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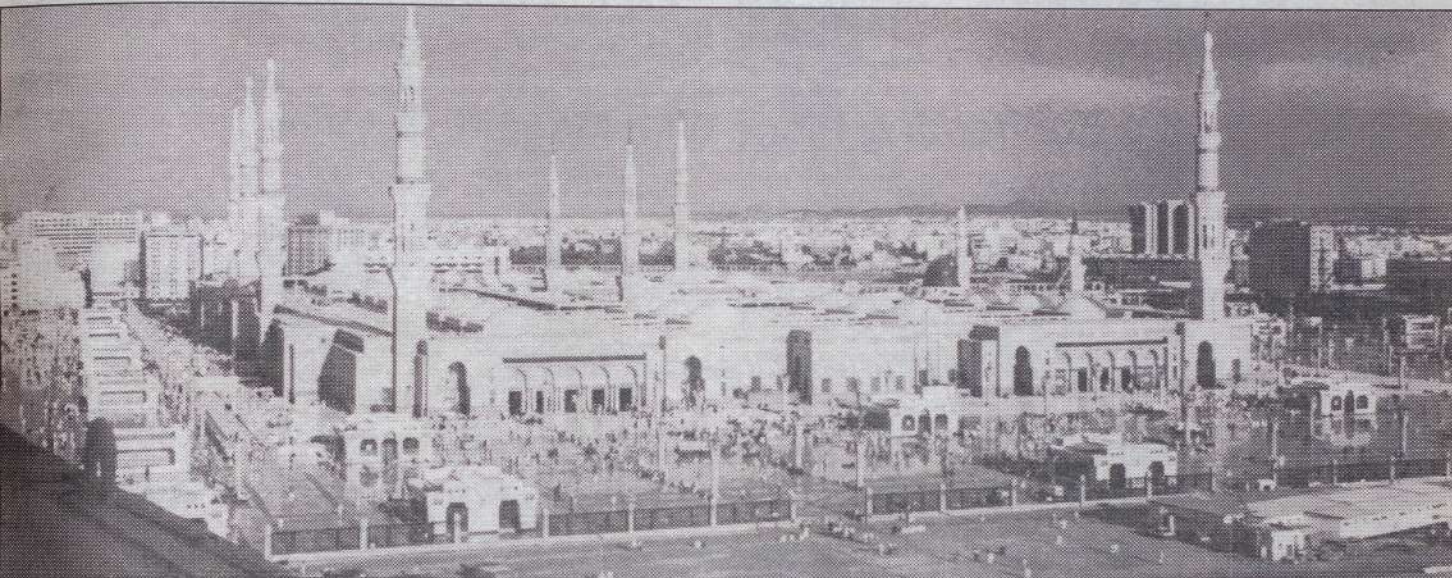


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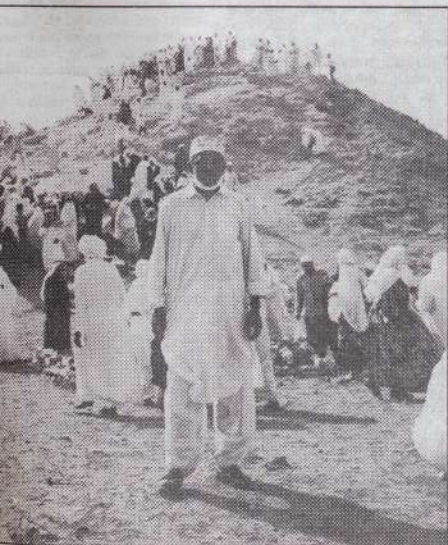
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## Pilgrimage To Holy Mecca

### KENYAN MUSLIMS RETURN FROM SUCCESSFUL 'HAJ' TO HOLY CITY OF MECCA



SEVERAL THOUSAND KENYAN MUSLIMS, many from the Coastal towns of Mombasa, Malindi and Lamu, have returned safely from the annual Haj pilgrimage to the holy city of Mecca, Saudi Arabia. Shown above is the 'Holy Prophet Muhammad (Peace Be Upon Him)' Mosque at Medina, North of Mecca. One group of Mombasa Muslims back home in Mombasa described this year's experience as 'Once in a life time'. They also praised the Custodian of the two Holy Mosques (at Mecca and Medina) King Fahad Bin Abdul Aziz Al Saud and the Saudi Government authorities for sparing no effort in channelling the Kingdom's capabilities in order to help pilgrims perform their religious duty with a feeling of security, tranquillity and comfort. They noted that this year there were more than two and half million pilgrims who successfully completed their visits to Mecca, Mina, Arata, Muzdalifah and Medina.




MOMBASA pilgrim Mahmood Essa is seen standing at the foothills in the vicinity of Mount Uhud on the outskirts of Medina - host city of numerous religious relics and great Islamic achievements which mark Islamic History.



SECTION OF THE MULTITUDE of two and half million Muslim pilgrims heading off to the Holy Mosque (background) in Mecca - focus of the annual Haj. Thanks to the Saudi Government Authorities the whole area is provided with highly advanced and modernised health facilities and telecommunications network for local and international service.

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## Encouraging Crowds At Holiday '98 Expo In Nairobi's Sarit Centre

THE 'HOLIDAYS '98 Expo' at Nairobi's Sarit Centre was very professionally organised and while the turn out was good it could have been better declared Frank H. Neugebauer, Group General Manager, Group Romantic Hotels.

'The Minister for Tourism, Henry Kosgey, visited our stand and was very impressed with our island hotels at Chale and Lamu as well as with support of eco-tourism'.

Mr. Neugebauer continued 'we would have sold more holidays, but the problem for many people was in getting to the coast with the road so badly damaged.'

'Insufficient aircraft seats were available over Easter'.

He mentioned that about 660 per cent of visitors from up-country at this time usually travel by road.

Adding 'the tourist industry at the coast is in a crisis situation and the Minister in opening the 'Holidays '98' show suggested that hoteliers might further reduce prices'.

Said Mr. Neugebauer 'most hoteliers have already done so - in one case offering K.shs. 925/- per person, full board, per night

### Reductions

'Such drastic reductions can only result in the lowering of standards leading to tourists complaints, for they still expect quality for their money even though paying much less'.

Declared Mr. Neugebauer 'cutting back on quality is not going to help'.

He referred to the recent crisis situation to Egypt where tourists were shot and killed.

The government had responded immediately and positively not only by tightening the security but by granting concessions to industry and holidaymakers.

Today, such has been the escalation of tourism there that holidays now cost ten per cent

more.

'The Kenya Government's response to its tourism crisis was to increase VAT and the road levy in petrol prices'.

Said Mr. Neugebauer 'it is the policy of Romantic Hotels not to reduce prices so as to maintain high standards of service.'

'However for domestic tourism we have reduced by 20 per cent'.

At the moment he said 'occupancies at Chale Island Paradise and at the New Lamu Palace Hotel are reasonable', but could be better.

'Meanwhile we continue with our promotional activities which includes inviting tour operators and travel agents to come and personally sample our unique products'.

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**NETA PEAL**

## MWA Aid Bombolulu School Disaster Fund



### GENEROUS CASH BOOST

MRS. PRISCILLA MWASI (third left) Headmistress of the former Bombolulu Girls Secondary School whose dormitory was razed by fire, receives a donation of Shs. 100,000/= from Chairperson of Mombasa Women's Association Mrs. Suman Kanji (second right) as Chairman of the Board of School Governors Professor Juma Lugogo (left) and members of the Association look on.

## An Enchanting Place With Magnificent View

AN ENCHANTING place for a drink or elegant dining, with a magnificent view over a large expanse of the lovely Tudor Creek, plus a cool breeze, is at the romantic Orchid Bay Hotel (near Nyali Bridge) which at night resembles a Sultan's Palace.

Enhancing its allure every Friday and Saturday evening from 7.00 p.m. is one of the top musicians on the Kenya Coast, Tony Remedios, on the keyboards with a well taught or melange of popular light music

for people of all races and creeds to enjoy.

This is particularly ideal for those who have experienced a stressful business day in town, or dealing with pot-holed Digo Road traffic jams!

Tony's soothing music will help you relax.

Maestro Remedios is not only a talented musician playing the bass guitar, rhythm guitar and keyboards, but has a great voice.

He has his own band, the 15 year old Simba Six which entertains at the top hotels on Kenya Coast.

It has also toured Europe many times on behalf of African Safari Club, while for about five years Tony was disappearing at Christmas and New Year to entertain in Bangkok.

