39 runs and young Neal a further two, as the visitors totalled 175 for seven wickets, boosted by a good knock of 40 not out by skipper Zahid.

In reply, Sports Club started at a similar tempo, with Mohamed Junior (25), Sunil Chudasama (25) and Amit Bhudia (23) laying down a good foundation.

Occasional bowler Farooq slowed down the scoring taking four for 19 in his six overs, but 17 runs by newcomer Latif and an excellent spirited knock by Harshil Dhutia ensured a close finish.

The last over started with Sports Club 11 runs behind; but they were limited to nine, leaving them to a mere two runs short.

Harshil finished with an excellent 27 not out.

KCA Consultant Very Impressed By Coast

IT HAS long been felt that Cricket at the Coast has stagnated for some years now, while Nairobi standards have improved, with coaching schedules and an influx of professionals, writes DJW.

Hopefully, cricket at the Coast will soon become a force to be reckoned with.

The KCA cricket development consultant, Bob Dickmann, spent the weekend in Mombasa and was impressed by the enthusiasm he saw.

In the crowded two days, he held meetings with the CCA executive council and with Samir Inamdar, the CCA Chairman.

He also held three training sessions with a wide variety of participants, concentrating mainly on fielding drills.

At Jaffery SC, there was a wide range of 70 juniors, aged 8 to 15 years.

Coast Gymkhana followed with 15 younger ones, aged 8 to 10.

On Sunday morning, about 20 juniors aged 10 to 20 years, turned up at the Mombasa Sports Club.

Mr. Dickmann a highly qualified coach, has trained and managed the strong Queenstand side in Australia.

His task in Kenya is to promote the game at all levels, from encouraging the game in school, to improving the National team.

His mandate also covers sponsorship.

One of his early tasks is to

prepare an Under 19 side to visit Sri Lanka.

Further good news is that British Coach will be arriving in Mombasa soon, to promote school cricket at the Coast.

He is Roy Cooper, who is working with the Voluntary Services Organisation.

He has 27 years coaching experience and will encourage cricket from a young age.

Meanwhile, the CCA has formed a 'Cricket Development Committee', headed by Rod Kayne.

Mombasa Institute

I have heard that two clubs have recently purchased cricket equipment, with a view to building teams.

These are Simba Union and Mombasa Institute.

Both Clubs have strong hockey teams and these players could provide the basis of cricket sides.

Hopefully, some of their young African players might take up the game, so that Mombasa can provide the Tikolos and Odumbes of a future Kenya team.

'Eye Go' Fishing At Moorings

IT'S TIME to put to sea again in aid of Charity at the Eye Go Fishing weekend on October 17.

The event begins with a party the previous day at 7.00 p.m. on October 16 at the newly refurbished Moorings where there will be an auction and sweepstake for the boats.

Fishing begins on Sunday, 17th and concludes with the weigh-in at the Moorings at 2.30 p.m.

All proceeds to Kwale District Eye Centre.

Please come and join us and have fun in aid of charity.

Contact James Adcock on 011-485527, P. O. Box 95693, Mombasa.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Farook Uppal Brings In A Karambezi After Tedious Battle Off Tudor Creek

THE WINDS have not yet died out and the occasional showers will be a perfect day for a stint of fishing, writes FULL DRAG.

The high incoming tide and the sparkling sunshine were all the crew of Waikiki were wishing for.

Within no time the reels were singing and the rod were whipping against the horizon.

Farook Uppal was the first to get at the rod during the first strike.

The fish decided to dive deep and after a tedious battle, he finally managed to bring the fish in - an lovely Karambezi it was.

After a couple of minutes of trolling around the 'mlango' an orange rapalla magnum was grabbed and Suleiman was around to battle it out with the Barracuda.

After a series of initial tail walking and aerobics, the Barracudas (which weighed in at nearly 10 Kgs.) succumbed to the pressure of the drag and was boated.

Moreover, there was more in store for the crew of Waikiki, with bagging a good six kilo Jack Crevalle on 20 pound test.

There was also a consolation two kg Kole-kole which was brought up by Farook.

The off-season has produced a lot of fish in the Tudor Creek and big ones they are!

