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COURTESY

## Rural Access Road Project Gives New Hope For Kwale ...

IN THE semi-arid and poverty-stricken area of Kwale, there are signs of hope.

On Sunday, March 8, the Kwale Rural Support Programme (KRSP), a project of the Aga Khan Foundation, and the village of Chongongwe signed an historic Partnership Agreement.

The event was presided over by the Kwale District Officer One, Mr. Paul Merinyang.

The signing of this agreement, which will enable the village to build a much needed access road, marks an exciting venture which brings together the efforts of the villagers, KRSP and the government.

KRSP which started work in the district last year, aims to protect and enhance the livelihoods of people in Kwale.

The programme mobilizes communities in villages by creating awareness of the possibilities of group action in meeting age-old development obstacles.

In some villages, community members organize for better access to water, in others for improved agricultural productivity.

For the villagers of Chongongwe, the critical issue was a road.

The decision to build a road was made by the villagers themselves, after staff from the KRSP project team worked with them to help prioritize their many needs.

Currently, the village lies ten kilometers from the Nairobi-Mombasa Road.

The lack of a road connecting

the village to major transportation routes means that all villagers must travel this distance daily on foot to go to work or access basic services.

Many villagers in Chongongwe are fishermen who sell their goods to Mombasa hotels and restaurants.

But getting this product to the market can be costly in some months when the rains are heavy and transportation access is limited.

Often, much of the catch is wasted.

The access road which once existed has now turned into little more than a cattle track due to lack of maintenance.

Special Report By  
Correspondent

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## FORT JESUS FIESTA



MOMBASA MAYOR Coun. Najib Balala (centre) seen at the Fort Jesus party together with Minister for Home Affairs and National Heritage Hon. Shariff Nassir. Looking on (from left) are MCTA executive committee member Zul Harunani, Assistant Tourism Minister Hon. Tole Tofa Mugalla, Deputy Mayor Coun. Mwalimu Mwachima and Arab Association Mombasa Chairman Mohamed Zubeidy.

# Massive Support For Mayor Balala

MAYOR of Mombasa's 'Get Together Dinner' Party in the 405 year Old Fort Jesus made history by setting a new trend of a united multi-racial approach to solving problems in this town.

During the evening the Mayor, Najib Balala revealed that 'an Advisory Committee would soon be set-up' comprising representatives of all sectors of the community interested in improving the town to tell us what they want from the council".

He appealed for partnership so that we can provide the right services to the people.

Adding 'we cannot work in isolation.

It is only by working together with the private sector that we can achieve the necessary results.

There some 500 guests from all walks of life including Ministers, Asst. Ministers, MPs, members of the Mombasa Municipal Council and Consular Corps, community leaders, Chamber of Commerce, Stakeholders in Business and Tourism sectors, among them being many expatriates: all willing

to help. Also there was the new Mayor of Malindi, Gideon Mung'aro who like the Mayor of Mombasa, Najib Balala had been nominated by KANU as a member of their respective councils and thereafter unanimously elected Mayor.

Najib is the chairman of the Mombasa and Coast Tourist Association and Gideon Chairman of its Malindi Branch.

The Provincial Commissioner, coast was represented by his deputy, Hassan Haji. Guests enjoyed excellent cuisine the catering being in the hands of the Shehna Restaurant and cooked in situ, as well as the many thought provoking speeches all paying tribute to their host - the Mayor of Mombasa and his wife, Najah, the Mayoress.

Speakers called for a unified approach in solving problems so as to restore this historic town of Mombasa to her former glory and attractiveness.

The party opened with prayers being said by Maalim Matano and Bishop Kalu.

Said the latter 'we pray for God's blessing on the town of Mombasa and for a good working relationship between councillors and other elected leaders in the coast province to create a new vision and a clean town for all to enjoy'.

Special Report by  
NETA PEAL

## MALINDI MAYOR



PHOTO - MWAKINA MWASERU

ITALIAN HOTELIER Guilio Bergellini is seen while handing over a K. Shs. 500,000= donation of drugs to new Malindi Mayor Coun. Gideon Mung'aro. The drugs were a gift from Italian Rotary Clubs and will be used in the Malindi Municipal Clinic.

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**'La Semaine de la Francophonie'**

**Alliance 'Française de Mombasa' Organise 'French Week' At Coast**

From 14th March to 22nd March 1998, will take place 'La Semaine de la Francophonie' (French Week).

'La Francophonie' refers to all the people around the world speaking French and to the cultures associated to these people.

This French Week is a time to have a closer look at those different cultures.

For this occasion, various shows in French will be presented in Mombasa.

The Alliance Française de Mombasa has organized for two plays which have been shown in Nairobi and have encountered a great success to be played here in Mombasa.

On 14th March 1998, the Francophone Theatre Group of Nairobi will perform 'Le Pere Noel est une Ordure', a famous French comedy on how Christmas is not the happiest moment of the year for everyone.

On 20th March The Alliance Française de Nairobi French Club will present 'Le Procès des Innocents', a drama written and performed by Kenyan natives about the plight of street children.

Both those plays will be set at Aga Khan High School at 7.00 pm. Admission is free.

Finally on 18th March, Kashindi Solitaire, a Congolese singer will sing French songs from all famous francophone artists at Alliance Française de Mombasa starting from 6.00 pm.

For this last show, admission is free but there is a limited number of seats!

This week is a unique occasion for the French Speaking public of Mombasa to enjoy Shows in a familiar language.

For the others, it is an occasion of experiencing a different language and culture, it might also be for some of them an opportunity to review the basic principles of a language learnt in school and since then forgotten!

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DIANA KELLER, Head Girl at Seacrest Preparatory School, Diani, presents a Cheque to Mrs. Aisha Khan of the KSPCA.

**Seacrest Students Aid KSPCA Coast Projects**

SEACREST PREPARATORY School, though only in its second term as a school, is already establishing itself as an excellent fund raiser for charities.

Their Christmas Carol Concert raised over Kshs. 14,000 for the Diani Children's Village and now their school fete has raised Kshs. 30,196 for the KSPCA.

The children worked extremely hard preparing for the fete, producing all manner of art and craft materials to sell, from tie dye clothes and balloons to beautiful hand printed cards and cuddly animals for little children.

There were a good number of fun games to test your skills, from traditional ones like the coconut shy and crazy golf to more original ones, like pulling specially designed fish out of a bowl with a magnet, which were invented by the children themselves.

Mothers excelled themselves in cooking cakes so delicious that there wasn't one left at the cake stall by the end of the afternoon, and the bric-a-brac stall did a roaring trade the most amazing collection of items;

second-hand goodies that people had decided they did not want any more, but to others they were a welcome addition to the home.

Hotels and local businesses generously gave prizes for the tombola, which was as popular as ever, producing more smiles than groans during the afternoon.

In fact smiles were the order of the day. All the children in the school, even the very youngest, helped out in some way and their happy enthusiasm was evident for all to see.

The Headmaster, Douglas

Arnold, said, "Treating each child as an individual and finding the time for his or her needs, is one of our prime aims."

"It makes for a happy school and from that springs so much more, as you can see this afternoon."

The KSPCA's own stall, run by Mrs. Aisha Khan, took a further Kshs. 8,000, so it was an extremely worthwhile afternoon for the animals.

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Dr. ROGER DEHAVEN

LIGHTHOUSE FOR Christ Eye Centre, located on Abdul Nasser Road in Mombasa, announces the arrival of Board Member C. Roger DeHaven, M.D. from Tyler, Texas, USA on March 30, and staying until April 10.

Dr. DeHaven, who has performed well over 20,000 "Phaco" cataract procedures is donating his services to raise funds to provide care for the less fortunate and for the extensive Lighthouse Coast Province free eye camps.

He will be performing phaco-emulsification techniques, similar to those currently in use in the USA, for patients who would otherwise travel overseas to receive the benefits of this procedure.

Phaco emulsification uses an ultrasonically driven needle to fragment the lens into tiny particles which then can be sucked out of the eye through a very small incision.

A smaller incision than conventional cataract surgery allows faster recovery time, added safety, and less chance of the need of glasses for astigmatism after the surgery.

Dr. DeHaven will have time to perform about thirty procedures while on his visit. If interested call 226179 or 220018 in Mombasa.

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BARCLAYS BANK Kenya Limited have donated K. Shs. 50,000/= towards purchasing of medicines for the Lions Eye and Blood Centre, Mombasa. Barclays representative Mrs Manju Mohamadal is seen handing over the cheque to Lions Club of Mombasa Pwani chairman Murtaza Dunderwalla. Looking on (from left) are Lions Regional Chairman Ravi Magon and Club secretary Inderjeet Singh Main.

**Best Bargains At 'Exhibition -cum-Sale' At Ratna Square**

DON'T MISS 'Exhibition-cum-Sale' at Ratna Square from March 13 - 16, 1998 - *El-Niño* strikes again!

Many tourist oriented businesses in town have started to feel the effect. Chiquita's Ltd. Situated opposite Castle, under Bullion Bank and next to Giro Bank has finally decided to switch over from tourist trade into SUPER MARKET.

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There is a genuine discount of 35 per cent on already competitively marked prices. Also on Sale is their exclusive collection of Sarara, Chania Choli, Salwar Kameez etc. at a greatly reduced price.

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# Kilifi Roads will improve Thanks To German Federal Technical Emergency Relief Service

WHENEVER I have been in Africa I have never seen such hard-working people around as in Kilifi.

This praise came from Basil al Naqib, Project Manager (International) of the German Federal Technical Emergency Relief Services which is presently establishing a base in Nairobi from which to offer assistance emergency situations all over Africa.

Explained Mr. al Naqib, in an interview at the Coast 'we are discussing the modalities of our base in Nairobi when El-Nino struck flooding many parts of the country.

The German government offered help by giving us a project here to repair sections of badly deteriorated roads in the Kilifi area.

This is joint venture between THW and the Ministry for Public Works and we are presently working on the road between Kilifi and Vitiengen.

We have also carried out an assessment mission for UNHCR to repair, in a very quick way the road between Garissa and Dadaab.

No one could be more delighted by this emergency help than the District Roads Officer, Kilifi, Ahmad Abdulrahman.

He said 'we are very lucky to get this THW team and are working together.

We have started on the road between Kilifi, Ganze and Bamba, also the one from Kilifi to Vitiengen up to Murochakwe. They were washed away and no vehicle could travel between Kilifi, Ganze and Bamba.

Although we are still repairing the worst sections vehi-cles can pass again.

The people of the area are delighted.