His career background started with a school band called 'WE', then joining the 'Vipers' and later the 'Vikings' bands.

When the latter split up Tony formed the Spartans, followed by the Simba Six band.

Appetising snacks are available, including barbecued spare ribs or you can dine a la carte at candlelit tables under a moonlit sky on some classic cuisine.

It includes juicy steaks with delicious sauces, succulent grilled chicken or fish, New Zealand lamb chops or delectable vegetarian dishes.

## 'Alliance Hotels' On Beautiful Diani Beach Prove Popular Venue For KUSCCO Workshops For More Than A Decade

ALLIANCE HOTELS on the beautiful Diani Beach is a very popular venue for training workshops organised by the Kenya Union of Savings and Credit Co-operatives Limited which describes the facility for both work and leisure as 'outstanding'.

They find the tranquil and the lovely environment conducive to hard work in Jadini's air-conditioned conference centre and are delighted with the assistance from a helpful and motivated staff.

Over ten years KUSCCO has been holding such workshops there.

Just recently two training workshops, each of five days duration, took place at Jadini and Africana Sea Lodge bringing together seventy participants from thirty Savings and Credit Co-operative Societies from seven provinces in Kenya.

Thirty-eight were from their 'Supervisory Committees' and thirty two were from 'Credit Management Committees' responsible for issuing loans.

They were conducted by KUSCCO's Education and Training Manager, Edward K. Mudibo who revealed he had been doing so at Alliance Hotels for a 'decade'.

There was much to discuss following the Co-operative Societies Act governing co-operatives being changed resulting in a new service being offered to members - that of banking.

Government's withdrawal from co-operative societies means that Supervisory Committees of Savings and Credit Co-operative Societies will have a much bigger role to play with government no longer being involved in their day to day running, thus making them much more independent.

Declared Benson Z. Yamina who has been on such Supervisory Committee courses several times 'our

societies are now changing into a banking service and we are privileged to be given this added responsibility.

Special Report by  
**NETA PEAL**

It means that most society members will be getting their salaries or loans through their own SACCO owned banks.

In fact, because of the heavy taxation in commercial banks they will find this new development not only much quicker, but cheaper'.

Adding 'it is now upto us on Supervisory Committees to sell the product to members so that they fully understand what has taken place and how they can benefit from it'.

Said Albert A. Ambembo 'our roles in the Savings and Credit Co-operative Society is actually to put in place checks and balances in its operation and to advise management.

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'If we feel there is something wrong we make a report and submit it together with suggestions and recommendations on how to improve the service to members.

'We cover the operation generally, including the status of the society, and how improvements can be made'.

Albert has been on several such Supervisory Committee workshops at Alliance Hotels.

He said 'the facilities offered are outstanding'.

Mr. Mudibo explained 'there

## Good Children Home Funds

ABOUT 17 former residents of the Children's Home, desperate need to lead a normal

According to the of the Home, Patricia children who have at the Home kilometres from the since 1995 need supply of food and for their school fees upkeep.

Kamau said the c been fully rehabilitating attending normal Shika Adaabu Pri though at the moment being partially affected low funds flow at the

He said the home with the main rehabilitating the street children in M is operating along the street boys and Makadara grounds

Kamau who is secretary at the appealed to well donor institutions the home to enable provide Food, Shelter and education rehabilitated children

Kamau said at the have been depts temporary donors members who providing for the School Fees of the

are 2400 societies in the number is increasing by year.

'Because of the education and the society has become dynamic and socio leading savings movement in Africa

The 70-strong s accommodated at J Hotel and Africana and in their little spare full use of many Alliance Hotels has guests thus making meaningful and enjoy

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# WEDDING OF THE WEEK

## Red Cross Action Team In National "First Aid" Competition

ALL BRANCHES of the Kenya Red Cross Society have been advised by Headquarters to organise Grass Root First Aid Competition as a prelude to the National First Aid Competition expected to be held in Nairobi in the third week of April 1998.

Accordingly, Mombasa Branch organised its Grass Root First Aid Competition at the Red Cross Centre (Koblentz Hall).

Dr. S. K. Shariff, the Provincial Medical Officer, Coast was the Guest of Honour.

First Aid Teams from Kenya Navy, Kenya Prison and Students from several Secondary Schools as well as Red Cross Action Teams of Mombasa and Kwale Branches took part in the competition.

A real scene of the accident was created on the main road outside Koblentz Hall (Aga Khan Road) and the Kenya Police Traffic Department assisted in closing that part of the road between MCTA Information Bureau and the Lions Club Blood and Eye Bank building.

The objectives of this competition were:-

To evaluate the First Aid standards in Schools and Institutions;

To promote and popularise First Aid knowledge and services;

To promote participation of Teachers and Students in Disaster Relief and Preparedness projects;

To prepare and select two winning teams for the National First Aid Competition to be held in Nairobi;

To promote the spirit of friendship and understanding;

To create awareness of the Kenya Red Cross activities.



NEWLY WEDS Francis and Katherine Kinyua at their wedding reception on the waterfront terrace of the Orchid Bay Hotel.

THE MARRIAGE of two well known people of Mombasa, Francis Kinyua and Katherine Marami at St. Peter's Church, Nyali, was afterwards celebrated in style together with nearly 200 family members, relatives and friends at the romantic Orchid Bay Hotel (nr Nyali Bridge) on Easter Saturday.

The reception was held in what was probably the coolest place in Mombasa - on the hotel's palm-treed waterfront terrace.

Francis is the son of Andrew and Leah Kamundi and is an Advocate, while Katherine is the daughter of Dawson and the late Mary Marami.

Katherine is a Personal Assistant to Tasneem Adamji, Managing Director of the go ahead African Guest Safaris which company was fully represented there.

Seated around large circular tables on the lawn they were entertained not only by the Mombasa Memorial Church Choir and Nightshift Band, but by laudatory speeches wishing the newly weds long and happy life together.

Francis hails from Meru.

Said his uncle, Abonyia Kiogora 'the coming together of two tribes - Meru and Taita - in marriage augers well for the building of a united Kenya free of tribal conflicts in the next millennium'.

Adding 'they are part of the new generation and part of the renaissance now taking place in many parts of Africa'.

Katherine looked magnificent in her bridal gown of white lace, the scooped neckline adorned with pink roses.

There was also a matching bouquet.

Following the reception in the afternoon all returned to Orchid Bay Hotel to dance the night away

to the Nightshift Band.

Francis and Katherine revealed that their honeymoon was being spent on the romantic spice island of Zanzibar.

## Mediterranean Delights At 'The Pirates'

PIRATE'S STARTERS were so delicious that they became compulsive eating!

Members and guests of the 23-year old Skal Club of Mombasa just could not resist stuffing themselves with such Mediterranean delights as Tabuleh, Mbel, Falafel and humus served with hot buttered naans.

Sitting at a long table family style they also a cool breeze from the sea just a few yards away.

Mbel is a grilled egg plant crushed with fresh lemon, olive oil and spices.

It is a super dip for naans. All found it difficult to give full justice to the tasty chicken soufliaki and grilled red snapper fillet which followed.

The new Manager and Chef at Pirates, Bamburi, is Andi Klein from Germany who trained in hotel management and catering in that country.

He has had considerable experience in the industry and is also no stranger to Kenya having worked as a Resort Food and Beverage Manager for African Safari Club, Mombasa, for a while.

Pirates specializes in Medi-

terranean Fare - including Italian, Lebanese, Greek, Arab and Turkish.

There were greetings, and applause, for Zainul Sumra who at the recent Skal Annual general Meeting was elected, in absentia, as vice chairman.

Zainul is a long standing and dedicated member of Skal and served as secretary for 13 years, while her husband Ismail, is a past chairman.

The only sad note of the evening was to wish farewell to Monika Kock, who has been Deputy General Manager, Whispering Palms Hotel, Kikambala, for the last three years.

She is one of the many victims of the crisis that has hit the tourism industry at the coast resulting in many losing their jobs.

Monika was returning to Germany a few days hence and was moist eyed when wishing everyone "Kwaheri".

Declared the chairman, Sean Gavaghan, "it is very sad Monika is going.

She has been a great member of Skal as well as doing a great job as our Ambassador at Skal International and Pan African

gatherings.

Monika was at the last Skal Congress in Rio de Janeiro and had just returned from South Africa where she had attended the first meeting of Skal Clubs in Africa sponsored by Nigeria.

The President of Skal Clubs in Africa is Oye Ona Banju from Lagos.