Barracudas, Karambezi, Giant Snappers and Jacks have been very prolific during the off-season.

Well, the seas should be calm very soon and now that the season has begun, everybody has been sharpening their hooks and getting terminal tackle in order to brace the 'millennium fishing season'.

More next time. Tight Lines!

Declarer Gets Easy Ride From West...

WEST LED his partner's suit and gave Declarer an easy ride.

Dealer: West. North-South 'vulnerable'. **BIDDING:**

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
PASS	PASS	THREE HEARTS (1)	THREE NO. TRUMPS
PASS	PASS	PASS	

(1) Third in hand, non-vulnerable pre-empt on good six card suit.

West's Queen of Hearts lead was overtaken by East's King and won by declarer's Ace - there was no point in ducking as West was known to have no more Hearts.

WEST				
♠	K	J	10	8 4 3
♥	Q			
♦	10	7		
♣	Q	J	10	2

Declarer cashed the Ace of Clubs, crossed to the King, East discarding, and gave West third round.

West switched to the Knave of Spades and declarer rose with dummy's Ace (in case East held singleton King).

He gave West fourth round of Clubs and when

West continued with the Ten of Spades, he played dummy's Queen, cashed the two established Clubs and two top Diamonds (sensibly refusing to risk the finesse) emerging with nine tricks.

An initial Spade lead would have made declarer's task much harder removing an entry to dummy prematurely.

NORTH				
♠	A	Q	6	
♥	6	4		
♦	9	6		
♣	K	9	8	6 5 3

EAST				
♠	9			
♥	K	J	10	9 8 2
♦	Q	8	5	4 3
♣	7			

SOUTH				
♠	7	5	2	
♥	A	7	5	3
♦	A	K	J	2
♣	A	4		

Coast Hockey League

THE 1999 Hockey League for the Coast province will be run from September 22 and will be organised by the Hockey Sections of Mombasa Sports Club in conjunction with the Coast Hockey Association.

Entries are invited from all clubs, colleges and organisations in the Coast Province and should be sent to Mr. Vijay Bij, P.O. Box 83183, Mombasa, Tel. 485895/6 or fax 315854 or to be handed in to the Manager at the Mombasa Sports Club.

Entrance fee is Kshs. 1,500/- per team and clubs may enter as many teams as they wish.

All matches will be played on Wednesdays only at the Mombasa Sports Club ground.

Rules and Regulations will be

sent to the team entering on receipt of the entrance fees.

STRUGGLING SENIORS AT NYALI GOLF CLUB

OVERHEARD while playing with the seniors at Nyali Golf Club.

"These hills are getting steeper as the years go by," one complained.

"These fairways seem to be getting longer too," said one of the others.

"The sand traps seem to be bigger than I remember them too," said the third senior.

After hearing this, one of the seniors piped up and said, "Just be thankful we're still on the right side of the grass!"

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Coast Stars Draw With Kwale In Tough Match

COAST STARS FC is doing very well and expected to romp into the Moi Golden Cup finals programmed for October 10 as part of the Moi Day celebrations.

The team is expected to travel to Awendo for their semi finals encounter with Sony Sugar FC.

The National KFF office was yet to fax details of the match to the Coast Branch after finalising the Mathare United FC appeal.

Mathare had appealed to KFF for awarding the quarter final match to Sony Sugar and the KFF committee had to do the final ruling.

This week, otherwise, Coast Stars has been doing a lot of practise which involved two build up matches.

On Saturday they beat Bandari FC 2-1 at the Peleleza ground in Likoni and on Sunday they drew with Kwale combined in a very tough build up match at the Mzimuni ground in Ukunda.

The Coast Stars Executive Mr. David Langat and Ahmed Zubedi have congratulated Mr. Ali Mbarak of Wananchi Sports House for his contribution of 6 Classic Footballs to the team.

The Executive asked the other well wishers to help the club to win this year's Moi Golden Cup.

Commenting on the playing unit the officials expressed their satisfaction in the way their new sensational player David Aboko has responded well as twin striker

to Francis Wafula.

Player Wafuia recently got married at a colourful ceremony in Mombasa.