About fifty labourers have been involved on this work since February 23.

Referring to criticism that roads in Kenya have not been properly maintained Mr. al Naqib pointed out that 'engineers cannot do their work if there is no money for maintenance'.

He said 'at Kilifi we found the engineers to be very good and the people very hard-working'.

This particular THW team, all smartly attired in light blue uniforms bearing the THW badge, has worked in several countries in Africa to help in emergencies.

They were in Somalia in 1993 rebuilding and repairing water systems in Mogadiscio and doing



BUNDESANSTALT TECHNISCHES HILFSWERK team leader V. Huls (front) seen at the Severin Sea Lodge base head quarters together with project manager Basil al Naqib, road and construction engineer Thomas Hartmann, mechanical engineer William Floss and civil engineer Olivier Pottgiesser. Looking on is Kilifi District Roads Officer Ahmed Abdulrahman.

the same at Afgooj as well as rehabilitating a hospital there.

Because of fighting again breaking out they left Mogadiscio for the North East Region of Somalia there rehabilitating water systems and building new ones in an area covering some 50,000 sq. metres.

Afterwards they were in Djibouti rehabili-tating schools with particular emphasis on sanitation following an outbreak of cholera there.

The next project was in Zaire to help camps coping with a big influx of refugees from

Rwanda. Working with a 70-strong team and about 600 metric tonnes of equipment (i.e. trucks), they established water treatment systems - a mobile one producing about three million litres of drinking water a day.

They were in Zaire for nine months which ended with a building of new water system for the town of Goma - producing some 450 cubic metres of drinking water an hour.

They then moved to Tanzania to assist the United Nations High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR) to improve water systems in refugee camps as well as undertaking some assessment missions.

However, said Mr. al Naqib 'when we wanted to start work the refugees were returning to

Rwanda, so we also went there to provide water and rebuild water systems.

In fact, they were repairing water systems and building new ones all over Rwanda, which included children's camps.

'After Rwanda' said Mr. al Naqib 'we sent our equipment back to Kenya and started discussing with the Kenya government the possibility of establishing a base in Nairobi where the infrastructure, particularly communications, is good thus saving a lot of travelling to and fro from Germany'.

He went on 'the contract to establish a base was signed on February 6 making it possible for THW, as a government organisation, to operate emergency missions from Kenya.

He explained 'we are working for the German government, but also carry out programmes for donors.'

In Germany, THW is requested in many cases of emergency - particularly when its equipment and the special skills of its members are needed for assistance in local or regional emergencies.

The Federal Government has frequently ordered THW to provide international assistance in crisis situations such as earthquakes,

flooding, drought and refugee emergencies.

In general these operations are integrated into plans of action of the European Union or United Nations.

So far, THW has carried out hundreds of missions abroad, many of them in Africa.

It is a big organisation with some 60,000 'volunteers' - all professionals in their respective fields.

Some of the special types of assistance they provide include rescue and salvage, debris clearance, electric supply, pumping and sewage, temporary bridge construction, general infrastructure, water supply and treatment, also oil pollution.

Others in the THW team on the Kenya Coast are V. Huls, Head of the Mombasa Project; Thomas Hartmann, Road and Construction Engineer; William Floss, mechanic for the repair of the machines and Oliver Pottgiesser, civil engineer.

THW enjoys considerable experience in Africa, particularly in the establishment and repair of water systems.

Mombasa is facing a water crisis and perhaps the Kenya National Water Pipeline Board might like to meet and discuss their problems with them while they are here ?

Life is A Laugh!

"Why do they call it 'Take Home Pay'. It only goes as far as the bar."

"I read your book 'No Riches Without Risk'."

"You haven't come home in one of your silly moods again, have you ?"

"Remember it's your first date, love. - play a bit hard to get."

"I saw you staring at her legs."

"It says 'Ladies Cloakroom' !"

"Is this the boss you asked me to flirt with, dear ?"

"The 24th ? Wasn't that the night you picked me up at the Florida Nightclub ?"

"If your kleptomania gets any worse, come and see me again."

## Special Report by NETA PEAL

## MUSLIM YOUTH



PHOTO - MWAKINA MWASERU

TAWFIQ MUSLIM Youth Brotherhood chairman Amhed Aboud Hadi is seen briefing Guest of Honour Assistant Minister for Natural Resources Hon. Fahmi Yasin Twaha (centre) while launching a one-week 'Free Eye Camp' organised at Malindi Tawfiq Muslim Hospital by Al-Basra and Ibrahim A. Ibrahim Foundation and Tawfiq Muslim Youth. Looking on is project manager Dr. Sharq Masoud. More than 80 patients suffering from eye cataract problems underwent operation or received treatment.

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THE FILM YOU have all been waiting for on the film circuit is finally here - Yash Chopra's musical hit *Dil To Pagal Hai* with Shah Rukh Khan, Madhuri Dixit and Karishma Kapoor at the LOTUS CINEMA starting today.

Patrons please note that tonight's show is the Charity Premiere organised by Shree Rajput Dhobi Samaj Youth League.

Normal showings will be held on Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

Three individuals, totally different from each other get

# Musical Hit You have Been Waiting For

their lives entwined.

Rahul who does not believe in love or marriage for that matter.

Pooja, who feels that when God creates a person, his or her life partner is made at the same time in union.

Nisha, who wants friendship to develop into love and wants to see her dream of having Rahul fall in love with her become a reality.

Akshay Kumar has a very

small guest role in the film.

Shah Rukh Khan proves his versatility in any role given to him with utmost ease.

Karishma Kapoor looks very good on screen and has definitely improved in her acting capabilities.

Madhuri is excellent as usual but looks a bit on the heavy side next to the extra slim Karishma.

Her 'excess baggage' in no way stops her from carrying out any of the heavy dance steps in the entire film and she gives Karishma a good run for her money, step for step.

This film was nominated for the recent Filmfare Awards (the Bollywood equivalent of the Oscar) in almost all the categories.

It ended up scooping majority of the awards including Best Actor, Best Actress, and Best Supporting Actress.

come together again after a very long time, probably trying to cool off the rumours of their real life affair.

Another recent release, *Shashtra* can be seen on Saturday with Sunil Shetty, Danny Denzongpa, Anjali and Anupam Kher.

Akshay Khanna is *Himalay Putra* on Sunday with Anjali and Hema Malini.

The rest of the week is dedicated to Sunil Shetty releases beginning with Akshay Kumar, Karishma Kapoor and Sonali Bendre in *Sapoot* on Monday.

He is the unbeatable *Krishna* on Tuesday Karishma Kapoor and reverts to being a *Mohra* (pawn) on Wednesday with Akshay Kumar, Raveena Tandon and Naseeruddin Shah in *Rajiv Rai's* hit film.

Madhuri's quip to her younger detractors who have been giving her loud signals that it is high time she quit as she is now not in demand, spoke volumes.

Going by her recent successes, she is here to stay for quite a while.

James Bond carries on for the second great week at the LOTUS CINEMA in *Tomorrow Never Dies*.

The Biggest, Boldest Bond of them all and should not be missed for anything!

At the KENYA CINEMA in the meanwhile, is variety week time starting today with *Mahanta* starring Sanjay Dutt and Madhuri Dixit.

Sanjay and Madhuri have



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A dynamic and charming personality is going to dominate all your affairs for some time. Associates will come forward with help and co-operation.

**\* ARIES** March 22 - April 21  
The unsettled atmosphere slowly recedes into the background and you regain your confidence. First clear up all domestic issues so that you can concentrate on your work.

**\* TAURUS** April 22 - May 21  
A challenging period no doubt, all the same your success is assured. Group activities blossom and you will be able to occupy a rare position within a week or two.

**\* GEMINI** May 22 - June 21  
While moving about in public, be pleasant and well turned out so that you make an impact. Favourable events career prospects. Look forward to co-operation from colleagues.

**\* CANCER** June 22 - July 21  
Forget the past and look optimistically towards the future. Build up new friendships and alliances for improving career prospects. Look forward to co-operation from colleagues.

**\* LEO** July 22 - August 21  
Plan future moves and keep a trump card up your sleeve. Mental as well as physical fatigue and weakness may force you to rest. Utilise this leisure to review the past.

**\* VIRGO** Aug 22 - Sept 21  
Your spouse as well as your partners are in a mood to help your cause. Social and political workers must take an accommodative attitude. Inspiration comes from friends.

**\* LIBRA** Sept 22 - Oct 21  
The main hurdles and obstacles will be cleared and you can plan a big step forward. The time to make a courageous and enterprising bid to attract attention and win support.

**\* SCORPIO** Oct 22 - Nov 21  
Monday onwards better luck will be in sight. Financial as well as domestic problems are solved quickly. A little publicity will help catch profitable business proposals.

**\* SAGITTARIUS** Nov 22 - Dec 21  
Go after old dues on Sunday and Monday. Attend to personal matters on Friday. A small investment in agricultural pursuits will be in order. Give your home a spring cleaning.

**\* CAPRICORN** Dec 22 - Jan 21  
Your work will be duly appreciated and all your future proposals will be approved. Business will go on with a swing till Tuesday. The last three days are good.

**\* AQUARIUS** Jan 22 - Feb 21  
"Strike while the iron is hot" should be your policy this week. Sunday brings good news which opens up new business avenues. Make full use of them on Monday.

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## 'Monster Madness' At L.T.C.

AFTER A rather long and quiet period at the Little Theatre Club, it is once again the youngsters who are set to get the ball rolling, writes *THE SPIAN*.

The drama students of Shilpa Shah will be presenting *Monster Madness*, a spooky comedy for kids!

Shilpa, a former teacher of the Aga Khan Junior Academy and now a teacher at Tiny Tots is the mastermind behind this 'madness'.

She started weekly drama classes at the Club in September 1997 and as promised is giving her students the wonderful opportunity of performing on stage.

Shilpa is no stranger to the Club having taken the role of Juliet in Liz Jada's production of *Romeo and Juliet* and also the role of the mother in Kuldip Sondhi's BBC award winning play *Beach Access*.

*Monster Madness* is a musical and haunting play in two acts.

As the play opens we find that the evil genius Dr. Frankenstein (*Sameer Asodia*) has called a meeting of the world's greatest monsters and freaks to find out why no one finds them frightening anymore.

To the monster's embarrassment instead of the humans being scared they have actually started laughing at them!

The problem is solved when a group of teenagers arrive unexpectedly at the meeting.

To everyone's delight the monsters are soon back in their business of frightening people!

### Count Dracula

The role of Count Dracula is taken by a very talented young lady named *Sonia Chandaria*.