The three day 'African Area Assembly and South African National Congress took place in Durban during March.

Said Monika 'it was very successful get-together with 50 Skalleagues attending from Africa.

### Special Report by NETA PERL



"The barber and I tend to differ on politics."



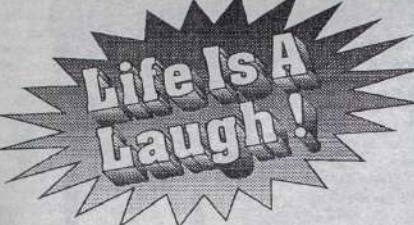
"The noise you're complaining about is a recording of your party I wasn't invited to last night."



"Oh, I forgot. Our hotels were over-run with mice."



"What do you mean 'pass the remote control'? We're at the cinema!"



"Sorry I'm late. They've moved the bar further down the road."



"I don't know who you think you're talking to Madam, but your husband escaped three years ago."



"How many more times must I tell you the blue one is the RECTAL thermometer!"



"In a way he is here and, in a way he is not."



"A wedding present from our neighbours - shock absorbers for our headboard."



"Still can't get Channel Five, Sid?"



MONIKA KOCK (left) Deputy General Manager Whispering Palms Hotel, Kikambala, who is returning to Germany is wished all the best by Chairman Skal Club of Mombasa Sean Gavaghan, (centre) and Vice Chairman Zainul Sumra.

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AFTER A very long time, the one and only Thesplan of the Indian Cinema rules the roost again.

Dilip Kumar, against whom nobody could hold up a candle to, is back at the LOTUS CINEMA in Qila, starting today through till next week, Wednesday.

He can be seen with Rekha and a host of new actors namely, Mukul Dev, Shabaz Khan, Mamta Kulkarni, Malay Chakravarty and Avtar Gill.

## Dynamic Dilip Kumar Teams Up With Regal Rekha In Qila

Jagannath Singh, a tyrant banishes his wife from his house to live in a slum while she is pregnant with his son.

Amar grows up to hate his father and becomes a truck

driver, in love with Neeta, the daughter of the owner of his truck.

Jagannath dies on their doorstep, and not only the entire clan but his enemies gather together for the funeral.

Amongst his die hard foes are Yamin who had been raped by Jagannath and her brother Kundan who was crippled.

Enter Judge Amar Nath Singh, Jagannath's brother, upholder of justice and do-gooder.

It is his intention to bring all the grieved people under his roof, where he lives with his daughter Lajo, to try and undo all misdeeds committed by his brother.

In the process, it is uncovered that from the people to whom he is trying to bring justice to, there

is one who is the murderer of Jagannath.

To save his family, Amar Nath has to locate the murderer before it is too late, in the confines of his fortress - his Qila.

Owing to great public demand, the hit film *Pyaar Kiya to Darna Kya* starring Salman Khan, Kajol and

Arbaaz Khan will be screened for one day only on Thursday, before the week ends at the LOTUS CINEMA.



For those who have not yet seen it, this is your last chance.

You can see some past hits at the KENYA CINEMA in the meantime, beginning today (Friday) with *Ankhen* starring Govinda, Chunky Pandey, Rajeshwari, Kader Khan and the main star of the show, the monkey.

Sanjay Dutt and Urmila Matondkar are on the run in *Daud* on Saturday, while Sunny Deol shows off his *Zor* to Sushmita Sen and Anupam Kher on Sunday.

An action and stunt packed film, *Andolan* is showing on Monday, starring once again Sanjay Dutt, Somy Ali, this time with Govinda and Mamta Kulkarni.

The week ends on Tuesday with an Adults only film *Delta of Venus*.

**KENYA CINEMA**  
Friday (Today) - 6.00 & 9.00 pm  
**ANKHEN**  
\*Ing: Govinda, Chunky Pandey, Rajeshwari, Kader Khan, Raj Babbar, Shakti Kapoor, Shilpa (General Exhibition)  
Saturday - 2.45, 6.00 & 9.00 pm  
**DAUD**  
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\*Ing: Sanjay Dutt, Urmila Matondkar  
Sunday - 2.45, 6.00 & 9.00 pm  
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\*Ing: Sunny Deol, Sushmita Sen, Anupam Kher  
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## GEMINI KILIFI

★ ARIES March 22 - April 21

The unsettled atmosphere that has been surrounding you, 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 difficult time on the home front as people close to you don't quite see eye to eye with you. Have patience and things will right themselves by Wednesday.

★ GEMINI May 22 - June 21

Be careful of your appearance in public. If you are well turned out you will make an impact. Favourable events will further your career prospects.

★ 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

Try to reconcile differences with others and get their support as that is very important to accomplish what you wish to achieve. Your plans will go through on Thursday.

★ VIRGO Aug 22 - Sept 21

The generation gap at home seems likely to cause trouble. Try and think like those younger than you and not against them. You have to take their feelings into account too.

★ LIBRA Sept 22 - Oct 21

Your main hurdles and obstacles will be cleared very soon and you can plan a big step forward. The time to make a courageous and enterprising bid to attract attention is now.

★ 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

Meet with old friends on Sunday and Monday. Attend to business matters on Friday. A small investment in 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

Chronic ailments may raise their heads, and require immediate treatment. Do not be led by the false assumption that pain killers will make you better.

★ PISCES Feb 22 - March 21

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

## Vibrant Zalzala On Stage

FAMOUS Nairobi Musical Orchestra group Zalzala is all set to take Mombasa by storm once again on Saturday, April 18, at the Aga Khan Sports Centre.

After their last performance at the same venue, which was a stupendous success, the group looks forward to an evening full of entertainment with their Coastal fans.

They will however, this time be accompanied by popular comedian Shabbir Ansari, also from Nairobi, whose performance on stage is unmatched by anyone and who will have everyone in stitches.

An evening most definitely not to be missed.



THE SCIENCE Club Team of Allidina Visram High School are seen standing from left; (back row) Chemistry Teacher Mr. Morgan Kiseu, Headmaster Mr. Kangethe Mwangi, Deputy Headmaster Newton Okwata, Assistant Patron Mr. Chrisandus Wekesa, Dean of Studies Mr. Laban Mwangi, Patron Mr. Steven Obara. Standing, (front row from left): Chairman Mustafa Hassanali, Chemistry Teacher Mrs. Caroline Zoka, Secretary Anas Jaffer, Muffaddal Kudrati, Fahim Bayusuf and Sylvester Owaga. (Not in picture Ebrahim Abdulhamid, Hassan Bharmal and Huzeifa Hatim).

## Allidina Visram Emerge Top In District Science Congress

HUMAN endeavour, coupled with dedication, right direction and resourcefulness can achieve great goals and Allidina Visram High has displayed it beautifully with unmatched brilliance at District Science Congress at Star of the Sea High School.

This year's theme was 'Science and technology for industrialisation'.

It was a moment of great triumph and jubilation for Allidina Visram High School to defeat all other schools in Mombasa.

It was also a moment of pride for the Headmaster, Mr. Kangethe Mwangi whose strenuous and indefatigable effort and patience were the principal driving force of the team made up of Science Congress Club Members.

The teachers and the patron, chairman and the secretary of the club spent tireless efforts in preparing the team for such an annual event.

The team presented 18 projects of which eight projects won and qualified for the provincial Science Congress.

### Sylvester Owaga

They scooped first position in Chemistry Exhibit entitled 'Maximum use of Castor Oil' presented by Mustafa A. Hassanali and Anas Jaffer.

Anas Jaffer and Sylvester Owaga won the first position in

Maths Talk on '20 degree angle'.

Mustafa Hassanali and Anas Jaffer on the other hand won first position in Biology talk entitled 'cascin' while Muffaddal Kudrati and Huzeifa Hatim won first position in Biology Exhibit with their project 'Mosquito Repellent'.

Hassan Bharmal and Ebrahim Abdulhamid took first position and third position in Agriculture talk and Home Science exhibit entitled 'Jackfruit' and 'Perfumery' respectively.

Mustafa Hassanali and Anas Jaffer won second position in Home

Science talk with the project 'Fashion Technology'.

The last project which qualified also won second position in Agriculture talk presented by Mustafa Hassanali and Fahim Bayusuf on 'Date Palm'.

In the overall ranking, Allidina won with 32 points followed by Memon High School with 25 points and third position went to Sh. Swaminarayan Academy with 18 points.

It is patent that Allidina's success has been motivated by the dedication and determination.

