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FACE OF
AFRICA

Girls ! Can You Give Good Face



AFRICAN SUPER MODEL

SUPERMODEL SEARCH FOR THE FACE OF 2001

THE SEARCH for an African supermodel is underway with the launch of M-Net Face of Africa 2001 - and the pay TV giant is extending its search to the Kenya coast.

Girls living at the coast have the chance to enter when the team comes to Mombasa on 3 January 2001.

They can attend the casting

being held on that date between 10am and 2pm at Shankar Electronics, Africa Building, Moi Avenue, Mombasa.

This year the Face of Africa - the biggest modelling competition in Africa - is bigger than ever.

An unprecedented 31 countries are being included in the fourth year of the successful modelling initiative, which involves combing dozens of

cities, towns and villages across the continent for a unique and outstanding supermodel.

This year's all-Africa final will be bigger than ever, with an estimated 30 potential supermodels taking part in the spectacular fashion event that will be the culmination of months of scouting.

This is double the number of girls who took part in the Africa 2000 final in Capetown earlier this year.

The winner of Face of Africa 2001 will walk away with a four year modelling contract with Ford Models International worth US \$ 200,000.

Contestants must be between 15 and 22 years old, and at least five feet nine inches (1.73 metres).

They must also be slim, with hips no bigger than a size 36 inches or 91 centimetres. It is important that the girls have clear, bright eyes, flawless skin and near-perfect teeth.

An interesting or strong bone structure is also an advantage.

Maira Tremaine, general manager of M-Net Kenya, explains:

"The criteria for M-Net's Face of Africa are in line with the requirements of the international modelling industry.

FASHION CAPITALS

"In order for the winning girl to carve a successful career in the competitive fashion capitals of the USA and Europe, she needs to have these qualities.

"We know there are hundreds of beautiful Kenyan girls out there with the potential to make it, and this is their big chance".

M-Net's Face of Africa is also a showcase for fashion designers.

Kenyan designers who are interested in being part of the project are encouraged to contact the M-Net Kenya office.

All designers who wish to be

considered will be asked to present a series of full colour sketches depicting examples of their work plus a selection of ready to wear creations and an evening dress.

The project will once again be integrating African and global fashion, with Paris couture showcased alongside exquisite African collections.

Producer Jan Malan will be in Nairobi on 6 January 2001 to select from the shortlist the Kenyan models and designers who will take part in the all-Africa final.

Have A Smile



"Dad, remember you said you'd like a cordless phone for Christmas?"

Wishing All
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IDD
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IT'S THAT MAN STRECKER!



GERMAN PHILANTHROPIST Ernst-Gunther Strecker has passed on a donation of DM 12,500 for the Mombasa WEMA Centre, a home for former street girls, to continue their work of funding education for the needy. Herr Strecker is seen with WEMA students Tunu (left), Regina and Joseph. • SEE ALSO PAGE THREE.

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BISMILLAH irRahman ir Raheem Assalaamu Alaikum wa Rahmatullahi wa Barakaatuhu

In each of the daily prayer we offer, we solemnly declare to Allah, "Iyyaka nabudu" (You alone do we worship).

While the intelligent and committed believer realizes that his very life itself spells worship, he knows, remembering the words of our Prophet (pbuh) that Du'aa (supplication) is worship [Tirmidhi, Abu Daud].

Allah, the Most Merciful, has encouraged the believers to take advantage of certain times during the year to make du'aa. Such an occasion presents itself annually during Ramadan especially on *Lailatul Qadr*, the Night of Power.

On this night, the single most important event in human history unfolded as, after the Glorious Quran was preserved in the Protected Tablet, Jibril descended with the blessed book to reveal it, upon Allah's command, to His Messenger (pbuh).

Accentuating its significance, Allah says and how would you know (the value of) the Night of Qadr [97.2] "Allah's Messenger (sallallahu 'alayhi wa sallam) used to exert more (in worship) on the last ten than on other nights." [Muslim].

So valuable is this Night of Qadr that the Quran devotes a special surah to it.

Lailatul Qadr is better than a thousand months [97.3] This one night surpasses the value of 30,000 nights.

The most authentic account of the occurrence of the Night indicates that it can occur on any one of the last ten, odd numbered nights of Ramadan.

The fact that the exact night is unknown reflects Allah's will in keeping it hidden.

Indeed, the Prophet (pbuh) was prevented from telling us its precise time.

One day, he came out to tell the companions the exact night.

On the way he saw two men arguing with each other.

By the will of Allah, he (pbuh) forgot and subsequently remembered it.

Afterwards the Prophet (pbuh) was instructed not to divulge this information.

"Had I been allowed", he (pbuh) remarked once, "I would have told you (of its exact time)" [Ahmad]

The Almighty in His wisdom kept this hidden from us for many reasons (wa Allahu 'Alam).

Perhaps He wants us to strive hard in our worship during the last ten days of Ramadan so that we don't become lazy, worshipping hard on just that one night and denying ourselves the benefit of doing the same on the other nights.

"Had people not left their salah except for that (one) night, I would have informed you (of its exact date)." [Al-Tabarani]

The sincere believer who worries day and night about his sins and phases of neglect in his life patiently awaits the onset of Ramadan.

During it he hopes to be forgiven by Allah for past sins, knowing that the Prophet (pbuh) promised that all who bear down during the last ten days shall have all their sins forgiven.

To achieve this, he remembers the Prophet's (pbuh) advice in different sayings wherein he used words like *seek, pursue, search, and look hard for Lailatul Qadr*.

Moreover, Allah and His Prophet (pbuh) provided us some signs of its occurrence.

Allah (swt) describes the night as "... peace until the rise of the morn." [97.5]

In various sayings, the Prophet (pbuh) described the night as

serene, tranquil, and peaceful.

The sun at sunrise would appear reddish and without its normal blazing and sharp rays.

Ubayy (R) said: "On the morning of the night of Qadr the sun would rise without any beams; (it is like) a wash basin until it rises." [Muslim]

Abu Hurairah (R) said: "We mentioned the night of Qadr to the Messenger of Allah (S) and he said: "Which of you remembers when the moon rises and it is like half a bowl." [Muslim]

Ibn Abbaas (R) said that the Messenger of Allah (S) said: "The night of Qadr is a night of generosity and happiness, it is not hot and neither is it cold.

"The sun comes up in its morning weak, reddish." [Tabarane, Ibn Khuzaimah and Bazaar]

(*qiyaam*) with the *imaam* and to pray with him as well, for the Prophet (sallallahu 'alayhi wa sallam) said: "When a man prays with the *imaam* until he concludes, it is recorded that he prayed the rest of that night." [Massa'ii].

The faithful is inspired by the Prophet's (pbuh) words "Our Lord, most Exalted, most High comes down to the lowest heaven during the last third of each night and announces (reassuringly): 'Whoever makes du'a, I shall grant it; and whoever seeks forgiveness, I shall forgive him.'" [Bukhari]

The believer, conscious of Allah and their sins, will continue to beseech Allah, in and out of prayer, during his prostration.

A'ishah (radhiallahu 'anha) reported that she asked Allah's Messenger (sallallahu 'alayhi wa sallam), "O Messenger of Allah! If I knew which night is *Laylat ul-Qadr*, what should I say during it?"

And he instructed her to say: "Allahumma innaka 'afwun tuhibbul 'afwa fa'af'annee - O Allah! You are forgiving, and you love forgiveness. So forgive me." [Recorded by Ahmad, Ibn Majah, and at-Tirmidhi]

Aa'isha (R) said: "When the (last) ten started, the Prophet (sallallahu 'alayhi wa sallam) would tighten his *izaar* (that is he stayed away from his wives in order to have more time for worship), spend the whole night awake (in prayer), and wake up his family." [Bukhaaree and Muslim]

Sincere devotion on that night will render the believer forgetful of the time, until he is surprised by the Adhan of Fajr.

After Fajr, as the sun creeps above the horizon, reddish and weak in its appearance, without any rays, the effort at night will have been worthwhile.

The believer rejoices, knowing that this was quite possibly *Lailatul Qadr* and whoever stays up (in prayer and remembrance of Allah) on the Night of Qadr fully believing (in Allah's promise of reward for that night) and hoping to seek reward (from Allah alone and not from people), he shall be forgiven for his past sins. [Bukhari, Muslim]

It is also the Night when all ordinances for the year are decreed.

Allah (T) said, which means: (By the manifest Book (the Quran) that makes this clear.

"We sent it (this Quraan) down on a Blessed Night (that is the Night of Qadr) in the month of Ramadan.

"Verily We are ever warning [mankind that Our Torments will reach those who disbelieve in Our Oneness of Lordship and in Our Oneness of Worship].

"Therein (that night) is decreed every matter (amran) of ordinance!" [The Smoke 44:2-5].

Mahmud Essa
MOMBASA

RAMADHAN TIME TABLE

Date	MOMBASA		MALINDI		LAMU	
	SUHR Closing a.m.	IFTAR Opening p.m.	SUHR Closing a.m.	IFTAR Opening p.m.	SUHR Closing a.m.	IFTAR Opening p.m.
22/12	4.40	6.35	4.38	6.32	4.35	6.29
23/12	4.40	6.36	4.39	6.32	4.36	6.29
24/12	4.41	6.36	4.39	6.33	4.36	6.30
25/12	4.41	6.37	4.40	6.33	4.37	6.30
26/12	4.42	6.37	4.40	6.34	4.37	6.31
27/12	4.42	6.37	4.41	6.34	4.38	6.31

HAPPY IDD-UL-FITR

LIGHT HOUSE FOR CHRIST EYE CENTRE

LIGHTHOUSE for Christ Eye Centre is happy to announce the return of Dr. Roger DeHaven.

Dr. DeHaven will again be at the Lighthouse for Christ Eye Centre during the month of January, 2001.

Dr. DeHaven has performed over 10,000 cataract procedures and is donating his services to raise funds to provide eye care for the less fortunate.

Accompanying Dr. DeHaven, is Dr. Bradley Bowman, a cornea specialist from Dallas, Texas, U.S.A.

Dr. Bowman plans to perform corneal transplant surgeries for patients with various corneal problems impairing their vision.

The Lighthouse for Christ Eye Centre staff anticipate a large number of patients needing corneal transplants, therefore Dr. Bowman will be screening



Dr. Roger DeHaven

prospective transplant patients by appointment only.

Any patients desiring an appointment with Dr. DeHaven or Dr. Bowman should ring Mombasa, 226179 as soon as possible.

All appointments will be on a first come first served basis.



HAPPY SMILES - Two children who had been blind since birth are seen 'seeing' after having been successfully operated on by Dr. Dean Larsen (centre) at the Light House For Christ Eye Centre, Mombasa. The Centre gives free service to the poor and needy who require remedial medical, and specifically eye, attention.



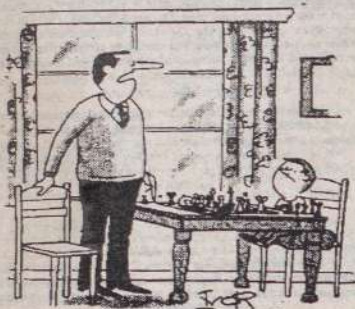
"You didn't think I'd let you deliver 'Miss Kenya's' present yourself?"



"First sign of Christmas - the dustman said 'Good Morning!'"

"Mummy, why does Santa have a 'machine washable' label on his beard?"

MERRY CHRISTMAS



"At least I'm dry at night."



"Did you tell the carol singers to clear off, dear?"

"Don't forget the flat note so they'll pay us quicker."



"It's a surprise present for you - not to be opened before Christmas."

Ernst-Gunther Strecker Proves That There Really Is A Father Christmas!

MOST people faced with the distress caused by social evils want to help, especially when the victims are children.

Most People however, wait for others to take the lead and their help varies from a little to quite a lot.

Some, as we know, do nothing at all despite promises.

How fortunate for the under privileged children at the Coast that Ernst-Gunther Strecker does not fall into the category of 'most people'.

For the last several years Mr. Strecker, a German national who is a clerk in the office of the Mayor of Mainz has been raising funds through his own selfless efforts.

His contacts have grown through the years.

Among the most generous of his supporters are his own superiors, the past and present Mayors of Mainz, as well as his work mates.

Government Ministers are also willing to put their hands into their pockets to help Herr Strecker reach his generous target as are the Lions and Rotary Clubs of Germany.

Another prominent and generous well wisher is Mr. Karl Delorme of Mainz, Germany.

Herr Strecker first visited



MAYOR OF MAINZ is seen handing over the 'Mainzer Pfennig' award to Herr Ernst Gunter Strecker (left) in appreciation of his humanitarian work.

Kenya some 10 years ago and each visit leaves a Kenyan charity richer for his efforts.

This year DM 27,500, the equivalent of K shs. one million, has been donated to four charities.

The Salvation Army Children's home in Mombasa, received DM 7,000.

This will help enormously to the cost of giving shelter and

education to homeless children from infancy to University level.

The Likoni School for the Blind, also run by the Salvation Army, received DM 1,000.

WEMA, a home for former street girls, is better off by DM 12,500 and ACTS (Assist a Child to School) gets DM 7,000 to continue their work of funding education for the needy.

At some time in their children's lives parents are asked:

"Is there really a Santa Claus?"

The children aided by the Salvation Army, WEMA and ACTS will never ask that question.

They know the answer

There is a Santa Claus and he looks like Herr Ernst-Gunther Strecker.

Special Report by Daphne Bagshaw

SUPER CHARITY 'ELVIS' PARTY AT CHAMELEON

LAST month, Chameleon, in conjunction with the Mombasa Hospital League of Friends, better known as *The Rafiki's*, held a fundraising "Elvis Night" at the Chameleon Bar and Restaurant in Bamburi.

The aim of the evening was to raise funds towards the purchase of a mammography unit for the Mombasa Hospital.

As a result, Chameleon was rocking to the sounds of Elvis and other greats from that era, with both the young and not so young dancing on the bar and pool tables until the early hours.

Both Chameleon and *The Rafiki's* would like to extend a special vote of thanks to special guests John Hope and the Safari Sounds Band who performed in aid of the charity.

In donating all of the entrance fee, together with a percentage of the evening takings, Chameleon presented *The Rafiki's* with a cheque for Ksh.40,000/=.

The Chameleon management pronounced the evening a great success and promise more charity and theme evenings for the future.

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'Ghaath' Has Bit of Fun, Fire, Romance, Action And Raveena's Sizzling Number

THE FESTIVE attraction at LOTUS CINEMA this week has a bit of fire and romance, a bit of action and entertainment with two new films stotted for the big screen.

Starting on Sunday will be Manoj Bajpai (whose role model is Amitabh Bachchan, a la Zanjeer and Deewar), Tabu, Sheeba, Johny Lever, Om Puri, Anupam Kher, Tinu Anand and Arshad Warsi in Ghaath.