Sonia has taken part in many of *Jean Koch's* ballets, most memorable being her portrayal of the nutcracker in *The Nutcracker* and *Tiger Lily* in *Peter Pan*.

This child bubbles with confidence and obviously loves being on stage.

It will be interesting to see her in a speaking role.

Also taking part are *Aatifa Khan* as *Vampira* who just 'wants to be alone' and her little sister *Ramila* who plays the youngest witch.

Providing the musical accompaniment is *Augustus Mull* the music teacher from Coast Academy.

This spooky comedy is suitable for both young and old but to cater for the youngsters in the audience the 'haunting' will begin at 7.00 p.m. and end at about 8.15 p.m.

The show dates are Thursday, March 19 and Friday March 20, 1998.

Be sure to come along and support our young thespians.



## KENYA CINEMA

### NOW SHOWING

Friday (Today) at 6.00 & 9.00 pm  
**MAHANTA**  
\*ing: Sanjay Dutt, Madhuri Dixit  
General Exhibition

SUNIL SHETTY'S ACTION PACKED FILM FESTIVAL  
Saturday at 2.45, 6.00 & 9.00 pm  
**SHASTRA**  
\*ing: Sunil Shetty, Anjali, Danny, Anupam Kher  
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Sunday at 2.45, 6.00 & 9.00 pm  
**HIMALIYA PUTRA**  
\*ing: Akshay Khanna, Anjali, Hema Malini  
(General Exhibition)

Monday at 6.00 & 9.00 pm  
**SAPOOT**  
\*ing: Sunil Shetty, Akshay Kumar, Karishma Kapoor, Sonali Bendre

Tuesday at 6.00 & 9.00 pm  
**KRISHNA**  
\*ing: Sunil Shetty, Karishma Kapoor  
(General Exhibition)

Wednesday at 6.00 & 9.00 pm  
**MOHRA**  
\*ing: Sunil Shetty, Akshay Kumar, Raveena Tandon  
(Unsuitable Under 10)

Thursday at 6.00 & 9.00 pm  
**GOPI KISHEN**  
\*ing: Sunil Shetty, Karishma Kapoor, Shilpa  
(General Exhibition)

## 'KENSEC' SPEAKING SUCCESS



*MICHELLE SILVEIRA* *NADEEM ANJARWALLA* *ZAHRA WALLI*  
SOME of the Kensec students who successfully participated in the Verse Speaking Competition held recently at the Nairobi Academy are seen above. Naadeem Anjarwalla came first in the Under 12 Age Group, Zahra Walli third in the Under 16 Age Group and Michelle Silveira was also third in the under 18 Age Group.

# 'Massive Support' For Mayor Balala

## FROM FRONT PAGE

There was a positive response from the guests by way of thunderous applause to the Mayor of Mombasa's plea for the support of everyone 'in making my dream of restoring Mombasa's past glory become reality'.

He declared 'I want not only to celebrate here tonight, but to make history.'

A wind of change is now blowing in Mombasa.

I want it to be a constructive one bringing about joint effort with the people of the town.

I want to be a Mayor of the people. Today the image of Mombasa is tarnished with potholed roads and mounds of garbage.

It used to be a town of which all could be proud, now it is a shame to us all.

I have the support of my Councillors and staff and, thank God, I also have the support of the people of Mombasa as well as of the President and Government.

We want to see action after analysing the roots of our problems and finding solutions.

We did not want a cosmetic change, but a permanent one for the better.

The Mayor went on 'I and my councillors have virtually agreed to establish a Mombasa Beautification Fund to which all can contribute towards the improvement of the town so it can achieve City Status'.

A start has been made on the improvements to the town.

Hawkers have been moved from the road to Moi International Airport and trees are being planted there, one by the Minister for Local Authorities, Mr. Sam Ongeri.

We want the business community to help by painting their buildings, cleaning their pavements and making prompt payments to the council so it can provide a good service.

He concluded we want to become economically strong and we should work together and fight for it.

We must approach our friends and neighbours and ask for assistance as well as donor aid'.

The Master of Ceremonies was Z. K. Nderu, an executive member of MCTA.

Speaking on behalf of the tourist industry, Kuldid Sondhi, Managing Director, Reef Hotels group who has played a leading role in bringing together stakeholders to try and save the industry from virtual collapse, said 'it is significant that this party should take place in Fort Jesus - the scene of so many important events in the history of

our 1000 years old town - Mombasa - which I believe was founded in AD 1000.

This town and its fort has seen many victories, defeats and renewals.

This I would say is one of those days which will be remembered as a watershed in the history of the town.

We are today witnessing a renewal with a young and handsome Mayor to lead us into the new century'.

Mr. Sondhi went on 'let us understand where we stand.

This town of ours, in the period of our history, is standing on two pillars - tourism and the port.

One is now shaking in its very foundations'.

## GOVERNMENT

Said Mr. Sondhi 'I should imagine that all here today are in one way or another connected to tourism'.

He continued 'I would appeal to government representatives here to ensure that our young Mayor, as he sets forth, is given all the assistance he needs to overcome the problems he faces.

Amid applause he told the Mayor: 'Najib be assured we stand with you. We are proud of you and wish you every success'.

Deputy Provincial Commissioner, Coast, Hassan Haji, speaking on behalf of the PC, wished the new Mayor all the best in your onerous task in restoring the past glory to this town'.

Adding 'I can assure you of the support of our office and other civil servants in Mombasa and the coast province generally'.

In congratulating Najib Balala on his election as Mayor he said 'I think everyone was supporting you because of the knowledge and expectation that you can deliver the goods'.

In a word to guests, the Deputy

PC said 'the Mayor alone cannot achieve this without the support and goodwill of each one of you here'.

Declared an Assistant Minister for tourism, Tola Kofa Mugalla 'I wish to assure the Mayor that the Ministry of Tourism will do all it can to support his endeavours'.

Mombasa is a collective responsibility.

It is beyond the strength of any one single individual, we must also add our entrepreneurial services'.

Said the Minister for Home Affairs, National Heritage, Cultures and Social Services, Shariff Nassir Taib 'we have a very big

environmentally sustainable town.

I am very proud that the Minister for Home Affairs, Shariff Nassir Taib, and other distinguished guests, are here to join us in this grand march'.

Councillor Ubwa Tifu took the opportunity of assuring all present that the new council will deliver goods in the way of services expected of it.

Continuing he said 'In the past Mombasa was a gem, now it is filthy and stinking.

At that time the population was 25,000 today it is 850,000.

To clean this town and enhance its image is a collective responsibility'.

Said Hon. Kajembe, a member of Parliament can assure the Mayor that we will give him our support and it is our expectation he will do well for the betterment of this town'.

He spoke of the problems the Mayor has inherited - land grabbing, mountains of garbage, potholed roads and many others.

Declared the MP 'the council has a duty to stop this grabbing of land'.

He told the Mayor 'you have our support, but it is up to you to do some PR, especially with central government for nothing can be done as far as town planning is concerned if the council has no money.

To improve the situation you must collect more revenue.

Mr. Kajembe said he had been a councillor for fifteen years, ten years as chairman of Town Planning and Highways, then chairman of the Finance Committee.

He told guests 'we want improvement and as members of parliament will support this council'.

Referring to Najib's chairmanship of MCTA which he said 'has been carried out with zeal and enthusiasm' the MP advised him 'work closely with your Ministry and things will work out, for there is nothing the council can achieve if there is no money'.

He mentioned that in tea and coffee growing areas local authorities enjoy a cases.

He asked 'what cess is the Mombasa Municipality enjoying - nothing'.

Let us join hands with others leaders in government to ensure



MAYOR NAJIB BALALA (right) seen during the Fort Jesus party together with Malindi Mayor Gideon Mung'aro, MCTA official Zul Harunani and eight-year-old Mayor's son Nabil.

He went on to assure stakeholders and others in the tourism industry that this Ministry is doing its best to see that things become what they were before.

Added an Asst. Minister for Local Authorities, Jembe Mwakalu 'peaceful co-existence is what national building is all about.

Mombasa has the potential to set the best example for the rest of East Africa in terms of what can be achieved when a municipality of cultures come together to focus on a common cause.

Let us rally behind the leadership that has been created by us.

He went on 'the future of

job to do to bring Mombasa up to a standard to achieve city status.

He said 'fellow Kenyans we have a job to do not only to look for mistakes but to find ways of improving our country, our economy and the cleanliness of Mombasa.

The New Mayor has a very big job to do and his success depends very much on his councillors and you for help.

Let us together make Mombasa a much better place in which to live'.

Declared Mr. Z. K. Nderu: 'this is the beginning of a grand march towards a better and

# Rural Access Project Gives New Hope For Kwale Road

## FROM FRONT PAGE

The normal response of many rural communities in Kenya is to wait for the government to repair the road.

However, with the assistance of KRSP, the villagers soon began to believe that they themselves could take the initiative to bring about a better

road.

The villagers themselves have gone to the District Works Engineer to find out what is possible, look at the original road design drawings and make plans for the new access route.

In addition, the villagers will contribute both financially and in-kind towards the building of the road.

Local government agencies will provide the machinery and on-the-ground technical assistance.

KRSP will provide a grant for materials and fuel for machinery. The role of KRSP is also to help the villagers set up a transparent Village Development Committee and provide training in financial management.

The project is funded by the Department for International Development (DFID) and the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA).

## PARTNERSHIP

At the signing ceremony on Sunday, the District Officer, Mr. Paul Merinyang, urged the community to continue with their hard work and initiative.

He also congratulated the community, saying that Chongwe Village should serve as a living example for other rural communities.

KRSP Programme Director, Mr. Mwambi Mwasaru, explained that this is the first partnership of many being forged in the programme areas comprising

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that we get revenue from the port and tourist industries for the betterment of our town'.

Speaking on behalf of the 'whole business community of Mombasa, Mohamed Zubeidy, chairman of the Arab Association, Mombasa said 'we wish to thank the President for appointing Shariff Nassir Taib as Minister for Home Affairs and we wish him the best of luck.

## GOVERNMENT

I would also like to congratulate our new Mayor.

Declared Mr. Zubeidy 'it is my personal view that we could not have a better council to bring about improvements to the town and I would appeal to the business community the professionals and everyone in Mombasa to cooperate and help.

Also addressing guests was Dr. Odhiambo, representing the medical fraternity at Mombasa.

He described the Mayor as 'a Man with Vision'.

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CHAMPAGNE BREAKFAST prepared by executive chef Max Goetz at Jadini Beach Hotel for Horst and Uschi Nath back with Alliance Hotels on their 27th holiday visit!