## Bamburi Quarry Nature Trail

### BAOBAB TRUST FILM PROGRAMME

THURSDAYS: WEEKLY AT 5.00 P.M. IN THE BAMBURI NATURE TRAIL AUDITORIUM - BAMBURI QUARRY

Please Note: FILMS STARTS AT 5.00 P.M.

### Best Alan Root Wildlife Films

(approx. One Hour running Time Each)

April 23 - "The Enchanted Isle"

April 30 - "Subtle As A Serpent"

May 7 - "Garamba: The Impossible Elephants"

## Bayer At Intercontinental Resort



DISTRIBUTORS FROM Tanzania and Kenya are seen at Mombasa Intercontinental Resort attending a weekend conference of Bayer East Africa. Centre is Marion Gathoge, Product Manager, Customer Care Division Bayer East Africa who described the conference venue as 'perfect'.

# Kenya Tourism Needs U.K. Promotion

'TOURISM ON the Kenya coast can still be saved by a big promotion campaign in the UK by the Kenya Tourist Board which, so far, we have not seen' declared Francis Torilla, Marketing Director, Inspirations, UK.

He was among the 23 tour operators and travel agents invited to Lamu by Romantic Hotel to have a glimpse of the rich cultural heritage of the Swahili people, the beauty and history of the Lamu Archipelago, as well as the New Lamu Palace Hotel.

It was all to promote "Cultural Tourism".

As with other tour operators, Inspirations, which has been sending tourists to Kenya for five years is presently not doing very well in bookings to Kenya down by 60 percent compared with same period last year.

Last summer in May they had around 400 clients coming here, this year the number is down to 50.

Said Mr. Torilla, in an interview at the Lamu Palace Hotel "we are doing quite a bit of our own PR to promote Kenya.

Mainly in the trade press, we would like to have some backing through a corporate promotion, by the Kenya Tourist Board".

He went on "we are sending

around 30,000 tourists to India a year and there is no reason why we should not be sending the same number to Kenya.

Adding "Spain and Greece are presently taking a lot of the market because of the very favourable exchange rates", but said Mr. Torilla "there will always be a long haul market".

People just need to be convinced that Kenya, which is unique in what she has to offer, is the place to come to".

He mentioned that in the UK we do not get any positive, only adverse, reports about Kenya in the press.

Continuing Mr. Torilla said "some tourists in Egypt were shot, but during pockets of tribal unrest along the Kenya coast no tourist was harmed yet it resulted in huge decline in tourism to Kenya.

As from October in Egypt (which is like the first real season after the trouble) they have more people than just before it

happened.

Numbers are already up by about 40-50 per cent and by the start of the next winter season (Egypt's high season) there may be well over 100 per cent.

Egypt not only tightened security but offered concessions to woo tourists back by not charging aircraft landing fees and waiving Visa fees and departure tax.

Considering the gravity of the situation there, this is quite an achievement.

In addition any infrastructural work that hotels carry out, such as refurbishment, is free of VAT".

Here Mr. Torilla mentioned that "Without any warning just before the world Travel Market in London at which Tour Operators were hoping to improve bookings, the Kenya Government had imposed a £ 50 visa fee".

He said "the normal British tourists cannot be expected to pay so much which, for a family of 4, means £ 200 extra on the

## MIKE KIRKLAND IS NOW APPOINTED K.A.T.O. COAST BRANCH CHAIRMAN

KENYA Association of Tour Operators have confirmed the appointment of Mr. Mike Kirkland as the Coast Branch Chairman.

Mr. Kirkland, a veteran Safari Rally driver, is the Managing Director of Southern Cross Safaris and has been a tour operator at the coast for 27 years.

He has served on KATO's Coast Executive Committee since it was formed and before that on many other committees related to tourism.

Mr. Kirkland in his term of office has pledged to direct his energies at the Coast get back on its feet.

The association also confirms the appointment of Mr. Fred Kaigua as the new Chief Executive.

Mr. Kaigua who holds a Bachelors Degree in Economics and a Masters Degree in Tourism was previously the Acting Chief Executive and has served in the tourism industry in various capacities over the last seven years.

The appointments were announced at a General meeting of the Association held on 26th March 1998.

At the meeting the issue development of the Mara was

extensively covered.

KATO members had in 1997 unanimously voted to push for a 5-year moratorium on further development in the Mara.

This decision was upheld in the meeting.

The concept of a moratorium on further development in the Mara has also received widespread support from the Ministry of Tourism, KWS, Kenya Association of Hotelkeepers and Caterers' and Conservation bodies.

In addition the Masaai Mara Planning Committee adopted the idea of a moratorium and plans are underway to seek legislation of the same.

It is the general consensus of the stakeholders that a plan on how to develop the Mara is very necessary.

All new developments and extensions to existing properties should therefore be halted during the validity of the current 1-year moratorium agreed to by all parties.

cost of a holiday.

It resulted in many going elsewhere".

Declared Mr. Torilla:

"I feel there is need to get the message across loud and clear about the uniqueness of Kenya holiday".

"We have notified at trade fairs, he said "that there is no corporate promotion of Kenya, as South Africa does, but instead tour operators and hoteliers bring their own thing.

Kenya is facing crazy competition from other countries in Africa which are coming up such as Zimbabwe, Tanzania, and South Africa.

Mr. Torilla concluded:

"If I might suggest Kenya needs to encourage tour operators to come here and to show them good things about the country".

Commenting on his weekend at Lamu, Mr. Torilla said "everything was excellent and most interesting".

## CENTRAL BANK CAUTION ON "ALARMIST REPORTS"

CENTRAL BANK of Kenya have cautioned the Press about harmful effects of "sensational reports" on the Kenya Banking Industry.

A official spokesman explained:

"We have noted with concern the increasing sensational and damaging reporting by a small section of the press on individual banking institution.

"Alarming press coverage, which are not supported by hard facts can cause unnecessary anxiety and possible runs on the targeted banking institutions.

"The Central Bank of Kenya therefore appeals to the members of the press to exercise extra care in verifying their information before going public on matters pertaining to banking.

"We wish to take this opportunity to assure depositors and general public that Kenya's banking industry is generally sound and that the supervision of the institutions by the Central Bank is being intensified."



## Ithna-Asheri Youth To Mark Husayn Day In Mombasa

The Ithna-asheri Young Men's Union is organising HUSAYN DAY on Friday, 24th April, 1998, to commemorate the martyrdom of Imam Husayn, grandson of Prophet Mohammed (p.b.u.h.) on the plains of Kerbala, Iraq. The event will be held at the Islamic centre, Nyerere avenue at 8.45 p.m. on that date.

Hon. Marsden Madoka, Minister in the Office of the President, has kindly consented to be the Chief Guest at the function.

## 'ZIEBART' TRAINING



ABIZER YUSUFALI

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## MEMORIES ... OF MOMBASA

I AM A FORMER resident of Mombasa and I have so many fond memories of Mombasa ... place of my birth.

I now live in Chicago, U.S.A. I must say a very big 'Asante Sana' for the Coastweek Web site.

Its a paper I don't ever miss reading.

I thoroughly enjoy reading the Coastweek and would also like to say keep up the good work!

Hello, also, to all my family, especially my mum, and buddies.

Even though I am thousand of miles away I still remember Mombasa and will never ever forget in my life!

'Kaku' Mohamed H. Abdalla, Chicago, USA

<habdalla@email.msn.com>

## NEWS FROM 'DOWN UNDER'

HELLO! Greetings to you all from Australia.

I am an ex-Mombasa born Australian.

I just wish to thank you for all the news and other articles you publish in your newspaper.

I love reading every edition and appreciate this constant contact I can have with my birth place.

The best news I have read in this past edition is how much your new Mayor is doing and going to do to make Mombasa 'the Paradise Island' it has been known and remembered as.

I still refer to it as one, whenever my Australian friends ask me about it. Do keep up the great work you are doing, in keeping Mombasa on Cyber Space.

I feel at home, every time I open up your newspaper.

Today is Good Friday and I wish to wish all your staff and readers a very very Happy Easter and safe holidays.

Khatoon Wootton (nee Mohammed), Wollongong, Australia

<bwootito@tpgi.com.au>

## JOURNALISM IN BOTSWANA

MY NAME is Patricia Mbuyamba. I am currently a student in journalism at Emerson College in Boston, USA.

I am working on a project on Botswana.

I was wondering if I could not exchange 'e-mail' with a reporter who has some knowledge about the country.

The information that I am looking for concerns the work environment for journalists.