Ghaath is a journey of an ordinary man with vision and a mission, but his aspirations go haywire in the midst of the diabolical games played by cops and politicians.

Krishna Patil (Manoj Bajpai) is a lower middle class young man who has been brought up by an idealist father (Anupam Kher).

Krishna's sister Mansi (Sheeba) is engaged to a writer, Divakar (Arshad

Warsi). Krishna wants to join the police force with all his heart, but a run in with the power broker Mamu (Irfan Khan) and corrupt cop Godbole (Mukesh Tiwari), creates stumbling blocks in his path.

He however, pushes himself to his limits, and with the help of a senior inspector Ajay Pandey (Om Puri) surmounts all the hurdles and emerges an officer from the police training.

Kavita Choudhary (Tabu) an advocate meets him during the training and is quite smitten by Krishna and the values he holds dear.

As luck would have it, to get back at him, Mamu and Godbole kills Krishna's sister and brother-in-law.

Krishna swears revenge, but Pandey stops him from

committing a crime.

Apart from Krishna, there are others like social worker Tinnu Anand and Deputy Municipal Commissioner Sachin Khedekar who have a bone to pick with Mamu, but are helpless in their mission.

This is an out-and-out action thriller, with a sizzling number "meri jawani mera peechha na chore" by Raveena Tandon in a guest appearance.

Sensually

Another soft spot in the film is the romantic duet by Panka Udhass and Alka Yagnik which has been brilliantly and sensually picturised on Bajpai and Tabu.

Ghaath will run on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at the LOTUS CINEMA.

Tonight (Friday) at 9.30 p.m. only you can see *Bhwi No. 1* with Salman Khan, Karishma Kapoor and Anil Kapoor.

Mission Kashmir with Hrithik Roshan, Sanjay Dutt, Jackie Shroff and Preity Zinta will be screened on Saturday at 3.00 and 9.00 p.m.

The Idd attraction on Thursday at LOTUS CINEMA is the soft hearted romantic entertainer *Raja Ko Rani Se Pyar Ho Gaya*.

It has Manisha Koirala, Arvind Swamy and Appu the baby elephant in the lead.

Dreams are made of the bittersweet feeling of love, as Mohit (Arvind Swamy), the son of the Thakur of a village believes.

His life revolves around the children of the village and the fantasy stories told to him by his Dadi.

His lifelong wish is that of being the 'Rani' in search of his 'Rani'.

Manisha (Manisha Koirala), comes from the city to the village fair, and Mohit immediately believes that she is the 'Rani' of his dreams.

'Gajaraja'

After she leaves the village, Mohit starts to pine for her and devises a plan to follow his queen in the city.

He hides the auspicious statue of 'Gajaraja' (elephant god), on the pretext that it is stolen and inevitably goes to the city to search for it.

He teams up with his brother's three children and succeeds in locating Manisha, but in spite of all the support from the children, is unable to express his love to the lady.

Manisha accidentally breaks the Gajaraja statue and to make amends, gifts a live baby elephant to Mohit.

The children and Mohit keep Appu, the baby elephant in their flat and through the elephant, Mohit is able to express himself to Manisha and let her know the feelings of his heart.

Mohit and Manisha's love blossoms as days go by, but one day she disappears.

What happens next is for you to find out at the LOTUS CINEMA from next Thursday.

MEANWHILE, at the KENYA CINEMA, the mixed fare starts this week (today) with *Hogi Pyaar Ki Jeet* starring Ajay Devgan and Mayuri Kango on at 9.30 p.m.

Real life lovers Akshay

Kumar and Twinkle Khanna become reel life romantics in the action thriller *Zulmi* on Saturday at 3.00 p.m. only.

Take a trip through Europe with Salman Khan and Urmila Matondkar on Sunday in *Janam Samja Karo*.

The film will be screened for two shows at 3.00 and 9.30 p.m.

Every saga has a beginning, this time it is *Stars Wars Episode 1 (The Phantom Menace)* on Monday at 3.00 and 6.00 p.m.

This Christmas attraction stars Liam Neeson and Ewan McGregor in the lead show the beginnings of the very popular *Star Wars Trilogy* which took the world by storm in the eighties.

The much acclaimed *Raja Hindustani* will be screened on Monday at 9.30 p.m.

It has the very talented Aamir Khan and the charismatic Karishma Kapoor.

The man voted as sexiest of the century Sean Connery teams up with the very beautiful Catherine Zeta-Jones in the action thriller *The Entrapment*.

Zeta-Jones tries to pit her wits against Connery, but soon ends up falling prey to his wife, and before she knows it, the hunter becomes the hunted.

On Tuesday, Salman Khan finds out quite painfully that having more than one wife is definitely double trouble, in *Bhwi No. 1* with Karishma Kapoor and Sushmita Sen



LIONS CLUB of Mombasa Nyali carried out an eye and dental camp at Kumbhar Nursery and Primary School recently, where one hundred students were checked, treated and supplied with eye glasses. The students and staff were also given drinks and snacks. The eye check up was done by Lion Dr. Neville Mnjala and the dental by Lion Dr. Makwana and Lion Dr. Bharat Patel, Chairman Pramod Kothari (left) is seen giving Lion Dr. Neville Mnjala a token of appreciation after the camp.

STAREAST WITH GEMINI KILIFI

* CAPRICORN Dec 22 - January 21

You may sense a different kind of protection and luck around you. Don't hesitate to take advantage of an especially rare time of good luck. Follow your hunches about financial matters and trust your instincts when it comes to expansive working conditions. Your sense of what people need and want could put you in an extraordinary position. You need to build a strong reputation to express your greatest potential.

* AQUARIUS January 22 - February 21

Greater pleasure comes with easy conditions at the base of your life. You may want peace at any price. You have an ability to create an environment that satisfies your need for beauty. Cultural pursuits will be important now. Don't neglect your need to work with groups, however. You could reach out to make new contacts at a distance.

* PISCES February 22 - March 21

If you need extra funds, don't hesitate to ask for what you need. You could make an emotional appeal to someone who wants to remain behind the scenes in your life. Quiet conversations will bring you the resources necessary to help you complete projects that are going on far afield. Invest in promotional efforts and find the right way to distribute your wares.

* ARIES March 22 - April 21

You may feel a sense of rejuvenation when you plan special events with a partner or mate. A trip or change of locale could give you a stronger sense of togetherness and romance. Focus on any activity that will help you express your creative needs. Situations with children, entertainment, and the expression of your talent will be especially exciting.

* TAURUS April 22 - May 21

Social situations could bring special joy and pleasure today. Innovative work and ideas will help to increase your income as well. Start something new. You may be able to convince other people to take up the slack with projects that are still being developed. Be sure you don't snooze, or you might lose. Innovative activity works better than giving in to peace at any price. You're in line for new honour and recognition.

* GEMINI May 22 - June 21

The creation of a romantic atmosphere may be the first order of the day. Do something special to show someone you love that you enjoy making an effort to preserve the relationship. Small efforts will bring big results. You might plan a trip or locate an exotic gift. Do everything you can to create an atmosphere of love. Don't be content with keeping the status quo.

* CANCER June 22 - July 21

You may feel energized when an extra bonus or small gift comes your way. It will feel wonderful to be acknowledged on the job, even if the acknowledgment is well past due. If you can find it within your conscience to show your charm and graciousness on the job and in connection with your home life, you'll plant seeds of more ease of living.

* LEO July 22 - August 21

No one can entertain friends or groups like you can. You may want to create a situation where life will be a constant party. This is a particularly wonderful time to come to agreements with a partner or mate about a public opportunity or social situation. You're still the dominant one and can take on a new executive role. Any area where you can reveal your true creativity will bring recognition your way.

* VIRGO August 22 - September 21

Use this important time to think about purchasing property. You might be asked to head up a commission that will create a new institution to benefit many people. If you have been involved in situations that relate to real estate and property, you may be thinking of a new phase that will augment the situation. Take action as soon as you can.

* LIBRA September 22 - October 21

Sudden inspired ideas could take you by surprise. Follow your instincts in regard to public activity. You have your finger on the pulse of the people and can find exciting ways to bring better conditions to the lives of many. Don't let your desire for harmony tempt you to take the easy way out.

* SCORPIO October 22 - November 21

Your financial success depends on your drive, ambition, and willingness to work efficiently by yourself and behind the scenes. Show your resourcefulness and initiative with work projects. You'll enjoy some exciting situations at the base of your life. Tap into your inspiration and be ready for change, rather than trying to keep peace at any price.

* SAGITTARIUS November 22 - December 21

Luck is on your side. You could find another person who reflects your own personality in astounding ways. You may feel as if you're looking in a mirror. Friends, associates, and group situations may provide the opportunity to strengthen the ties between you and a significant other.

LOTUS CINEMA

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CARE FOR OTHERS - NO 'DRINK AND DRIVING' DURING CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR

WE HAVE commented in the past about 'Circadian rhythms' and how they can affect us in our day to day lives.

For those who did not catch this the last time, the Circadian cycle is a sleep/ awake cycle that makes the day twenty five hours long instead of the twenty four our clock says it is.

What happens is that every early morning, the sunlight resets the clock to start again after twenty four hours thus always truncating the last hour.

Depending on where we are in the twenty four hour cycle, our bodies have triggers that tell us when it is time to doze off, rest or fall into full sleep.

Falling asleep is a common cause of serious accidents, more so than is generally realised.

Drivers can usually recognise the onset of sleep and should take a break or nap before continuing their journey.

In a sleep related vehicle accident, the car typically runs off the road or collides with another object in what appears to be inexplicable circumstances.

A key indicator of such accidents is the lack of skid marks or other signs of hard braking.

When the driver falls off, the vehicle takes its own course and comes to a stop either due to obstacles or by overturning.

Long driving over featureless roads leads to sleepiness.

In this festive season where people will be driving over distances they are not accustomed to may expose them to risks of napping.

In a survey in Europe, about 30 per cent of drivers queried admitted to have been close to falling asleep in the prior year and some 20 per cent had been involved in accidents of which 14 per cent were as a result of sleep induced errors.

Bus, lorry and matatu drivers are the most at risk.

It is not often that one hears of sleep induced accidents in urban areas because the driving conditions are stimulating and there is enough for the sleepy driver to see and do.

Don't Mess With Your 'Circadian Rhythms' When You Head For Nyalgush Over The Festive Season

This is supported by a survey that showed that sleep induced accidents increased by some 25 per cent between peri-urban roads and highways.

Drivers tend to be at most risk of sleep in the early hours of the morning and in the mid afternoon.

The worst times are between 2.00 a.m. and 4.00 a.m. in the early morning and 2.00 p.m. and 4.00 p.m. in the afternoon.

At six in the morning the likelihood of sleep is twenty times more than at say ten in the morning.

These risks are called Circadian risks which will happen irrespective of any other factors (apart from 'jet lag' ... which is another name 'circadian fatigue').

There are other factors that can induce sleepiness such as alcohol, drugs and other substances.

When drugs are consumed and have effects at the same time as the height of the circadian risk, the material seems twice as potent in producing sleep than

the same dose taken outside of the high risk envelope such as in the early evening.

Thus the business lunch with a moderate amount of alcohol drastically increases the likelihood of an accident in the mid afternoon.

Most drivers tend not to admit

driving. One theory postulates that the thinking process of such drivers is affected by sleepiness making them more optimistic, less cautious and probably more macho.

The general advice when one feels they are falling off is to open the car window and let cold air work on the face or turn up music or create some other distraction.

These are not enough. They will only buy time to the next reasonable stop.

The best way of fighting sleep is to sleep!

A short five minute nap often invigorates sufficiently for one to drive for several hours.

A longish nap, say over half an hour, as it can lead into full sleep and result into what is called the post sleep inertia ...

Heavy limbs, heavy head and difficulty in getting started.

Short, regular naps say every five hours, are the best way to stay alert on a long journey.

When one sleeps the get the full sleep and allow oneself to wake up properly taking into account the need to get rid of the post sleep inertia.

The best way however, is for the driver to plan schedules so that he minimises the exposure during the vulnerable times of the day and night.

Bus and truck drivers who work through the night to get us and our goods from one place to another are the group with the greatest risk.

NYALGUSH

As we also head for Nyalgush over the festive season we are also putting ourselves and families at risk if we do not prepare properly for the journey.

Plan ahead to avoid the wrong times, consider traffic density, allow enough time for breaks and naps and take along a driving companion to spread the load between you.

As Kachumbari says, the end of the year is nigh.

Let it not also mark the end of our lives.



COASTDRIVE with Teti Kamugunda

that they have fallen asleep behind the wheel.

Research shows that people who fall asleep for a short time tend to be either unaware or will deny the fact.

Most drivers are aware of the 'feeling sleepy' syndrome and know the risk.

Yet they insist on continuing

SHIPPING HAD ALWAYS BEEN HIS LIFE

CAPTAIN Richard Aldrick, who died on 22 October aged 56, was a director of Seaforth Shipping Kenya Ltd.

In many ways the shipping agency business he built was his greatest achievement.

When he took the helm in 1990 Seaforth had just one client.

A decade later it was competing with global players and had become one of the most successful general shipping agencies in Mombasa.

RGA was the consummate shipping man.

Ask any of his peers and

they would agree that no one knew Mombasa port as he did.

He lived and breathed its problems.

Alongside golf, it formed most of his conversation.

Competitors and friends often sought his advice over a 'White Cap' in the Mission to Seamen or the Mombasa Club and, while some were guarded, he happily dispensed it.

Shipping had always been his life.

At 17 he left home to join the Merchant Navy, cheating the eye test to pass the recruitment procedure.

The work was hard but fun. It took him round the world and gave him his first encounters with East Africa.

Twelve years with the British India Steamship Navigation Company turned him into the fiercely self-reliant character that later made him so dependable.

His travels began soon after he was born in Dartford, Kent on 20 December 1943.

The first years of his childhood were spent in Brazil, then Australia.

At six his father died and, with his mother, he returned to England.

But the country of his birth never felt like home.

On one occasion he skipped a family holiday and, with just 20 pounds in his pocket, hitch-hiked for two weeks round France.

Later the Merchant Navy beckoned.

At 28 he captained his first vessel, having received his Masters Certificate the previous year.

But he soon realised that the British Merchant Service offered few opportunities for a man of his ambitions and decided to leave the sea.

He returned to London in 1973 to look for work ashore.

While working for United States Lines he took up fencing and at his local club



Capt. Richard Aldrick

met Judy.

After six weeks together he proposed and on 20 April 1974 they were married.

The next year he landed a job with Dodwell Shipping in Tokyo, Japan and a son, Philip, arrived.

Two years later a daughter, Katy, followed and in 1982 the family moved to Kenya.

HE REVELLED IN ADVERSITY

As general manager of Dodwell (later to become Inchcape Shipping Services), Mombasa, he swiftly became an integral part of the local shipping set.