## A Warm Coast Welcome For Horst And Uschi Nath from Neumunster

THERE WERE Red Roses at Moi International Airport and a champagne welcome at Jadini Beach Hotel for 'repeat' guests Horst and Uschi Nath from

Neumunster, Germany, back on their 27th vacation there.

They always look forward to the warm welcome they receive, but this time were completely

overwhelmed.

They happily responded with hugs and kisses all round - management and staff as well as their great friends from Germany and Switzerland, who like Horst and Uschi regard Jadini as their 'secondhome' and keep returning again and again.

All look forwards to another enjoyable vacation together again.

At a champagne reception on their arrival after they were garlanded with sweet smelling frangipani, glasses were raised by all in a toast to Horst and Uschi when joining Timothy Kagambi, Group Operation Manager, Alliance Hotels, in wishing them their happiest ever vacation at Jadini.

At the hotel they are popularly known as 'Grandfather and Grandmother Nath' (so christened by an adoring staff!).

They take two vacations a years at Jadini, both of six weeks duration.

### MAGNIFICENT

Horst is a retired builder and asked why they keep returning to Jadini said 'we like everything here' as their friends again for fun in the sun!

Horst also mentioned that if it became dangerous here 'our good friend Godfrey Ikanda, Executive Aset. Manager would be the first to warn us'.

A very convivial champagne breakfast followed a magnificently floral decorated table for Horst, Uschi and their friends.

It was a welcome that Horst and Uschi will always remember and a great start to another fabulous vacation at their second home - Jadini. They were surprised to find at the airport very early in the morning Fatma Fakhri, Guest Relations Manager, Jadini/ African with a huge bouquet of red roses to welcome them back to Kenya.

## BIG ACHIEVEMENT WITH LIMITED FUNDS BY THE COAST CEREBRAL PALSY FOUNDATION

CEREBRAL PALSY Centre - caters for the needs of children who have Cerebral Palsy and associated non-progressive neurological and motor disorders as well as other handicaps such as hearing impairment and learning difficulties due to mild moderate brain damage.

The main aim of the centre is to make children independent and train them in holistic ways educationally socially psychologically and emotionally so that they are either integrated into normal schools or can lead a meaningful independent life.

The centre was established modestly in 1993 and has grown since then to become one of its only kind within Coast Province Kenya.

This growth has been possible with the assistance from donors well wishers and fund raising activities.

It is managed by a board of Trustees - namely under CEREBRAL PALSY FOUN-

DATION - who are responsible for the growth and implementation of the Centre's philosophy through appropriate programmes.

Facilities provided are physiotherapy, speech therapy and specific tuition for children with learning difficulties as well as a hearing clinic with the most modern equipment.

The are full time as well as therapy classes for those children who are integrated in normal school are attending special therapy sessions.

### COUNSELLING

Apart from the above the centre also provides assessment guidance and counselling sessions to the public.

The hearing clinic provides up to date hearing assessment and appropriate advice for medical referral, school placements and dispensing of appropriate aids.

Seminars and workshops for teachers in normal primary schools and nursery schools are regularly held to propagate early identification Assessment and remediation of children with learning difficulties.

A special needs (Computers) room has been established so children could be assisted via specially designed programmes on computers to overcome their

learning difficulties.

The centre still seeks assistance in form of the computers for this special needs room.

The centre now has embarked on a project to expand present facilities (ground floor area by one floor) to create room for two vocational workshops, six unit classrooms, soft play room, toilet block, stores and office.

The whole project cost is estimated at K. shs. 6 million.

The Rotary Club of Mombasa has already pledged Kshs. 1.5 million towards this project.

Other well wishers could donate materials or cash towards this project construction of which is expected to start mid March.

The centre and Board of Trustees of the foundation are grateful to donors who have contributed in the part and for those who will make possible the expansion of centres facilities.

The Fund Raising Event at Thorn Tree Ranch (International Food Festival) is one such event where a good sum is expected to be raised for this project.

It will only be possible through the support of your good selves.

"Ring us on Tel. No. 491849 or visit us at Centre for further enlightenment and information."

## Disadvantaged Children Enjoy Wonderful Day Thanks To 'Interact Club of Oshwal Academy'

THE INTERACT Club of Oshwal Academy organized a party for disabled children on Sunday 15th February 1998 at Lohana Hall.

This party was attended by about 800 children together with their teachers from the following school:-

- Likoni School for the Blind;
- Ziwani School for the Deaf;
- Port Reitz School for the Physically Handicapped;
- Port Reitz Polio Clinic;
- Mombasa Secondary School for Physically Handicapped;
- Child Welfare;
- Salvation Army;
- Tom Mboya Unit for Cerebral Palsy;

- Kikowani Special School;
- Shanzu Transitional Workshop for Disabled Girls; and
- Maleo.

On arrival, the children were served with biscuits and apples. The party commenced at 11.00 am.

The children were entertained by various dance items presented by each of the invited schools, a magic show as well as some music and dance.

Lunch was served to the children at 1.00 pm where all the Interactors helped a lot.

After lunch the children were presented with gifts such as sweets, books, pencils, erasers

and handkerchiefs.

From 2.00 pm onwards, the buses started dropping the children to their respective schools.

This party was attended by many distinguished guests amongst them the donors, the Rotarians, the Rotaractors, the Headmaster of Oshwal Academy, Mr. Pant the deputy Headmistress, Mrs. Badruddin, the Patron of Interact Club Mr. Thomas and members of the Managing Committee of Oshwal Academy.

This party would not have been a success without the help of the Interactors, the donors and all those who lent a hand in one way or another.

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**'TECHNICAL SYSTEMS' ANALYSIS WORKSHOP**

CMC KENYA, a Division of CMC Group, have hosted a one week course on Technical Systems Analysis on VW models in their Lusaka Road Workshops, Nairobi. Mr Peter Ngundi, VW Technical Instructor (in white coat) is seen while conducting the very successful course, together with participants who came from Nairobi and CMC branches including Mombasa, Nakuru and Kisumu.

## Overloading The System: Impossible Problems With Kenya's Mega Trucks

THE ISSUE of overloaded trucks plying our highways has been sung about for a long time.

As recently as two weeks ago, top officials in the country directed the weighbridge stations to act without favour or fear in detaining and prosecuting those who flouted the law.

The law, though hopelessly out of date is still the law. It limits the axle load on vehicles of various types.

This limit is what has been used to design the roads.

Road haulage companies in this country are a progressive lot and we know that they are keeping up with the developments in their industry worldwide.

However, in keeping up with the worldwide trends, they tend to forget that there is a serious restriction on what can be done on Kenyan roads.

In other parts of the world, the road network is constantly being upgraded, either when built new or when being maintained, to meet the more demanding requirements of modern transport.

Kenyan companies then invest in equipment that will already, by design, exceed the limits set for our roads.

This leads to a situation where the truckers will go to any lengths to ensure that they get a good return on their investment.

The lorries and trucks have to be loaded to the maximum capacity in order to get back the benefit of the vehicle's efficiency.

More often than not, this desired maximum load will exceed the limits that are currently in force on the Kenyan roads.

There are however, some ways of beating the system.

Kachumbari tells me of two cases that used the opposite ends of the spectrum of options to achieve their goals.

In the first case, a trucker loaded his vehicle to its full capacity and then sent the driver off on his way knowing full well that the axle load would exceed the limit at the weighbridge.

On arrival there, the truck was weighed and found to exceed the axle load limits.

The truck owner was called and was very contrite when arraigned before the cops.

He explained that he had just bought the equipment from "Uingereza" and that it was the best on the market.

He convinced the cops that he was not aware that the truck axle load exceeded the limits when he loaded up the truck since, being a modern truck, it was designed to meet all the international requirements (including the archaic ones in Kenya).

In effect, the fellow feigned ignorance.

### CHECKING ON PROGRESS

He pleaded his ignorance with cops and offered to immediately rectify the situation.

The cops agreed.

He quickly sped to the town adjacent to the weighbridge and sat around having a drink to pass away the time.

When he was convinced that the passage of time was of a suitable length, he went out and told the other lorry he had sent to wait there to go to the weighbridge and begin to do what they were supposed to do.

The lorry went ahead and the owner followed an hour or so later to, ostensibly, check on progress.

He supervised the reduction of weight from his ultra modern lorry as the hired labour removed bags from it into the ramshackle that he had sent ahead.

When the load in his ultra modern truck had been reduced to an acceptable level, he then sent the older truck ahead and told the driver to transport the load to his godown in Nairobi.

The other truck waited a bit longer then also set off with instructions to follow suit.

A few hours later, the two drivers got together at a predestined place which was some fair distance away from the weighbridge.

The load that had been pared from the big truck was stuffed back onto it and the truck continued on its way with its axle load still breaking the law, except that now he had papers to say that the vehicle had been properly weighed and complied with the law.

The old truck returned to base once they were sure that the cops at the weighbridge had changed shift.

The overloaded truck got to its destination without much further ado and the trucker got his money.

In another case, a trucker loaded his vehicle with the legitimate weight but it was still over the top total allowed.

Bridges are designed to accept not only the axle loading (as in point load) but also to take the weight of the whole vehicle once it is all on the bridge.

There is also an allowance to cater for the fact that should the vehicle leave the bridge on an incline, the more weight would shift to the back axles and increase the loading by a factor of fifteen to twenty per cent.

This trucker had the six axle vehicle loaded to slightly under eighty tonnes.

When it got the weighbridge, it was checked for axle load and found to conform.

However, the overall weight was more than the limit allowed on one of the temporary bridges that have been built on the Nairobi - Mombasa road (I don't know why we call it highway. It is nowhere near that kind of class).

The truck owner gave a bit of TKK, in this case "kitu kikubwa", and his truck was issued with a chit showing it was O. K. in all respects.

The lorry then continued on its journey with the usual escorts following them on their way.

When they got to the bridge, their papers were checked and found to be in order as the truck had been cleared as weighing for fifty tonnes.

The truck was allowed to pass.

However, as the drivers cab cleared the bridge and the back axles began to descend onto the bridge, there was a noticeable change in the shape of the bridge.

It started to sag because the overall weight of the vehicle was thirty tonnes more than the bridge was allowed to carry.

The truck actually damaged the bridge as it went across.

The bridge builders were fortunately not far away and they could come and repair the bridge.

This was a case where the truck owner bribed his way through as opposed to the first case where the owner slickly talked his way through without currency changing hands.

The net result is still the same... damage to the infrastructure through beating the law.