Patricia Mbuyamba, Emerson College, Boston, USA

<shisha@worldnet.att.net>

## GREETINGS FROM TOKYO

AS A KENYAN living in a very far country from home, it gives me a lot of pleasure every week reading your newspaper in the Internet.

It helps me to know what is

happening in the town I used to live and still love, in addition to making me feel much closer to home.

I am really thankful to Coastweek and keep up the good work.

Edward Mwimbi, Tokyo, Japan.  
<mwimbi@hotmail.com>

## NYALI BEACH WAS GREAT!

JAMBO and a nice day to everyone at the Coastweek!

I'm writing from Germany and I hope that you could do me a big favour!

I visited your beautiful country two years ago.

I stayed at the Nyali-Beach Hotel together with my Sister (Mrs. Becker), my brother in law (Mr. Becker) and their

little daughter (Anna). It would be very nice if you could let him now about my greetings to him, all the Hotel-Staff I met two years ago (even if not all of them are employed at this moment) and of course to Mrs. and Mr. Becker!

If this would be possible I would be more than happy!

Markus Cremer, Germany.  
<Markus.Cremer@t-online.de>

## IMPORTANT NEWS ITEMS

DO Coastweek readers know that:

- Today 'Yahoo' was purchased by 'Netscape', and is relocating to Tel Aviv. The new company will be called 'Net And Yahoo'.

- Thomas Jack, an Englishman, invented the automated packaging machine which revolutionized commercial sales in 1924. He was known as 'Jack the Wrapper' and he made a bundle.

- The Janitors' Union went on strike demanding sweeping reforms. The Bakers' Union, however, just wanted more dough.

- Jim used to work at a mortuary, but had to quit that morbid place. Says it was a dead end job.

- Dennis Marin, Cape Town, South Africa.

- [eagle@iafrica.com](mailto:eagle@iafrica.com)

## SCHOOLING IN MACHAKOS

I AM an American who will be travelling through Kenya in July. I am interested in visiting the Kimya Primary School in Machakos.

Would you have any idea who I could contact to arrange such a visit.

Also, do you have any news articles regarding this school in your archives?

Ginny <gyings@belatlantic.net>

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(SORRY - cannot use all the 'e-mail' this week due to space considerations and also 'content'. Please forward 'political material' to the national dailies who appreciate such correspondence - Ed.)

## KEEPING WELL INFORMED ...

I WANT to thank you for doing an excellent job in keeping your overseas readers informed and up-to-date with informative and relevant news stories affecting the Kenyan coast.

My family lives in Mombasa and sometimes one way to keep in touch with matters affecting their lives is through Coastweek.

We'll done and I hope you continue the same...

Shahir Salyani, Business Student (University of Pennsylvania), USA.

<shahir20@wharton.upenn.edu>

## PARROT WITH BAD ATTITUDE

DAVID received a parrot for his birthday.

This parrot was fully grown with a BAD ATTITUDE and worse vocabulary.

Every other word was an expletive!

Those that weren't expletives were, to say the least, rude.

David tried hard to change the bird's attitude and was constantly saying polite words, playing soft music, anything he could think of to try and set a good example ...

Nothing worked.

He yelled at the bird and the bird got worse.

He shook the bird and the bird got more angry and more rude.

Finally, in a moment of desperation, David put the parrot in the freezer.

For a few moments he heard the bird squawking, kicking, and screaming then suddenly there was quiet.

David was frightened that he might have hurt the bird and quickly opened the freezer door.

The parrot calmly stepped out onto David's extended arm and said:

"I'm sorry that I might have offended you with my language and action and I ask your forgiveness.

"I will endeavour to correct my behaviour."

David was astonished at the bird's change in attitude and was about to ask what had made such a dramatic change when the parrot continued.

"May I ask what the chicken did?"

Caroline and Keith Anthon, Bangkok, Thailand.

<anthon@ksc.th.com>

## SIKHS ON THE "INTERNET"

I WAS interested to read about the Singh Shabha Gurudwara Mombasa on the world wide web.

I am originally from Nairobi and now settled in the United Kingdom.

I was married at 'Guru Dwara' Mombasa in 1972.

Your members are invited to view my web site  
<http://www.geocities.com/TheTropics/Cabana/7348/index.html>

Please let me know if you need 6

of Kuoni.

We travelled to Nairobi with them last year.

Other companies use charters but give an option of paying extra to use Kenya Airways or British Airways scheduled flights.

Regarding promoting Kenya as a holiday destination, in Britain there are holiday programmes on BBC and the Independent television, both of which have recently featured Kenya in their programmes.

There have been articles in the Travel sections of the National newspapers, promoting Kenya.

The Media have also reported incidents which have occurred since last August, some of which may have influenced people when they have been considering whether to go on holiday to Kenya.

There was a positive note in your article on the new Woburn Residence Club, opened by Elly and Franco Esposito in Malindi.

The cleaning up and road repairs in the town should help matters there.

We hope that tourism will recover soon. Kenya is a great country with friendly people, good quality accommodation, and beautiful scenery.

I am certainly looking forward to our next visit and yes, it is like coming home!

Pat Anderson, Harrogate, North Yorkshire, England.

<pat@aicuk.demon.co.uk>

## "LONG LIVE MOMBASA ..."

HELLO Coastweek!

I was a former resident of Mombasa and am currently residing in Los Angeles, California.

I am a regular visitor to your on-line site.

I, every now and then pay you guys a visit to make sure that I have not missed out on any of the interesting things going on around there.

Despite of staying so far from home I miss it very dearly.

I just want to say that you guys are doing a great job by keeping all of us Kenyans abroad well-informed.

It would be very grateful of you if you could pass on my message to the rest of the residents and let them know how well us Kenyans overseas are being informed.

And that those who are going leave Mombasa for whatever reason shall not miss it.

GREAT JOB COASTWEEK! KEEP IT UP!

I just want to say a great big 'I' to my parents there, my brother and all my friends.

Thank You, I'll be keeping touch. Do carry on the great you guys are doing.

Long Live Mombasa!  
Kishan Patel, Los Angeles, California, USA.

<kishusa@gte.net>

## A 'FIRST' IN PUNS

IS THIS be the World's (only ?) TRIPLE pun!

A rancher had three sons.

When they grew up he agreed to help them get started.

They established a ranch, and started with a small herd, but couldn't come up with a name for their new ranch.

Their father said: "Call it 'Focus';" but they couldn't figure out why he suggested it.

Their father answered: "Because that's where the suns rays meet!"

Pat and Ken Reusch, Colchester, U.K.  
<rvsresort@tntor.com>

## RUNNING IN THE HEAT ...

I AM looking for Joseph Kuma and/or Jane Omoro, (1997 Boston-Beakers' winners, Men's Women Division, 7.5 miles in San Francisco, California) or a running enthusiast who can give pointers on "how to maintain running routine" in the heat Africa.

I will be travelling to many countries in Africa, including Kenya, and would like to hear from experts as Joseph or Jane about issues of dehydration.

Susan Wilson, Oakville, California, USA.

<chuchu2@email.msn.com>

## MEETING THE POPE IN ROME

A man walked in to Joe's Barber Shop (New York) for his regular haircut.

As he snips away, Joe asks: "What's up?"

The man proceeds to explain he's taking a vacation to Rome.

"ROME ?!" Joe says, "Why would you want to go there ?"

"It's a crowded dirty city full of Italians !"

"You'd be crazy to go to Rome!"

"So how ya getting there ?"

"We're taking TWA," the man replies.

"TWA ?!" yells Joe, "They're a terrible airline."

"Their planes are old, their flight attendants are ugly and they're always late !"

So where will you be staying in Rome ?"

The man says: "We'll be at the downtown International Marriot."

"That DUMP ?!" says Joe

"That's the worst hotel in the whole city !"

"The rooms are small, the service is surly and slow and they're overpriced !"

"So watcha doing when you get there ?"

The man says: "We're going to go see the Vatican and hope to see the Pope."

"HA! That's rich!" laughs Joe.

"You and a million other people trying to see him."

"He'll look the size of an ant. Boy, good luck on THIS trip."

"You're going to need it !"

A month later, the man comes in for his regular haircut.

Joe says, "Well, how did that trip to Rome turn out ?"

"Betaha TWA gave you the worst flight of your

life!"

"No, in fact, quite the opposite" explained the man.

"Not only were we on time in one of their brand new planes, but it was full and they bumped us up to FIRST CLASS."