His booming voice and sailor's invincibility at the bar had few equals.

Turning Seaforth around was a considerable challenge but RGA revelled in adversity.

In social circles he was known as "Mr Controversial" for his love of argument and candid opinions.

He committed himself wholeheartedly to the company, forgoing his holiday for the first few years to ensure his children's English public school education was not disrupted.

A lucky windfall in the UK football pools in 1990 helped fund one term's fees as he found his feet.

His hard work and relentless determination soon paid off.

Seaforth Shipping grew from strength to strength.

An office was opened in Dar-es-Salaam in 1999.

Together with his Nairobi partner, Mike Dunford, also a former Dodwell employee, they made a formidable team in shipping circles.

A competitive character, fighting defined much of his life, including his battle with cancer - one of the few he lost.

He was an excellent squash player and a keen golfer, though prone to the occasional banana shot.

He could also be immensely generous and beneath his sometimes fearsome exterior lay a soft heart.

He helped restore the fortunes of the Mission to Seamen with frequent donations as well as his bar tab, and he often took drifters under his wing or put them up at no expense.

Occasionally he mixed kind-heartedness with business at great cost to himself, but that was his way and no amount of good advice would persuade him to behave otherwise.

Few doubt he would have made an excellent Honorary British Consul, the position offered him just before he was diagnosed with cancer.

It was a proud moment, nevertheless.

His feelings for Kenya blew hot and cold.

He loved the country yet its inefficiencies drove him mad.

But what he didn't love, he loved to hate, and in his months of sickness he was never happier than when he returned.

He is survived by his wife and two children.

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To view this spectacle in total safety and visual comfort, it is essential to protect your eyes.

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YOUR LETTERS TO Coastweek

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Warm Eid Greetings From Cold Canada ...

I would like to take this opportunity to Wish my family, friends and all Coastweek readers a happy and blessed Eid '11 Fitr!

This especially goes out to my loving grand ma and Uncles, you guys are out of sight but are definitely not out of mind!

Eid Mubarak and May the Blessings of Allah Be With You Always!

May Allah almighty guide us to his straight path in all our sayings and deeds and protect us from the misleading trials, the apparent and the hidden ones.

We pray to Allah to grant us firm adherence to Islam, may us die therein and may we be among the party of Rasullullah in the hereafter!

May the peace and blessing of Allah be upon him and his family.

Muhammed Hashim Sheikh, Mississauga, Ontario, Canada.
muhammedsheikh@canada.com

'TASTY TIPS' ON COOKING

Hi, I am a Kenyan from Mombasa, I attended Kenya Utalii College, and I like your 'Coast Cuisine' menus carried on your website. Asante,

Daddah, N/A.
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Wishing You A Very Merry Christmas ...

Hi everyone out there!
Just wanted to wish everybody at the Coast a Merry Christmas and a prosperous new Year!

Enjoy 'n party to the max but don't do anything I wouldn't!

This Message goes out to all my friends, teachers and everyone who knows and remembers me.

Miss you all! Lots of lov,

Fatim Khaku, London, U.K.
fatim_khaku@hotmail.com

CHRISTMAS IN FLORIDA

Greetings From Florida!

Wishing all my Mombasa and Coast friends warm greetings on the forthcoming festive season of Christmas, Eid and New Year celebrations.

Currently touring Florida, USA with family.

P.H./P.J N.S.S., Florida, USA
ArniePatel@aol.com

Do You Have Kenya Maps

Being an ex-Mombasa boy I would be grateful if anyone could e-mail me a comprehensive map of Mombasa and possibly Nairobi.

Living overseas (Australia) I tend to get homesick and would love to see how Mombasa has changed. Many thanks.

Rod Hilditch, N/A, Australia.
hilditch@netspace.net.au

Wonderful Work From The Kenya Friendship Society ...

I wish to inform my brothers and sister residing in Kenya about the Kenya Friendship Society that has been formed here in United Arab Emirates for the last 10 months and the exemplary activities that they have carried out in a short period by bringing Kenyans together socially and culturally.

This society manned by young Kenyans of different walks of life managed to do the following:

- A Kenyan young man of age mid thirties was suffering from blood cancer and required treatment abroad for bone marrow which cost over \$ U.S. 62,000 dollars, the Kenya Friendship Society through their website started appealing to the whole world to donate towards the fund and also held a fund raising dinner here in Dubai through their effort an amount of \$ U.S. 48,000 dollars was raised by Kenya Friendship Society and had sent this young man for treatment who even now is still being treated.

- Recently the Embassy of Abu Dhabi through the Ambassador approached Kenya Friendship Society with regards to the famine besieging our beloved country a dinner party was held and a total of K. Shs 1.3 million was raised and sent to Kenya to his Excellency the President by the treasurer of Kenya Friendship Society.

Never have we seen such an effort displayed by Kenyans for the last twenty years I have been here.

Makofi ya kilo (thunderous applause) to the Kenya Friendship Society committee, and keep up the good work.

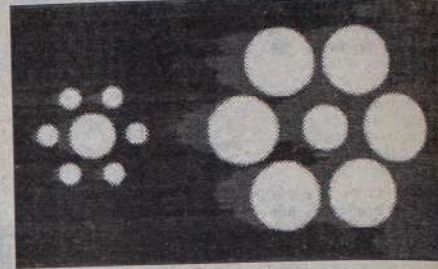
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OPTICAL ILLUSIONS

Here are some Optical Illusions for Coastweek Readers
Prakash Malkan, N/A, Kenya. tugi@kenya.com

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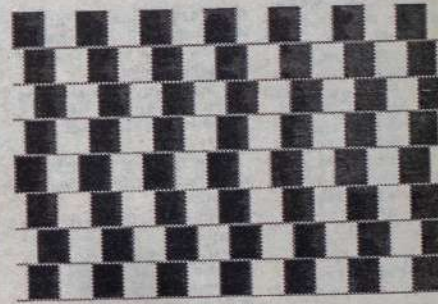


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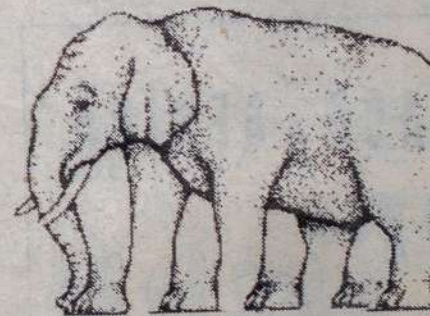


KEEP STARING AT THE BLACK DOT. AFTER A WHILE THE GREY HAZE AROUND IT WILL APPEAR TO SHRINK.

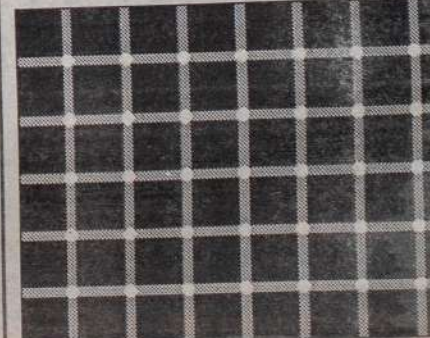
DO YOU SEE THE FACE ? OR, AN ESKIMO ?



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TWENTY YEARS' AGO ...

COASTWEEK, December 19 - 25, 1980:

A NUMBER of bargain-hunting holidaymakers visiting the Coast during the peak season had been swindled of thousands of shillings in an organised gamstoner racket operating along the beaches. The dealers in this money-spinning racket which stretched from Malindi to Mombasa and the South Coast were said to have been going around the beaches and hotels selling rough and uncut fake stones at half the normal price. The fake stones which included Tsavorite, Ruby, Diamond and an assorted number of red and green stones were sold to unsuspecting tourists who believed that they were buying genuine stones at a cheaper price.

MOMBASA'S new Florida Casino officially opened with Miss Margaret Gichuru, daughter of the Kenyan Defence Minister Hon. James Gichuru, giving the first spin on the shiny new roulette wheel. The 2.5 million shilling investment was owned and operated by a Kenyan registered company Monsoon Casino Limited whose directors were Tam Wing and Jachim Ramko.

JETTE Botschinsky, leading artist at the Coast started work on the largest papier-mache murals she has ever executed for the 'new look' Barclays Bank, Nkrumah Road, Mombasa. The two murals will measure 1.5 by 2.5 metres and one by three metres.

FOR the first time, the leading fashion house in Switzerland, Beldona, chose the Kenya Coast as an exotic venue in which to shoot their range of Summer 1981 fashionwear. They used Severin Sea Lodge in Bamburi, bringing with them models from U.S.A., U.K., Germany, Sweden and Austria with 300 items of fashionwear, some of which had been designed by leading names as Dior, Yves Saint-Laurent and Lagerfeld.

A JOINT Canadian-French project was shooting some of the scenes of a feature film "Quest For Fire" at Nguliyu and Kilaguni Lodges in the Tsavo National Park.

"KID Vengeance" watched the enemy massacre his father and shame his mother and was now out for revenge. The film showing at REGAL CINEMA starred Jim Brown and Lee Van Cleef in the lead. CHRISTOPHER Reeve still flew the skies in "Superman II" at KENYA CINEMA. THE FACE may be familiar but the mystery was brand new in "The Man With Bogart's Face" at NAAZ CINEMA. EVERYONE got their just desserts in "Adalat" ("Justice") with Waheda Rehman, Neetu Singh and Amitabh Bachchan (in double role) at CHOX CINEMA.

LETTER: Mombasa's Michael Otieno Dongo heartily welcomed President Moi's concept of National Youth Service; an announcement from Kenya Artists and Design Association Provincial Representative Coast A. S. Awadh inviting Coast artists to participate in a national art exhibition; Peter Wafulu Muhindi thanked the Ministry of Education for pardoning the 39 Kanyatta University College students who had been suspended after they had boycotted their lecturers.



SEEN ABOVE (from left) Lion Dr. Subash Shah, Zone chairman and Convenor of the Education Committee; Lion Sailesh Khale presenting the championship trophy to the Blind teacher in charge Mr. David Kyengo, the debaters Christine Kadil, Omar Singwa, James Muye and Wilfred Mutua and the chairman of Lions Club of Mombasa Island Lion Opkar Singh Lall.

Lions Club Mombasa Hold Unique Debate For Handicapped Children

A UNIQUE debate involving the Blind pupils of Likoni School for the Blind and Handicapped Children of Port Reitz Primary School was organized at Loreto Primary School auditorium on Sunday, October 29 in the morning.

Among the guests was Mr. Neville Storer, headteacher of a special Education school from Scotland and the zone chairman Lion Dr. Subash Shah.

Handicapped Children from Port Reitz proposed the motion that, "State can do much more than men themselves for the handicapped" while pupils from Likoni School for the Blind opposed the motion

that, "men themselves can do much more than the state for the handicapped".

Debaters from both sides argued their points by using facts and figures, proving that the society "Whether the state or men themselves" has a major role to play in assisting those who need help.

"Disability by nature or by bad luck and through no fault of an individual should not be considered inability", they stressed.

If given a chance the disabled can prove that they are more intelligent, more beneficial and useful to the society as they cannot waste time and energy in loitering

about. They were very ably judged by three well-known adjudicators Lion Jagdish Sondhi, P.I.D.; Lion Dr. Kuldeep Dang, ENT; and Mr. Danus Skene BA, MA, MED, Headmaster of the Coast Academy, Mombasa.

Likoni School for the Blind was judged the overall winning school and Omar Singwa from Likoni school for the Blind was judged to be the best speaker.

The chief adjudicator Lion Jagdish Sondhi, Past International Director, congratulated the chairman Lion Opkar Singh Lall and Lions Club of Mombasa Island for involving the disabled by exposing their oratorical skill and proving that disability is in no way inability.

Special Report By Correspondent

LIONS HOLD CHANGAMWE EYE CAMP



LIONS CLUB of Mombasa Central with the Inner Wheel Club of Mombasa carried out a very successful eye camp at Changamwe Social Hall. 420 patients were screened and eleven cataract surgeries were carried out. Chairman Lion Jatin Malde (fourth left) exchanges a friendship banner with the incoming Chairlady of the Inner Wheel Aradhna Shah. Looking on are (from left) Joan D'Costa, Sushil Sharma, Amina Rana, Anil Aggarwal, Himat Soni, Kaushalya Manghnani, Tony D'Silva, Mumtaz Pasta, Jayshree Sonigra and Harshida Patel.



LIONS AND LEOS of Lions Club of Mombasa Pwani have a very good reason to be happy. Miss Fatuma Said, ten years, has been deaf and dumb since birth. Lions Hearing Centre took the challenge to rehabilitate her so as to allow her to lead a normal life. A delighted Fatuma is fitted with a new hearing aid by Lion (Dr.) Mukesh Shah (centre) who is ably assisted by District Governor of District 411 Lion Manoj Shah. Also with them are (from left) Lion Nagin Shah, Lion Kuldeep Dang, Zone Chairman Lion Gordan Kanji, PDG Lion Manilal Dodiha, Leo Chairman Rupesh Solanki, and PDG Lion Dhiru Shah. The hearing aid was donated by the Centre. Lions Hearing Centre has continued to render hearing rehabilitation facility to wananchi of the Coast Province since its inception in 1998.

TIOMIN MINERAL SANDS PROPOSED MINING PROJECT, KWALE

Since Tiomin Resources Inc. first saw the possibilities of investigating the mineral deposits in the Kenya coastal area, it has carried out many in-depth and exhaustive investigations, a major one being an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA). If the project is accepted by the Kenya Government and Tiomin decide to proceed, around K.Shs. 10 billion will be invested in Kenya to construct the mine, the treatment plant and the marine terminal facilities.

In January 1997 the chairman of the Kwale County Council gave his consent in writing for prospecting within the area of Kwale District. In April 1997 the Mining and Geology Department issued a special licence to allow Tiomin to explore and prospect for non precious minerals.

In early 1998, the District Development Committee (DDC) found it necessary to institute a District Environmental Committee to study the project's activities. The sub-committee made recommendations that were addressed in the EIA process. Following this, the Terms of Reference were drafted by CES and presented to the DDC for approval.

The independent Environmental Impact Assessment Study was managed by the South African based Coastal Environmental Services (GES) - a company internationally recognised for their expertise in environmental issues related to mineral sands mining.

The EIA study of now over 30 months duration has not been confined to the scientific and environmental aspects alone. There was consultation with landowners, community groups and governmental agencies.

Findings were progressively released and culminated in the tabling of the comprehensive 7 volume report to the Ministry of Environmental and Natural Resources in April 2000. This included a separate full colour summary report for the public, which was translated into Kiswahili to ensure local people understood the results of the EIA.

The report was made available for the public in Maumba, Nguluka, Shimoni, Ukunda, Kwale, Mombasa and Nairobi for three months as an open comment period.