As Kachumbari says, whatever laws we put in to try and protect the innocent (road) there are those who cannot but break them in their speed to maximise their returns... some weighers and truckers alike.



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## Carnival Gala Dinner With Fashion Show At Nyali Beach Hotel

NYALI Beach Hotel will be the venue for this weekend's Mini Carnival Gala Dinner which is expected to attract a cross section of Mombasa residents and foreign guests.  
The evening which will be

co-hosted by the Bombolulu Cultural Centre will feature African, Swiss and Italian designer attires in a fabulous fashion show by beautiful models.

Block Hotel's Sales Executive, Wanjiru Kombo, said the range of attires to be featured in the fashion show will include special selections from designer Emma Too's latest works.

Emma was one of the twelve finalists during the recent much publicized M-Net's Face of Africa contest for African models held in South Africa.

The event will also be graced by the presence of Mombasa Roots Band.

The buffet dinner which will include a variety of sumptuous dishes will cost K.shs. 800/= per person.

Splendid prizes can be won in a raffle during the event.



HAPPY TO be back at their favourite hotel Nyali Beach, are repeat guests who have been visiting the hotel for over ten years now. They are from left, Messrs Michael, Noble Silvo, Mr. and Mrs. H. Kemps and the Hotel's Sales Representative Sophie Kombe.

## Leading South African Tour Company To Market Kenya

A LEADING South African tour company has launched a new brochure expected to boost the country's tourist traffic to Kenya.

Mr. John Strang, who led a team of three Sales Executive with the Creative Tours Group, told

COASTWEEK during a recent familiarization tour of Nyali Beach Hotel that the brochure featured Kenya's exquisite scenes, leading hotels and beach resorts and the expansive national parks.

Mr. Strang and his colleagues who were accompanied during the trip by the Kenya Airways Passenger Sales Manager in Johannesburg, were met by Nyali Beach Hotel's General Manager Mr. Ben Owira.

They were then conducted on a detailed tour of the hotel, by Block Hotels' Sales Executives Wanjiru Kombo, and Sophie Kombe.

Mr. Strang and his team expressed their satisfaction with the high standards set by the hotel, its laid back atmosphere, the flamboyant tropical gardens and more so the friendly staff.

"Without any exaggeration, the hotel facilities are really excellent and the staff are really hospitable; smiles here and there with 'Jambo'." "Exactly what one needs on a holiday" said Mr. Strang.

He pointed out that the European media had almost made it a tradition to misrepresent facts about Africa which he said had contributed a great deal in ruining the tourism industry in the continent.

"Now that we have been here we know the truth from the source. We are going to market a property (Nyali) we have seen" said Mr. Strang.

Mrs. Lavery who brought the

Managing Director of Creative Tours to the country said her efforts had borne fruits and she expressed optimism that more South African tourists would visit the country.

She said Kenya was a unique tourist destination with the widest range attractions in Africa, best hotels, hospitable people and above all quite cost effective.

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NYALI BEACH Hotel General Manager Ben Owira (left) presents a return air ticket Mombasa-London to Mrs. Clemency Nyanga a member of the hotel's Executive Club after she was declared winner out of the top 14 club performers at a dinner for the club members. Looking on are Hotel Sales Representatives Anne Malingi and Sophie Kombe.

## 'Mermoz' Passengers Enjoy Luxury Dinner

A GROUP of 310 French tourists coming to join the luxury cruise ship 'Mermoz' on Thursday dined at Mvita Triangle in Nyali Beach Hotel before they left the country for Seychelles.

Having arrived on Monday by air from home, the group had enjoyed thrilling land and air safaris with U.T.C to Kenya's magnificent game parks before coming to Mombasa to join the special cruise offered by a French magazine 'Notre Temps', for retired people.

Mvita Triangle offered them an ideal relaxing atmosphere for their dinner.

An uninterrupted view of the Indian Ocean flavoured with piano melodies from the Weaver

Sounds Duo under the swaying palm trees.

The menu with a wide variety of mouth watering dishes to choose from offered the group ideal opportunity to sample the African in addition to sea foods.

The 42 year old 'Mermoz' is the oldest of the cruise fleet with a capacity of 500 and 300 crew members.

"This may be the last voyage for this Ship, as it is the oldest" said Aigret Oliver, a cruise ship tour escort who had earlier led a group of 60 for Lunch at Mvita Triangle.

The cruise ship will call at Seychelles, Madagascar, Mayotte, Comoros and Zanzibar.



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ALS DER MILLIONSTE GAST des *African Safari Clubs* aus der silberweiß glänzenden DC 10/30 von *African Safari Airways* ausstieg, war er ganz überwältigt von dem herzlichen Empfang, der ihm auf dem *Moi International Airport* von Mombasa am Sonntag, den 8. Februar am frühen Morgen bereitet wurde.

Dr. Günter Kienast und seine Tochter Elean wurden mit einem Blumenstrauß begrüßt, als sie kenianischen Boden betraten.

Dr. Kienast ist Soziologe und arbeitet für die österreichische Regierung als Management Berater.

Es war das erste Mal, daß Dr. Kienast mit dem *African Safari Club* reiste.

Er hätte drei Wochen Urlaub gebucht mit Unterkunft im *Paradise Hotel*, Shanzu, eine Safari nach Masai Mara und zum Abschluß war die Besteigung des Kilimandscharo vorgesehen.

Während seines ganzen Urlaubs wurde der millionste Gast als VIP behandelt.

Die Plätze im Flugzeug wurden aufwartet zur "Royal Class" und anstatt Zimmer gab es im *Paradise Hotel* eine Suite.

Dr. Kienast erhielt auch einen Gutschein für einen zweiwöchigen Aufenthalt für zwei Personen im *Flamingo Beach Hotel*, Shanzu, einschließlich Flug.

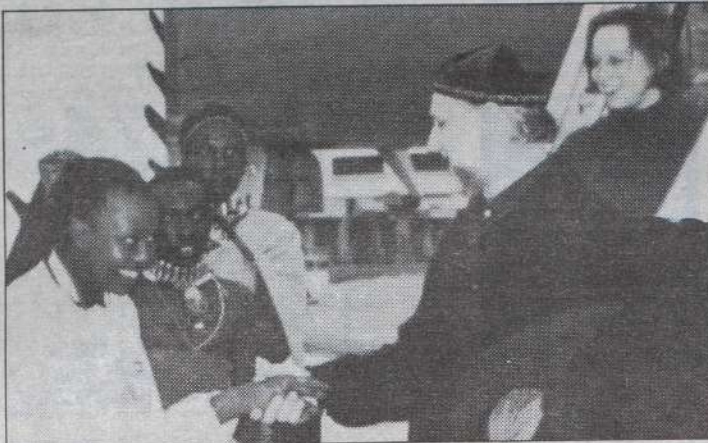
Auf dem Vorfeld des Flughafens warteten bunt gewandete Masai und Rabai Tänzer, die Evangelistic Singers, ein Willkommensbanner und ein Empfangskomitee, darunter Funktionäre des Ministeriums für Tourismus und Wildleben, angeführt von Dr. Rashid Ali, Stellvertretender Sekretär, ferner Fräulein Brigitta Hutzli, ASC Administration Director, das ASC Team, an dessen Spitze Conny Schmied, Director of Hotels, sowie Najib Balala, Präsident der *Mombasa and Coast Tourist Association (MCTA)*, gleichzeitig Mitglied des *Kenya Tourist Board*.

*African Safari Airways* hatte auch ein Geschenk für Dr. Kienast und seine Tochter: ein großer glasierter Kuchen wurde ihnen von zwei Mitgliedern der Cabin Crew in grünen Uniformen nach der Landung feierlich überreicht.

Im *Paradise Hotel* wurden sie mit Champagner und Stammestänzen empfangen.

Dr. Kienast war zum ersten Mal in Kenia und bemerkte:

"Ich bin absolut überwältigt von der VIP Behandlung, die uns seit dem Einchecken in Wien zuteil wurde - einschließlich Berichterstattung in Presse und Fernsehen



ALS DER millionste Gast des *African Safari Clubs* - Dr. Günter Kienast (2. v. r.) - und seine Tochter Elean (rechts) aus dem Flugzeug stiegen und kenianischen Boden betraten, wurden sie mit einem Blumenstrauß begrüßt.

- vom erstklassigen Service in der *Royal Class* von *African Safari Airways* wie auch von der charmanten und effizienten Cabin Crew."

"In Mombasa fühlte ich mich wiederum geehrt von dem Empfangskomitee und habe gerne alle Fragen beantwortet, die mir von den Presseleuten gestellt wurden."

"Wir sind auch beeindruckt von der Begrüßung im *Paradise Hotel* und von dem hohen Standard seiner Einrichtungen und Dienstleistungen."

Auf die Frage, warum er trotz der vielen negativen Berichte in der europäischen Presse Urlaub in Kenia buchte, antwortete Dr. Kienast:

"Ich sagte mir, wenn eine ange-sehene Organisation wie der *African Safari Club* den Betrieb normal weiterführt, kann die Lage gar nicht so ernst sein und ich beschloß deshalb, einen lange gehegten Wunsch, zusammen mit meiner Tochter den Kilimandscharo zu besteigen, zu verwirklichen."

Der *African Safari Club* ist die größte Hotelgruppe an der kenianischen Küste, die in ihren Betrieben insgesamt 2500 Betten offeriert und gegenwärtig 3500 lokale Angestellte beschäftigt.

Früher gehörten dem *African Safari Club* 12 Hotels, heute 10 sowie eine Lodge am Rande des Nairobi Nationalparks und ein Safari Camp in Masai Mara.

Der ASC hat seine eigene Fluglinie - *African Safari Airways* - und fünf Sportflugzeuge für

Safaris, einen großen Wagenpark, der für den Transport der Gäste zur Verfügung steht, ferner Fischerboote und Yachten.

Dem ASC gehört überdies ein kleines Luxuskreuzfahrtschiff, die "Royal Star", die 180 Passagiere aufnehmen kann.

Das ASA Flugzeug mit 274 Plätzen, das am 8. Februar in Mombasa landete, war voll besetzt.

Der ASC hat, wie viele andere Hotels an der kenianischen Küste, als Folge der Unruhen in Likoni im August einen Rückgang der Buchungen um mindestens 50 Prozent erfahren.

Obwohl keine Touristen betroffen oder behelligt wurden, haben stark übertriebene Presseberichte, vor allem in Deutschland, viele Leute davon abgehalten, Kenia zu besuchen.

