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Top Stars' Lining Up To Entertain For The Mombasa Pwani Lions Club Charity Evening

LIONS CLUB of Mombasa Pwani are holding a Gala Charity fundraising Banquet at Travellers Beach Hotel on March 28, 1998.

This Banquet will be supported by Rakesh Kumar, television presenter of Moosique, the Mombasa Roots and The Sapphire Band.

A Club spokesman explained:

"It is hoped that all funds raised will be in aid of the Lions Eye Centre here in Mombasa by making the Centre a 'State-of-the-Art' in Eye problems.

"Why would one require such expensive equipment, one would ask?"

"The answer is simple.

"Imagine what happens to you when the lights go out in the middle of the night.

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"Many people that we treat at the centre have cataracts in both eyes and they have lost their vision for over two years.

"When the bandages are removed, they show signs of a new life ahead of them.

"Many of us have often seen an elderly man walking slowly down the streets wearing thick glasses and have wondered what has happened to his eyes.

"He has undergone the cataract surgery, traditionally done in the third world countries in which the original lens in the eye is removed and vision glasses.

"The modern technique however, is that after removal of the original lens from the eye, it is replaced by another artificial one

made of plastic material of similar dimension.

"Hence the need for the thick glasses is not there and from a distance one cannot know if the person has had surgery or not.

"This latest state of art technique is called the Intra-Ocular Lens Implant (I.O.L.) Intra = inside; ocular = eye; implant = artificially replaced.

"We now need very urgently the equipment for this project that is worth Ksh. 1.5 million.

"It is to this goal that the Lions Eye Centre Mombasa, is dedicated to.

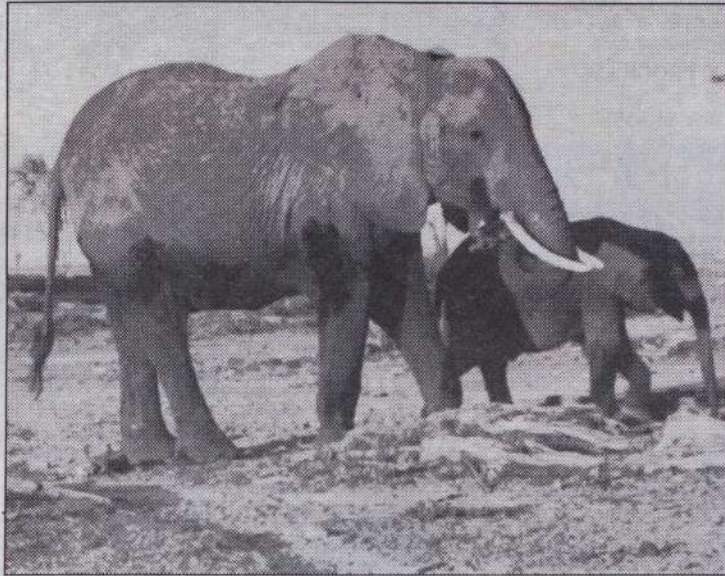
"The Lions Eye Centre is committed to providing first class eye care services at the Coast Province of Kenya."

As of January 1998, I.O.L. surgery is being routinely carried out at the Centre and to date 106 surgeries have been carried out.

Special Report By Correspondent

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SUNNY SATAO SAFARI SCENE



ELEPHANT remain a common and spectacular sight at Satao Safari Camp, Tsavo Park.

SATAO CAMP (nearest Safari Centre to Mombasa) in Tsavo National Park reports that due to the abundant new grass, young shoots, and water, the animals have returned from higher grounds during the flooding.

A camp spokesman noted: "Our own resident Impala, waterbuck and Dik Dik remained faithful to us and now have lots of young frolicking around the camp.

"Elephants and Buffalos have returned to the park and it won't be long before they are frequenting the Satao Waterhole by the hundred again.

"We now have a pride of some 14 Lions in the near vicinity and they have been well photographed on many occasions.

"The road via the airstrip is in good condition and the large variety of animals that live along that particular route, Warhogs, Hiirola, Zebra and plainsgame are clearly visible again.

"As ever, Satao Camp is the ornithologists paradise.

"The variety and colours and of the birds against the beautiful green backdrop represents one of the greatest sights possible at this time of year.

"The dry, rolling, golden grassland that were the Tsavo East with which are associated has changed for the time being to lush green grassland, and, with the animals continuing their return in their ever increasing numbers, we can yet assure you that Satao Camp is indeed 'The Safari Experience'.

'New Promise' For Water Supply

NEW MINISTER ARAP NG'ENY ASSURES OF IMPROVED OFF TAKE FOR NORTH COAST ...

"WITHIN A YEAR from now the whole of Kenya's North Coast should have at least 50 per cent more water than it is receiving now, once the problems at Baricho (Treatment) Works (near Malindi) are resolved."

These encouraging remarks from the new Minister for Water Resources, Kipng'eno arap Ng'eny, were greeted with deafening applause by members of the Kenya Association of Hotel Keepers and Caterers, Coast Branch, whom he was meeting informally, at his invitation, at Travellers' Beach Hotel, Tiwi, during a very intensive tour of the Coast.

He told hoteliers: "I have brought a very good and strong team to meet you.

"But first let me take the opportunity of thanking you all for the support you have given my Ministry and the National Water Conservation and Pipeline Corporation and your generous patience in striving for improvements."

There was more applause when he suggested that KAHC, together with officers from NWCP, and the Ministry at the Coast establish a dialogue.

Said the Minister "I will direct the Provincial Water Engineer to regularly brief the you on developments".

He went on to reveal that 'within the next three years all coast regions will have water coming from their taps'.

Said the Minister 'Challenge my

engineers and government to give us their full backing for the development of the supply of water'.

He told hoteliers 'with that support and with your support we should succeed'.

Among those accompanying the Ministers were the Chairman of the National Water Conservation, Edward Kitanui and Managing Director Charles Koske, also the Regional Manager, Coast Edward Kelengwe and Provincial water Engineer, L.K. Biwott, while leading the KAHC team was Joshua Mwendwa, Chairman, Coastregion, who is also a member of Kwale County Council.

Among the guests were Mayor of Mombasa, Councillor Najib Balala, who is also Chairman of Mombasa and Coast Tourist Association, Zul Harunani, a MCTA Executive Member, also a member of Board of Directors, NWCP,

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Rotary And Lions' Clubs Join Hands In Unique Effort For 'Verkaart Project'

ROTARY International President Lius Giay and Lions International President Augustin Soliva signed a joint "Proclamation" in Gisgwo on May 8, 1997.

Both Lions and Rotary have been on the forefront in Volunteer Service now almost for a century. Both organizations originated from the United States in Illinois, Chicago and have been on the fore front of voluntary service to humanity.

Lions are known for their "SightFirst" project whereas Rotary is known for its "PolioPlus" and "Rotary Foundation Projects".

By signing this Proclamation both organizations accept the fact that the World is expecting a greater role from them in voluntary service.

Thus, by joining hands in providing this humanitarian service they can fulfill this objective.

The Lions universal motto "We Serve" and Rotary's universal motto "Service Above Self" is meant to achieve the same goals.

Hence, all over the World, Rotarians and Lions have been urged to work together and strive to eradicate blindness, polio and many other ills of society.

Since the signing of the "Proclamation" history was made from Mombasa for Rotary District 9200 comprising Uganda, Kenya, Tanzania, Ethiopia and Eritrea and similarly in Lions District 411 comprising Uganda, Kenya, Tanzania and Ethiopia by the Rotary Club of Bahari-Mombasa and the Lions Club of Mombasa Pwani when they jointly carried out their first medical, ear, nose, throat, dental, diabetic and eye camp at Takaungu Primary School on Sunday, September 28th, 1997.

It may even be the first in the World.

This was followed by their second joint camp on the same lines at Ribe on November 29, 1997.

On March 15, 1998, the Rotarians and the Lions conducted their third joint camp at Verkaart Dispensary,

Mwapaia.

This time the Rotary Club of Bahari-Mombasa, the Rotary Club of Diani, the Rotaract Club of Bahari-Mombasa and the Lions Club of Mombasa-Pwani along with three RVC's of Takaungu, Ribe and Bomani undertook the camp.

Total patients screened

eye sight restored.

They were all counseled and transferred to the Lions Eye Center in Mombasa on the same day and after preparation for surgery were operated upon by specialists at the center on Tuesday and Thursday with Intra-Ocular Lens Implants.

Each surgery would privately

replied that she will go to the nearest Church and pray for the organizers to continue to do this good work for many more like her.

The Camp was a historical event for both Rotary Governor Nelson Kawalya from Kampala and Lions Governor Ramji Patel from Nairobi, who specially flew to grace the function.

This unique camp was a moving experience for both and they were all praises for the Clubs joining hands to serve the needy.

At the same time, Mr Jan Verkaart and Mrs Ans Verkaart, travellers from Holland, handed over a Verkaart Mwapaia Dispensary. Hon. Simon Mkalla who is also a Chairman of the Medical Board, Kwaile.

This is the second dispensary the Verkaarts have sponsored through their foundation, and they have also rehabilitated eight schools in the same area.

Both Lions and Rotarians bear conscious of Environment protection marked the auspicious day by planting some 40 Newer trees.

All invited dignitaries also planted trees.

Enthusiasm And Pride

On the whole, both the Rotarians and the Lions attended the camp with great enthusiasm and pride to make this historic event happen.

Some 150 Rotarians including their spouses, children, RVC members, Rotaractors and Interactors participated, while 300 Lions including their spouses and children participated.

Chairman Nabil Zakhem of Rotary Club of Bahari-Mombasa, Chairman Quid Mohamedali of Rotary Club of Diani and Chairman Murtaza Dunganwalla of Lions Club Mombasa-Pwani were the happiest of all.

They paid glowing tributes to all the doctors, pharmacists, dispensers, eye specialists, ENT specialists, Rotarians, Lions, Rotaractors, Interactors and Rotary Village Corps members who made this historic event a great success by all standards.



LIONS GOVERNOR Ramji Patel (left) and Rotary Governor Nelson Kawalya plant a tree to commemorate the Joint Camp.

exceeded 2500, of which, in the general medical camp 1500 patients were examined by volunteer doctors and medicines were dispensed free to them for various illnesses.

In general it was found that many were suffering from Bilharzia and Anaemia.

Most school children seen required treatment for it.

It was resolved to conduct a special bilharzia camp at this site soon. Some 50 suspected diabetic patients were investigated, while 300 dental patients were screened and 240 extractions were carried out.

About 250 ENT patients were treated by specialists.

More than 450 eye patients were screened, treated for various illnesses with medicines and some were dispensed with spectacles.

A further 21 cases were identified to be suffering from blindness due to cataract which can be operated and sight restored.

Some walked many miles having been blinded for the last two years or more with a hope to have their

cost between K. Shs. 20,000/= to 30,000/=.

It is hoped sight will be restored to all of them.

All patients were provided free accommodation, meals and even transport back to their homes by the Lions.