Volume 8 of the EIA study lists comments raised by the public and interested parties and enumerates Tiomin's responses to those comments. Presentation of this volume to the Government recently marks the final stage in the statutory requirements for Tiomin.

It is appropriate now to address the misleading and incorrect statements that have been made throughout the time the EIA process was being conducted.

COMMON INCORRECT STATEMENT	FACTUAL POSITION
Residents were forced to sign lease agreements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lease agreements were carried out on a willing buyer and willing seller basis. No landowner elected to cancel their leases when given that opportunity in late 1999.
Tiomin is paying only Kshs. 9000 per acre to the landowners affected by the project.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tiomin has signed leases with over 90 private landowners and will pay an average of over Kshs. 40,000 per acre (depending on the level of development) upon relocation. In addition, the company continues to pay an annual rent of Kshs. 2,000 per acre increasing at 10% per year.
Squatters will receive nothing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The legal position of squatters and land title can only be resolved by the Government of Kenya. Tiomin will compensate squatters on the same basis as private landowners when the Government resolves the titles issue.
Tiomin has acted in a secretive manner; the project has not been described adequately to the relevant interested parties.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tiomin has held over 250 documented meetings with parties interested in the Kwale project including 55 meetings with local committees and community representatives.
Mining will affect water supply and quality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The proposed project will recycle nearly 90% of water used hence require modest make-up volume. Work carried out by Groundwater Survey Kenya has identified ample water resources to supply make-up requirements for the project and supply local residents needs.
Tiomin paid for the Environmental Impact Study (EIA) hence it is not independent and cannot be trusted	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Tiomin EIA followed the Kenyan Law. As required by that Law, Tiomin was required to pay for the study. The EIA manager was an internationally respected consultancy used to undertaking independent studies. This is the same practice of independence practised worldwide in business where the auditors who verify accounts - are paid for this service by the company being reviewed.
Politicians have an interest in the project or will acquire interests once approval have been granted.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tiomin Kenya Ltd and Kenya Titanium Minerals are both 100% owned subsidiaries of Tiomin Resources Inc. of Canada. No Kenya individuals or company hold a direct or indirect beneficial interest in any of these subsidiary companies. Any Kenyan who wishes to have a future interest can only do so through purchases of Tiomin Resources shares - the same as any other investor.
Tiomin has paid bribes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Canada is a signatory to the OECD conventions against corruption and have enacted strong Law to prohibit such acts. Officers and directors of Tiomin can be charged with a criminal offence for such acts whether it occurs inside or outside Canada. Tiomin maintains that it can operate in Kenya without resorting to bribery or any form of corruption.
Mining will cover 64 square Kilometres	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tiomin proposes to mine an area of less and 5 square kilometres over 14 years. Coupled with progressive rehabilitation, the area open for mining at any time will be less than 1 square kilometre.
There are lethal levels of Uranium and Thorium in the soil	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The extremely low levels of Uranium/Thorium present do not represent a health risk to the community or employees. Kwale minerals to be produced are not defined as radioactive under Kenyan or International Codes. These minerals have been produced in other countries for >50 years without health or environmental issues.
The company will have to dredge at Shimoni	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The proposed marine terminal to be built at Shimoni does not require dredging and does not pose a danger to coral reefs.
The project will destroy tourism in Kenya	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The project is located 10Km inland - well away from popular tourist areas along the coast. Revenues normally classified as "tourism" will be boosted through visits by companies who provide services to the project since these visitors also require hotels, hire cars, restaurants, etc. The existing mining operations on the coast (e.g. Bamburi Cement) have not had a negative impact on tourism.

The Benefits

This project could generate tremendous benefits for the coastal region and for Kenya in general. Some of these benefits are:

- 1000 direct jobs during the immediate two year construction phase
- More than 200 jobs in the subsequent operational phase
- A further 1000 jobs indirectly in companies providing goods and services
- An annual expenditure of about KShs. 2 billion, with around 3% of that figure spent in the Coastal province
- Within this total expenditure, an estimated KShs. 150 million per year for wages and salaries alone
- Improvements to local infrastructure, such as road upgrading and improved health services
- The transfer of skills through workforce training and operations
- Vital foreign exchange earnings
- Government revenues through taxes and royalties
- The chance for squatters affected by the project to secure permanent title to land

Tiomin Resources Inc has now completed its preliminary work and looks forward to the final settlement of the pending issues so that all stakeholders can benefit from this project.

IT'S "PARTY TIME" AT REEF HOTEL

The Festive Season is here again — and it is party time!

On Saturday, Dec 17, Mombasa's Reef Hotel was happily catering for an 'extra' 550 meals to three private parties taking place there in exclusive areas on the beach frontage.

Mobil Oil Kenya held its Christmas Party there for '100 children of staff' with lunch and entertainment by the hotel's Animation team at the Toto Club.

There was also a huge Christmas Cake and an cream cornet for everyone before leaving.

It had been a day-long treat starting in the morning with a tour of a man-made 'Garden of Eden', Haller Park and meeting many of its interesting wildlife inhabitants, followed by a party at the Reef.

That evening, the Family Health International Field Office at Mombasa held its 'end of year staff party' in the hotel's new Pizza Garden overlooking the vast swimming pool area.

IT'S TIME TO SOCIALISE!

All are hardworking people carrying out very important work concerning reproductive health, HIV and AIDS.

They have little or no time to socialise.

In a very attractive candlelit venue with gaily canopied buffet tables they enjoyed a BBQ dinner with their families being greeted on arrival by some rousing music played on the trumpet by Charles Ahadi, a guest.

Some had arrived earlier

so as to enjoy a swim.

Welcoming them all was Ruth S. Odindo, Field Manager, FHI/IMPACT, HIV and AIDS Department, and Dr. Mark Hawken, Project Manager, International Centre for Re-Productive Health (ICRH).



In an interview Ruth explained that their 'IMPACT' project covers four activities all to promote the prevention and spread of HIV.

She said 'we have a centre for re-productive health which has three components — field educators at the work site, field educators at community level and a town centre for commercial sex workers.

This also strengthens health facilities so that the STD service can be improved upon, including the development of voluntary counselling and



Greeting guests at the 'End of Year' staff party at Mombasa's Reef Hotel was Charles Ahadi playing some rousing tunes on his trumpet. Behind is Ruth Saburi Odindo, Field Manager of the Family Health International 'IMPACT' project at Mombasa.

Christmas? Yes it is that season of the year again.

Each of us is faced with a choice as we prepare for the season - I do believe right choices are sensibly made after correctly answering certain questions: -

Rev. Dan Ebert gives us some of these questions: -

"Are you merely going along with the world, joining in a dizzy room of senseless merry-making and meaningless celebrations?"

Is there room for Jesus in your home? In your heart?"

Melvin L. Hodges said it well: -

"Christmas is a memorial of the missionary invasion of desolate, hopeless, frustrated humanity by the Divine son of God."

How true, for I believe the right understanding of Christmas is fundamental to true choice of what to do at the Christmas season.

In order to have right Christmas

choices, one needs to first have a relationship with Gift — Christ, the best gift of all.

"Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!" (2 Cor. 9:15).

Early church Father Athanasius said,

"He became what we are that He might make us what He is."

C.H. Spurgeon added:

"This little planet of ours was

2:38).

• The wise men too in Matthew 2:2 came to worship Him!

We need to heed the words of Psalms 24:7-8: -

Lift up you heads, O you gates; he lifted up you ancient doors, that the King of Glory may come in. Who is this King of Glory?

The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle."

All of us are faced with a choice at Christmas:

I believe some of us like Herod in Matt. 2:3 are already disturbed or are beginning to be:

"When King Herod heard this lie was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him." (Matt. 2:3).

Some of us are delighted as the wise men were:

"When they saw the star, they were overjoyed." (Matt. 2:10).

Yes, Christmas demands a decision about Christ amid the choice is yours and mine.

Simpson put it well:

"What will you do with Jesus?"

"Neutral you cannot be; someday your heart will be asking, what will He do with me?"

Herbert Vander Lugt in writing about choice at Christmas put it well: -

"Thousands today make efforts to outlast the singing of Christmas carols in shopping malls, and the display of nativity scenes in public places."

Are you among the indifferent? To ignore Him amid His claims is to reject Him.

How can we escape if we ignore such a great salvation?

Man's gifts are of this world and are temporary in duration.

God's out is divine amid permanent things choosing Christ is choosing "the best Gift of all."

We read in John 1:12,



made to burn with a superior light among its sister stars while the Creator sojournd here in human form.

"If for the first time you had learned of the visit of the incarnate God to this world, you would be struck with a wonder which would last throughout all eternity.

"This is the heart of the Gospel — the incomparable fact of the incarnation of the Son of God.

"His dwelling upon the earth and His presentation of Himself as a sacrifice unto God for the sins of mankind."

It has been wisely said that God's highest gift should awaken man's deepest Gratitude.

How true For this is what we see of certain people:

• The Shepherds glorified amid praised God (Luke 2:20)

• The Devout Simon referred to Christ as the light to bring revelation to the Gentiles, and the Glory of Israel" (Luke 2:32).

• The prophetess Anna "spoke of Him to all those who looked for redemption in Jerusalem." (Luke

WANTED - A GOOD HOME FOR 'FREEWAY'



My name is Freeway. I am a black and white wire haired terrier/ lurcher, with unusual light eyes and I am about one year old. I have had a hard life - but I won't bore you with the details. As a result I am now very shy and nervous but once I get to know you, you will find me loyal and loving. My human friends at the KSPCA will tell you how friendly I am. I have been at the KSPCA for a few weeks now and would love to have a new home for Christmas. Although I live here with another dog and we get on very well, I really would like a human family to love and belong to. With much love - Freeway. Can someone please find me a good home? please call: K.S.P.C.A. Tel. 4 7 2 8 9 5 (Also available: some beautiful kittens.)

Need we say more ??

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testing centres.

'All this' she said 'comes under Dr Mark Hawken'.

Other activities of Family Health International include the Mkomani Clinic which has a project for Field Educators within the community there.

Something similar is also taking place at Changamwe.

DANCE AND TEACHING...

Another project is ARTNET WAVES communication using the theatre, songs and dancing as teaching methods on such subjects which are more effective for youth both in and out of school.

This is underway in the Mombasa District, with the exception of Likoni.

Their 'IMPACT' developed curriculum has been accepted throughout the country and is also being

used by the Guide movement to educate members in preventing HIV, each group receiving such education at a different level.

Said Ruth 'these are the four projects which the Head Office of Family Health International co-ordinates'.

She revealed that FHI has projects in 45 countries of the world dealing with a issues concerning re-productive health and presently concentrating more on halting the spread of HIV — this now being its main concern in Kenya.

In this country FHI has projects underway in Nakuru, Western and Mombasa and gets its funds from USAID.

It also identifies projects or agencies with different skills so that they can work together in promoting behavioural change.

Said Ruth 'people generally are now aware of AIDS and in our project we now use participatory methods and our Field Educators help in whatever way they can.'

Also taking place at the Reef that day was a staff party for over 200 employees hosted by a large and well-known company in Mombasa.

A very enjoyable, memorable, time was experienced by all party goers.

HOW TO MANAGE 'PROBLEM PEOPLE AT WORK - (PART 1)

Managers and supervisors exist because their responsibilities are too big for them to carry out on their own, they will therefore need staff to whom to delegate parts of their job.

Managers therefore "depend" on their staff to achieve results.

The staff performance directly affects the managers performance and also vice versa.

It is much easier to manage cheerful, enthusiastic, obedient and hardworking staff, but not all staff are like this.

The manager must have skills to manage those who are negative, disobedient and lazy.

I am going to discuss over the next 3 weeks how to manage "problem people" where the problem must go and the people stay.

The skills and advice given will of course help you when managing all staff.

The techniques I will give will also help to prevent the occurrence in the first place!

Whenever people work together there are bound to experience problems of one sort or another.

The performance may not match with what you want.

When the difference occurs of what you get to what you want you therefore have a "problem" and is the managing of this problem that is now important.

However there are a number of preconceived ideas about people that may prevent you from solving the problem.

Let us now examine them one by one.

1. "It's their personality" (or is it their behaviour?) if we act on the idea that the problem stems from a persons basic characteristics then we will be pessimistic about making any

change.

Our personalities are fixed from when we were young you say.

So setting out to change the personality e.g. setting out to change the way your staff think they feel, and behave will be very difficult for you.

Your staffs' thoughts and feelings are invisible to us, they are very difficult for you to pin down with any certainty.

We must all realise it is difficult to persuade people to change particularly if we don't know how they are thinking.

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However:-

Try to see the problem something they are "saying" "doing" i.e. their behaviour, then it is a more optimistic situation how you can make an impact the "problem".

A persons behaviour constantly changing based different circumstances.

This tells us that it is able to moulded to change.

We can always 'see' it through direct observation.

Because we can 'see' behaviour it is much easier to monitor than changing "personality" and therefore easier to manage behaviour successfully.

If you have any questions write or call

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INDIAN OCEAN Beach Club has launched a Superb new menu for it's Ocean Terrace restaurant offering a wide range of succulent fresh food to both resident and non-resident gastronomes.

The hotel Executive Chef Alphay Anyange expressed optimism that the menu will be popular with guests during the festive season.

A scan through the new menu which includes something for everyone with a choice reveals Belle De Nuit, Avocado-Pot Sultan Ahmed's Favourite and Doctor Livingstone Bitings as new appetizers, the latter being oriental fried chicken and Shrimps spring rolls with spicy

Festive Fare - Indian Ocean Beach Club Offers 'Belle De Nuit', 'Sultan Ahmed's Favourite' And Doctor Livingstone Bitings ...

dip and side salads. The variety of soups are wonderful, Italian Farmhouse Minestrone Soup drizzled with parmesan cheese, chilled Spanish Gazpacho soup with a hint of cream and old mothers princes style soup with Asparagus Tips among others. Should you be Tandoori lover then the world class Chef Anyange has come up with a variety you shouldn't miss to sample.

For the seafood lovers Fisherman's bake which is

Lobster and Jumbo prawn with a choice of nan or rice will be a good choice.

Marinated chicken Tikka, Port spare ribs and African Mixed Grill the latter being a large skewer of Beef, Chicken, Prawn, Pork and tomato served with baked potatoes and sour cream.

For the far Eastern dishes the menu has pork cho mien, chicken chasaun, lobster Chinese style and Nasigoreng which is a prawn fired rice with Chilli Paste bean sprouts and fried egg presented in a pineapple boat.

Vegetarians too have their share of the impressive menu.

Pizza lovers should try Margherita Pizza, Alla Verdura Pizza or vegetable Pizza and fillings of mushrooms, sweet corn, Tomato and Green pepper.

Alternatively vegetarian guests can either go for the stir fried vegetables or vegetable bake.