Elsewhere at the Baobab ground Nyoka FC beat Sunrise 1-0 in a tough match officiated by

at Majengo while Kenami FC played to a barren draw with Yanga FC.

Mpatempate qualified to play in the trust finals when Seamen FC failed to honour their semi final match at Vipingo.

Mpatempate will now play the winners of the other semi final match fixtured at Jomvu ground this Sunday.

FIXTURES

Saturday 18/09/99: Ziga FC vs. Mkoman, Police ground; Miritini FC vs. Miki Boys, Shimanzi.

Sunday 19/09/99: Shooting Stars vs. Railways, Changamwe; Doal vs. Nyota, Tudor Primary; Coastal Strikers vs. MSC Eagles, Police; Canyon Rangers vs. Cool Chester, Police.

Tuesday 21/09/99: Hunsu Rustock vs. Wizard, Police; Doal vs. Cosmos 'B', Tudor Primary; Mivoteka vs. Maweni, Police.

Thursday 25/09/99: Black Devils vs. Prison, Changamwe; Black Forest vs. KCC, Tudor Primary.



Soccer Scene with SERAJ MOHAMED

Ken Kiema without the help of assistant referees.

Kenneth Otieno scored the lone goal of the game in the 28th minute.

At Shikaadabu Dumna FC beat Cosmo FC 1-0 before a capacity crowd.

In the provincial League Taveta Stima FC did not show up for their match with Chelsea FC in Bamburi.

Gorofani FC beat Kemri FC 2-0

Robby Behrends 'Takes' Leisurelodge Stableford

MORE THAN 45 players took to the field for the 18 holes Stableford competition played at Leisurelodge last Saturday.

On form Robby Behrends

playing off 23 emerged the winner with 38 points (19/19) followed by 17 year-old Stefan Garchow (handicap 18) on 37 points (21/16).

Another junior Mitesh Kumar with 35 points beat D. Unadkat on Count Back to take third place.

The best nines went to D. Unadkat (22 points) and C. Collette (20 points) while best lady prizes went to Silvia Kampa who served 32 points whilst best guest category was taken by N. Kanji from Canada.



WINNERS OF THE Commercial Bank Of Africa Two by Two Pairs Tournament are seen above (from left) Runner up Kirti Chhaniyara, CBA Mombasa's Edgar Mwandawiro, Mombasa Sports Club Chairman Nick Mwinyi, Bowling Captain Rehana Sheikh, CBA's Thiaka Njuguna, winner Chandu Shah, CBA Nairobi's Nelson Mainnah and winner Charlie Patel.

Competitive Bowling In CBA 'Tournament' At Sports Club

THE Commercial Bank of Africa sponsored Two by Two Pairs Bowling Tournament came to an end last weekend after some very competitive bowling over the last two weekends.

Twenty bowlers were participating which formed ten pairs to play over five sessions of twenty one ends.

Previous weekend's early runaway leaders Charlie Patel and Chandu Shah once again showed their might by defeating all opposition to emerge Overall Tournament Winners.

Charlie Patel and Chandu Shah displayed some superb bowling over the last two weekends as they were the only team to have won all their games.

Well Done. Runners Up position went to Kirti Chhaniyara and Rehana Sheikh.

They won four out of a possible five games.

They lost against Raman Patel and Bharti Babla.

K. P. Shah and Sakina Mamujee took the third spot by also winning four out of five games.

Representing Commercial Bank of Africa was Mr. Nelson Mainnah who had flown in from Nairobi for the bowling

Mombasa Sports Club Chairman Mr. Nick Mwinyi was also present during prize presentation.

Once again the MSC Bowling Green has been maintained to International Standards by the Green Keeper and his assistants.

Mr. Wilson was awarded the Employee of the Month Token for his hard work on the Green. Keep it up.

This Thursday, September 23, the Monthly Mug will be played in floodlights.

Mr. Yusuf Mamujee has kindly sponsored the Mug.

All bowlers who want to play the Mug should be present for the Draw by 5.45 p.m. on the Green.

Green Report by WHAT A BOWLER

occasion.

Also present from CBA were Mr. Thiaka Njuguna and Mr. Edgar Mwandawiro of CBA Mombasa.