"The food and wine were wonderful, and I had beautiful 28 year old flight attendant who waited on me hand and foot !"

"Hmmm," Joe says, "Well, I bet the hotel was just like I described."

"No, quite the opposite !"

"They'd just finished a \$25 million remodeling and expansion."

"It's the FINEST HOTEL in Rome, now."

"They were overbooked, so they apologized and gave us the PRESIDENTIAL SUITE for an extra charge !"

"Well," Joe mumbles, "I KNOW you didn't get to see the Pope!"

"Actually, we were quite lucky. As we toured the Vatican, a Swiss guard tapped me on the shoulder and explained the Pope likes to personally meet some of the visitors, and if I'd be so kind as to slip into this private room and wait, the Pope would personally greet me."

"Sure enough, after five minutes the Pope walked through the door and shook my hand."

"I knelt down as he spoke a few words to me. Impressed, Joe asks, "Tell me, PLEASE! What he say ?"

"Oh, not much really."

"Just 'Where'd you get that awful haircut ?'"

Dennis Marin, Cape Town, South Africa.

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# Mountain Bikes And 'Water Front Fashions'

VELOCIPEDES, or bicycles as we know them, have been around for quite some time.

In fact they have been around for longer than motorised transport has been.

Attempts have been made to try and motorise bicycles and keep the option of pedaling as well as that of using the engine.

This form of commuting nearly caught on in the seventies but has since stagnated, perhaps due to the fact that using the contraptions in traffic exposes one to the fumes from both normally working and faulty exhausts.

However, what was the more exotic form of velocipede, none less than the mountain bike, has caught on and is now enjoying a good part of the market as shown by the cheaper products we see coming out of what has been the economically efficient East.

Kachumbari had three encounters in the recent past which illustrated the versatility of this simple person-powered mode of transport.

The first was when he was at the Mama Ngina drive recently.

His car was in traffic that had come to standstill because two chaps ahead were exchanging niceties, totally oblivious to the fact there were hundreds of other week-enders around them who were getting annoyed.

### CASSETTES

The hooting started, as was to be expected, but the two fellows kept on talking.

Amidst all this, Kachumbari heard a loud burst of gospel music.

He at first ignored it, thinking that someone in one of the vehicles in the queue had changed a cassette or CD.

However, the booming music got louder, indicating that there was motion in whatever was producing the music.

He looked in his mirrors to check where the music was

coming from but could not see any moving vehicle.

Shortly after that, he heard the music coming from the direction of the passenger window.

The music was coming from a "fully loaded" bicycle.

The contraption had a set of twin fans that were either driven off the pedal or were battery powered.

At the front over the handlebars was a complete home made version of a dash board which had four speakers and one of the more recent models of a boom box (or ghetto blaster depending on your vintage) on it.

Also fitted into the dash board at the front were twin headlights as we often see on modern high powered sports motorbikes.

The fellow was also dressed up in the "water front fashion" including wrap around dark glasses.

On the back of the bicycle was a carton load of wares that consisted of cassettes and CDs.

The loud music was his way of attracting attention to his trade and getting people to buy music from him.

As Kachumbari watched, the fellow was indeed stopped by both pedestrians and people in cars and asked to try out some of his music for the potential customers.

Some even bought music from the fellow.

The well appointed bike is in fact a mobile one man music shop who sells his wares within the town.

The next incident illustrating the versatility of the bicycle occurred a few days later, on a Sunday morning.

Some fellows were sitting in the compound of a place of worship carrying out their usual activities.

Prayers had been completed and most of the congregation had left.

The gate to the compound was wide open.

A mzungu raiŵ walked

casually into the compound.

He was dressed simply - shorts, slippers and a short sleeved shirt.

He appeared to be interested in the services since he walked straight up to the door of the place of worship and looked in.

This act drew attention to himself and all the people in the compound watched to see where he would go next.

The chap walked out of the compound, crossed the road and got on to the back carrier of his chauffeur pedaled bicycle!

At the time when he arrived, no one noticed that he had disembarked from the bicycle as they were all busy with their chores.

However, this time everyone was all eyes and they couldn't believe what they saw.

The "driver" started pedaling away.

What was even more amazing was what appeared to be the intention of the fellow.

The bicycle was the delivery type of bicycle that had a large carrying basket at the front.

In this basket was a case of empty beer and soda bottles and a carrier bag full of other items.

Clearly the fellow was out shopping for drinks and

perhaps thought the presence of people at the place of worship meant that there was a likelihood that there was also a shop in the compound.

The third encounter with an interesting velocipede was when Kachumbari was making his way home one evening.

As he crossed the Mtwapa bridge, he had to swerve suddenly when a bicycle appeared from the side and nearly took the wing mirror off his car.

The cyclist continued without looking back since he was on an unusual errand at the time.

Kachumbari was too lost for words to try and follow the fellow and give him hell.

The bicycle that came out of the side path at speed was transporting a coffin.

The handle bars and the extremities of the coffin had the usual red streamers that are supposed to warn all and sundry of the purpose of the journey.

The coffin was on the back of the bicycle but straddling

the back so that the bicycle needed a path as wide as a car to be able to move forward.

The corner of the coffin was what knocked the wing mirror and threatened to remove it from the mounting.

However, the bicycle did not have enough momentum or rigidity to do so.

Even the most foul tempered character would not have had the guts to follow the fellow carrying a coffin to admonish him.

As Kachumbari says, have wheels and you will be able to get around in any style you choose.



**CoastDrive with PATRICK OBATH**

He also examined the notice board in great detail.

After a few minutes, the fellow turned round and started to walk out of the compound.

One of the fellows left in the compound asked whether he could help the chap and he just waved back and walked out of the compound.

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## Skal Club Kenya Coast



SKAL CLUB Kenya Coast Chairman John Mutua (centre) in a jovial mood with Freddie Schumacher of Private Safaris (left) and actor Tony Wiedmer during the Club's dinner held at the Minar Restaurant.



**BEST DRESSED LADY**

NYALI BEACH Hotel Sales Representatives Sophie Kombe (left) and Anne Maingi (second left) present a bottle of Vodka to the Guest Relations of Whitesands Hotel Ms. Juliana Kisimbi who was declared the Best Dressed 1970's Fashion during a contest held at the Hotel's Noons Night Club. Looking on is Mr. Robert Sande of International Distillers Kenya.

## Positive Patient Care At Aga Khan Hospital



MORE THAN 35 participants from Aga Khan Hospitals in Nairobi, Kisumu, Dar es Salaam and Mombasa, attended the Continuous Quality Improvement Workshop conducted by representatives from the Aga Khan University Hospital, Karachi, at the Aga Khan Hospital, Mombasa. They are seen above, with the organisers, at the conclusion of the Seminar.



YASMIN KHANDWALLA, Chairman Inner Wheel Club of Mombasa (right) fitting a Jaipur foot on one of the patients at the APDK Centre, Port Reitz, who benefitted from a funds drive by the Club.



**FUN AT SUN N' SAND!**

THE TREE WAS PLANTED TO CELEBRATE THE WEDDING OF KELLY AND MARIL CRANSON.

KELLY AND MARIL CRANSON are seen after planting a commemorative tree for their wedding which took place at the Club Sun n' Sand.