HOT SNACKS

The Menu also has an array of hot snacks, sand wiches and burger corner.

The hot snacks include Brochette on Indian Ocean, grilled half spring chicken, pepper steak, omelette of your choice served with vegetable and French fries. Alternatively you can try the Chef's catch of the day.

The hotel Maître Dhote will be pleased to advice you of the day's recommendation.

New set of sandwiches include original Prego Roll, Rueben Sandwich, Colorado King, Croque Monsieur, Po pear Tod and Philadelphia Sandwiches.

The Burger Corner has Cheese burger, Bacon blue, Chicken burger, Chilli, Onion Burger and Prime Ground Beef in a Toasted Sesame Burn all served with French fries.

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Annual Christmas 'Charity Fun Run' To Help The Diani Childrens' Village

A MEANINGFUL way of losing weight, after excess feasting over Christmas and, to prepare for the New Year celebrations, is by joining the 'CHARITY FUN RUN' on Friday, Dec 29, for it will also benefit the Diani Children's Village enabling it to expand to care for more orphaned, neglected and abandoned youngsters.

You can achieve all this for She 300/= entrance fee and be assured that 'every penny raised is dedicated to changing the lives of the many children in the area who desperately need help'.

The 'FUN RUN', now an annual event organised by Alliance Hotels as part of their Christmas and New Year celebrations, is open to all - the young, middle-aged and young at heart'.



It starts from Safari Beach Hotel at 7.30 a.m.

The route is along Diani Road to Trade Winds Hotel and then covering the Public Beach

access road back to Safari Beach Hotel.

Refreshments are being provided along the route, as well as discreet, but effective, security, also a back-up service

in case of any emergency.

Funds raised at last year's 'FUN RUN' helped complete the first house in the new Children's Village enabling the 15 youngsters and their 'caretakers' who had been accommodated in rented premises to move there in August.

The Diani Children's Village is a registered charity run on a voluntary basis to provide orphans, neglected and abandoned children with a home, a good education and start in life.

With a normal as possible family background they will be cared for until they are ready to leave home in their late teens.

Land for the village was

donated by a local well-wisher, and with the help of kind donations and the free services of 'TWO DESIGN' architects at Diani Beach, the first house was built.

There is one housemother in charge, one housefather and three assistants who work in shifts.

In addition there are two caretaker/ gardeners who also look after the fruit and vegetables being grown there.

These are the only paid staff.

Eventually, the village will comprise three houses each to accommodate a family of 10-15 children and a house-mother.

A separate house will eventually be built for the older children where they will live independently before moving out into the world.

Also planned is staff accommodation, a small reception/ office facility and maintenance workshop where children can learn some basic skills.

One of the visionaries and founders of this Children's Village is Yvonne Matiba, wife of Raymond Iviatiba, Chief Executive Officer, Alliance Group - he being one of its most ardent supporters.

With the spirit of 'giving' intensified over Christmas, a lot, any contributions in cash or kind to the Diani Children's Village would be most welcome.

Please contact, Yvonne Micheline or Tim at Tele: 20 Diani Beach, or write to Diani Children's Village, Box 50 Diani Beach, Kenya.

GOOD NEWS - THE MVITA GRILL IS NOW OPEN SEVEN DAYS A WEEK!

GOOD NEWS for Nyali Beach Hotel's Mvita Grill Restaurant patrons: Now the premier restaurant will be open daily as from 7.00 - 11.00 p.m.

Until a week ago the restaurant was operating from Tuesdays to Sundays and remained closed on Mondays.

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Mvita Grill Restaurant sits literally a stone throw from the Indian Ocean and has luxurious Swahili style theme, world class cuisine and an intimate dance floor where you can dance to Edmund Silveira and his trio.

The restaurant's perfect marriage of food, décor and ambiance has seen it become a Popular spot for romantic evening to celebrate birthday anniversaries, job promotions and meaningful executive dinners.

The restaurant specializes in seafoods, steak and finger licking desserts. Vegetarians' Menu is as well very impressive.

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The atmosphere is warm and friendly although simple in its décor of traditional red, white and green.

You'll find it on Mwamba Drive following the road to the Reef Hotel's old entrance.

The festive season will be celebrated with all the typical Italian Christmas and New Year specialities on offer (home-made pate, pastas and chesnut stuffed turkey with a red wine sauce,

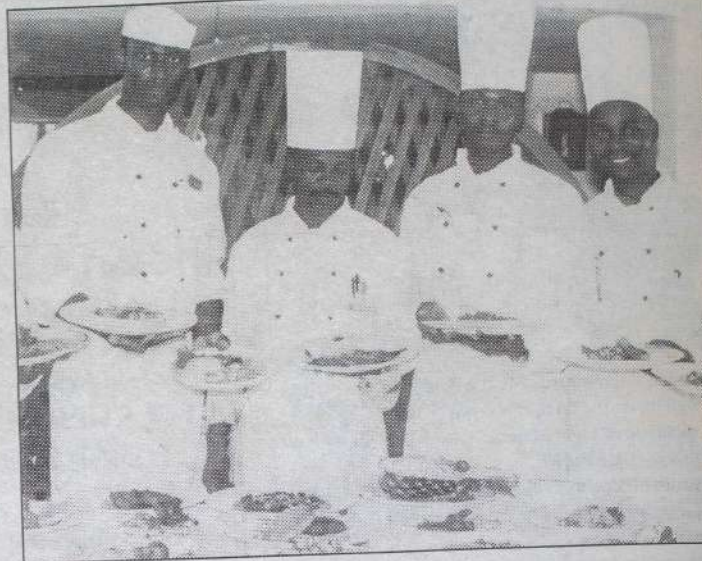
Pannetone, etc. and of course always vegetarian alternatives to keep everyone happy) and will commence with Christmas Eve where one-man band **Italian Nino** will be on live music through dinner (and beyond!).

The Italians usher in the new year with a seafood based feast and lentils which you must eat with your fingers at midnight (for good luck!) so of course the **Oasis Restaurant** will follow tradition.

What's nice is that if there's a group of you where some fancy the opulent Christmas and New Year feasts and some only fancy a plain simple pizza-the **Oasis Restaurant** is where you can find the perfect combination.

The **Oasis Restaurant** will remain open throughout the Christmas and New Year holidays and opens every evening at 6:00 p.m. (ideal for an outing with the young ones) and also does lunch at the weekends and on all public holidays.

Tables for Christmas and New Years should be reserved well in advance as the restaurant only seats 40. - Tel: 474084.



INDIAN OCEAN BEACH CLUB's Executive Chef Alphasy Anyang (second left) is seen in the company of fellow chefs (from left) **Caleb Winjila, Isaac Kilonzo and Abdalla Mwinyi**, as they prepare their galas for Christmas and New Year 'Festive Menu' for lucky South Coast guests and holiday makers.

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PRIVAT SAFARIS verdoppelt die Charterkapazität in der Wintersaison

"ALLER ANSCHEIN spricht dafür, dass sich der Tourismusmarkt in Kenia erholt hat," erklärte Urs Belmont, Managing Director von Privat Safaris, Schweiz.

Dieser Reiseveranstalter hat für die Wintersaison sein Kontingent in Chartermaschinen verdoppelt, was ein ganzes Jahr andauern soll.

Herr Belmont war kürzlich auf einer viertägigen Stippvisite in Hotels, Lodges und Zeltcamps in Kenia, wo die Kunden von Privat Safaris wohnen, wie auch in einigen Hotels in Sansibar.

In einem Interview vor seinem Rückflug in die Schweiz sagte er: "Buchungen für die Wintersaison sind hervorragend und wir haben eine Auslastung von mehr als 90 Prozent, was unsere Erwartungen übertrifft."

Privat Safaris hat Platz-

reservierungen in Chartermaschinen nach Kenia für 300 Kunden in der Woche, die mit Citybird ab Zürich jeden Montag und mit Balair jeden Freitag auf dem Moi International Airport, Mombasa, ankommen.

Privat Safaris ist der führende Reiseveranstalter in der Schweiz für Ostafrikareisen, spezialisiert auf Kenia, und hat während mehr als zwanzig Jahren Touristen in dieses Land geschickt.

Herr Belmont erklärte: "In unseren besten Zeiten hatten wir zwei Charterflüge in der Woche, die im Jahr 15-20'000 Touristen nach Kenia brachten, aber in den letzten sechs bis sieben Jahren hat der Tourismus nach Kenia ständig abgenommen."

Als Herr Belmont seinen Posten als Managing Director von



URS BELMONT

Privat Safaris antrat, schlug er eine neue Strategie vor, um diesen negativen Trend umzudrehen.

"Dies führte dazu, dass KUONI, unsere Muttergesellschaft bereit war, schwer in Kenia zu investieren, worauf wir zu Beginn

dieser Wintersaison unser Kontingent in Chartermaschinen verdoppeln konnten."

Was die Sommersaison 2001 betrifft, sagte Herr Belmont:

"Ich weiß nicht, ob wir die Zahl der Touristen wirklich verdoppeln können, eine Zunahme von 50 Prozent ist jedenfalls vorzuzusehen."

Bezüglich der Umsiedlung der fliegenden Händler von den Stränden auf speziell für sie errichtete Tourismuskampfe, bemerkte Herr Belmont: "Es ist eine hervorragende Idee und was immer wir dazu beitragen können, werden wir tun."

Er erwähnte, dass sie im Laufe der Jahre viele mündliche und schriftliche Beschwerden von Kunden erhielten über die Strandhändler, von denen sie belästigt wurden.

Herr Belmont verbrachte vier Tage in Kenia, die mit einem vollen Programm ausgefüllt waren.

Am ersten Tag besuchte er Hotels, um für den nächsten Sommer Verträge abzuschließen, dann besuchte er acht Hotels, wo die Kunden in Kenia und in Sansibar wohnen.

Die anschließende Safari beschrieb er wie folgt:

"Ein ausgezeichnetes Erlebnis; ich sah dutzende Lodges und auch viele andere Dinge, die mich sehr zufriedenstellten."

"Privat Safaris hat viel Geld investiert, um das Geschäft in Kenia wieder anzukurbeln, aber es stellt sich nun die Frage, ob dies möglich ist, wenn die Qualität des Tourismusproduktes gleich bleibt oder sogar zurückgeht."

"Ich sah vielversprechende Anzeichen, vor allem in Safari Camps und Lodges, die ein Gütesiegel für das ganze Land bedeuten."

"Dasselbe ist an der Küste, aber in kleinerem Maß zu bemerken, zum Beispiel bei der Heritage Gruppe, die massiv investiert."

"Während der Safari besprachen wir im Busch die Zukunft des Tourismus in Kenia und fühlten, dass das Safarierlebnis mit Übernachtungen in Lodges und Zeltcamps, die wir in Masai Mara, Tsavo und Amboseli besuchten, eine Renaissance des Qualitätstourismus herbeibringen wird, was an der Küste nachgeahmt werden sollte."

"Viele unserer Kunden machen am Ende der Safari Baden, um sich an den Stränden auszuruhen und zu erholen, bevor sie nach Hause zurückkehren."

"Sie erwarten dann denselben hohen Standard an der Küste, den sie auf Safari erlebt haben."

Herr Belmont hörte, dass die Kenya Association of Hotelkeepers and Caterers, Küste, vor einigen Jahren beim Ministerium für Tourismus Soft Loans beantragt hatte, um allgemeine Verbesserungen durchzuführen und die Qualität der Leistungen anzuhoben.

Darlehen

Leider hat die Regierung bisher nicht darauf geantwortet.

Deshalb haben viele Unternehmen alles versucht, um Darlehen zu erhalten, die sie nun mit enorm hohen Zinsen zurückzahlen müssen.

Nach den Stammesfehden an der Küste im Jahre 1997 ging der Tourismus drastisch zurück und es war für viele Hotels schwer zu überleben, während Lodges und Camps in und um die Nationalparks etwas weniger betroffen wurden, so dass sie sich eher Verbesserungen und Renovierungen leisten konnten.



Southern Cross Safaris unterstützt 'Friends of Tsavo'

ZU DEN "Friends of Tsavo" gehören viele führende Gesellschaften, Reiseveranstalter, Reisebüros, und Personen, die sich aktiv für die Erhaltung der Tier- und Pflanzenwelt in Kenias größtem Nationalpark - Tsavo - einsetzen, schreibt Neta Peal.

Im November wurde von den "Friends of Tsavo" ein Wohltätigkeits-Fußmarsch durchgeführt, um Geld zu sammeln, denn ihr Hauptziel ist eine Feuerschneise, die entlang der Parkgrenze errichtet werden soll, um das gesamte Gebiet vor einem Buschbrand zu schützen.

Die Kosten für diese Arbeit werden auf rund eine Million Kshs geschätzt und es muss noch mehr Geld für dieses Projekt beschafft werden.

Eine große Hilfe leistete Southern Cross Safaris, indem dieses Reiseunternehmen 10'000 attraktive Briefumschläge spendete, die an Gäste verteilt werden sollen, welche in Camps oder Lodges im Tsavopark übernachten.

Es wird angenommen, dass viele Besucher gerne einen kleinen Beitrag leisten würden an dieses gute Werk, indem sie einen gewissen Betrag in den Umschlag legen und diesen in einen der Briefkästen der "Friends of Tsavo" werfen, die an strategischen Stellen platziert sind.

Giraffe

Die "Friends of Tsavo" besitzen als einzige die Schlüssel zu diesen Geldbriefkästen!

Auf den Umschlägen mit der Aufschrift "Friends of Tsavo" ist das Bild eines Elefanten und einer Giraffe aufgedruckt mit der Bitte: "Helft uns, diese

wunderschöne natürliche Wildnis zu bewahren. Danke!"

Auf der Rückseite des Umschlages wird erklärt, dass sich die "Friends of Tsavo" aktiv dafür einsetzen, um die Tier- und Pflanzenwelt und auch die Umgebung von Tsavo zu schützen.

Ihr Ziel ist mehr Sicherheit, eine ständige Wasserversorgung, besonders während der Trockenzeiten, und die Erhaltung eines der größten und schönsten Wildschutzgebiete Afrikas.

Tsavo - von der Größe Israels - muss ständig von Wildhütern des Kenya Wildlife Service auf Patrouille überwacht werden, was sehr kostspielig ist; deshalb ist jegliche finanzielle Hilfe höchst willkommen.

Die Dringlichkeit, eine Feuerschneise zu errichten, ist offensichtlich, denn dadurch soll verhindert werden, dass sich ein Buschbrand wiederholt, der vor zwei Jahren rund 4000 km² dieses sich über 21'000 km² erstreckenden

Parkes zerstörte.

Am 3. November übergab Torben Rune, Managing Director von Southern Cross Safaris, 10'000 Umschläge an Khalid Shapi, Chairman der "Friends of Tsavo", der ihm dafür sehr dankbar war.