Stammesfehden im Hinterland, Malaria- und Cholerafälle, schlechte Straßen und riesige Abfallhaufen in der Stadt gaben Anlaß zu weiteren negativen Schlagzeilen und haben dem Tourismus nochmals einen Schlag versetzt, so daß Buchungen für Keniareisen weiter zurückgegangen sind.

Seit November, wenn normalerweise in Kenia die Hochsaison beginnt, wurde die Anzahl der Charterflüge nach Mombasa auf Verlangen aller beteiligten Reiseveranstalter drastisch reduziert.

ASC führt gegenwärtig in der Woche nur zwei anstatt vier Flüge durch.

Auf dem Flughafen am Sonntag Morgen war auch Eva Trenkle, Public Relations Manager des ASC, Schweiz, die einen Tag früher angekommen war.

Sie ist die Redakteurin der ASC Clubzeitung "JAMBO" und befand sich auf einem eifflügigen Besuch, um einen Tatsachenbericht über Kenia zu schreiben und die stark übertriebenen Presseberichte zu bereinigen.

Sie besuchte Masai Mara und andere Wildparks und hatte eine Kreuzfahrt mit der "Royal Star" zu den Seychellen geplant.

"Wir sind sehr stolz, unseren millionsten Gast empfangen zu können," sagte Conny Schmied, Director of Hotels.

"Wir hoffen, daß die Zukunft des Tourismus besser aussieht als die letzten sechs Monate."

"Wir sind jedoch optimistisch und glauben, daß es demnächst wieder aufwärts geht."

Dr. Rashid Ali, Stellvertretender Sekretär im Ministerium für Tourismus und Wildleben, kommentierte:

"Wir freuen uns sehr, zusammen mit dem ASC den millionsten Besucher zu empfangen und hoffen, daß der Tourismus in Kenia bald wieder floriert."

"Wir würdigen voll und ganz, was der ASC mit seinem starken Marketing erreicht hat," fügte Kariuki Ndune, Tourismusdirektor, Küste, hinzu.

"Wer den millionsten Gast nach Kenia bringt, kann darauf stolz sein."

"Wir würden uns freuen, wenn vom ASC bald wieder vier Flüge in der Woche eingesetzt werden könnten."

Najib Balala, Präsident der *Mombasa and Coast Tourist Association*, gratulierte dem ASC zum millionsten Besucher und bemerkte:

"Es wäre schön, wenn andere große Hotelketten diese Zahl ebenfalls erreichen könnten."

## Charterflüge reduzieren

"Durch den allgemeinen Rückgang des Tourismus und den Zusammenbruch der Infrastruktur hatten unsere Reiseveranstalter keine andere Wahl, als die Anzahl der Charterflüge zu reduzieren."

"Wir freuen uns zu hören, daß die Regierung von Kenia bekanntgegeben hat, daß die Straßen repariert werden sollen und wir sind der deutschen Regierung sehr dankbar, die spontan ihre Hilfe zugesagt hat."

Die deutsche Regierung hat ein regionales Technisches Hilfswerk geschaffen, um die kenianische Regierung beim Wiederaufbau der schlecht unterhaltenen Straßen, die während der großen Regenfälle zerstört wurden, zu unterstützen.

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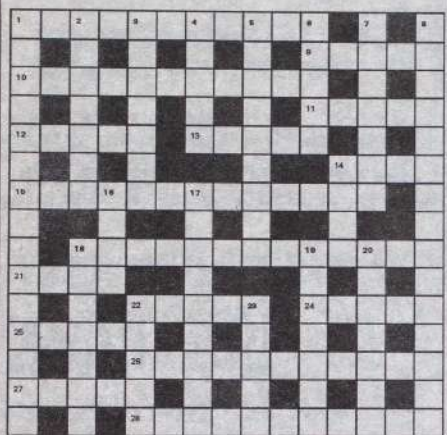
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**CROSSWORD NO. 518**

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

**ACROSS:**

- Protective branch causing apprehension for some [3, 2, 3, 3]
- No head for the main meal [5]
- American sweetie in mink? [5-6]
- Giving the once-over, as it were [5]
- Genuine state for the most part [5]
- Ultimate result of wool-gathering [5]
- Holds any liquid except tea, one hears [4]
- Punishment for Tom, perhaps, having one over the eight in the end [3, 1, 4, 5]
- The bad storm be blowed! Far more devastating than that [4-9]
- What's needed for a start in Far Eastern travel [4]
- Catastrophic outcome of District Attorney swallowing the animal whole [5]
- Twigged Rosie [5]
- Wife to Soames and Jolyon [5]
- A change for retiring giant hitter [5, 6]
- "..... said, soonest mended" (Dickens) [5]
- Employed to rub down guests for the missing spoons? [6-5]

**DOWN:**

- In which, if you own it, the evidence is summarised [8, 2, 5]
- He changes his habitat - with my allowance, by the sound of it [7]
- Warning cry to a fellow shows who's boss [7]
- Rascally pirate's property? [5]
- Treat Alex to a special edition [4, 5]
- Set further apart [5]
- An unspecified number of debt acknowledgements might make one this [7]
- Amiable, outlook for yachtmen [6, 3, 6]
- Squanderbug's favourite colour? [4]
- Part of the symphony orchestra [4]
- Set in gaol (anag.) [9]
- Gathering place in Scotland [7]
- Second shortest dance? [3-4]
- His Grace was a star [7]
- They're superficially impressive, but no enhancing [5]
- Room for the old Athenian [5]

**ANSWERS TO CROSSWORD NO. 517**

ACROSS: 1. RECIPE, 4. BIGWIG, 10. SCUTARI, 11. RECITAL, 12. ASKANCE, 13. YARDAGE, 14. RECOMMENDATION, 17. ILLEGITIMATELY, 19. EGG-FLIP, 21. NEPTUNE, 23. ANTONIO, 24. INTRUDE, 25. KENNEL, 26. EYELED.  
DOWN: 1. RASCAL, 2. CHUCK, 3. PLAINSONG, 5. INCUR, 6. WITH A WILL, 7. GALLEON, 8. MIXED METAPHOR, 9. PRAYING MANTIS, 15. ENLIGHTEN, 16. ANTI-PATHY, 17. ICE-PACK, 18. BEHEAD, 20. LANCE, 22. USUAL.

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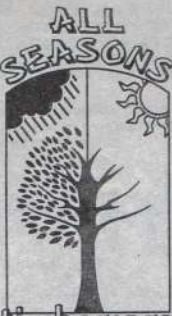
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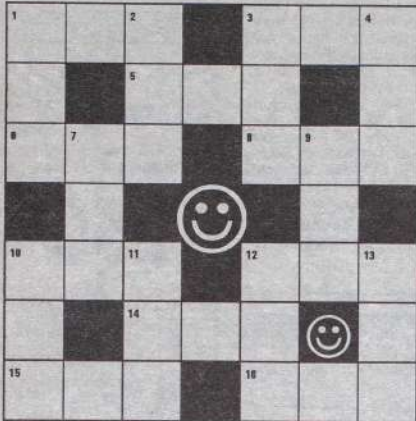
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### ACROSS:

1. If you are keen then you should 'Go - - - it' ? (3)
3. Colourful liquid found inside a pen ? (3)
5. It is the very opposite of 'subtract' ? (3)
6. Good place to store sardines ? (3)
8. Important person found in a University ? (3)
10. What you are after you have eaten ? (3)
12. '--- For One, and One For ---' ? (3)
13. Strong electric heat used for welding ? (3)
15. The very edge of a plate or saucer ? (3)
16. Restaurants are good places to do this ? (3)

### DOWN:

1. When you are very healthy you are this ? (3)
2. 'She - - - for miles and miles on the beach' ? (3)
3. A major Islamic Holiday every year ? (3)
4. Old fashioned name for 'home folks' ? (3)
7. Lots found on top of Mount Kenya ? (3)
9. Always important with lubrication ? (3)
10. 'On those green hills --- away' ? (3)
11. Place to keep lots of water behind ? (3)
12. At cards it's 'Queen, King and ---' ? (3)
13. English word for 'Mingi' in Swahili ? (3)

### LAST WEEK'S KRAZY CROSSWORD KLUES:

Across - 1. SIT, 3. PIN, 5. APE, 6. BOX, 8. NET, 10. BET, 12. ORE, 14. OIL, 15. DOE, 16. DIO.  
Down - 1. SOB, 2. TAX, 3. PEN, 4. NUT, 7. ONE, 8. EAR, 10. BEG, 11. TOE, 12. OLD, 13. END.

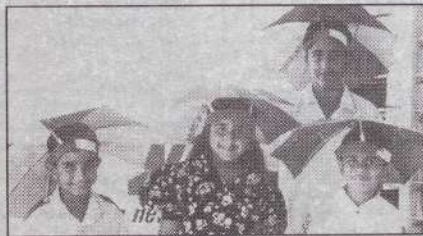
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WINNERS OF Krazy Crossword No. 14 and 15 are (from left) Neeraj Chandi (6), Meera A. Devani (9), Syed M. Akeel (13) and Aliraza Khakhi (8)

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# Shark A Week! Tons Of Work And Not Much Fun

I HAVE received several negative comments after my article of the other week about birds, so I will not write about the pleasure of sitting in the Mission garden listening to the birds singing and having our first beer, after working all day on the Chaplain's flying machine.

I will also not bore you with stories of all the different types of birds that visit the Mission gardens now we are doing our own Crow control program or tell you how Malcolm and his wife have been converted to twitchers (?) after our trip down to Funzi Island the other month.

What I will tell you about is the local fishing scene.

Spending three months in Somalia I missed out on most of the season but from the stories I heard at the Mnarani Fishing Club the weekend before last, I had not missed much, but I did manage to get out on the water.

Captain Andy invited me to fish the competition and it was a pleasure to get out on the sea again after so long.

## GOOD EFFORT



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## Bridge Results

THE RESULTS of Monday 9/3 98 Monthly Bridge Tournament sponsored by Miss Bharti Babla and played at the L.T.C.

Rohit and Rohit 197; Janakbhai and Panachand 169; Dr. J. Shah and B. Babla 166; Dinesh and R. Patel 162; P. Gandhi and T. Pujara 162; Mr. and Mrs. T. Hanegraaf 159; H. Malde and S. Shah 140; H. Shah and M. Shah 138; Mr. and Mrs. N. Shah 134; M. Sawjani and R. Ruparelia 131; Mr. and Mrs. D. Shah 125; K. Malde and A. Shah 122; Dr. L. Shah and H. Dodhia 122; Rainsford and Phillips 119; R. Shah and S. Shah 108.