## ISRAELI AMBASSADOR AT SHEHNAI



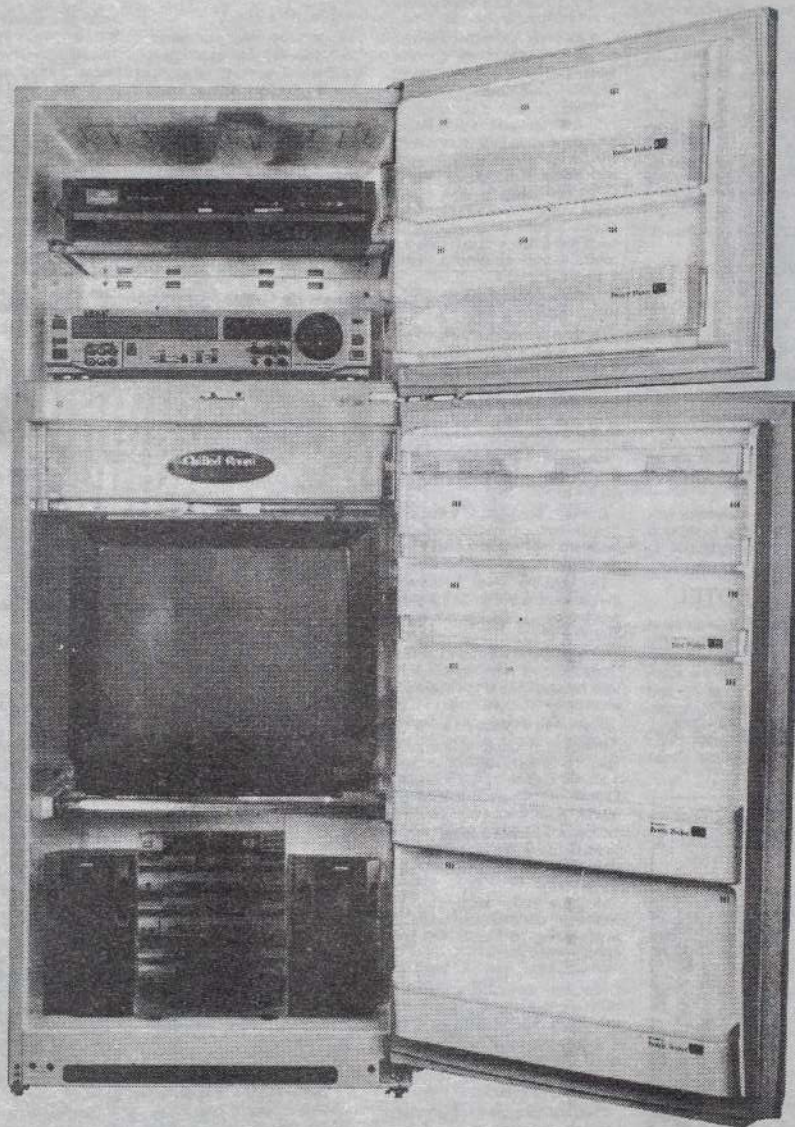
**WARM MOMBASA WELCOME**

THE ISRAELI AMBASSADOR to Kenya was the Guest of Honour at a luncheon hosted by Managing Director of the Coast Development Authority Professor Juma Lugogo at the Shehnaï Restaurant. They are seen with (from left) C.D.A. P.A. Hemed R. Mwabudzo, Dr. Raymond Renford from the Israeli Embassy, Manager Shehnaï Restaurant Mehboob Harunani, Ambassador Dr. Menasse Zipori, Ms. Janet Glind from the Embassy, Managing Director Shehnaï Zul Harunani and Managing Director C.D.A. Professor Juma Lugogo.



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# ROMANTIC HOTELS LAUNCH 'CULTURAL TOURISM' PACKAGE TO HISTORIC LAMU

## Attractions Include German Post Office, Swahili Houses, Takwa Ruins And Mtondani

ABIG step forward in promotion of 'Cultural Tourism' took place at Lamu recently when Romantic Hotels invited twenty-three tour operators and travel agents to join them for a glimpse into the beauty, rich cultural heritage and history of the Lamu Archipelago which dates back to the 8th century.

The weekend was action packed with conducted tours to the Lamu Museum and Fort, the old German Post Office, an 18th century Swahili House, with boat trips to the Takwa Ruins, Matondani and Manda Island from where the sun setting over the huge sand dunes at Shella, on the opposite side of the water, was an unforgettable experience.

The Lamu Archipelago was once a very wealthy commercial area trading with the Middle and Far East.

Lamu Island's Stone Town is described as a living monument to Kenya's varied history and culture. It is gazetted under Cap 215 of the Antiquities & Monuments Act 1983 and its preservation is an on-going exercise.

With great support from the European Union, the National Museums of Kenya will soon be launching a Trust Fund enabling old constructed houses to be restored.

It is hoped this might cover the beautiful old buildings on the sea front which at the moment give arriving visitors a very decrepit view of Lamu.

During her 'Golden Age' from the 13th century beautiful homes were built and richly furnished.

(Ladies ascended to their tall beds on ladders of silver, while the master off the house was elegantly dressed complete with Silk turban).

The exotically carved furniture was not imported but made by their own skilled carpenters.

Swahili arts and crafts are now enjoying a renaissance one of their greatest promoters on the Kenya coast being Joe Brunlehner, Managing Director, Diani Homes/Romantic Hotels who has filled his properties with this beautiful upper-class Swahili furniture to which he has added many collector's pieces.

Part of this renaissance of this Swahili culture was the opening of the Swahili Cultural Centres in Mombasa and Lamu which again have received the enthusiastic support of Joe Brunlehner.

Here young people are receiving training in these traditional arts and crafts so that they do not disappear, as they were once in danger of doing.

In Lamu you can find the most exotically carved doors (some with brass adornment).

Door carving is also part of the curriculum.

Other items produced include exotically carved wooden chests, tables etc. all of which can be purchased there.

The 23 guests from travel trade included representatives from United Touring Company; Abercrombie & Kent; Neckermann; African Safari Club, Somak, Inspirations, Rhino Safaris, African Quest; Five Continents and Vintage.

They flew from Mombasa with Air Kenya and Eagle Aviation to Manda, then travelling by boat to Lamu Island.

### PALACE HOTEL

Most welcome on their arrival at the New Lamu Palace Hotel on the sea front was an ice cold drink fresh juices as well as the warm greetings by Joe Brunlehner and the Hotel's General Manager, Husein Sangoyan Mohammed, who's grandfather 'Juma' once worked for the famous Karen

Blixen (Isak Dinesen) author of 'Out of Africa' and one of Kenya's early pioneers.

Breakfast awaited them. Since being bought by Romantic Hotels the New Lamu Palace Hotel has been completely refurbished with many artistic touches added by Joe Brunlehner.

All rooms are effectively air-conditioned with fans, mosquito nets, and have a constant supply of hot and cold water.

There are comfortable beds with orthopaedic mattresses while painted on the wall above are the sleep-including words 'Lala Salama'.

On both first and second floors there is an open fronted spacious lounge area overlooking the sea and filled with plump cushioned chairs and sofas.

The roof-top Sun Parlour is partly covered under which are Swahili beds (complete with orthopaedic mattresses) scattered with colourful cushions.

It offers a fantastic view over the island and sea.

Drinks and snacks are available.

After breakfast on the day of their arrival, there was a visit to the Lamu Museum and tour of this interesting town led by Frederick Kinyuwa Kiraga, the hotel's versatile tour guide.

Because of its narrow streets there are only one or two vehicles on the island.

Donkeys are used to transport cargo to and from the dhows which trade around the Island and along the Kenya Coast.

The Museum, which is also on the sea front, is in a grand building erected by Al-Busaiddi family in 1891.

It later became the District Commissioner's residence and then handed over to the National Museums of Kenya.

It opened as a Museum in 1971. Interesting exhibits include artifacts from four indigenous tribes from the district - Swahili, Boni, Orma and Pokomo as well as many archeological finds.

One part is now devoted to 'Lamu Town Conservation', while another depicts a 'Swahili Wedding Celebration'.

Henna is used widely by Swahili women for the decoration of their arms and legs, hands and feet, on important occasions.

It has merited a Henna Decoration showcase with some of the exotic and intricate design in use.

Undoubtedly the Museum's piece de resistance are the 17th century ceremonial horns - one in ivory and the other in brass.

They are described as the 'most valuable treasures in the Sub-Saharan Africa'. Another visit was to the old German Post Office which opened in 1888 - when Witu was then a German Protectorate.

It was the only coast post office along the African coast and closed three years later.

The tour also included the imposing Lamu Fort the building of which commenced in 1813, and completed in 1821.

Today it is an Environment Education Centre as well as a popular venue for traditional Swahili weddings.

In the afternoon there was a boat trip to Matondani famous for the building of traditional dhows.

Alas, such has been the dearth of orders, that only repair work is



THE NEW 'Lamu Palace Hotel' on the seafront is completely furnished in a rich Swahili style - the craftsmanship of which originated centuries ago in the Lamu Archipelago.

being carried out now. Villagers are greatly reliant for their livelihood on fishing and trade by sea.

Handicrafts include mats and baskets.

They also make Henna powder in great demand by Swahili ladies along the E.A. Coast.

They walked through the village with many interesting things being pointed out to them by the tour guide, ending with a refreshing madafu to drink.

After a 1½ hour boat ride to Manda Island all were most impressed by the sight of a mobile bar draped in red khangas on an elevated spot on the beach

party was Ghazzal H. Swaleh, Administrator, Lamu Museum.

He said 'I together with others at Lamu greatly appreciate the presence in Lamu of Joe Brunlehner who is promoting cultural and up-market tourism through this continued support of Swahili Culture.'