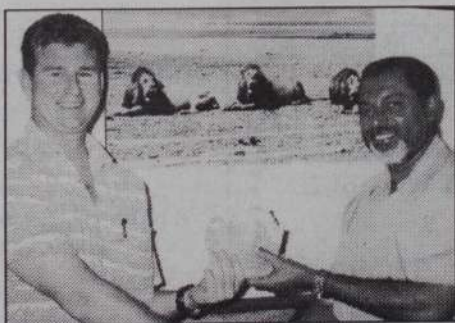
Er war auch erfreut zu hören, dass eine Nachlieferung möglich ist, wenn die Umschläge aufgebraucht sind.

Werbetrick

Southern Cross Safaris benutzt sie nicht als Werbetrick; der Name des Sponsors wurde weggelassen, so dass die Umschläge frei verteilt werden können von allen anderen Reiseveranstaltern, die Kunden in den Tsavopark bringen.

Auf diese Weise ist eine breitere Verteilung möglich, so dass praktisch jeder Besucher einen solchen Umschlag erhalten sollte.

Der Chairman von Southern Cross Safaris, Mike Kirkland, ist einer der Direktoren der "Friends of Tsavo".



TORBEN RUNE (links), Managing Director von Southern Cross Safaris überreichte Khalid Shapi, Chairman der "Friends of Tsavo" die 10.000 Umschläge.

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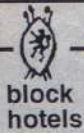
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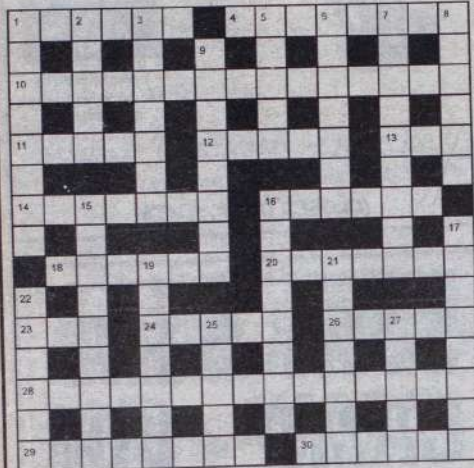
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CROSSWORD NO. 566

NAME.....

ADDRESS.....

ACROSS:

1. Summer month [6]
4. Get out of bed, chorus girl style? [4, 1, 3]
10. Trip over a Dickens classic? [4, 2, 4, 5]
11. One who conducts you in [5]
12. The one over the eight [5]
13. A small species of deer [3]
14. Only to be expected [7]
16. Appoint [6]
18. Web wearer [6]
20. Pitches in, workwise [5, 2]
23. Undivided [3]
24. Corn, collectively [5]
26. Pulsate [5]
28. Retrospective remark by the memory-jogged nostalgic [4, 5, 2, 4]
29. He supports Lord Charles ventriloquially [3, 5]
30. One who'll last the course [6]

DOWN:

1. Wealthy [8]
2. Gully [5]
3. Pot cleaner [7]
5. Large wading-bird [5]
6. See 19
7. See, my girl (anag.) - it's here in Dorset [4-5]
8. Oil-well [6]
9. Soap and candle dealer [8]
15. It's a long way to it, so the song goes [9]
16. Amaze [8]
17. One of the tv's Doctor Whos in fact [3, 5]
- 19, 6. They figure to tell you the time [7, 7]
21. Withdraw from a threatened position [7]
22. Straw hat [6]
25. Foot joint [5]
27. Marryat's Masterman [5]

ANSWERS TO CROSSWORD NO. 565

ACROSS: 1. STEALTH, 5. LOWBROW, 9. TRAIT, 10. SIMULATOR, 11. NOTEPAPER, 12. BOOST, 13. CREWE, 15. PETRIFIED, 18. HIT FOR SIX, 19. TONGS, 21. GOING, 23. WHIMSICAL, 25. RE-ENTRANT, 26. RUN-IN, 27. HOLIDAY, 28. REPLETE
DOWN: 1. SATANIC, 2. ENACTMENT, 3. LIT-UP, 4. HOSEPIPES, 5. LEMUR, 6. WELL-BUILT, 7. RATIO, 8. WORSTED, 14. ELONGATED, 16. TEX RITTER, 17. INNOCENCE, 18. HOGARTH, 20. SILENCE, 22. IDEAL, 23. WEARY, 24. SYRUP

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ON THE OCCASION OF THE END OF THE RAMADHAN.

The Pontifical Council for Inter-Religious Dialogue - President Cardinal Francis Arinze have issued a Message for the Muslim Community on the occasion of the end of the RAMADHAN.

It comes with sincere good wishes from the Holy Father Pope John Paul II.

(From Communications Department Catholic Archdiocese of Mombasa.)

**PONTIFICAL COUNCIL
FOR INTER-RELIGIOUS
DIALOGUE**
**CARDINAL FRANCIS
ARINZE President**
**EDUCATION FOR
DIALOGUE: A DUTY
FOR CHRISTIANS AND
MUSLIMS**



Message to Muslims for the End of RAMADHAN 'Id al-Fitr' 1421 A.H. / 2000 A.D. - Vatican City

Dear Muslim Friends,

1. First of all I wish to send you my best wishes for 'Id al-Fitr' with which the month of RAMADHAN closes. Together with the other religious practices which accompany it, such as prayer and alms-giving, RAMADHAN is a time for assessing relationships with God and with one's fellow human beings, a time for turning back to God and towards one's brothers and sisters. Fasting is one of the ways in which we give worship to God, come to the help of the poor and strengthen family ties and the bonds of friendship. Fasting is a form of education, for it reveals to us our own weakness and opens us up to God, so that we may be open to others. Though the fast you observe has its own characteristics and discipline, fasting is a practice which is also common to Christianity and to other religions. This month provides a propitious moment therefore for us to remind ourselves of "the spiritual bonds which unite us", to use the words of Pope John Paul II.

2. The Year 2001 has been proclaimed by the United Nations as "The International Year of Dialogue between Civilizations". This gives an opportunity to reflect on the bases of dialogue, on its consequences and on the fruit which humanity may harvest from it. The dialogue of civilizations, the dialogue of cultures, the dialogue between religions, are nothing less than human encounters whose purpose is to build up a civilization of love and peace. We are all called to promote such dialogue according to its distinctive forms, as a way of bringing about appreciation of other cultures and religions.

3. All who are concerned with the education of youth are certainly conscious of the need of educating for dialogue. In accompanying young people along the highways of life, attention has to be given to the preparation required for living in a society marked by ethnic, cultural and religious plurality. Such education implies, first of all, that we broaden our vision to an ever wider horizon, become capable of looking beyond our own country, our own ethnic group, our own cultural tradition, so that we can see humanity as a single family in both its diversity and its common aspirations. This is education in the fundamental values of human dignity, peace, freedom and solidarity. It evokes the desire to know other people, to be able to share their sorrows and to understand their deepest feelings. Education for dialogue means nurturing the hope that conflict situations can be resolved through personal and collective commitment. Education for dialogue is not just for children and young people, it is also important for adults. For true dialogue is an ongoing process.

4. In October 1999 an inter-religious Assembly, "On the Eve of the Third Millennium. Collaboration among the Different Religions", brought together in the Vatican some 200 persons belonging to about 20 different religious traditions. 36 Muslims, from 21 different countries, were present and took an active part in the deliberations and in the writing of the Final Message. This Message confirms the importance of education for promoting understanding, cooperation and mutual respect. It lists some of the ways and means of carrying out this education: support for the family, assistance to young people in the formation of conscience, the provision of objective information about different religions especially in textbooks, respect of the mass media for the various religions, so that each one can recognize itself in the image projected.

5. The Final Report of the Assembly also referred to education as the key to promoting inter-religious harmony through respect for different religious traditions. Is it necessary to repeat what the participants said about education? That it is a process which enables one, above and beyond the knowledge of other religions, to come to an appreciation of others through real attentiveness and true respect. Is it not the noblest of arts to learn to respect and love truth, justice, peace and reconciliation?

6. Prayer and fasting dispose each one of us to fulfil our duties better, including that of educating the younger generations about the dialogue of civilizations and religions. May God assist us in achieving this aim in the best way possible. On the occasion of 'Id al-Fitr may He grant you the grace of serenity and prosperity, and bestow on you His abundant blessings. We are sure that God listens to the prayer which rises to Him from a sincere heart. For you, as for us, He is a Generous God.

Cardinal Francis Arinze President

Leading U.K. Travel Agents Experience "Absolutely Fabulous" Visit To Kenya!

'ABSOLUTELY fantastic' is how 56 key travel agents from the U.K. described Kenya after a week's visit here.

Interestingly enough some considered Kenya to be much better than the Caribbean and with more aggressive marketing would be attracting many more tourists here.

They left on a Monarch charter from Mombasa's Moi International Airport on Monday, December 18, after a 'most incredible' week with the word 'fantastic' repeatedly cropping up when recounting their personal experiences.

For most it was their first visit here and they departed unanimously declaring Kenya to be 'absolutely incredible'.

It was a great promotional effort on the part of Hayes and Jarvis/ Rhino Safaris in hosting this educational tour so as to give tourism to Kenya a much needed boost.

It will, undoubtedly, do just that, so long as more charter seats are made available for the next Summer Season which they will now be selling.

The agents stayed at, or inspected, hotels on the Kenya coast, also lodges in game parks featured in the Hayes and Jarvis worldwide brochure.

They said they had felt 'safe' wherever they went, enjoyed the food throughout, as well as the 'brilliant' weather.

They had seen an 'incredible' variety of wildlife while staying in some 'fantastic' game lodges and as far as the scenery was concerned 'it had been beyond expectation'.

Some spent two nights at the nearly 700-bed Whitesands Hotel, Bamburi, which on their last evening in Kenya hosted a Gala Dinner Party for them all.

It was preceded by a function in the 'Baraza Conference Centre' at which the Director of Tourism, Ministry of Tourism, Trade and Industry, Mr Clement Mwatsama, conveyed greetings from his Minister, Hon. Nicholas Biwott, and apologies from the Chairman of the Kenya Tourist Board, Mr Uhuru Kenyatta and Managing Director, Mrs Beatrice Buyi, who were unable to join them because of prior commitments.

'So' said the Director of Tourism 'I came to represent them' and received a big cheer.

He told these key travel agents 'from when I have heard you have had a very good overview of much of what Kenya has to offer tourists and I think you are going to be our very good ambassadors in the UK to sell not only Kenya but the properties of Sarova - our host here tonight'.

FREEDOM OF ASSOCIATION

He went on to explain that Kenya upholds the freedom of the individual, the press, freedom of association and worship 'but like countries anywhere in the world we are not immune from hiccups here and there'.

Adding 'we believe we give everybody the opportunity to express themselves in whatever way'.

Continuing he said 'Kenya is not only a hub for international airlines, but of international media houses.

The activities of neighbouring



Kenya's Director of Tourism, Mr Clement Mwatsama, was guest of honour at the gala Dinner hosted by Whitesands Hotel for 56 key travel-agents from the UK who had just completed an educational tour sponsored by Hayes and Jarvis/ Rhino Safaris. Mark Hopper (left) is seen with (second right) Alison Jared, both Hayes and Jarvis Business Development Managers from London. Secondnd left is Marion Anderson, Resort Manager, Rhino Safaris and on her right is the hotel's General Manager, Clive Harrington.

countries are reported with a Nairobi dateline, this unfortunately giving the impression to some that Kenya is always having problems or difficulties.

During our week in Kenya I think you have seen for yourselves there is peace and harmony here, and that our biggest asset is our people who are very friendly and welcoming'.

He concluded the main purpose of my being here is just to express solidarity with you and to say you have been following in the footsteps of royalty, aristocracy and celebrities who have been coming to Kenya over the years'.

He then invited 'any questions about Destination Kenya' and the chance to share with you my own, honest views and experiences as a Kenyan and as an Ambassador for Tourism to Kenya'.

There was a big ovation from travel agents for the Kenya Tourist Board's triumph at London's World Travel Market in November in winning first prize for its stand and thunderous applause as Alison Jared, a Hayes and Jarvis Business Development Manager from London, thanked everyone who had assisted in making this educational tour so successful.

They included hotels and lodges for hosting their visit, also Rhino Safaris 'our ground handlers in Kenya which have done a fantastic job for us, including Marion Anderson its Resort Manager and drivers - all of whom received a big cheer.

Said Mark Hopper, also a Hayes and Jarvis Business Development Manager from London.

'The object of this educational tour was to open your eyes to what Kenya can actually offer your clients.

'You now have first hand product knowledge with which to sell our holidays to Kenya and many of the people I have spoken to say they consider Kenya to be better than the Caribbean.

'Kenya not only offers beaches and natural game parks, but many other interesting activities for tourists'.

He told them that long-haul holidays are becoming more

popular with an increase of 17.5 per cent, while the Mediterranean short haul market had dropped by three per cent.

More and more people are travelling abroad and holiday programmes, one at least showing long-haul destinations, are going into millions of households on Internet on a weekly basis.

Many had been to Greece, Spain and to see Mickey Mouse in France - the next progression step being for them to travel long-haul.

He appealed to travel agents 'please make Hayes and Jarvis your first choice'.

'VICTORIAN ELEGANCE'

A visual presentation of the 'SAROVA WORLD' and its six properties in Kenya was given by its Group Marketing Manager, David Mama, which included not only Whitesands but the 'Victorian elegance' of 'The Stanley in Nairobi, now 98 years old and teeming with history.

Afterwards there were cocktails on the lawns outside followed by a candlelit Gala Dinner, with wine, in the hotel's

spacious Lido area with entertainment by the talented Hex Maranda on the keyboard and Susan, vocalist.

In one very popular song he was joined by many travel agents lustily singing and swaying to the rhythm at their tables.

Afterwards many went dancing in the hotel's air conditioned 'The Rhythms Night Club' and on returning to the rooms found a farewell gift from Hayes and Jarvis.

It was a soapstone carving attractively packed in a 'mini kikapu' and decorated with ribbons in the Hayes and Jarvis colours.

En-route to the airport the next morning for the return flight home, they were given a brief City Tour ending with a stop at the Akamba Handicraft Co-operative at for last minute gift and to see the expertise of these traditional Wakamba craftsmen much of their work being exported abroad.

Hotels and lodges at which these travel agents stayed included Mnarani Club, Kilifi, Serena Beach, Whitesand Shelly Beach, Southern Palm Beach Resort, Papillon Lago Reef and Lodges - Shimba Voyager at Tsavo, Kiliguru Serena and Hilton's Sattick.

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RICHARD Ainley asserted his supreme authority at Nyali when he successfully defended his Nyali Open crown last weekend with a commanding lead of ten shots, writes **OUTSIDE AGENCY**.