Governor Nelson Kawalya on Tuesday visited the patients at the Eye Center and when he asked one of the elderly patient what she will do when sight is restored, she

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Children Undergo Successful Eye Surgery



Visiting the young patients at the Aga Khan Hospital is the Club's Chairman, Yasmin Khandwalla, with Jayshree Soniga, a member (on left) who are seen with hospital staff.

THE PRO-ACTIVE Inner Wheel Club of Mombasa keeps the action going throughout the year in helping unfortunate members of society and recently was able to raise sufficient funds to enable four children to undergo successful cataract operations carried out by Dr. Ben Larsen, senior Medical Director, Lighthouse for Christ (Mission) Eye Centre.

The arrangements were made by the Club in conjunction with Dr. Larsen who offered his services free of charge, the club's donation going to meet hospital expenses.

On visiting the patients at the Aga Khan Hospital, the Club's Chairman Yasmin Khandwalla and other members were delighted to find all were doing well!

Maitha Assists School

INNER WHEEL CLUB ENABLES AMPUTEES TO WALK AGAIN

A GIFT of Kshs. 50,000/- from the Inner Wheel Club of Mombasa has enabled ten amputees to walk again, without crutches, after having had a revolutionary Jaipur Foot prosthesis fitted.

It is also part of the club's effort to help those in need in the community towards a better life.

Its chairman, Yasmin Khandwalla, presented the club's donation of Kshs. 50,000/- for these artificial limbs to Mukund Malde, chairman of Jaipur Foot Project of the Rotary Club of Bahari.

It was he who sought the help of the Inner Club of Mombasa in providing a Jaipur foot to 'amputees' and organised it all.



CHAIRMAN Inner Wheel Club of Mombasa Yasmin Khandwalla presents the club's donation to Mukund Malde, Chairman Jaipur Foot Project of Rotary Club of Bahari (right)



KISAUNI MP Emmanuel Karisa Maitha (left), Kizingo councillor Hassan B. Kushe, Mama Ngina Girls Headmistress Mrs. Samba Rassul Mwadzaya (third right) and school members pose for a group picture after the MP had planted a tree at the school.

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"Apart from furniture, he's very fussy about what he eats."



"I wish we had brought the kitchen sink - I think I've left the hot tap running!"



"It's the tax office, they want to know how much money we made last year."



"Your prospect of success is absolutely nil - so get your hand off my leg!"

Life Is A Laugh!



"I've never known anyone to be so fussy about their food!"



"Short back and sides, please."



"You can jolly well get your own glass of water next time!"



"It's just insomnia Mrs. Wooding. Nothing to lose any sleep over."



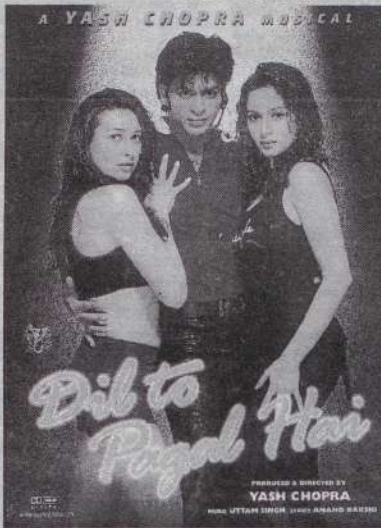
"Pay your bill. What do you think I am, crazy?"



"We get on great. It's her husband and my wife who cause all the trouble!"

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"HOT SHOT" HERO SHAH RUKH KHAN BACK IN TOWN

AS EVERYONE knows, you can't keep a good thing down for long, and so the film Dil To Pagal Hai had to be recalled from Nairobi to screen it for the second great week at the LOTUS CINEMA.

Starring the hot shot hero of today Shah Rukh Khan, who has had a string of hits lately, Karishma Kapoor and Madhuri Dixit in the lead, it has Akshay Kumar in a very small guest role.

It will be showing at the

LOTUS CINEMA from today (Friday) till Sunday when it will be taken over by an

English release, The Peacemaker on Monday.

Three biggies from Hollywood, Spielberg, Katzenberg and Geffen, have

gotten together to make this action film which is guaranteed to have you rivetted to your seats till the end.

George Clooney and Nicole Kidman are in the lead role.

Film Preview by Anjum Asodia

'Achon Pong Klan' Win Florida Star Search Talent Competition

THE FLORIDA '98 Star Search entered its second week with Youth Counselling Centre (YCC) based Rap Group Achon Pong Klan emerging winners at the Florida Night Club.

Nyali Deudes and Plastic Boy emerged first and second runners-up respectively.

The competition is organised by Opera (East Africa) in conjunction with the Florida Night Club Management.

In the second heat, ten contestants out of eighteen entrants qualified for the finals, while six out of nine contestants qualified for the finals in the first heat.

The qualifiers for the final shows from the second heat were: Nyali Deudes, Madspine, Lingala Junior, Madder Squad, The G.W.M., Mr. Ben, Regina Bay, Achon Pong Klan, Bad Boy and Plastic Boy.

The first heat saw powerful reggae artiste Ralpha Canibal lead a pack of nine contestants followed by Sakis Junior and country musician Man Alone.

The other qualifiers were Soul Star Sister Kates, Eric Boy and Flavour.

The notable absentees in this Star Search competition were Chakacha dancers.

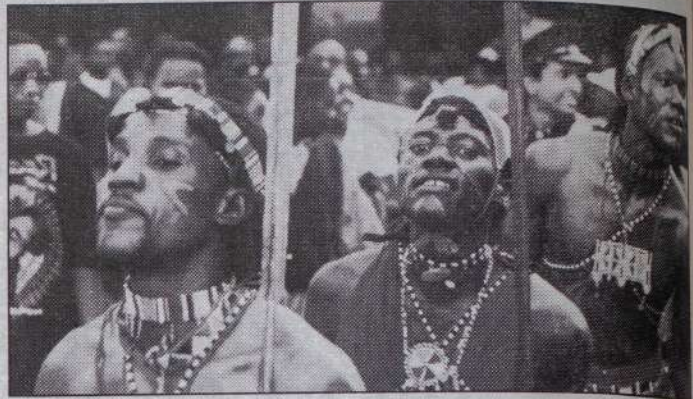
The representation of this dance in the dance category would probably have made a big difference as this would have been the only indigenous dance.

Going by what was presented by various artistes, one would agree that talent is abound, the only problem being that all the artistes have chosen foreign styles.

This has in fact relegated our own Chakacha dance and Twarab music to the periphery of entertainment.

Imitations aside, the artistes have

MAKING OUT AS MAASAI MORAN



THE RARE WATTS Dance Troupe during the Best of Africa Celebration in Nairobi. Their costume would make one confuse them for Maasai Morans.

not comprehended the use of costumes in showbiz.

This can increase the chances of an artiste winning the hearts of the audience as well as chances of winning the competition.

The Rare Watts dance trio, in their Masai style costume won the hearts of their audience in the Win-A-Car disco dance in 1990 though they never emerged winners of the competition.

They have since adopted the style. More action is still expected this Sunday at the same venue.

The organiser of the competition Mr. Kioko of Opera (East Africa) has asked all the artistes including singers, dancers, rappers and acrobats, willing to participate to register with him on Sunday before the 6.00 p.m. starting time.

KulturKlub With Woka Akhabele

'Much Talent In Our Young Generation'

THOSE OF you who were lucky enough to get seats on Friday to watch the musical comedy *Monster Madness* directed by Shilpa Shah at the Little Theatre Club, will have seen the many talents in our young generation.

The ages of the children ranged from five to fourteen.

What a wonderful opportunity for

expression and gaining confidence.

It is the first time a variety of children in our community (and especially the boys) are getting the privilege to perform on stage.

Shilpa Shah, an experienced teacher with child centred educational beliefs has set up a drama club which runs every Saturday mornings at the Little Theatre Club.

Here she teaches skills required, not only on stage but in every day situations as well.

Skills such as creativity, public speaking and self expression are but a few examples of what the children learn.

The next term's classes begin on May 2 and Shilpa can be contacted on Telephone 313984 (office hours) for signing up.



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...Sheer Ecstasy
... he wanted her ... she wanted it all ...
(Adults Only)

'New Promise' For North Coast Water Supplies

FROM FRONT PAGE

and the District Commissioner, Kwale, David Jakaiti who suggested more such joint meetings to discuss problems concerning water.

The Minister told hoteliers 'we are touring the Coast Province which has included Mombasa and Baricho (Malindi) with a view to listening what people have to say'.

He told hoteliers 'don't feel shy and be absolutely open with us'.

There was an immediate response from hoteliers who gave him a very detailed account of the many problems faced in running hotels with an inadequate supply of water, or none at all.

They were heavily reliant on borehole water either bought at very high cost or their own boreholes and water treatment plants which represent a sizeable investment.

Said Joshua Mwendwa 'very few hotels on the south coast receive mains water'.

In some areas he had found weeds growing inside the pipes and no water going through'.

He detailed the large investment had made to become more self-sufficient in this commodity.

Said Mr. Mwendwa 'as far as Leisure Lodge, Diani Reef Grand Hotel, Leopard Beach and Indian Ocean Beach Club are concerned we are talking of investments totalling around Kshs. 100 million'.

There was much laughter when the Minister quipped 'we going to complain you are taking our business away'.

Said Mr. Mwendwa 'we ask one thing from the Minister and that is to supply us with plenty of mail' as well as to 'the people living here'.

WATER RESERVES

He told the Minister 'as I understand we have a lot of water underground and I am told that just about twenty metres from the sea here at Travellers, Tiwi, there is a stream of fresh water'.

We are in fact sitting on water, but the delivery is not there'.

He went on 'I have been in the diani area for the past 25 years and a Councillor in this area for 20 years'.

Pipes laid in 1958 are still serving us and then the south coast had only two or three hotels'.

During discussion building by-laws were queried as to whether or not one is permitted to build if there is no water available?

Sigi Jogschat, General, Diani Reef Grand Hotel asked the Minister 'is it correct what we have been hearing that water reserves near the Shimba Hills are more than adequate to serve the whole south coast for many years to come and could also probably augment the supply for Mombasa?'

It is a costly exercise to get it out of the ground and into an efficient distribution system, but said Mr. Jogschat 'money so spent will generate revenue and any such scheme would be very viable'.

Replied the Minister 'I think your statement is correct'.

There is adequate wholesome water to supply to this area up to the year 2010 and, maybe, beyond'.

Said Lorna Hayes 'speaking on behalf of residents', many living in the Nyalai and Shanzu area have not had in their pipes for three years, and nobody know why'.

Tankers are busy delivering water throughout the night and getting water from somewhere'.

We pay for it, but don't get it from your pipes'.

It is an extraordinary situation which has gone far too long'.

If you ask for ask for more pressure you get a trickle of water and if you want to speak to your Kisauni Office the telephone usually does not work'.

HEALTH STANDARD

Hoteliers asked that the period checks being made on water being transported to them from private sources should take place at the point of delivery to ensure that the quality conforms to that from that particular source'.

They were assured that water supplied by NWCP conforms to World Health Standards'.

The Minister was told that the European Union is becoming very particular about hygiene'.

'Unless we have certificates to hand to prove that our water is

tested from time to time that it is suitable for human consumption, we will be up the creek'.