Fabulous prizes were given out to the Winners and the Runners-Up Pairs.

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MOMBASA, September 17-23, 1999

FRIDAY High Water - 2.8 m. at 08.10 hrs. (8.10 a.m.) and 2.3 m. at 20.33 hrs. (8.33 p.m.). Low Water - 1.0 m. at 01.45 hrs. (1.45 a.m.) and 1.2 m. at 14.28 hrs. (2.28 p.m.).

SATURDAY High Water - 2.5 m. at 09.02 hrs. (9.02 a.m.) and 2.1 m. at 21.46 hrs. (9.46 p.m.). Low Water - 1.3 m. at 02.26 hrs. (2.26 a.m.) and 1.4 m. at 15.46 hrs. (3.46 p.m.).

SUNDAY High Water - 2.35 m. at 10.36 hrs. (10.36 a.m.). Low Water - 1.5 m. at 03.43 hrs. (3.43 a.m.) and 1.4 m. at 17.49 hrs. (5.49 p.m.).

MONDAY High Water - 2.1 m. at 00.20 hrs. (12.20 a.m.) and 2.4 m. at 12.41 hrs. (12.41 p.m.). Low Water - 1.5 m. at 06.02 hrs. (6.02 a.m.) and 1.2 m. at 19.34 (7.34 p.m.).

TUESDAY High Water - 2.3 m. at 01.39 hrs. (1.39 a.m.) and 2.7 m. at 13.46 hrs. (1.46 p.m.). Low Water - 1.3 m. at 07.35 hrs. (7.35 a.m.) and 1.0 m. at 20.21 hrs. (8.21 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY High Water - 2.6 m. at 02.26 hrs. (2.26 a.m.) and 2.9 m. at 14.33 hrs. (2.33 p.m.). Low Water - 1.0 m. at 08.23 hrs. (8.23 a.m.) and 0.7 m. at 20.56 hrs. (8.56 p.m.).

THURSDAY High Water - 2.9 m. at 03.02 hrs. (3.02 a.m.) and 3.2 m. at 15.12 hrs. (3.12 p.m.). Low Water - 0.8 m. at 09.01 hrs. (9.01 a.m.) and 0.5 m. at 21.26 hrs. (9.26 p.m.).

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

Vimal Outplays Dakshesh To Retain Title In 'Squash' Final

THE 1999 Coast Closed Squash Tournament concluded last Friday at Mombasa Sports Club with Vimal Shah retaining the title after beating seed three Dakshesh Patel in the finals.

The earlier rounds saw a few walk-overs including that of seed two Bruce Phillips who failed to turn up for his first round match against footballer turned Squash player Ali Jeneby.

On his way to the finals Vimal had to overcome H. Kelly 3-0 (9-3, 9-5, 9-5), Mustafa Haji 3-1 (9-6, 6-9, 9-7, 9-5), Naheeda Noormohamed 3-1 (9-3, 4-9, 9-5, 9-5) and Dick Coppinger (seed 4) 3-1 (9-4, 7-9, 9-5, 9-5) in the semis.

From the bottom half Seed four Dakshesh advanced to the Semis after overcoming Devin Vaghela 3-0 (9-4, 9-4, 9-6) Suleiman Shikelly 3-0 (9-7, 9-5, 9-5) and

Phillip S. 3-0 (9-6, 9-5, 9-5) in the semis.

The finals played before a fair crowd saw Dakshesh making a head start and winning the first game 9-0 within five minutes.

Vimal settled down in the second and won 9-5 in about 10 minutes.

He went on to take the next two 9-5, 9-6 to clinch the title.

In the plate event Kelly beat Islam Sherman 3-1 (9-1, 4-9, 9-5, 9-5) in the battle of the veterans.

The second semis saw Abdul Khanbhai edging out Ricky Solomon 3-0 (9-5, 9-4, 9-4).

The finals was a one sided affair with Khanbhai making shortwork of Kelly beating him 3-0 (9-2, 9-2, 9-3) in less than 15 minutes.

During the prize giving ceremony the managing director of the sponsors, Kilifi Plantations, Mr. Chris Wilson gave away the prizes to the winners.