Nyali's Wachira Mahihu, last year's Runner Up had a disappointing tournament but did sufficient to take the 2000 Golfer of the Year title, his second in three years.

The final Kenya Golf Union's 'Golfer of the Year' event was for the second year in a row, most superlatively sponsored by The Neptune Group of Hotels and attracted a field of 69

Richard Ainley Asserts His Supremacy In Neptune Hotel's Nyali Golf Open 2000

amateur golfers from Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda and Zimbabwe with handicaps of 14 and under.

Thirty six holes were played on Saturday and the final round of 18 holes played on Sunday for an aggregate of 54 holes on a course primed to sort out the men from the boys and as if that

wasn't punitive enough, nature by way of the excruciating heat furnished further exasperation.

Wachira Mahihu, with the Golfer of the Year title safely tucked away under his belt whatever the result in the Nyali Open was the pre tournament favourite along with the defending champion Richard

Ainley and the 1999 Golfer of the Year, Ajay Shah of Vet Lab.

Wachira and Ajay have produced stirring golf this year as USA based Richard Ainley must have been aware.

Karen's Sunny Mangat and Eldoret's John Kisia too were potential winners and on form. Richard Ainley called the shots

from the word 'go' with level par 71 after the first round, two shots clear of Sunny Mangat and Thika's Frank Kaniaru.

Ajay Shah was three shots adrift from Richard B. Chandaria and John Kisia on 75, N. M. Ngugi on 77 and Wachira Mahihu's 78 was a blow for his hopes of formally being awarded the national title with his first Nyali Open win.

Richard maintained his command after the second round with three over 74 for an aggregate of 145 and a very comfortable eight shot lead from R. Charania, John Kisia, Ajay Shah and Sunny Mangat, all joint Runners Up on 153. It was really Richard's for the taking now.

A third round of level par 71 for a 54 hole aggregate of 216 ensured successful defence of the Nyali Open by Richard - a commanding ten shot lead over the Runner Up, John Kisia (75,78,73).

Frank Kaniaru was third on 228 (73, 82, 73) rendering Wachira Mahihu (78, 76, 74) to fourth position after countback.

Nyali's Mohamed Merali was the Overall Nett winner on 218 (77, 71, 70) and fellow member

Musa Odada was Runner Up on 221 (73, 72, 76).

N. M. Ngugi of Thika was third on nett 223 (71, 75, 77), counting out Nyali's Michael Hughes to fourth position (73, 73, 77).

The Individual Rounds Gross Prizes winners were Sunny Mangat (Round One - 73), R. Charania (Round Two - 74) and 13 year old plus one handicapper from Zimbabwe, Abbas Ali Mawji (Round Three - 73).

The Individual Rounds Nett Prizes winners were all claimed by Nyali members - Sony Kandhari (Round One - nett 70), Davis Muli (Round Two - nett 72) and Irfan Elias (Round Three - nett 71).

The Inter Club Trophy was retained by Nyali, thanks to the pair of Tresham Graham and Michael Hughes on an aggregate of nett 449.

The Runners Up were Nakuru courtesy of Steve Desouza and Richard Ainley with an aggregate of nett 457.

Moses Obonyo, the Captain of Nyali Golf and Country Club, was deservedly complimented by the Chairman of the Kenya Golf Union for the excellent organization by his very professional team.

The spirit of selfless commitment by such ardent members of the Club and the sublime golf course, acclaimed by many to be the finest in the country, will go a long way in establishing Nyali as a potential venue of major championships to be held in the country.

Captain Anita Weyn's Prize At Mombasa Golf Club Most Enjoyable Despite A "Small Entry"

ANITA Weyn, the Lady Captain of Mombasa Golf Club, hosted her Lady Captain's Prize last Saturday and the event proved to be most enjoyable despite a small entry.

The Ladies section of the Club, thanks to Anita and her team have distinguished themselves in their conduct both in golf and social activities in a Club that continues to be besieged with grievous inadequacies.

The diabolical state of the golf course for such an important fixture thanks to the failure of the dilapidated course machinery was ironic in itself considering the ladies recently made a generous donation of two lawn mowers.

The party, nevertheless, went on despite the inevitable frustrations on the golf course!

Jean Elms was the winner on 30 stableford points after

a very close countback from the Runner Up, Saida Samji, both scoring 16 points on the first nine and 14 points on the homeward nine.

Kiran Patel was third on 27 points and Sue Williamson, fourth with 22 points.

Pervis Barnsley won the First Nine prize on 13 points and Poonam Thapa was the Best Second Nine winner on 11 points.

THE DECEMBER KLGU Medal was played concurrently and this time the countback

rules worked for Saida Samji as she went on to win the Silver Division top spot on nett 76 and rendering Jean Elms to the Runner Up position on the same score.

Kiran Patel had the Best Gross score in the Silver Division of 90.

The Lady Captain won the Bronze Division on nett 78 and Sue Williamson was the Runner Up seven shots adrift.

Sue had the Best Gross score in the Bronze Division (106).

Golf News by POST ENTRY

NEATLY PLAYED Grand Slam contract is this week's hand.

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

NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
ONE HEART	PASS	TWO DIAMONDS	PASS
FOUR DIAMONDS	PASS	FOUR NO. TRUMPS	PASS
FIVE DIAMONDS	PASS	SEVEN DIAMONDS	PASS
PASS	PASS		

West led the King of Spades and declarer won his Ace, ruffed a Spade, crossed to the Knave of trumps and ruffed his third Spade.

He crossed back to a trump, drawing the opposing trumps and led two further round of trumps.

NORTH

♠	10			
♥	K	J	4	3
♦	K	10	7	4
♣	A	K	10	7

WEST

♠	K	Q	7	5
♥	9	7	5	2
♦	6	5		
♣	Q	J	8	

EAST

♠	J	8	6	4	3
♥	Q	10	8		
♦	3	2			
♣	9	6	5		

On the third round, West discarded his last Spade, dummy discarded a Club and East discarded a Spade.

On the fourth Diamond West let a Heart go.

Could not discard a Club from Queen - Jack - Eight after seeing Ace - King - Ten in dummy.

Dummy discarded Ten of Clubs and East discarded his last Spade. Declarer needed a third trick in Hearts.

Judging that both opponents now had three Hearts remaining, declarer cashed the Ace and King of Hearts and ruffed a third Heart.

With East's Queen appearing, dummy's last three cards - Ace - King of Club and Knave of Hearts - were winners.

SOUTH

♠	A	9	2		
♥	A	6			
♦	A	Q	J	9	8
♣	4	3	2		

Nine East African "Centres" Battle It Out For Top Honours In Lohana Sports And Cultural Festival

THE FOUR day exciting 27th Lohana Sports and Cultural Festival hosted by Mombasa Lohana Youth League, under the banner of Mombasa Lohana Mahajan will start this Saturday, December 23 and will end on Tuesday, December 26, as confirmed by the P.R.O. of the festival Subhash Modi.

The first festival was held in

Kisumu in 1974 with three centre participating and competing in three games.

The founder members of the festival are D. P. Mandavia, Subhash Modi and Jayant Badiani.

The festival has since then grown from strength to strength as currently nine centres from East Africa will battle out for the

honours in 12 different games to be played at different venues in Mombasa.

Akash Devani, the Festival Chairman and Prakash Kanani, the Festival Secretary General are confident of a great event since the organising committee has spent endless hours for this prestigious event.

Akash Devani's organising

team is made up of Keval Devani, Souvenir Magazine; Meera Nathwani, Accommodation; Sanjeev Khagram and Anand Bhagani, Sports Convenor; Rohit Devani, Golf; Sanjay Kotecha, Cricket; Ajesh Raithatha, team manager Volleyball; Neel Raithatha, Tennis; Sheetal Devani, Swimming; Ravi Budhev, Darts; Anand Bhagani, Snooker; Suryakant Bhagani, Table Tennis and Badminton; Toral Devani, Throwball; Prakash Kanani, Secretary General; Subhash Modi, P.R.O.; Vinod Dattani, Chairman Mombasa Lohana Community; Dr. Umaben Nathwani, Secretary Lohana Mahajan Mombasa; Indiraben Majithia, Secretary Mahila Mandal Mombasa.

Sporting venues will be Lohana Hall, Coast Gymkhana, Mombasa Sports Club, Visa Oshwal Pool Complex, Nyali Golf and Country Club, Mombasa Golf Club.

Programmes will also be held at Lohana Hall and Swaminarayan Academy.

Teams will be participating from Dar es Salaam, Mwanza, Nairobi, Nakuru, Eldoret/ Kericho, Kampala, Kisumu, Arusha, Tanga, Tabora, Shinyanga, Moshi, Kitale, Kakamega and Mombasa.



THE 27TH LOHANA Sports and Cultural Festival Organising Committee (Standing from left): Nitiksha Ria, Suchita Savani, Meera Nathwani, Toral Devani, Rakesh Devani, Nilesh Kotecha, Hareesh Palan, Snehal Karia. (Seated from left): Team Manager Ajesh Raithatha, Secretary Sheetal Devani, Chairman Akash Devani, Vice Chairman Sanjeev Khagram, and Treasurer Keval Devani.

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**BRIDGE
RESULT**

RESULTS of the Duplicate Bridge played at Mombasa Sports on Wednesday, December 13

Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Shah 90 points; D. Trivedi and P. Savla 84; Dr. Rawal and Harilal Dodhia 84; J. Babla and H. P. Shah 83; C. P. Shah and Mrs. Neembaben 74; S. K. Shah and Amu Shah 65; Dr. K. Vora and L. P. Gudka 58; Mr. and Mrs. Narendra Shah 57; P. Gandhi and T. Pujara 53.

RESULTS of the Monday Bridge played at Little Theatre Club on December 18.

Panu Savla and H. P. Shah 223 points; Mr and Mrs L. D. Shah 209; Marsh and Fay 207; R. Ruparelia and M. Sawani 204; Mr and Mrs. Rasik Shah 197; Mr and Mrs J. Babla 193; Shashi and Jiten 184; Mr and Mrs T. Pujara 180; Mr and Mrs D. D. Shah 177; Ram and Kirit 173; Mrs Vibha and Mrs Sarla 171; Harilal and Amu Shah 166; Mr and Mrs J. D. Dodhia 165; Mr and Mrs Ashok Shah 151; Mr. and Mrs. Narendra 130.

KRAZY KORNER

YOU CAN win a fabulous COASTWEEK tee-shirt! One free tee-shirt goes to the THREE lucky entrants drawn next week. Names to be printed in COASTWEEK on Friday, December 29, 2000. Please post your completed entries to COASTWEEK at P. O. Box 87270, Mombasa, KENYA.

.. IMPORTANT .. RULES AND REGULATIONS
Rule No. 1 - There are no Rules! (R. U. Krazy?)
Rule No. 2 - See Rule No. 1. (Yes - U. R. Krazy!)



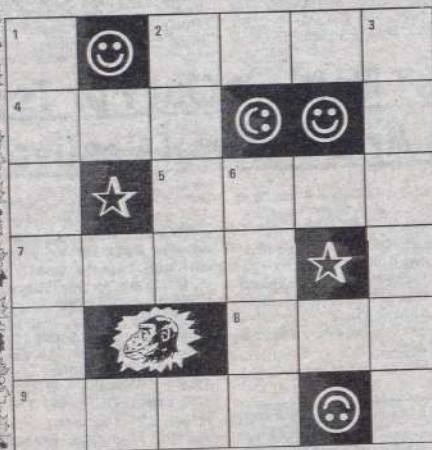
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AKOMBO



SADHAMINI
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WINNERS of Krazy Crossword Numbers 159 were MISHI AKOMBO and SADHAMINI WEERARATNA.

CROSSWORD NUMBER 161



CLUES ACROSS:

- (2) Not short? "A bit of saving goes a **** way" is what old people like to say? (4) Female egg?
- (5) The joint between your upper and lower leg?
- (7) It has deep roots, a long thick and woody stem, many branches and is full of leaves?
- (8) Comes after nine? Five plus five is this?
- (9) When something is finished it ****?

CLUES DOWN:

- (1) Glass container especially used for filling water, sodas or other liquids? (2) Large expanse of water - not salty but fresh? East Africa has the largest one in Africa? (3) What vegetables are usually called? Mummy always tells you to eat up your *****? (6) You can catch a lot of fish in this? They are also used to protect you from mosquitoes when you sleep?

LAST WEEK'S KRAZY CROSSWORD CLUES:

Across - CHUI, OMO, MAMA, BEAN, TRI, YETI
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Charles Muhangi Clinches Petro Fraternity Rally By Wide Margin

THE 1999 African Rally King, Charles Muhangi clinched Petro-Uganda sponsored Petro Fraternity Rally with a wide margin of 25 minutes ahead of his arch rival Satwant Singh who was driving a similar car, a Subaru Impreza Group A, writes DUSMAN A. OKEE IN KAMPALA

The 900 km. marathon rally that started in Mbarara, a town in Western Uganda, registered a total number of 19 drivers although three drivers did not start due to problems beyond their control, according to organisers.

The first four sections of the Petro rally were done in the villages of Mbarara and this is where the first batch of Ugandan drivers Dippu Ruparelia (Toyota Celica 185) and Wycliff Bukonya (Toyota Celica 168) were claimed, while two Rwandese drivers and a Burundian joined them later.

"Petro rally is proving to be one of the major challenges but I vow to complete it in a respectable position" said

Satwant Singh, the current African Rally champion.

Hundreds of fans donned in Petro colours thronged the rally route to cheer up their favourite drivers, especially the 1999 champion Charles Muhangi who was driving in his home area.

The height of the Petro rally in Uganda was at a village 83 km from Mbarara where mourners on a Pick Up abandoned a car they were travelling and opted to watch rally cars.

The event also featured the women crew of Nathalie Cox and S. Sylvia who were driving a Toyota Corolla at unbelievable speeds.

This was the second women crew to participate in the Uganda/Rwanda rallies after Kenya's Van Tongreen and Sarina Hussein.

Windsor Kigali

The event concluded at Windsor Umubano Hotel in Kigali with Muhangi taking a total lead after losing 4:54:34, Satwant Singh (Zambia) 5:20:30, Edmond

Kazingu (Rwanda) 5:39:53, Nathalie Cox (Rwanda) 5:40:54, Andrew Kimula 6:36:51 and Mitrose M. (Rwanda) 6:41:29.

At the prize giving ceremony Petro Uganda Operations Manager Ahmed Ladha thanked rally drivers and the organisers for what he called he successful event.

Ahmed said Petro was happy to be associated with motorsport which is increasingly becoming popular in the country.

"Petro is a people's company and it has come to make a difference.

"This is our first event and we are happy with the results so far.

"We are definitely going to continue to support the sport as well as other sporting disciplines" said the youthful Ahmed.