Warned Mrs. Aese Sondhi, Financial Director, Reef Hotels Group 'if our standards are not right we will not have tourism continuing in this country'.

Adding the local population also need an adequate supply of wholesome water'.

It was explained by the Managing Director of NWCP, Charles Koske, that as far as the Baricho Water Works are concerned plans had been to commission six wells by the end of last year'.

This target could not be achieved because of the disastrous El-Nino weather'.

Work is presently 'being undertaken on Borehole No. 6, while number four and five are almost ready for commissioning'.

Come April with another two wells we will be able to add another 24 million litres of water per day and before the middle of the year all six will be in operation'.

With the two previously in operation this means that the total number of boreholes there will be eight'.

He went on 'as far as water from Mzima is concerned discussions are going on with our major financier to see when we can bring the extra source of water we have identified down to consumers in Mombasa'.

Plans are already with them an under consideration'.

Here the minister told hoteliers 'I would like to say that the Ministry of Water Resources is extremely serious about water'.

PRESIDENT MOI

The President has charged us with this responsibility and most importantly to deliver wholesome, potable, water to wananchi'.

We are very concerned about the problems over the supply of water throughout the country and particularly to the tourist industry without which it cannot function effectively'.

I cannot promise that we are

going to perform miracles'.

I cannot promise instant solutions to problems that have persisted over such a long time, But I would like to promise one thing - that is we should have hope from now on that some of them, particularly the long period of waiting for implementation will be shortened'.

As of now I can promise that before the end of the year that at least 50 per cent more water will be available through boreholes or other augmentation systems'.

On the south coast we plan to rehabilitate Marere pipeline'.

But most important would be the replace of that old pipeline'.

We are looking for funds to entirely replace it'.

Said the Minister 'I have challenged my engineers by saying

'I will do the best I can, through government machinery, to ensure that funds are available and once they are I don't want any excuse by an officer not to implement it'.

He then spoke about the distribution of water'.

'Top Stars' Entertain For Mombasa Pwani Lions Club

FROM FRONT PAGE

The Centre has an out-patient, an in-patient departments, theatre, kitchen and other ancillary services'.

On an average the out-patient department serves 30-40 patients a day. The 14 bed in-patients facility caters for male and females separately'.

Operation are carried out on Tuesdays and Thursdays with an average of five cataract surgeries per operating day (40 surgeries a month)'.
In addition to these surgeries are also carried out on alternate weekends through the Outreach Programme'.

The Outreach Programme is a unique programme set up by the Lions Club of Mombasa Pwani'.

The team comprising of the clinical officer, theatre nurse, ophthalmic assistants and a few Lions travel in a mini-bus to a destination pre-determined as advertised (outreach station)'.
The patients are screened and treated for all, these requiring

cataract surgery are then transported to the Lions Eye and Blood Centre - Uhuru gardens, Mombasa for admission'.

After having rested overnight, the next day operations are carried out on the Sunday'.

The following day (Monday) all the patients are satisfactorily discharged and transported back to the outreach station escorted by a nurse'.

Follow up of patients is done by the Health Centre concerned and a check up done again on the second visit to the centre three months later'.

All the services offered through the outreach programme are absolutely free'.

'This unique programme is purely set out on a basis that if they can not come to us, we would go to them'.

On an average 700-800 patients are seen per month and 55-60 cataract surgeries are carried at the Lions Eye Centre'.

The impressive results above are achieved by the dedicated staff

of two clinical officers, theatre nurse and ophthalmic assistant and ward nurse at the Lion Eye Centre under the supervision of our consultant Dr Kamal Bhandari, a dedicated Eye surgeon in the Coast Province'.

'The Club has further taken a task of making Pemba Island in Tanzania - Cataract Free Zone!'.
'The same team undertakes these unique eye camps, where it is hoped that Pemba Island will be free from any cataract sufferers by going there for the forth time this year on April 10-13, 1998'.

'The Banquet is planned to give you entertainment that will be unique with some great items to be auctioned'.

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'All the above activities are expensive to carry out and need the necessary finances'.

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SKAL Club Kenya Coast Plan For Training Project

SKAL CLUB Kenya Coast will soon establish a special training fund for young people joining the tourism industry in an effort to boost what was once the country's principal foreign exchange earner.

The Club's chairman Mr. John Mutua who is also Block Hotel's Regional Manager Nairobi-Coast said during their annual general meeting at Mombasa's LaTerraza Restaurant that there was a great need to mold more professionals in the industry through training and enhancing their skills.

Mr. Mutua noted that the idea

to help young people in institutions through a fund to be established by the club had been expressed by several club members in the past.

"I think this is a very good idea and the committee looks forward to setting up this fund with your blessing," said Mr. Mutua.

The club's move, once effected will be in line with its global aspiration and campaign to uphold professionalism and improve the quality of service in the tourism industry world wide.

During the function, Mr. Mutua told the Skalleagues that it was through their support, loyalty and commitment that the club had managed to realize successful dinner meetings with high average attendance and substantial proceeds.

He said some of the funds had been put into good use such as Martin Hurst Fund (a medical care for one of the club members).

He said that the club whose overall membership had shot up to 61 continues to attract more members and dinner sponsors as per his 1996 prediction that the club register at least 60 by the end of 1997.

Mr. Mutua noted that 1997 had been an extremely difficult year particularly for those in the tourism industry.

"The year started very well with high occupancies but then the problems of riots in Nairobi, civil unrest, El Niño withdrawal of IMF funds, cholera, Rift Valley Fever and the Visa charge soon set in," he said.

He however urged all the members to forget the past and

work diligently for a more prosperous future.

Mr. Mutua informed the club members of a congratulatory letter he had received on behalf of the club from the club's international president Mr. Ian McCubbin.

The Chairman said the club was looking forward to sending about a dozen representatives to the forthcoming International Montreal Congress due for November this year.

At the same time Mr. Mutua announced the Ninth Skal International weekend to be held at Aberdare Country Club on April 24 and 25, 1998.

He appealed to members to book in time for the great event which will feature sporting events such as Golf, Tennis and darts for members.

Special Report By Correspondent

Indian Trade Delegation In Mombasa

A DELEGATION from the powerloom sector of India will be visiting Mombasa on April 1st and 2nd, 1998.

There will be a buyer-seller-meet on April 1 at Hotel Sapphire Conference Hall between 09.30 a.m. and 17 00 hrs.

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Continental Coast Meet For Social Science and Medicine Africa Network

WHITESANDS Hotel recently hosted a continental meeting for Soma-Net (the Social Science and Medicine Africa Network, a non-profit regional network that brings together African scientists, institutions and agencies working in health and social sciences in Africa).

The network has a mission to seek lasting solutions to health problems in Africa by bringing to bear the combined wisdom and experience of both the social

WE HAVE all heard of the 'Rhino Charge' - that Annual 'Bundu-Bashing' event in and around Nanyuki that sees dozens of 4-Wheel Drive vehicles attempt the most challenging of obstacle courses.

Proceeds always go to protect one of Africa's most endangered species - the Rhino.

For the second time, Mombasa has a similar event with which to entice the 4 Wheel drive 'funsters' into the bush.

Again it is for a charity that desperately needs funds to continue its work.

All money from entrance and sponsorship of the 'Puppy Charge' will go to the KSPCA in Mombasa. The Mombasa Motor Club has again agreed to organize the event - they have the expertise and experience to apply for all licenses, permission and permits.

They will ensure the event abides by all Rules and Regulations.

The MMC has chosen the location, prepared the Regulations, and organized all documentation.

The precise venue will obviously remain a closely guarded secret until a few days before the big day, although, it is known to be in the Kwale area.

There will be a published maximum of 25 team entrants

sciences and the medical and biomedical sciences.

It's mandate is however to encourage and facilitate relationships, interactions and capacity building among African institutions, organizations, professionals and policy and research in the social, medical and biomedical sciences.

The network's strategic role, is to champion and advocate integrated and cross disciplinary principles, approaches, methodologies and practices that increase the effectiveness of health-related institutions, organizations, professionals and policy makers in their own roles, functions and disciplines in the African context.

Somanet's challenges for the network is to assist mid career professionals from university.

Also research institutions to develop the skills necessary to conduct quality integrated and cross-disciplinary research as well as to prepare high caliber research papers and technical reports.

And finally to enhance collaboration among social, medical and biomedical scientists and institutions working in health.

Somanet's central strategy is to establish and maintain a cadre of professionals and a network of organizations and affiliates who are committed to integrated and cross-disciplinary principles, approaches, methodologies and practices for solving health problems in Africa.

K.S.P.C.A. "PUPPY" CHARGE

although we will probably allow up to 35 vehicles.

Each vehicle will carry 4 team members including the driver and navigator.

All vehicles must produce a minimum of 5000/- in sponsorship to enter.

The MMC will ensure that each vehicle complies with the regulations at scrutineering on the day.

We expect mainly 4-Wheel drive vehicles although the 'Puppy Charge' is open to 2 wheel drive cars as well.

The date for this exciting event is to be Friday, April 10.

The 'Puppy Charge' is to be a fun day. For more information contact: Aisha Khan Tel. 472895 or 451225, or Sue Williamson Tel. 474123.



★ **ARIES** March 22 - April 21
Domestic problems need careful handling. Insensitivity and brashness will not get you anywhere. A week that has you worried.

★ **TAURUS** April 22 - May 21
Big changes are in store for your employment situation. A very easy week and dull weekend. Use the free time to catch up on your rest and sleep which you have been neglecting lately.

★ **GEMINI** May 22 - June 21
Refusal to heed another's advice could land you in a lot of problems. Young ones play a pleasing role. A surprise is in store for you mid-week.

★ **CANCER** June 22 - July 21
This is a constructive phase in your life. Aim high and reach your goal fast. You will find that those around you are very supportive.

★ **LEO** July 22 - August 21
There are people around much worse off than you are, so look around and cheer up. Neither a particularly lucky nor an unlucky week.

★ **VIRGO** Aug 22 - Sept 21
The opportunity of what you want in love is there. Stick to your plans. There is a strong chance of travel.

★ **LIBRA** Sept 22 - Oct 21
Sudden emotional attraction could threaten existing relationships. Excess expenditure is not necessary. Keep a tight hold on your purse strings.

★ **SCORPIO** Oct 22 - Nov 21
You record material gains in one form or another. This is however a week of stress and strain. Don't let the steam build up or you will be looking at trouble.

★ **SAGITTARIUS** Nov 22 - Dec 21
You feel that you are in the peak of your health but it is only an illusion. Your physical health will become sensitive as the week progresses.

★ **CAPRICORN** Dec 22 - Jan 21
You are financially in a very fortunate position this week. But make sure you save for a rainy day and don't go on a buying spree.

★ **AQUARIUS** Jan 22 - Feb 21
You are prone to quarrel with everyone. An adverse and difficult phase of time. Try and bide this week over, things will seem better afterwards.

★ **PISCES** Feb 22 - March 21
You will be looking at some short journeys without notice during the week, so be prepared at all times. Otherwise an uneventful week.