RESULTS of the Duplicate Bridge played at Mombasa Sports Club on Wednesday, March 4.

K. P. Shah and C. P. Shah 194; Kishore and Uttam 184; Dr. J. D. Shah and Bharti 179; Mahendra and Harkubhai 175; Janakbhai and Panachand 172; Harilal and Dr. L. D. Shah 167; Ranchhod-bhai and Trivedi 165; Pullin and Tushar 157; Harilal and Shantilal 153; Kirit and Amu 142; Chandrakant and Chandu 140; Dr. K. Vora and Laxmikant 129; Pravina and Rasila 115; Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Shah 112.

Saturday morning I set off from Nyali at 05.30 a.m. thinking I had plenty of time to get to the Mnarani Club for the 06.30 a.m. start but I had not counted on how much traffic there is in Mombasa these days.

Gin Jim was waiting on the jetty when I arrived and we immediately set off, just in time for the start.

## Fishing Notes By David Farr

In Andy's normal manner we discussed what we should do and then did what he wanted, head out to the 'rips'.

Half way out the sea conditions caused us to slow down to a fast trolling speed and so we set some lures.

I was not long before we had a strike and to my great surprise Andy just sat back and watched Eric, our other team member, stroll to the rod and reel in a very good size Wahoo (17 kgs.).

I was even more surprised when we had a strike on a live bait a bit later and I was given the rod.

Did Andy know what was on the other end or is he becoming a gentleman in his old age!

Forty Five minutes of very hard work later I had my first ever Shark up to the boat and with another 45 minutes of combined hard work we had it roped along side.

But not before it had given our transom mounted fish bag an almighty whack with its tail which sent the Wahoo flying back to the sea.

Goodbye 34 points and a few hundred bob sale money.

And that was it, except for one small Bonito Sunday morning. Fishing has not changed.

Watumu Fishing Club in past few months has become "the place to be".

A lot of moorings have been laid, all of which have been hired out.

A good dinghy service is being run, a satellite television has been installed and a manager is running the show doing the weigh-in and selling your fish for you.

Last weekend The Club held its first competition which was sponsored by Captain Andy's Fishing Tackle Shop and what good prizes were offered.

## Marlin Calcutta

There was also a Marlin Calcutta, which I think is the first held in Kenya, whereby each boat can put K.shs.10,000/00 into a kitty and winner takes all!

A lot of boats were expected and I was happy to be back on board the lovely *White Mischief* for the weekend.

Sadly, for us on *Mischief*, Andy had made this a Marlin only Competition which meant that the Sailfish that we got early on the first day did not score any more points per kilogramme than the Karambesi that Ken "Dynamite" Adcock was pulling in.

By the end of the day Ken and his team had nine Karambesi on board which put them in the first three boats and as five other boats had also tagged Sail we were well down.

In the evening The Club put on a disco at Ocean Sports which was well attended and there were a few sore heads the next morning.

Day Two, we decided to fish close in rather than speed out the 18 miles to the rips and after

a couple of hours were rewarded with a Yellow Fin Tuna of about 15 kg.

As we needed a Marlin to get into the prizes I decided to rig it live and sent it down on the down-rigger.

As the Tuna was quite powerful, the standard rubber bands used to attach the line to the down-rigger would not hold the fish and I spent the next one and a half hours sitting in the hot sun holding the reel to stop the line from running out.

My patience was sorely strained and I was just thinking of giving up when I saw a small tug on the reel and felt the rigger make a small dip.

Letting the line run out free I counted the requisite five seconds before striking the fish but as the line was still running at the same (boat) speed I waited another 15 seconds hoping that the fish would take the bait.

I then pushed on the drag as Bepi hit the gas and was rewarded with the sight of the 80 lb. rod bending almost double.

Forty five minutes of hard slog and the fish was up to the boat but it took another 45 minutes of hard work and six attempts with the gaff before we had it on board!

My second shark in two weeks and I really hope this time that it is my last, they are no fun, just hard, hard work.

The Bull Shark at 64 kgs. with the tagged Sail of the previous day put us in fourth place overall, ahead of all the big professional boats, except *Tarka* who tagged a Striped Marlin and pulled in five other fish to put him in first place.

Jim Gin boated a Striped Marlin of 77 kgs. towards the end of the

competition, which gave him second place and the Calcutta prize of K.shs. 70,000/00.

Andy had also bought *Tarka* in the auction which gave him another K.shs. 90,000/00 and his team mate "Mr. Yamaha" Martin had bought *Jim Gin* which gave them another K.shs. 58,000/00.

On Saturday they had a Striped, a Black and an estimated 600 lbs. Blue all of which got away, not a bad weekend.

At the prize giving after, Martin confirmed that Yamaha, who have been sponsoring "Tag & Release" through Captain Andy's Tackle Shop, would continue to do so.

## Yamaha Dealer

He also confirmed that Captain Andy's was now the Yamaha dealer for Mombasa, Kilifi (Mnarani Club marina), Watamu and Andy's newly acquired shop under the Fishing Club in Malindi.

*Dynamite* and his team continued to fill the pan with their team continued on Sunday finishing with 13 fish at a total of 139 kgs.

This would have kept them in third place without the Sail they tagged towards the end.

Of the 28 boats entered, eleven caught nothing on day one and 14 on day two, five of these had nothing on both days.

Hemingways big boat, *Bamira* got a Long Tail Tuna which they were claiming as a Kenya record for ladies on 80 lbs. line and that is about it.

Don't forget the Mtwapa charity competition this weekend in aid of the Kilulu project!

## TIGHT LINES



GERMAN ANGLER H. Pohl (left) with his 23.7 Kgs. sailfish landed from 'Vuma'. Looking on are John Webb and son Stephen who 'tagged and released' a similar size sailfish while fishing from 'Fly Catcher'.

## Outstanding Contribution From Swaminarayan For Dettol Heart To Heart Run

MORE than 75 pupils from the Shree Swaminarayan Academy participated in the Dettol sponsored charity walk.

The event organised by the Heart to Heart Foundation was to raise funds for the treatment and prevention of heart disease for needy children in Kenya.

Despite the Academy's very busy schedule which involves many varied activities, the pupils really put their hearts into the project and raised an outstanding amount of over Shs. 100,000/= making them one of the largest contributors nationwide.

A special award will be presented to the Academy by the Heart to Heart Foundation at a workshop in Mombasa later this month.

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OUTGOING MOMBASA Golf Club Captain Ganshyam Patel (left) welcomes the Captain for 1998 Jayant Shah as Outgoing Chairman Bill Inamdar (right) looks on.

## Men's Mug Marks Maiden Events

THE MENS Monthly Mug, played on Saturday at Mombasa Golf Club, marked two maiden events for the Club this year.

Jayant Shah, the newly elected Cap-tain, presided over his first Golf competition and it was the first Planet Electronics sponsored Monthly Mug.

Planet Electronics shall be sponsoring all the Monthly Mugs for the remaining year.

There was a good field which should have reaped benefit from all the unsightly and difficult rough that Aslam Rulia, the newly elected Greenkeeper, is thankfully removing.

However, the dry spell is rapidly converting the course to its true links character, which probably was the reason for the high scores.

Ramesh Patel was the winner in Division A on nett 73, a stroke ahead of Davis Mull, the Runner Up and five ahead of third placed Ganshyam Patel, who counted out Anjam Rulia.

Jyoti Doshi was pleasantly surprised to find himself the winner in Division B on a score of nett 71.

He was a comfortable four strokes ahead of Shabbir Kudrati who counted out Kanti Chudasama to third place.

Kishore Gudka was the C

Division winner on nett 72 and after countback on nett 73.

Nini Sagoo was declared the runner up and S. Hong was third.

### Golf News by POST ENTRY

## Thrills And Spills Of Warming Up With 'Rollerblading' Session Before A Sail

THE FIRST Monthly Mug races saw disaster strike the newly refurbished Bosun fleet.

Phil Jones and Frances Marks in *Armilla* retired with a broken tiller and Brenda Bumstead and a guest, Edna, retired after a capsiz in Force Two conditions.

It was suggested that Edna did not have the weight required of a sailing crew!

Sha Khan in *Naughty Potato* finished ahead of Alistair Barnes and Aziz Gulamhusein sailing a 420 after they had warmed up with a rollerblading session followed by a swim before their sail-oh, for the energy of the young folk!

This was also the order on corrected time, finishing six minutes before the next boat *Jasir* sailed by Abizer Taibali taking third place.

He was followed by *Trupti* and *Dipali Patel* sailing a 420 together for the first time off scratch handicap.

However they finished fifth overall on corrected time as *Kalim Hassanali* and *Gary Morgan* in *Meteorite* crept into fourth place with their preserved handicap - the Sailing Committee looking onto this elderly boat kindly.

Kadir Khan in *Foxy Loxy* must have stayed upright to take sixth place but I understand he had his thrills and spills attempting rollerblading before the race!

The *Bosun Centurio* managed to finish, sailed by Nigel Davie and Ella Pollard unusually sailing together, quite successfully apparently, finishing seventh - perhaps we will see this combination more in the future in

preparation for their departure to the U.K. in July when they will be sorely missed at the Yacht Club but hope they will carry on sailing.

Eighth was *Boniface Ojiambo* sailing with Tom in a 420, ninth *Mariam Hassanali* sailing *Top Pair* and the last finisher was *Orion* sailed by Faizan and Aslam Kassmani.

Saturday, 7th's sail training session saw the whole fleet of Toppers and one 420 on the water.

*Richard Opiya* took little friend *Albert* out in *Freight Forwarders*, otherwise all sailors went single handed.

*Tehzeez Mohamedali* in *Rolls Royce* and *Tarveen Singh* in *The Merry Mariner* have to be the most unfortunate as they capsized in an oil slick seeping from a ship in Mtongwe anchorage leaving themselves and their sails in a terrible mess.

We ran two short races but some Cadets find very difficult to make their boat go where the course is laid.

However *Edward Omondi* in *Trophy Sieger* and *Jai Shah* in *Free Willy* managed to demonstrate how it is done in two separate races.

The newcomers have yet to work out they cannot sail straight to a mark if it is directly to windward and while they manage to follow the more experienced sailors tacking to the mark, as soon as they are within striking distance of it they want to head straight for the mark stopping them dead.

More practice and awareness of the wind will correct this. Unfortunately the boats were so

badly covered in oil that the fun was removed from the morning's sailing as we had to scrub all the equipment before putting it away and still it is in a sorry state as Omo and Pride are not man enough for the pollution.