He appealed to motorists to always look out for Petro-Uganda signs in their respective districts and branch off for a new feel since Petro had come to stay.

Fidahusein To Represent Kenya In Kampala For Under 19 Cricket Tournery

EBRAHIM Fidahusein will represent Kenya as an official umpire in the forthcoming Under 19 cricket tournament to be held in Kampala, Uganda from January 3 to 10, 2001.

Ebrahim Fidahusein is the Vice Chairman of the Kenya Cricket Umpires and Scorers Association.

In another development, the Executive Committee of the KCUSA, recently approved to honour the following scorers and umpires with green and gold badges.

GREEN BADGE -

Lalji Bhudia, Sukhbans Singh, David Pamba, Kanu Patel, Himanshu Patel, Naran Hirani, Khuzema Bhaijee, Hitesh Gohil, Rahim Suleiman, Qayam Kassamali, Hasimukh Dawda.

GOLD BADGE -

Ebrahim Fidahusein, Lalji Bhudia, Abhijeet Sarkar, Amir Kassamali, Rocky D'Mello.

Members are honoured

annually by KCUSA.

The following members were nominated for life membership to be approved at the A.G.M. in April 2001:

Sunil Sarkar, Asaf Gulamhussein, Amir Kassam.



WALTER GRAF, the German cyclist is seen after his journey from Nairobi, which ended at the Forty Thieves on the South Coast.

GERMAN CYCLES AND RAISES FUNDS FOR DIANI ORPHANAGE

CHRISTINE Schneider and her daughter Janet have been coming to Kenya twice a year for some time, writes PATRICIA SCOTT.

They love Kenya, and in their interactions with local people, they have seen a lot of suffering.

They felt a desire to help in whatever way they could.

So back home in Hanover, Germany, in September 1999 they registered an official charity, so everything is legally correct and transparent with the use of monies collected.

"The first gift" says Christine,

who works for North German radio, "was to bring three computers for the Diani Children's Home.

"Now we are here again to organise the import of solar powered lamps which will save on electricity bills at the Home, as well as many small items for the children."

Recently Christine was contacted by Walter Graf through her web page.

He also loves Kenya and lives adventure.

So they put their energies and ideas together and came up with

the idea of Walter bicycling from Nairobi to Mombasa on sponsored trip of over 300 miles.

The Schneiders escorted him by car for security.

It took him five days and arrived at the South coast Sunday, midday at Forty Thieves where the annual Christmas F was being held.

He received a big round applause, a beer, and a swim in the sea!

All the money collected will be used to buy necessary items for newly built Diani Children's Home.



THE AGA KHAN Football team made an inaugural visit to Arusha, Tanzania recently, at the invitation of their hosts to play various sports including football, table tennis, badminton and volleyball. A total of 19 participants travelled by road to Arusha for this memorable event. Seen above in Arusha (back row, from left) are Aadi Samji, Karim Amershi, Adil Dahya, Safraz Khan, Altaf Teja, Captain Rahim Amir, Imran Kanji. (Front row, from left) Karim Nathoo, Irfan Karmal, Nadeem Khan, Zulfiqar Sadiq and Sameer Hanif. Rahim Khan, Raza Teja, Farzana Teja, Safraz Teja, Hussein Rajan, Taufique Dharshi and Imran Pirmohamed also travelled.



WINNER Of the Under 17 singles title, and runner up for the women's title Heeral Kanabar (left) receives her prize from Mrs. Zabeen Virjee, on behalf of the sponsors Mini Bakeries.



RACHEL GATHURE (left) winner of the women's title of the Mini Bakeries Aga Khan Open Table Tennis Championship receives her prize from CTTA Chairman Mariga Mwangi.



UGANDA'S Victor Mawanda, men's winner of the Mini Bakeries Aga Khan Open Table Tennis Championship receives his prize from the sponsor Mrs. Zabeen Virjee (right).



MEN'S DOUBLES winners of the Mini Bakeries Aga Khan Open Table Tennis Tournament Jishit Rajani (left) and Shyamal Asher (centre) receive their prize from Mrs. Zabeen Virjee of Mini Bakeries. Jishit was also the runner up in the Men's Final against Victor Mawanda.



CHAIRMAN OF the Uganda Table Tennis Association Chairman Elijah Zizinga (right) awards the prizes to the winners of the Boys under 14 doubles Jay Haria (left) and Neel Shah in the Mini Bakeries Aga Khan Open Table Tennis Tournament which was held last week.

Victor Mawanda Lifts Mini Bakeries Aga Khan 'Open Table Tennis' Title

VICTOR Mawanda of Uganda was crowned the new Mini Bakeries Aga Khan Open Table Tennis Championship when he beat Jishit Rajani 3-2 in a closely contested men's final.

With both players showing high calibre of the game, the entire final swung like a pendulum with scores (Victor Mawanda) showing 21-15, 12-21, 23-21, 11-21 and 14-21.

In the semi final, Mawanda beat his compatriot Ivan Ssentongo 21-15, 21-14, while Jishit upset second seed James Kayimbi, also from Uganda before stopping another Ugandan George Oboma (fourth seed) 18-21, 21-19, 21-19.

In the ladies event, Rachel Gathure beat Heeral Kanabar 3-2 in yet another heart stopping final. The scores, for Rachel were 21-15, 21-16, 17-21, 16-21, 21-17.

Men's doubles final saw a pair from Aga Khan Sports Centre of Jishit Rajani and Shyamal Asher beating Ugandans Ivan Ssentongo and George Kayimba 21-17, 18-21, 21-15.

In the mixed doubles, Heeral Kanabar paired with George

Oboma to beat Neel Shah and Mita Adatia on Round Robin basis.

In the junior category, Neel Shah won the boys under 17 singles beating Shymal Asher two sets to one.

Neel Shah and Jay-Haria paired up for the under 17 doubles to beat Amar Mehta and Kushit Vora two sets to one.

Neel and Jay who are the National Inter-School runners up, also clinched the boys under 14 doubles beating the pair of Shymal Asher and Hardick Modha 2-0.

In the girls under 17 singles, Heeral Kanabar, beat Mita Adatia 2-0.

In the under 14 boys finals Neel Shah beat Jay Haria two sets to none.

On his way to the finals, Neel beat Shymal Asher 2-1 in the semi finals, while Jay beat Hardick Modha 2-0.

In the girls under 14 singles Heeral Kanabar beat Mita Adatia 2-1 to clinch the title.

Mita later paired up with Priyal Shah in girls under 14 doubles to beat the pair of Heeral Kanabar

and Sonam Sanghavi 2-0.

In the boys under 12 singles Paras Shah clinched the title after beating Adnan Mukaram 2-0 and Mita Adatia won the girls under 12 singles beating Archana Kulkarni 2-0.

The tournament which brought nine players from Uganda and had 37 participants from Mombasa, was generously sponsored by Mini Bakeries Limited, who were represented at the prize giving by Mrs. Zabeen Virjee.

Also gracing the prize giving were Chairman Uganda Table Tennis Association Mr. Elijah Zizinga, Chairman Coast Table Tennis Association Mr. Mariga Mwangi, and Chairperson Aga Khan Sports Centre Mombasa Mrs. Anjum Asodia.

There were attractive prizes for all the deserving winners, while all the participants received complimentary T-shirts from Aga Khan Sports Centre for the tournament.

The tournament was very ably organised the Manager Aga Khan Sports Centre, Mombasa Samuel Mwema, and coaches Tom Amumi and Peter Mutuku who were given tokens of appreciation from Aga Khan Sports Centre.

Special Report By Correspondent

Cote D'Ivoire's Charles Irie Wins Pulsating Final Of International Tennis Tournament

THE WEEK long pulsating 18 under Tennis Tournament exclusively sponsored by International Tennis Federation (ITF) came to an end with exciting finals on Friday, writes **MUKUND YARDI**.

The boys single, which started after 10.00 a.m. under the scorching heat of Mombasa, had its both players from West Africa.

Although Henry Adjei-Darko (Ghana), world rank 110 and Charles Irie (Cote D'Ivoire), world rank 714 belonged to two neighbouring countries of West Africa the game did not reflect any soft stand on either of the players part.

Usually in a game of Tennis a tall player has a slight technical advantage over his opponent.

But such disadvantage vanished from the dictionary of Irie (Cote D'Ivoire) moment the first ball was served.

Henry Darko had no reply to exquisite low and powerful forehand of

Charles going barely few inches over the net.

Unfortunately there were handful of spectators to see the drama of classical tennis unfolding at the Mombasa Sports Club.

Finally Irie won hitting his favorite forehand cross-court from the edge of the base line after pulling Henry out of his safe position at the net.

Surely he deserved that long-standing ovation from the public stand.

On an interesting note both the players are from ITF/SATA training center, Pretoria, South Africa where many of Mombasa Sports Clubs junior players have been trained and couple of them are due to attend very soon next year.

Tsitsi Matsvibn

Although all Kenyan (Boys and Girls) lost in early rounds, it will not be a distant future when some of the Mombasa Sports Clubs Junior members will storm into one of these ITF under

18 tournament and romp home with that glittering gold medal.

In the Girl singles final the hot favorite Khady Berthe (Senegal) world rank 132, who was also seeded number one in this tournament had no difficulty in trashing her opponent Tsitsi Matsvibn (Zimbabwe), world rank 371.

Although Tsitsi tried hard to elevate her game by producing synchronized "Aha" with her every serve and shot, she had no match for lucid and powerful backhand strokes of Khady.

But Khady certainly looked drained and tired at the end of the match, as she openly confessed to one of the sports club official.

After the finals and glittering medal presentation ceremony, which was attended by the Mombasa Sports Club's chairman, Major Kelly and vice chairman Mr. Veloba, all the player were treated to mouth watering dinner.

During the official medal

presentation ceremony, Mr. Prince Madame, who is the ITF development officer for East Africa region, expressed is his satisfaction for holding the tournament at a short notice.

He was also optimistic about holding 18 under tournament, once again in Mombasa, sometime next year.

When quizzed about bringing back ATP money circuit to Mombasa once again in future he has requested the Club official to work out on long term strategy to allow ITF to hold more games and tournaments on regular basis.

With opening of these dialogues it is expected that the balance will tilt in favor of Mombasa, the past glory of Mombasa will be restored soon.

Tennis committee would like to thanks Hotel Sapphire for excellent accommodation and Pearly Water for donation of water during the tournament.

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P & O Gets Support From Australian Fan

KENYA'S former FIFA referee and football administrator Rtd. Major Suleiman Gharib has finally commented on the poor performance by our national soccer team Harambee Stars in international competitions.

Gharib, the major brain behind the formation of Coast's representatives in the national premier league, Coast Stars feels that he might be holding the solution to the crisis engulfing our national team Harambee Stars.

In a letter he sent to the Kenya Football Federation Gharib states that all the time, tried ways have failed because either "there has never been clear objectives or decisions by the national soccer governing body have never been wholly made-up fearing censors by the masses and we never learn from our past mistakes".

Commenting on the players, the

retired referee states that, "real professionalism is lacking in Kenya's soccer and this is



Soccer Scene with SERAJ MOHAMED

clearly evidenced in the players' attitudes when they place high demands and yet deliver peanuts".

Next week Insha Allah we shall put down some advisory statements Mr Gharib sees as his way forward to the success of Kenya's soccer.

P & O Nedlloyd FC are very grateful to their supporter Mr.

Siraj Mohammed who lives in Sydney Australia.

According to club chairman Salim Al-Guhum the supporter's encouragement through mail and media like Coastweek has partly contributed to the team's success.

Siraj donated a set of football uniforms when the team won the Coast Premier League last year.

Chairman Guhum revealed that plans have been finalized for the team to travel to Nakuru for the mini league to decide Nedlloyd's participation in next year's National Premier League.

Guhum confirmed that he has already finalized arrangements for the team's hotel in Nakuru and its practice venue.

RICHARD AINLEY WINS THE NEPTUNE NYALI GOLF OPEN



WINNER OF THE Neptune Hotels sponsored Nyali Golf Open, Richard Ainley (centre) receives his prize from Chairman Neptune Group of Hotels Amin Merali (left) as Captain Nyali Golf Club and Country Club Moses Obonyo looks on.

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Coast Cricket Development Announces Squad To Play Against Kenya Under 19

THE COAST Cricket Development Program has announced its final squad to play against the Kenya Under 19 team, writes VIVEK MEHTA.

Three 50 over games are planned to be played in Mombasa.

The venues are Mombasa Sports Club - December 28 and 30, Coast Gymkhana - December 29.

The team is made up of Amit Bhudia (MSC, r.h. bat and medium bowler); Amit Bij (MSC, l.h. spinner); Nikhil Rathod (MSC, r.h. opening bat); Neal Karia (MSC, r.h. medium bowler, r.h. bat); Aatish Chudasama (MSC, r.h. middle order bat); Vikit Kothari (MSC, r.h. medium bowler); Stewart Kayne (MSC, r.h. leg spinner, r.h. bat); Jay Kothari (MSC, wicket-keeper, r.h. bat); Mohamed

Al-Hirazi (MSC, r.h. bat); Zahirabbas Khaku (JSC, r.h. medium bowler, r.h. bat); Aliasger Abdulla (JSC, r.h. opening bat); Imran Naseer (JSC, r.h. bat); Murtaza Zeinulabidin (JSC, l.h. medium bowler); Kishore Sanghani (CG, r.h. spinner, r.h. bat); Lulu Patel (CG, r.h. medium bowler, l.h. bat); Yusuf Husein Alibhai (BSC, r.h. bat, second wicket-keeper).

It is after many years that young teams from Mombasa will compete against sides of their age group from Nairobi.

The last re-call of such competitive matches we have is from the 1970's.

During that period the Nairobi Combined Schools and the Coast Combined Schools would have an annual fixture.

The quality of cricket used to be very high and the rivalry generated would be fierce.

Good players like Shahid Mir, Abdul Rehman, Naguib Virjee, Pradeep Patel ('Chakacha'), Bharat Mehta, Upen Vora, Anup Chotali, Mohamed AP, Mohamed Kassamali, Mohamed Raza Karim, Asger 'Takaungu', Ebrahim Jaffer, Riaz Fazel, Bharat Sawjani, Piyush Sawjani, Iqbal 'Pataudi' Walji and many others passed through the Combined Schools system and went on to play some quality Cricket over the years.

This type of Cricket unfortunately fizzled out from the 1980's.

This series between the Kenya Under 19 side (which includes two Mombasa

boys) and our Coast Development Team should be the boost in the arm that Cricket needs both in Nairobi and in Mombasa.

The renewed interest in the game at the Coast Province should be a wake

up call and a lot more now be achieved by built on this.

Obviously the level of game has not yet peaked but the three game series should be interesting for fans of the game of Cricket.

D.T. Dobie wishes all our customers a happy Idd Mubarak & a very Merry Christmas.



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