**COMMISSION FOR INDIA, MOMBASA
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The Commission of India, Mombasa, invites textile importers / manufacturers / dealers to a Buyer-Seller-Meet at Hotel Sapphire Conference Hall on April 1 from 0930 to 1700 hrs.

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Kenya Has Received Eight Billion Dollars (\$800,000,000) In Foreign Aid From Donors In Last 10 Years - U.S. Official

MAYOR of Mombasa Najib Balala has been commended for his plans to set up an 'Advisory Committee' representing all sectors of the community, to help put the Municipal Council back on its feet and to ensure a high standard of service to residents.

It came from the US Ambassador to Kenya, Prudence Bushnell, during a luncheon party at the Shehna Restaurant hosted by the Mombasa and Coast Tourist Association of which Najib Balala is Chairman.

It was an opportunity for her to meet important stakeholders in the tourism industry - until last year the largest earner of foreign exchange - and now, virtually in a state of collapse.

Their worry is how to sustain the industry and not close down some of the properties.

The Ambassador heard they were experiencing the worst high season ever and had appealed to the Kenya Government for a 'Rescue Package' to help survive.

At the luncheon was Kuldip Sondhi, Managing Director Reel Hotels - the initiator of a stake holders meeting on January 30 which had brought together major investors in tourism at the coast together with the Chairman of the Kenya Tourist Board, Elliot Mahiu, and its Executive Adviser Jim Flannery.

He asked the Government 'is there anything to prevent your government from assisting private sectors directly?'

Adding 'if we submit a memorandum of what the tourism industry needs to pull it through, would there be anything to prevent your government from setting up a 'Rescue Fund' which could help us over this difficult period?'

Accompanying the Ambassador was Bob F. Godec, Economic Counselor and Christopher D. Berlew, Second Secretary.

Replied Bob: 'I would mention that Governments collectively have given Kenya in the last ten years Dollars eight billion.

'We have given an enormous amount of money and really the only way, ultimately, that Kenya is going to be successful is for Kenyan to rely on themselves to make this possible through hard work and investment.

'There is a lot of money already in this country.

'Quite frankly, I believe that the most appropriate thing is for Kenyans to look for themselves first for ways to get out of their difficulties.

'I feel that the tourism industry here can probably get through this by tightening its belt and also perhaps by looking to yourselves and finding additional money for promoting tourism abroad.

'I would like to see that those in tourism are doing everything they can to restore the industry here before any international assistance came in.'

The Ambassador suggested that the Kenya Tourist Board could be a focal point, but the MCTA Chairman, Najib Balala, was quick to reply 'until now government has not sufficiently financed KTB'.

He mentioned the large amount of money (U.S. Dollars \$90 million) that South Africa spends on tourist promotion.

The MCTA chairman went on

'basically Kenya has become more well known through its private sector.

'It is because of our tour operators here and overseas, and hoteliers, that Kenya is known, not so much due to the efforts of the Ministry of Tourism'.

Added MCTA's vice Chairman, Rahab Mwendwa 'in Kenya Tourist Offices throughout the world there is virtually not a single brochure nor information about the country'.

She claimed 'the Government has absolutely no budget for the tourism trade'.

Replied the Ambassador 'I am of the firm conviction that the Government here is capable of change, and has changed.

It is not a Government which is not responsive to her people.

It does respond but the people need to become more vocal about what the Government needs to do'.

She explained 'when I say Government I mean Members of Parliament.

'Make them work for you to give them a clear indication of what you want'.

Said Mr. Sondhi 'you have said that it is time for Kenyans to come out and help themselves more, and you are right about that.

'But the fact is that Kenyans have helped themselves a lot.

'It is Kenyan entrepreneurship that has created not only just the tourism industry but others



WELCOME TO MOMBASA - US Ambassador to Kenya, Prudence Bushnell receives a flower bouquet from Shehna Restaurant general manager Mehboob Harunani. Looking on (from left) are MCTA Executive Officer Moses Bulemi, Zul Harunani, Managing Director Shehna Restaurant and MCTA Executive Member, U.S. Embassy Economic Counsellor Bob F. Godec, and U.S. Embassy Second Secretary Christopher D. Berlew.

look to you to give us the kind of assistance which is more in keeping with your own nature - which is private enterprise.

'What we are asking now is how you could assist the Kenya Tourist Board'.

He went on 'Mike Kirkland has said 'why does everyone picture Kenya negatively?'

Declared Mr. Sondhi 'firstly, it is because KTB is relatively newly formed and, secondly it has little money'.

'If you could assist KTB and if you could set up an Endowment Fund it would help us to pull the tourism industry out of its present image.

'We are not asking for a charity, but for a soft loan which we will pay back in a period of about four or five years at a reasonable rate of interest.

'By so doing you will have helped the industry and thousands of people to keep their jobs and in the process will have become even greater heroes in Kenya than what you are now.

The Ambassador told Mr. Sondhi 'I will give you the name of somebody to whom you can speak'.

including coffee and tea.

'It is individual entrepreneurship that has created them.

'Now we look towards the wealthiest nation in the world to tell us what we should do, but we also



US Ambassador to Kenya, Prudence Bushnell seen at the Shehna luncheon together with Mombasa Mayor Najib Balala, who is also MCTA chairman, and MCTA's vice Chairman, Rahab Mwendwa.

Adding 'there is a limit to what the US government can do for the private sector of another country, but I promise you I will go back and explore the opportunities to see if such a thing is possible'.

Said Bob Godec, Economic Counselor 'what the US government recognises is that Kenyans have done many wonderful things for themselves.

'There are many entrepreneurs and successful businesses in this country.

'It is important to be proud of that individually the country has achieved in the last thirty years.

'At the same time to be frank about it, the country also has a lot of problems.

'There are a lot of things that need change if this country is going to get richer'.

Continuing he said 'at nearly every meeting I attend I receive requests from Kenyan organisations, individuals or groups looking for some sort of assistance and while we can do, and do provide help, I do not think the history of foreign aid in Kenya, or foreign aid anywhere, has gone to help develop a country.

'It is not going to happen and it is through intelligence, diligence, hard work, capability and the potential that this country is going to get rich.

'There are programmes, not through the US government, from which the Kenya Tourist Board might be able to get some sort of loan.

'Perhaps in one of the international programmes there might be something available.

'We will be happy to go back and investigate, but the tourism industry has first to look to itself for money to do these things.

'I recognise it is difficult but there are plenty of countries which have developed without assistance from foreign countries.

'We can help, but we cannot lead.

'We can provide small bits of assistance here and there - knowledge and all the rest of it - but these are not the solution'.

Added the Ambassador 'you have a platform of not only Americans but international organisations and the United Nations.

'You have incredible assets but until you stop squandering them

nothing can be done.

For instance the US government cannot come in and clear up corruption.

Asked the Ambassador 'what can I do about the fact that 80 per cent of your tax money goes to civil servants.

'I cannot do anything about that, nor the fact that there is so much cheating going on.

'We are not coming to your rescue anymore, because it has not worked.

'My message to you is that you can do it.

'You are a powerful industry, you represent an enormous amount of money.

'You represent a critical sector in one of the most important commercial towns in Kenya'.

The Ambassador concluded

'start projecting a new image of Kenya with good news about the country and involve the international press.

'I urge you to form a support group of people involved in tourism.

'Get together with others with a common interest and decide what you as residents of Mombasa are going to do about it.

'By working together it can be tackled.

'Kenya is a beautiful country and has so much potential'.

Other stakeholders at the luncheon not already mentioned were Mike Kirkland, Managing Director, Southern Cross Safaris; Hugh Walters, General Manager, Tamarind Restaurant; Edgar Francula, Regional Manager for Africa Touristic Union International Service; Raymond Matiba, Vice-Chairman Alliance Hotels; Dalip Dhanjal, Chairman Dhanjal Investments (owners of Travellers Group of Hotels); Zul Harunani, M. D. Shehna Restaurant and MCTA Executive Member.

Also present were Moses Bulemi, MCTA Executive Officer and Neta Peal, PRO.

These stake holders have already told the tourism minister, Hon. Henry Kosgey, that the assistance sought by the industry is a moratorium of 12 months to be declared on statutory payments, inclusive of VAT, NSSF, NHIF, telephone, light and water for the months of February 1998 to January 1999 inclusive.

They also asked that deferred payments resulting from the Moratorium should not attract penalties or interest.

They told the Minister that if this Moratorium can be considered as a soft loan, then it should be repayable over a period of not less than four years from the end of the Moratorium period.

The 'Rescue Package' amounts to approx. K. Shs. two billion.

At the luncheon party Mr. Sondhi revealed:

'We have had no positive reply from the government yet'.

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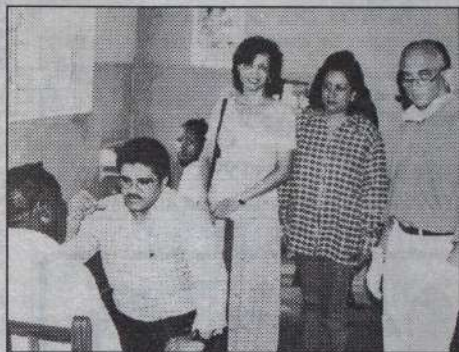
HEALTH MINISTER Mr. Jackson Kalweo (centre), Assistant Health Minister Mr. Basil Criticos (left) and the Ministry's Permanent Secretary Mr. Sammy Mbova are seen above following the proceedings during the opening of the five day Family Planning Logistics Management (FPLM) project seminar at the Nyali Beach Hotel.



MR WIRNER CONRADI (right) from Germany is seen filming sections of the Malindi-Lamu road, while Hans von Schooneveld the Southern Cross Safaris Sales and Marketing Manager makes the commentary in German highlighting Malindi as the best tourist attraction in Africa. The film will be projected in German tourist promotion offices.



GUEST OF HONOUR at the Girl Guides Thinking Day Celebrations held at the Shanzu Transitional Workshop for Disabled Girls Chairman Rotary Club of Bahari Mombasa, Nabil I. Zakhem (right) presents an award to Rehema, a deaf student at the centre.



INNER WHEEL Club of Mombasa organised a free Medical and Dental Camp at the Magongo Municipal Clinic which was very successful. Seen above is Dr. Rajesh Vaghela screening a patient as (from left) Vice Chairman Inner Wheel Harshida Patel, Chairman Yasmin Khandwalla and Dr. Chandrakant Patel, look on.

AMREF MALARIA PROGRAM



FRIENDS OF AMREF, Coast, representatives from corporate and tourism industries Aga Khan Foundation, Rotary Clubs of Mombasa together with AMREF staff attended a luncheon at the Tamarind Village Conference Room to discuss plans for AMREF's Employer Based Malaria Program. The Program will be launched in April. Tamarind Mombasa is their junior organisation to adopt the Malaria Prevention Program for its employees. Seen from left are Provincial Medical Officer Dr. S. K. Shariff, AMREF Kenya Country Director Mr. Jumba Sebunya, Friends of AMREF Mr. Abdul Samji and General Manager Tamarind Mombasa Mr. Hugh Walters.