Sunday, March 8, was a quiet day at the Club, with having been declared a fun day with no scheduled racing, but there were only a handful of takers for some fun and the Silly Watersports were cancelled.

Sailing as usual next week.

ON SATURDAY March 21, the Cadets are having a sponsored

six hour race to raise money to help pay for the five 420 dinghies, while the Trustees are scouring Mombasa and further afield to find sponsors.

It is hoped that anyone interested in Cadet sailing will come along on Saturday afternoon to participate or contribute to the occasion and we hope a lot of money will be raised.

After this event the 420s will finally be officially launched and hopefully named by major sponsors or the Cadets.

It will be much better than referring to them as Number One, Two, Three ...!

Vishnu Dhutia and Koki Patel with a very good score of 38 stableford points.

Mita Patel continued with her good form and partnered by her husband, former captain of Mombasa Golf Club, Ganshyam Patel took the runner-up prize on 36 points.

Third was another "all Patel" team of Vimal Patel and Reha Patel with 35 points.

This weekend there will be a charity competition and many golfers are expected to be in Nairobi for the 1998 Tusker Kenya Open but the Course will be busy with many friendly 'four-ball' groups.

On Sunday, the Mixed Foursomes Competition for the Moyne Trophy was won by

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MOMBASA AND NAIROBI

## COAST BRIDGE with C.P. SHAH

WHAT DOES an opening bid of "Three No Trumps" mean? Since the beginning of modern Contract Bridge several different interpretations have been favoured.

In the early days of 'ACOL' it was simply 'to play' - implying a strong hand with a powerful mirror suit. Partner was expected to 'Pass'.

Dealer: North. Both sides 'Vulnerable'. BIDDING:

NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
PASS	PASS	THREE "NO TRUMPS"	PASS
PASS	PASS		

On this first deal South opened "Three No Trumps" in third seat, believing that by not disclosing his hand to the opponents he stood to gain more than proceeding more slowly and giving the show away.

Occasionally, of course, "Three No Trumps" will be a ridiculous Contract, even a 'Slam', might be easy. Not this time.

Against "Three No Trumps", West led the Seven of Hearts to East's Nine and Declarer's Knave.

Declarer realised that a bad Club break could make the play awkward for the lack of a re-entry to hand, so he carefully led a low Club at Trick Two.

NORTH						
♠	K	J	10	6	5	3
♥	-	-	-	-	-	-
♦	K	10	6	5	3	
♣	10	7				

WEST						
♠	9	8				
♥	Q	10	8	7	5	3
♦	A	8				
♣	Q	9	8			

EAST						
♠	A	Q	7	4		
♥	9	6	4	2		
♦	J	9	7	2		
♣	4					

West naively played low, not suspecting that Declarer would lead a low Club from such a strong holding. Declarer won Dummy's Ten and played a Diamond to his Queen.

West won his Ace and found the Spade suit. East won the Queen, but when heswitched back to Hearts,

Declarer could claim the remainder eleven easy tricks. Had he started Clubs by playing the Ace and King, however, he would have had no way back to his hand and the Defence would have prevailed.

SOUTH						
♠	2					
♥	A	K	J			
♦	Q	4				
♣	A	K	J	6	5	3

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**Charity Fishing At 'The Moorings' Mtwapa**

THE KILULU/ HILTON Fishing Competition will take place at The Moorings, Mtwapa on Sunday, March 15.  
Many fabulous prizes to be won and all profits for the weekend will go to Kilulu Homes.  
Entries are welcome from all fishing clubs along the coast.  
Start (any port on Kenya Coast) 0700 hours. Finish (Mtwapa Bridge) 1500 hours.  
A sweepstake will be held at Moorings Mtwapa on Saturday, March 14, at 7.00 p.m.

## Brazil Trash Burnley As Lucky Boys Draw With Western Stars

THE COAST Premiere League kicked off in style over the weekend.

In Malindi Brazil FC beat Mombasa's Burnley Amature FC 2-1 in a very entertaining match.

At the Kilifi Township ground Lucky Boys

settled to a barren draw with Western Stars FC in a match Lucky Boys failed to impress their spectators.

Lucky Boys had all the reasons to win the Kilifi match but their strikers failed to click.

On Saturday at the Baobab ground Young Rovers beat Golden Stars FC 3-0.

On Sunday at the same ground



**Soccer Scene with SERAJ MOHAMED**

Bayern FC beat Kitete FC 3-0 in another very entertaining match.

According to the KFF Coast Branch Secretary Mr. Ali Mbarak the high competitive and fair play spirit that was shown by the teams in the opening matches is an indication that the newly introduced league will be very entertaining and will raise the standard of soccer in our region.

This weekend has more entertaining matches as follows:

Tomorrow 14/3/98: Supa Congo versus Hotspurs - Baobab; Brazil versus Black Panther - Malindi.

Sunday 15/3/98: Sunrise versus Western Stars - Baobab; Lucky Boys versus Bayern - Kilifi Plantation.

All matches kick off at 4.30 p.m. Nyeri Posta FC which visited the Coast Province last weekend travelled back upcountry without playing any of their two National Super League matches.

On Saturday at the Mariakani ground the visiting team and their hosts team Mabati FC reported for the match but could not play because there were no match officials.

Neither the Referees nor the Match Commissioner were available for the game to materialise.

When contacted the following day the Referees informed COASTWEEK that they didn't have any information concerning that match from the referees

appointment committee. On Sunday Nyeri Posta suffered another frustration when they went to the Baobab ground and met no one at the ground.

**Supa Congo**  
Neither their opponents nor the match officials were available.  
It is well understood that Supa Congo Boys FC opted to play in the newly introduced Coast Premiere League and according to the Supa Congo Officials, the National Office had some communications from the Club and the Coast KFF Branch on this issue.

**BRIDGE RESULT**  
RESULT OF the Duplicate Bridge played at the Mombasa Sports Club on Wednesday, 4th March.  
K. Shah and C. Shah 194; Kishore and Uttam 184; Dr. J. Shah and Bharti 179; Mahendra and Harkhubhai 175; Janakbhai and Panachand 172; Harilal and Dr. L. Shah 167; Ranchoodbhai and Trivedi 165; Pullin and Tushar 157; Harilal and Shantilal 153; Kirit and Amu 142; Chandrakant and Chandu 140; Dr. K. Vora and Laxmikant 129; Pravin and Rasila 115; Mr. and Mrs. D. Shah 112.



**PARAS DODHIA**  
**Mombasa Aga Khan Closed Badminton Champion**

PARAS Jayendra Dodhia, a Form Three student at the Oshwal Academy in Mombasa has once again proved that he is a force to reckon with in Coast Badminton.

Paras and Parit Azad Shah won the Doubles Under 13 and Doubles Under 18 in this year's just concluded Aga Khan Sports Club Coast Closed Age Group Badminton Championship, Mombasa.

Paras was also runner up in the Mens Singles Under 16.

## Coast's Tushar Pujara And Pulin Gandhi Selected For All Africa Bridge Championship

THE AFRICA sub zonal championship which will run concurrently with the All Africa Open Championship will be held at the Nairobi Hilton starting from May 23, 1998.

The Coast Bridge Association and the Mombasa Sports Club Bridge Section are proud to announce that two players from Mombasa namely Mr. Tushar Pujara and Mr. Pulin Gandhi have been selected to represent the Kenya Team after having successfully completed their gruelling test during the selection trials in February, 1998.

Tushar and Pulin achieved a prestigious fifth overall position out of a total of 18 pairs.

The first six pairs were selected.

Ex resident of Mombasa Mr. H. P. Modi also came in the team in

the sixth position together with his partner Mr. J. K. Haria.

The Coast Bridge Association and the Mombasa Sports Club Bridge Section wish the Kenya Team the very best in the forthcoming event.

The first three ranking in the selection trials will play the Beame Zonal Championship in Sri Lanka in 1999.

## Mombasa Bowling Team In Nairobi For National Fours

THE MOMBASA Sports Club Bowling Green has now been closed for a few weeks to prepare the Green for the Coast Open which is due in April, writes, **WHAT-A-BOWLER**.

This weekend all the bowling action is in Nairobi as the National Fours take place at the Nairobi Club. Mombasa will be represented by K. P. Shah, Rasila Shah, Deepa Mukhopadhyay and Bijal Dodiha.

We wish the Mombasa team the best of luck for the National Fours.

**TIDE TABLES**  
MOMBASA, March 13 - 19, 1998.

**FRIDAY** High Water - 3.4 m at 04.37 hrs (4.37 a.m.) and 3.4 m at 16.57 hrs (4.57 p.m.). Low Water - 0.4 m. at 10.41 hrs. (10.41 a.m.) and 0.5 m at 22.53 hrs (10.53 p.m.).

**SATURDAY** High Water - 3.4 m at 05.04 hrs (5.04 a.m.) and 3.4 m at 17.23 hrs. (5.23 p.m.). Low Water - 0.3 m. at 11.07 hrs. (11.07 a.m.) and 0.4 m at 23.21 hrs. (11.21 p.m.).

**SUNDAY** High Water - 3.4 m at 05.30 hrs (5.30 a.m.) and 3.5 m at 17.47 hrs. (5.47 p.m.). Low Water - 0.3 m at 11.33 hrs (11.33 a.m.) and 0.5 m. at 23.49 hrs. (11.49 p.m.).

**MONDAY** High Water - 3.3 m. at 05.57 hrs (5.57 a.m.) and 3.4 m. at 18.12 hrs (6.12 p.m.). Low Water - 0.4 m. at 11.58 hrs. (11.58 a.m.).

**TUESDAY** High Water - 3.2 m at 06.23 hrs (6.23 a.m.) and 3.4 m at 18.39 hrs (6.39 p.m.). Low Water - 0.5 m at 00.18 hrs (12.18 a.m.) and 0.5 m at 12.23 hrs (12.23 p.m.).

**WEDNESDAY** High Water - 3.0 m. at 06.49 hrs (6.49 a.m.) and 3.2 m at 19.08 hrs (7.08 p.m.). Low Water - 0.6 m at 00.50 hrs (12.50 a.m.) and 0.6 m at 12.51 hrs (12.51 p.m.).

**THURSDAY** High Water - 2.8 m. at 07.19 hrs. (7.19 a.m.) and 3.1 m. at 19.42 hrs: (7.42 p.m.). Low Water - 0.8 m. at 01.24 hrs. (1.24 a.m.) and 0.8 m. at 13.21 hrs. (1.21 p.m.).

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

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