THE DIRECTOR of Nyali Beach Hotel-Regional Manager Block Hotels John Mutua (right) in discussion with Jonathan Mulandi (left) and Mutiso Mukiku (centre) who have worked for the hotel for 35 years during a farewell party the hotel hosted for its long serving retirees at the Myita Grill. Over 25 employees who have worked for a total of 420 years retired.

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Harrison Mutinde Creates Culinary Delights For Skalleagues At The Kenya Marineland

ALL OFFICERS of the 23 year old SKAL Club of Mombasa - which brings professionals in the tourism industry together, socially, were unanimously re-elected for a further two years period.

They were the Chairman, Sean Gavaghan, Hon. Secretary, Salim Rahemtulla and Hon. Treasurer, Jayantial Solanki.

After several years the post of Vice Chairman has now been restored the popular new holder being Zainul Sumra who was elected unopposed, while Neta Peal continues as PRO.

Sean is the immediate past National Chairman of the Skal Clubs of Kenya, and now is a member of its National committee, while Salim continues as Hon. Secretary.

Skal has a unique situation on the Kenya coast with two Skal Clubs being based in close proximity to each other at Mombasa.

With a view to sensible merger the Skal Club of Mombasa will be approaching its sister club for a joint get-together on April 18 to celebrate Skal International Day, followed later by some serious discussion on this issue.

Meanwhile, the 23 years Skal Club is planning lots of fun filled activities which made it so memorable in the past.

Members get together at different venues every month, the most recent being on the cool palm-tree lined terrace on the waterfront at Kenya Marineland's Aquamarine Restaurant.

They praised the cuisine which was exotically presented, one example being a bowl of crab soup having a frilly garland made from a white radish!

The very talented chefs Harrison

SUPERB SEAFOOD CUISINE



CHAIRMAN Skal Club of Mombasa Sean Gavaghan (second right) congratulates Managing Director Kenya Marineland and Aquamarine Restaurant Garry Thornton (second left) and Restaurant Manager Harrison A. Mutinde (right) for the excellent cuisine enjoyed by Skalleagues and their guests as Skal Honorary Secretary Salim Rahemtulla who was also re-elected looks on.

A. Mutinde with 17 years experience in hotel and catering industry.

He is also Restaurant Manager. Each item on the menu was a delightful culinary experience - smoked Sailfish or zebra with piquant sauces, a Chateaubriand and for Skalleagues a very special Seafood Platter.

The dinner ended with crunchy cream filled brandy snaps - not just one - but two!

The Managing Director of Kenya Marineland and Aqua-marine Restaurant Garry Thornton from New Zealand who in his yacht was sailing around the world.

Unable to proceed through the Red Sea and Suez because of the Gulf War he anchored at Mtwapa finding it an ideal place in which to

stay.

Afterwards he continued with his voyage calling at Cyprus, Malta and sailing around the Greek Islands then returning to Mtwapa on being invited to take over from

Tony Pape, MD of Kenya Marineland who was retiring.

Garry's seafaring experience and knowledge of boats comes in useful for Kenya Marineland introduced dhow safaris eighteen years ago and now has a fleet of 4 dhows, their 'Journey into Africa' being very popular.

He also keeps an eye on Joe Leichum's Nautical 52 yacht which he describes as an 'ultimate in luxury with no other like her on Kenya coast'.

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LAMU, wo die Zeit stillgestanden ist!

DIE GESCHICHTE der Insel Lamu reicht zurück bis ins Jahr 1350, und das 18. Jahrhundert wurde als ihr "Goldenes Zeitalter" beschrieben.

In historischen Berichten heißt es: "Reiche Leute, in Seide und mit Turban bekleidet, wohnten in Steinhäusern, viel größer und eleganter als man sie sonst an der ostafrikanischen Küste findet, mit Ausnahme von Sansibar im 19. Jahrhundert."

Es wurden Gedichte und Epigramme geschrieben und an besonderen Zeremonien wurde der Schwertanz aufgeführt.

Bei der Heimkehr des Hausherrn wurde Musik gespielt, eine wohltuende Massage und ein heißes Bad erwarteten ihn, während das Sofa, auf dem er sich ausruhte, mit süßduftenden Jasminblüten bestreut war!

Lamu ist reich an Geschichte und islamischem Lebensstil.

Die Frauen tragen den schwarzen Umhang, den *Buibui*, die Männer den weißen *Kanzu* oder bunte *Kikoi*.

Lamu ist das Zentrum, der islamischen Gelehrsamkeit in Ostafrika.

Während vier Tagen wird der Geburtstag des Propheten Mohammed gefeiert, an welchem Fest Tausende von Gläubigen aus Ostafrika und anderen Teilen des Kontinents teilnehmen.

"Maulidi" ist einzigartig mit Tanz und Gesang, begleitet von Tamburinen und Trommeln, innerhalb und außerhalb der Moscheen. Diese Feier wurde in Lamu 1901 eingeführt.

Lamu ist berühmt für seine pfirsichartigen Mangos wie auch für die kunstvoll geschnitzten Türen, Tische und Truhen.

Das Leben dreht sich hauptsächlich um Fischen, Bootsbau und Handel mit Mangroveholz als Baumaterial.

Dhaus aus Ostafrika legen regelmäßig in Lamu an und tauschen ihre mitgebrachte Fracht gegen lokale Produkte aus.

Die Steinstadt von Lamu ist ein lebendes Denkmal, das von Kenias reicher Geschichte und Kultur zeugt.

Es ist auch die älteste noch bewohnte Stadt an der ostafrikanischen Küste und steht seit 1983 unter Denkmalschutz.

Um die Bautätigkeit in der Stadt zu überwachen, die unkontrolliert leicht ihren einzigartigen Charakter zerstören könnte, wurde 1987 im Fort Lamu ein Bauamt zur Planung und Erhaltung der Stadt eröffnet.

Die Architekten und Bauzeichner offerieren freie technische Beratung für Interessenten, bevor eine Baugenehmigung erteilt wird.

Im Lamu Museum, das direkt an der Strandpromenade liegt, ist zur Zeit eine Ausstellung über Stadtplanung und Denkmalschutz zu sehen.



IM EHEMALIGEN Deutschen Postamt in Lamu sieht man viele interessante Bilder wie auch die Attrappe eines Postboten in der Uniform aus jenen Tagen. Heute wird man dort von Husna Mohammed begrüßt, die Besucher gerne über die Geschichte informiert.

Überdies haben die Nationalmuseen von Kenia ein Suahelihaus aus dem 18. Jahrhundert im Zentrum der Altstadt in seinem ursprünglichen Stil restauriert, das im Januar 1987 vom Schwedischen Botschafter in Kenia offiziell eröffnet wurde.

Dieses Projekt wird von der Kenya Museum Society und von der schwedischen Regierung finanziell unterstützt.

In den letzten Jahren haben die Suaheli selbst vermehrtes Interesse daran gezeigt, die Suahelikultur und das Kunsthandwerk wieder zu beleben.

In erster Linie setzen sich die "Swahili Cultural Centres" in

Mombasa und Lamu dafür ein.

Letzteres befindet sich im Gebäude des früheren deutschen Postamtes!

Diese "Swahili Cultural Centres" sind ein Gemeinschaftsunternehmen zwischen den staatlichen Nationalmuseen von Kenia und einer regierungsunabhängigen Umweltorganisation mit Finanzhilfe von UNDP, ILO und den Nationalmuseen von Kenia.

Siu im Lamu Archipel war das Zentrum des Kunsthandwerkes, ein kleines Dorf auf der Insel Pate, das schon vor der portugiesischen Epoche viele Käufer für die wunderschön geschnitzten Betten, Stühle, Lederwaren und Eisenarbeiten anlockte.

Es war auch das Zentrum für Kalligraphie - der Koran und andere islamische literarische Werke wurden dort kopiert.

Unter den Bewohnern lebten auch einige Inder und Perser.

Deshalb stellen die Suahelischnitzereien eine Mischung aus arabischer, indischer und persischer Kunst dar.

Die talentierten Leute in Siu sollen aus Shanga stammen, eine der ältesten Siedlungen an der ostafrikanischen Küste, die im 8. Jahrhundert entstand.

Ostafrika unterhielt Handelsbeziehungen mit den Ländern am Indischen Ozean und von China bis zum Mittelmeer.

Die frühesten archäologischen Beweise stammen aus dem 9. Jahrhundert.

Mit den Monsunwinden fuhren die Schiffe an die ostafrikanische Küste, beladen mit Tonwaren, Glas und anderen Gebrauchsartikeln.

Im 12. Jahrhundert begann in Siu und Pate der Handel mit dem Mittleren und Fernen Osten und die Leute wurden recht wohlhabend.

Es gibt viel zu entdecken und zu erforschen im Lamu Archipel.

Interessant ist eine Gruppe vorgelagerter Inseln - Lamu, Manda und Pate.

Der ideale Ausgangspunkt für Exkursionen ist das Lamu Palace Hotel (mit 44 Betten, alle mit orthopädischen Matratzen!), das an der Strandpromenade am Kai von Lamu liegt.

Es gehört nun Diani Homes und wird von Romantic Hotels geleitet wie auch das exklusive Chale Island Paradise an der kenianischen Südküste.

Das Lamu Palace Hotel hat ein eigenes Schnellboot für Ausflüge zu den historischen Inseln von Pate und Manda.

Überdies steht den Gästen eine Dhuu für erholsame Seesafaris zur Verfügung.

UNGWANA

Die interessantesten historischen Stätten reichen von Ishakani im Norden bis nach Ungwana im Süden.

Die beiden frühesten bekannten Suahelisiedlungen an der ostafrikanischen Küste waren Manda und Shanga; beide entstanden im 8. Jahrhundert.

Die Ruinen von Takwa auf Manda - eine Moschee, Wohnhäuser, ein Brunnen und andere Gebäude aus dem 16. und 17. Jahrhundert - sind von einer Stadtmauer umgeben und befinden sich auf einem Gelände von 50 ha.

Takwa war während mehreren hundert Jahren besiedelt, bevor die Bewohner nach Shella auswanderten.

Auf den Insel Manda, wo Diani Homes einen Club aufbauen will, gibt es bei Shella einen wunderschönen schneeweißen Strand mit Sanddünen, ideal zum Sonnenbaden.

In Lamu gibt es vier Museen, das älteste im Fort Lamu (hinter dem Lamu Palace Hotel), das von vielen als das imposanteste Gebäude in Kenia bezeichnet wird.

Mit dem Bau der massiven Mauern wurde 1813 begonnen, kurz nach dem Sieg von Lamu über die vereinten Streitkräfte von Pate und Mombasa 1812 in der Schlacht von Shella.

Das Hauptgebäude wurde errichtet in Zusammenarbeit mit dem Sultan von Oman, der mit Lamu eine Allianz einging, und das Fort wurde 1821 fertiggestellt als Schutz gegen weitere Invasionen.

Während der frühen britischen Kolonialzeit waren im Fort Lamu Verwaltungsbüros der Kolonialregierung untergebracht.

Von 1910 bis 1984 diente es als Gefängnis und im Mai 1984 wurde es den Nationalmuseen von Kenia übergeben und unter Denkmalschutz gestellt.

POSTAMT

Von 1986-1990 wurde das Fort restauriert und wird nun benutzt als Ausbildungsstätte für Umweltschüler, oft aber auch für exotische Suaheli Hochzeitsfeiern.

Der Oberste Kurator der vier Museen von Lamu (Suahelihaus, Deutsches Postamt, Lamu Museum und Fort Lamu) und der Takwa Ruinen ist Joseph L. Cheruiyot, der seit zwanzig Jahren für die Nationalmuseen von Kenia arbeitet und in allen Teilen des Landes tätig war.

Nicht weit vom Lamu Palace Hotel entfernt, an der Hauptstraße, ist das Deutsche Postamt, das am 22. November 1888 als erstes an der ostafrikanischen Küste eröffnet wurde und während zwei Jahren dem Postverkehr des Deutschen Protektorats diente, bevor das Gebiet 1890 der britischen Kolonie zugeschlagen wurde.

Heute wird das Gebäude zum Teil vom "Swahili Cultural Centre" benutzt.

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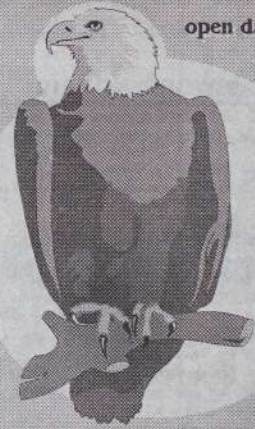
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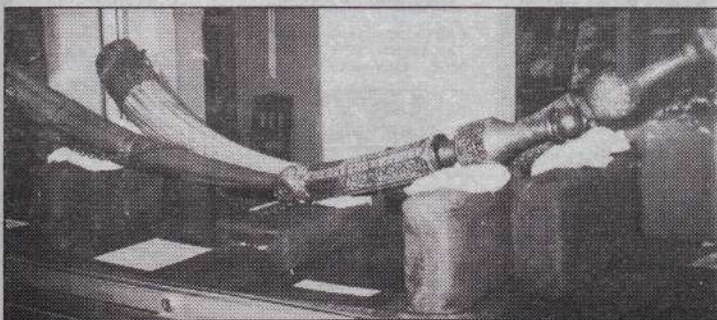
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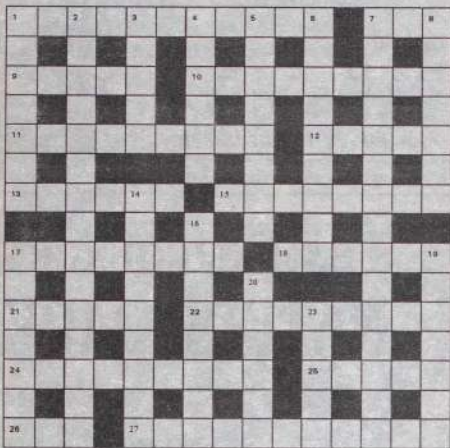
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CROSSWORD NO. 519

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ACROSS:

- Corps of non-British origin? (Germanic, perhaps) [7,4]
- What's boating without Crosby? [3]
- Nothing fictitious about the seventh letter; it's grand [5]
- Order a nip (anag.) [9]
- They stump us all when young [4,5]
- Member of a vegetarian race? [5]
- The chap who did for Harold [6]
- Full of the joys of Spring, tra-la-la [8]
- Basic material from lion and frog [8]
- Careless about a young lady [6]
- Give permanent support [5]
- Attempt too much at a stretch [9]
- Puck's a slippery one at this sport [3, 6]
- They're at our finger-tips [5]
- Light talk [3]
- Short naps between flipping counterwork? [11]

DOWN:

- One you can safely tell to go to blazes [7]
- Uniform chaps, though of all shapes and sizes [7,8]
- Good service, but the ball touched the net (Rather cheeky) [5]
- Small crab? [6]
- Halve our mixture for this [8]
- The proof of the pudding is in the country [9]
- In which one's words are put to the test [4, 11]
- Beat the little man in geometry [7]
- Starchy food gives two alternatives to war [9]
- Bereft of hair? A lone duck might be [8]
- Sensational remuneration on fish (or heather) [7]
- Employing a little science over his manuscript causes such divisions [7]
- Stevenson's schizophrenic doctor [6]
- To do this is novel to the sapper [5]

ANSWERS TO CROSSWORD NO. 518

ACROSS: 1. ARM OF THE LAW, 9. INNER, 10. SUGAR-COATED, 11. EYING, 12. REALM, 13. SKEIN, 14. BUTT, 15. CAT O' NINE TAILS, 18. BOMB-SHATTERED, 21. FARE, 22. DRAMA, 24. OSIER, 25. IRENE, 26. NIGHT ATTIRE, 27. LEAST, 28. SEARCH-PARTY.
DOWN: 1. ABSTRACT OF TITLE, 2. MIGRANT, 3. FOREMAN, 4. HOOKS, 5. LATE EXTRA, 6. WIDEN, 7. ANXIOUS, 8. BRIGHT AND BREEZY, 14. BLUE, 16. OBOE, 17. NOSTALGIA, 18. BRAEMAR, 19. TWO-STEP, 20. RAINIER, 22. DENTS, 23. ATTIC.

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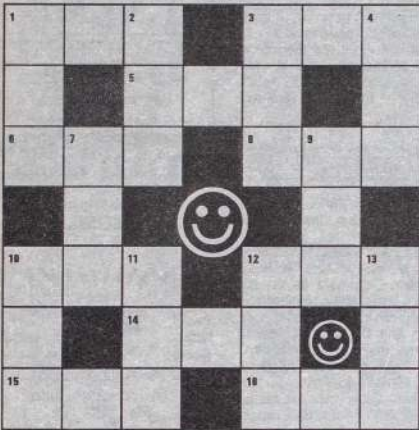
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ACROSS:

1. Children's game in which one chases the rest ? (3)
3. Seed of an apple, pear or orange ? (3)
5. Cereal grown as food for men and horses ? (3)
6. Large South American non-poisonous snake ? (3)
8. A small insect ? (3)
10. You can see clouds in the ... ? (3)
12. To join one thing to another ? (3)
14. Head of corn which has the flower or seed ? (3)
15. What is five plus five ? (3)
16. Highest part of a hill or mountain ? (3)

DOWN:

1. Open vessel used for washing ? (3)
2. Famous seaside holiday city in India ? (3)
3. Preferential Trade Association (abbrev.) ?(3)
4. Hole in the ground ?(3)
7. A forest tree which gives hard timber ? (3)
9. To shake your head when you say yes ? (3)
10. You ... on a chair ? (3)
11. Japanese currency ? (3)
12. Painting is a form of ... ? (3)
13. You can take a ... in the sea ? (3)

LAST WEEK'S KRAZY CROSSWORD KLUES:

Across - 1. CAR, 2. OLD, 5. INN, 6. DEK, 8. EAT, 10. SKY, 12. SET, 14. AGE, 16. RED, 18. WIN.
 Down - 1. COO, 2. BIN, 3. ONE, 4. DOT, 7. ELF, 8. ACE, 10. BAR, 11. FAD, 12. SEW, 13. TEN.

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WINNERS OF the Seventeenth Krazy Crossword Draw are, from left, Azhar Mamujee, nine years, Puneeta Mahajan, six and a half, and Sammy David, eleven years old.

Cadets Try 'Safari-Style Sailing' During Great Six-Hour, Five-Boat, 420s Mombasa Marathon

MOMBASA Yacht Club was an entirely different place on Saturday, March 21, when 50 youngsters, their parents, Scout Leaders and interested Yacht Club Members gathered for The Great Six Hour Race.

There were five boats being sailed, all well matched 420s sporting brand new sails that rustled in the light breeze.

The race was organised to raise money to pay for the boats for the Cadets.

The boats started the race at 12 noon and four were still very close after an hour's racing, but as the afternoon wore on the boats began to spread out just a little more and Boat Number Four dropped back to race against Boat Number One after the only capsizes of the afternoon.

The other three boats were in contention for the first three places throughout the afternoon.

Boats Three and Five swapped first and second place frequently until Number Five began to lead consistently, while Boat Number Two crept up and overtook Number Three in the finishing laps.

The race was organised a bit like the safari rally - each leg the boats had to come in for a three minute pit stop - not for servicing, but for change of crew and helm.

The ten helms completed alternative laps while most crews sailed twice each in the eight laps until 6.00 p.m.

The change over was timed so that care was taken not to damage boats in the haste and excitement and a great team spirit ensued as each team saw their boat out again for the next leg.

The winning team was of course led by two sterling sailors - Sam Barnes and Trupti Patel, aided by Tarveen Singh, Dipali Patel, Nausheen Mohamedali, Chris Kamande and a whole host of small Sea Scouts new to sailing - Bryan Lwanga, Hassan Mbwana, Khalid Abdalla, Enock Odiambo and Sydney Owino.

It was hoped to make all the teams fairly matched but obviously the girls were out to prove themselves.

Most commendable sailing came from Samuel Ndarwo who together with Stephen Coppinger, a competent helm but with no previous experience in the 420 which he had only crewed before, pulled their team into second place.

Michael Coppinger proved to be a great source of skill and staying power and at only eleven handled the helm exceedingly well and instead of being a handicap to Alistair Barnes was assisting him into success until one bad round pushed them back a little.

Boniface Ojiambo, Alfred Okoth and Stephen Braaksma were unfortunate not to push their boat around a little faster and Sam and Trupti are sailing Boat Number One in April to tune it.

The boats all from the same mould, with identical suits of sails should be equal, except there are

so many fine adjustments that can be made.

Boat Four led by Omar Mbithi, Vishal Shah and another eleven year old, Gert-Jan Scherpenzeel was consistently fourth but very close to the fleet until its whoopsie, made more exciting as the M.V. Acor came cruising in from seaward, appearing on the scene at an inopportune moment.

the Topper sails to make sailing a more maridid scene at the same time as thanking and publicising our sponsors' participation in the Cadet sailing scheme.

For anyone still interested in advertising on the sails or just supporting Cadet sailing for all, there are still two whole boats left and The Topper Trust should be contacted via the Chairman, Andy

Top-Pair to round Likoni Buoy in light winds and strong tide.

After supper Jean showed sailors how to cha-cha, do the Gay Gordons, the Promenade and Friendly Waltz.

Many thanks to Jean for living everyone up and we hope she will repeat it sometime soon.

Sunday 22nd was a race for fast boats only and unfortunately



SEA CADETS at Mombasa Yacht Club seen preparing to the 420s out racing.

The trustees of The Topper Trust who hold the boats for the Cadets wish to congratulate all the children on their very good sailing, team spirit and excellent behaviour all afternoon.

They have also done a magnificent job in helping to raise the funds to purchase the boats by some K.Shs. 80,000/= through sponsorship.

AFTER THE RACE there was a casual reception to thank all the supporters of the Trust who have kindly been donated money by local and international companies as well as parents, family, friends and teachers of the Cadets.

Sailing Notes by Sea Breeze

The engineering companies DHE, Port Economic Maintenance and Stotherd and Pitt, Marine Power (Mercury and Mariner Engines), Pegasus Tea, East African Seafoods Limited along with very generous Yacht Club Members Maewe and Barry Mitchell have all contributed to swell funds. This means that three of the five boats are now funded with more support promised in the near future.

While the concept of sole sponsorship had to be abandoned due to the political and economic climate there will still be logos appearing on the sails in line with

Burnard on Telephone 224194.

For anyone who visited the Yacht Club on Saturday afternoon, it was just such a good experience to see children of all communities mixing, sailing and rooting for their team together.

FOR THE REST of the Yacht Club's news - Jean Koch provided more action than the wind on Wednesday evening, March 18.

It was a poor turn out - exams again for those poor young things - of only eight boats.

Jasir sailed by Abizer Taibali took first place, second was Samantha Barnes giving Sihiri a second chance with more success this time and perhaps her teething problems are over, third were Kalim Hassanali and Frances Marks in Meteorite two fifts.

Gary Morgan in Meteorite.

Gert-Jan Scherpenzeel and Michael Coppinger fared well in Sharpie meaning three of the first four boats were Lasers.

Temeraire sailed by Francis Marks and Brenda Bumstead were fifth and 420, Boniface Ojiambo and Sha Khan sixth.

Centurion with Nigel Davie and Ella Pollard retired with gear failure, we are led to believe and Mariam Hassanali had great difficulty persuading her Topper

excluded the 420s who turned out to play.

Lasers and Cspreys were the only boats eligible to sail the Dan Cup, presented in 1970 by S. Kristensen and programme alterations to please the Club's members meant there was no low handicap boat racing that day.

Marilyn Barnes in Ishilia had an exceedingly good day with two first - perhaps she had managed to pick up a tip or two the day before from watching the Cadets sailing a similar course.

Andy Burnard sailing Nyekundu had a third and second, Alistair Barnes fourth and third, Kalim Hassanali and Frances Marks in Meteorite two fifts.

Alistair sailing Sihiri for the first time produced a magnificent death roll in the second race, tumbling into the water with a sound not dissimilar to a crack of thunder as his mast smashed the water.

Chris Barnes in Chanzo took second place in the first race, but failed to cross the finishing line in the second race so was disqualified.

This was the first two of a four race series, the next two on March 29.

Of the 420s and one Topper out, Sam Barnes and Trupti Patel were out to show Omar Mbithi and Samuel Ndarwo the way round as they once again show their great form.

SUPER MOMBASA ACADEMY FIELD GAMES

WHERE CAN a mother catch the ball and get her own son out in a game of rounders ?

Where can a father and a daughter play cricket together ?

Where can a pupil duck a teacher in a water polo game ?

Where can a four year old pupil beat his teacher at running ?

The answer to all those questions is the same - at the Mombasa Academy Field Day!

Pupils, teachers and parents came together on the Mombasa Academy playing fields to participate with and against each other in a wide variety of

sports. Parents, pupils and teachers of all ages took the opportunity to play squash, badminton, cricket, soccer, volleyball, netball, water polo, basketball.

Many parents and teachers had to dust down their trainers and searched long and hard in their memories for rules of games they had last played when they were a pupil!

But nobody cared who won - or lost, what mattered most was that everybody was having fun, enjoying sports together!

The finals of Field Day was the Fun Run.

Runners ranged in age from four to 54 years.

The start was likened to the start of the London Marathon with all runners being flagged off together at a tremendous pace.

Some managed to maintain the pace and Mr. Frugtniet led everybody to the winning line as the winning male teacher.

Energetic Teacher

Not far behind was the winning female teacher, the fit and energetic Mrs. Kirkham.

Once again, the winning 'Dad' was Mr. Coppinger - who will take

the title from him next year ? Mrs. Misbah was the winning 'Mum'.

Not to be outdone were the pupils, who ran magnificently and the worthy winners were: Jay Dave, Martina Vitulli (Junior), Jessica Mousley, Michael Coppinger (Prep) and Mubashar Khan, Pooja Shah (Senior).

Lollipopps were given to all participants by the headmaster Mr. Uppal.

"It is wonderful to see the parents, pupils and teachers of Mombasa Academy playing and working together."

Masud Rana Pips Terry Kaguta For First A Place In Hot And Humid Nyali Competition

THE REAL McCoy having flown out of bounds, the 'Provisional Ball' is now in play for a short period of three weeks at a short notice of three days and desperately short of even three good ideas!

In fact this is a rush job to meet the Coastweek's short deadline of three hours!

One does not have to be mad (believes Provisional Ball), to play golf but it certainly helps if you are!

How otherwise can you logically explain the massive turnout over the weekend at Nyali when a majority of golfing members from both the Clubs took to the fairway in sweltering heat and humidity.

Fortunately, by his absence, Provisional Ball can be counted amongst the few sane ones still left in the golfing fraternity.

Working hand-in-glove as they normally do every day, the Kenya Ports Authority and the Kenya Ships Agents' Association decided to extend the partnership to the Nyali Golf course over the weekend.

Their generosity was apparent when they invited the 'front' Club members to participate also.



RUNNER UP in the Rotary Club of Kilindini Golf Competition 1998 at the Nyali Golf and Country Club with 36 points was Akki Khan (left) who is seen receiving her prize from Mrs. Razia Khan, wife of the Chairman Rotary Club of Kilindini Afzal Khan.

However, that small step by the sponsors led to a titanic field of 130 - perhaps one of the highest ever.

Hot topics of discussion while playing, I am told, were parched throat, suntan, sunburn, sunscreen lotions, skin cancer and slow play!

Still, they managed to crawl through 18 holes with credible scores and countbacks for almost all prizes.

The prizes, indeed, were generous and extended down to number seven.

As if that was not enough, there were prizes for longest drives (measured in nautical miles) for ladies and gentlemen and one for the nearest to the pin.

To fortify the players who could possibly have rushed from their offices (although I doubt if any one of the golfers ever work - I mean on Saturdays), the sponsors also provided a diet special of soup and sandwich.

And to crown it all, a most enjoyable cocktail was hosted at the end of the prize-giving ceremony.

The course was in excellent shape thanks - yes, thanks - to the *El Nino* weather phenomenon which has sprinkled the course every now and then with welcome showers.

Thanks also to the Greenkeeper and his staff who have maintained an immaculate course.

Well done, guys.

Coming down to the bottom line of performance against all odds, the top gun was Masud Rana who pipped Terry Kaguta on countback at 39.

Terry was overheard saying that this was a twin delivery but one of the twins had to be the senior and he was content to be the runner up!

In third place was a perennial leader-boarder Mrs Kiran Patel at 38 having counted out Irfan Elias into fourth place.

Two ex-captains battled it out for the fifth and the sixth place, once again on countback, at 37.

Standing alone at seventh position was S. Mbotte at 36 - no countback for him.

The longest drive (on the 16th) was that of Ann McConnell and amongst the gents was that of Musa Odada.

And by Divine Providence, Father Wangal landed nearest to the pin on the tenth hole.

All in all it was a very enjoyable competition notwithstanding the heat and the humidity.

K. P. Shah And Rasila To Play For Kenya In 'African Tournament'

THE MOMBASA Sports Club Bowling Team was represented by K. P. Shah, Deepa Mukhopadhyay, Rasila Shah and Bijal Dodiya at the National Fours held in Nairobi at the Nairobi Club, writes **WHAT-A-BOWLER**.

The Mombasa Team was drawn against Alan Gilham, Pat Gilham, Sheri Fletcher and Jim Fletcher in their first game on Saturday Morning.

The Match was won by Alan Gilham's Team.

The Green was excellent to play on and was faster than Mombasa.

The second game of the day was against Ian Stamp, Mike Cooper, Graeme Monroe and Alison Monroe.

This game was very interesting as the scoring was nearly even.

The game was won by Ian Stamp's team in the last few ends.

On Sunday morning, the Mombasa Team were drawn against Charles Wambugu, Susan Wambugu, Paul Wamae and Joe Nugi.

K. P. Shah showed some of his magic to win a few ends in an amazing manner.

In the end, the game was decided on the last end, with the Mombasa Team winning.

The National Finals was between Ian Stamp's Team and Oliver Fowler's Team of Maureen Burns, Sheryl Fowler and Seamus Burns.

Ian Stamp's team were leading by 20 - 0, at the half way point.

Oliver Fowler tried getting into the game but could not catch up with Ian Stamp's team, which were now leading 29 - 5.

Oliver Fowler declared on the 18th end, as now there was no possibility of them catching up with

Ian Stamp's Team.

Congratulations to Ian Stamp, Mike Cooper, Graeme Monroe and Alison Monroe on winning the National Fours.

Heartily congratulations also go out to K. P. Shah for being selected



K. P. SHAH

for the Kenya Team for the 17th African States Bowls Tournament, which takes place from May 29 to June 6, 1998 in Johannesburg, South Africa.

K. P. Shah has been playing for the Kenya Team since 1993.

This is the fifth time he has been selected to represent Kenya at an African States Bowls Tournament.

He has also represented Kenya in the 1996 World Bowls in Adelaide, Australia.

K. P. Shah also took part in the Worthing Open Bowls Tournament 1997 in the United Kingdom.

He is the current holder of the 'Master's' Single Tournament.

Congratulations to Rasila Shah, who has also been selected as a reserve for the Kenya Ladies Team for the African States Bowls Tournament.

On the local scene, the Mombasa Sports Club Bowling Green is now open.

The Green is looking excellent and is very smooth (having tested it on Tuesday).

Spider was played on Tuesday by the regular social bowlers, which was won by Nafisa.

Well Done Nafisa.

Commercial Bank of Africa is sponsoring the Bowling Tournament on April 4, 1998 at the Mombasa Sports Club.

A good entry of some twenty six bowlers had been received by Tuesday.

Over the Easter Holidays, the Coast Open Bowling Tournament takes place at the Mombasa Sports Club.

More details to follow next week.

As usual, social bowling continues on Tuesdays, Thursdays and the Weekends.

Happy Bowling.
ASANTE SANA.

COAST BRIDGE with C.P. SHAH

IN The modern tournament game, an opening "Three No Trumps" has come to show a long solid (i.e. 'no loser') Minor Suit, with no more than a Queen outside.

While this does 'telegraph' the hand to the opponents, it makes the judging easy for the partner.

Dealer: North. North / South 'Vulnerable'. **BIDDING:**

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

South worked out that the hand would be a disaster in "No Trumps", because of the lack of Clubs in his hand.

Relying on establishing length winners in Hearts, he found the bold and imaginative bid of "Six Clubs".

West who had 'tranced' noticeably over "Six Clubs", led the King of Hearts.

Plan the play, assuming West to hold the critical missing 'Honours'.

Declarer won the Ace of Hearts, 'ruffed' a Heart, drew the Trumps in four rounds, discarding three Spades and a Heart and led the Knave of Diamonds.

If West had won his King,

NORTH			
♠	8	6	
♥	3		
♦	J	6	5
♣	A	K	Q

WEST				EAST			
♠	K	J	7	♠	10	9	5
♥	K	Q	J	♥	7	4	
♦	K	10	8	♦	9	7	3
♣	4	2		♣	9	8	6

SOUTH			
♠	A	Q	4
♥	A	9	8
♦	A	Q	2
♣	-	-	-

the Queen of Diamonds would have become the third entry to hand needed in order to establish the fifth Heart.

The expert West therefore let the Knave win.

Undeterred, Declarer cashed his two remaining Clubs, discarding two Hearts.

West's last four cards were the King of Spades, the Queen of Hearts and the King and Ten of Diamonds.

Declarer led a Spade to his Ace and exited with his remaining Heart. West was 'end played' to lead a Diamond into his Ace and Queen and the 'Slam' had scrambled home. The full hand is shown above.

Rotary Club Of Kilindini Host Charity Golf To Aid Kizingo Primary School

THE ROTARY Club of Kilindini goes from strength to strength in fund raising for its pet project, that of Kizingo Primary School, Mwarakaya, Kilifi, where it is building six classrooms, in permanent mat-erials and providing desks.

The highlight of its recent 25th anniversary celebrations was to receive a gift of K. Shs. 300,000/= from the Bernard van Leer Foundation for this project which triggered off other donations from fellow Rotarians wishing to mark this august occasion.

Just one week later, over the weekend, a further Shs. 220,000/= was raised for community

projects, at the Rotary Club of Kilindini's Golf Competition at the Nyali Golf and Country Club.

It was won by Mr. K. Gicheru with 36 points, the runner-up being Akki Khan (36 points), a niece of the Rotary Club Chairman Afzal Khan.

He is also very fortunately for this club) Managing Director Van Leer East Africa Limited.

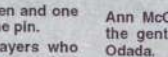
Addressing participants in this capacity he said "once again in keeping with our annual tradition we are pleased to have sponsored this tournament in support of a good cause through the efforts of the Rotary Club of Kilindini in helping those in need in the community."

Speaking at the Rotary Chairman, Mr. Khan thanked all who had made the event such a success, particularly the main sponsor - Van Leer.

A big 'thank you' also went to the 18 sun-sponsors who had each donated Shs. 10,000/= and in particular to ABN-AMRO Bank for its donation of Shs. 25,000/=.

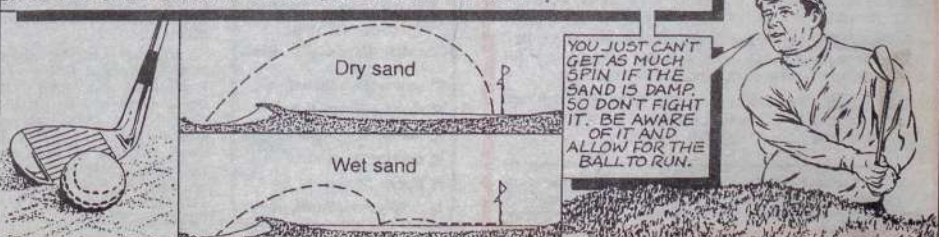
Declared the Chairman "without these sponsors the competition could not have been so successful."

Also thanked were the golfers, members of the Rotary Club of Kilindini and the Chairman of the Rotary Club of Mombasa, plus all distinguished guests and their families who had made it an occasion full of fellowship and fun.



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'CASA' And 'NASA' Squad Sweep Zambia Invitational Championship

THE NAIROBI Amateur Swimming Association and Coast Amateur Swimming Association joint team won the Zambia Invitational Championship.

Zambia came second and Zimbabwe third.

The points are as follows:
NASA/ CASA 1506; Zambia 1426; Zamba A 760; Zimbabwe Highlands 618.

The following national records were broken:

Boys Over 16 100 metres butterfly Nick Diaper 1.02.86;

Boys 11 years 100 metres back stroke Jason Dunford 1.22.70; Boys 11 years 4 x 50 metres Individual Medley Jason Dunford 2.57.40; Girls 11 years 100 metres breast stroke Anne-Marie Pierce 1.34.21.

NASA/ CASA came back with 43 gold, 30 silver and 31 bronze medals.

A fantastic result for the team as this is the seventh time to compete against Zambia and the first time to win.

OPEN SQUASH TOURNAMENT

THE ATHI Stores Limited sponsored Coast Open Squash Tournament will be held at the Mombasa Sports Club from April 10 to 13, 1998.

Entries should be sent to M. Zaveri Telephone 314454, Fax 312398 or Bharat Shah Telephone 316743/4 Fax 311786 before the closing date of April 6. Entrance for Kenya Squash Racket Association members will be Shs. 200/= and for non-members Shs. 300/=.

The first 48 entries for men will be accepted and a minimum of 16 entries for women are required. There will be a plate event for both men and ladies first round losers.



WINNER OF the Rotary Club of Kilindini's Golf Competition 1998 was K. Gicheru with 36 points. His prize, presented by Mrs. Razia Khan (left) was a 24 piece set of crystal champagne glasses.

New And Improved Pakistan Youth XI

A WELCOME addition to the Coast cricket scene is the recently formed Pakistan Youth Eleven, writes D.J.W.

From the friendly games played so far, it is evident that they have a well balanced bowling attack and their batting has been improved by some new players.

On Saturday, they had a seven wicket win over a strong Mombasa Sports Club side.

Batting first, Sports Club scored steadily, but after a second wicket partnership between Charith Senanayake and Rajesh (25), no one reached 20 runs and the 30 overs were completed with 144 for nine wickets on the board.

Charith batted well, hitting four boundaries and two sixes in compiling 41 runs, until he became the first victim of slow bowler Inam.

Inam's deceptive flight earned him the fine figures of 6 for 22.

In reply, the visitor's innings was dominated by newcomer Tariq, who attacked all the bowlers.

In spite of surviving several dropped catches, he struck seven fours and four sixes in reaching 84 not out.

Although three wickets fell, Azher (22 not out) joined Tariq to take the score to 146 for 3 in only 22 overs, for a comfortable win.

'Last Minute Goal' By Ashraf Saves Kitete From Draw With Cosmos In Coast League

A LAST minute goal by Ashraf Ali gave Kitete FC a 1-0 victory over hard fighting Cosmos FC on Saturday at the Baobab Ground.

This was one of the two weekend Coast Premier League matches at the Baobab ground.

The goal which was scored in the 90th minute of the game surprised Cosmos players who at the time had started feeling that the game was ending in a draw.

Immediately after the score, the match referee Chief Kibwana ended the game.

Ashraf Ali of Kitete was the Man-of-the-Match on that day.

Cosmos FC a team with renowned players like Islam Idha, Jack Obieno, Adam Odari and Jaffer Shabban has to undergo a lot of vigorous practice to match with the present speed of Coast Soccer.

Towards the end of the 1997 season Cosmos lost a lot of matches to minor teams due to lack of practice.

Whenever Cosmos play an observer will see its very experienced and skilled players suffering from laxity and lack of practice.

At present Majengo residents cannot afford letting another one of their team face off Coast Soccer after Feisal FC.

It is high time Cosmos officials started thinking seriously about committing themselves and their players to up lifting the club's performances.

The second football match of the weekend was between Burnley Amature and Hotspurs FC at the Baobab ground was abandoned in the 75th minute when a Burnley player manhandled the match referee Mr. Evans Mwachia.

The manhandling of the referee might bring serious repercussions



Soccer Scene with SERAJ MOHAMED

for Burnley FC because KFF Coast branch seem not ready to entertain any nonsense on the playing field this season.

Two weeks ago the branch expelled Golden Stars FC from the League for causing the abandonment of their match with Young Rovers FC at the Baobab ground.

A Coast Super Two League Match on Saturday at the second Baobab ground was about to be

called off because the match referee failed to show up.

The Coast KFF Chairman Mr. Awadh Oshan acted swiftly to save the situation when he requested Chief Kibwana to surrender one of his assistant referees to officiate the match on ground 'B'.

On that account Chief Kibwana officiated the Kitete and Cosmos match with only one assistant.

Nyoka FC beat Sparki Heroes 3-0 in an entertaining match on Baobab ground 'B'.

SportSmile

"Worst case of tennis elbow I've ever seen."

TIDE TABLES

MOMBASA, March 27 - April 02, 1998.

FRIDAY High Water - 3.6 m at 03.42 hrs (3.42 a.m.) and 3.6 m at 16.05 hrs (4.05 p.m.). Low Water - 0.3 m. at 09.50 hrs. (9.50 a.m.) and 0.2 m at 22.06 hrs (10.06 p.m.).

SATURDAY High Water - 3.7 m at 04.22 hrs (4.22 a.m.) and 3.9 m at 16.43 hrs. (4.43 p.m.). Low Water - 0.1 m. at 10.26 hrs. (10.26 a.m.) and 0.1 m at 22.47 hrs. (10.47 p.m.).

SUNDAY High Water - 3.8 m at 05.01 hrs (5.01 a.m.) and 4.0 m at 17.21 hrs. (5.21 p.m.). Low Water - 0.0 m at 11.01 hrs (11.01 a.m.) and 0.0 m. at 23.27 hrs. (11.27 p.m.).

MONDAY High Water - 3.7 m. at 05.39 hrs (5.39 a.m.) and 4.0 m at 18.00 hrs (6.00 p.m.). Low Water - 0.1 m. at 11.38 hrs (11.38 a.m.).

TUESDAY High Water - 3.5 m at 06.17 hrs (6.17 a.m.) and 3.8 m at 18.39 hrs (6.39 p.m.). Low Water - 0.1 m at 00.07 hrs (12.07 a.m.) and 0.2 m at 12.15 hrs (12.15 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY High Water - 3.3 m. at 06.56 hrs (6.56 a.m.) and 3.6 m at 19.19 hrs (7.19 p.m.). Low Water - 0.3 m at 00.49 hrs (12.49 a.m.) and 0.4 m at 12.53 hrs (12.53 p.m.).

THURSDAY High Water - 3.0 m. at 07.38 hrs (7.38 a.m.) and 3.3 m. at 20.03 hrs (8.03 p.m.). Low Water - 0.5 m. at 01.33 hrs. (1.33 a.m.) and 0.7 m. at 13.33 hrs. (1.33 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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BRIDGE RESULTS

RESULTS OF Duplicate Bridge played at the L.T.C. on Monday 23/03/98.

M. Sawjani and R. Ruparella 138; Panachand and Janak Babla 138; R. Patel and T. Pujara 127; Dr. L. Shah and K. Malde 127; M. Boiness and H. Shah 123; Mahendra and Koki 119; Rainsford and Phillips 111; Mr. and Mrs. N. Shah 104; Mukesh and Kiran 92; Dr. J. Shah and B. Babla 84; H. Malde and S. Shah 83; Ramesh and Paniraj 74.

RESULT OF the Duplicate Bridge played at Mombasa Sports Club on Wednesday, March 18.

Janakbhai and Panachand 129; Rohit and Rohit 123; Harkhubahi and Moshe 115; Dr. J. Shah and Bharti 114; Kirit and Amu 113; Kiriti and Uttam 110; Mr. and Mrs. D. Shah 101; Dr. K. Vora and Laxmikant 101; Harilal and Shantilal 101; Pulin and Tushar 100; Ranchorbhai and Dr. V. Patel 99.

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