It is the best thing that could have happened to Lamu right now and together with others I think we can enhance the image of Lamu and its cultural heritage.'

Added the KCB Manager, Lamu, John Segelan 'we in Lamu now have a wonderful partnership which augurs well for the future.'

Joe Brunlehner revealed that

Lamu' for them.

Passing out on the conveniently placed Swahili beds in the shaded area they were given a detailed account of what Romantic Hotels have to offer by its Group General Manager, Frank Neugebauer who revealed that to maintain high standards the only reduction in prices was for domestic tourists.

He said we are interested in attracting an up-market clientele and by vigorous marketing at home and abroad to maintain a reasonable occupancy in these hard times.

Adding 'we have something unique in Lamu, plus good security.'

Lamu is calm and friendly and tourists are not robbed.

Said Joe Brunlehner 'Kenya is a beautiful country and the coast has a very interesting culture.'

We are marketing in the world outside not only beaches but also the impressive culture of the Swahili people.'

Those from the travel trade were unanimous in describing the hotel and its cuisine as 'excellent'

### MAGNIFICENT

There was also a 'vote of thanks' for Frank Neugebauer, the organiser-in-chief of such a delightful and interesting weekend.

Commented Shafiq Parvaiz, UTC's General Manager (Touring Coast) 'the weekend hosted by Romantic Hotels has been absolutely super and we have all appreciated the peace and tranquility here.'

Declared Annie Walting, Resident Manager, Inspirations, Mombasa 'it is very different to other tourists in Kenya.'

You feel you are almost in a different country.

I think we are all absolutely thrilled at the magnificent sunset over the sand dunes on Shella Beach.'

Said Hiten Pindola from Five Continents 'the weekend was excellent.'

I think we covered some of the most important facets of Lamu.

I am most impressed by the hotel and found nothing at all to criticise.

The New Lamu Palace Hotel has been congratulated by many guests who, in the visitors' book have commended its 'excellent service', while the German Ambassador to Kenya, Michael Gertz, wrote:

'Perfectly peaceful at nights and friendly staff, keep it up.'



LAMU MUSEUM's Ghazzal H. Swaleh (right) seen with Romantic Hotels managing director Joe Brunlehner.

especially installed by the New Lamu Palace Hotel for a sundowner before returning to Lamu.

Also thoughtfully provided were debbies of fresh water. Upended they made an excellent shower after a swim.

Here the magnificent sunset and absolute tranquillity created an unforgettable 'out of this world' experience for everyone.

In the evening there was a gargantuan buffet dinner on the roof-top where they were officially welcomed by Frank Neugebauer, Group General Manager, Romantic Hotels and the Hotel's General Manager, Husein Sangoyan Mohamed.

### TAARAB GROUP

The dinner party was joined by other invited guests from Eagle Aviation, Air Kenya, Kenya Commercial Bank, government and the National Museums of Kenya.

The Matondani Taarab group entertained with Swahili/Arab love songs, while the culinary emphasis was on seafood including giant prawns, lobster and crab.

There was also a tempting selection of assorted meats.

It invoked hearty congratulations and rousing applause for the chef, Cleophas Bonuke and Sous Chef, Charles Nyenga from guests.

After such an excellent repast and with a cool sea breeze everyone lingered chatting until the early hours of the morning with much to discuss after having had such a big insight into the past and present Lamu.

Invited to speak at the dinner

Romantic Hotels recently took over the Glory Guests' House on the seafront.

It has ten rooms and is being renovated and refurbished.

It will be for bed and breakfast guests only.

The New Lamu Palace Hotel has twenty-two rooms (44 beds) all en-suite, also three VIP suites each with two rooms with huge exotically carved four poster Swahili beds draped in Silver streaked lace mosquito nets.

Added to the hotel frontage is a Coffee Terrace illuminated at night by Moorish style lanterns.

In the back courtyard, surrounded by trees and plants, is a Makuti roofed Fisherman's Bar which also offers a snack menu.

On Sunday morning many from the travel trade group departed early morning to visit the 15th century monuments at Takwa ruins which takes about an hour to reach by boat.

They were accompanied not only by the hotel's tour guide Frederick Kinyuwa Kiraga, but by Mr. Swaleh from Lamu Museum.

This glimpse into the past was found most interesting.

On their return there was just time for a quick shower before lunch was served comprising tasty chicken curry, grilled king prawns and variety of meats and fish.

The hotel makes its own bread and there are croissants for breakfast in the morning.

Shortly after there was a farewell cocktail party on the roof-top before they departed for Manda Island and the flights back home.

Joe Brunlehner had created a 'special cocktail' called 'Sweet

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# Herzlicher Empfang für Horst und Uschi Nath aus Neumünster

ES GAB ROTE ROSEN auf dem Moi International Airport von Mombasa und Champagner im Jadini Beach Hotel zur Begrüßung der Stammgäste Horst und Uschi Nath aus Neumünster, Deutschland, die dort ihren 27. Urlaub verbrachten.

Sie freuen sich immer auf den herzlichen Empfang, der ihnen in diesem Hotel bereitet wird, aber dieses Mal erlebten sie eine große Überraschung und waren ganz überwältigt.

Sie reagierten spontan auf die herzliche Begrüßung und bedankten sich rühmend mit Umarmung und Küßchen, beim Management und Personal wie auch bei ihren guten Freunden aus Deutschland und der Schweiz, die wie Horst und Uschi Nath das Jadini als ihr zweites Heim betrachten und immer wieder dorthin zurückkehren.

Beim Champagner-Empfang wurden sie mit süduftenden Frangipani-Blüten bekränzt, bevor alle ihre Gläser hoben und zusammen mit Timothy



CHAMPAGNERFRÜHSTÜCK, zubereitet von Executive Chef Max Goetz im Jadini Beach Hotel für Horst und Uschi Nath bei ihrem 27. Besuch in diesem Hotel.

Kagambi, Gruppen Operations Manager, Alliance Hotels, der ihnen den allerbesten Urlaub im Jadini wünschte, auf ihr Wohl trank.

Im Hotel werden Horst und Uschi Nath von den Angestellten liebevoll "Grandfather and Grandmother Nath"

genannt.

Sie verbringen zweimal im Jahr sechs Wochen Ferien im Jadini Beach Hotel.

Herr Nath, heute im Ruhestand, war früher im Baugewerbe tätig.

Auf die Frage, warum sie immer ins Jadini zurückkehren, antwortete er:

"Wir mögen einfach alles hier und haben zusammen mit unseren Freunden immer viel Spaß."

"Wenn es hier wirklich gefährlich wäre für Touristen, wäre unser guter Freund Godfrey Ikanda, Executive Assistant Manager, der erste, der uns warnen würde."

Nach der stimmungsvollen Begrüßung mit Champagner wartete ein reich mit Blumen geschmückter Frühstückstisch auf Horst, Uschi und ihre Freunde.

Es war ein würdiger Empfang, den sie sich noch lange gerne erinnern werden, und ein guter Anfang für einen weiteren sagenhaften Urlaub in ihrem zweiten Heim - im Jadini.

Sie waren sehr überrascht, als sie so früh am Morgen auf dem Flughafen von Fatma Fakik, Guest Relations Manager Jadini/Africana Sea Lodge, mit einem riesigen Rosenstrauß empfangen wurden, um sie in Kenia herzlich willkommen zu heißen.

# Rotary und Lions Clubs reichen sich die Hände zum 'Verkaart Projekt'

LIUS GIAY, Präsident von Rotary International, und Augustin Soliva, Präsident von Lions International, haben am 8. Mai 1997 in Glasgow, Schottland, gemeinsam eine "Proklamation" unterschrieben.

Beide Service Clubs entstanden in den Vereinigten Staaten von Amerika, in Chicago, Illinois, und stehen seit rund hundert Jahren im Vorfeld für Entwicklungshilfe und Wohlfahrtsdienste.

Lions sind bekannt für ihr Augenprojekt "SightFirst!", Rotary für "PolioPlus" und andere "Rotary Foundation Projekte".

Mit der Unterschrift dieser "Proklamation" haben beide Organisationen die Tatsache anerkannt, daß auf der ganzen

Welt viel mehr Wohltätigkeitsprojekte benötigt und erwartet werden, und indem sie zusammenarbeiten, können sie dieses Ziel besser erreichen.

Weltweit wurden Rotarier und Lions dringend ersucht, gemeinsam Blindheit, Polio und andere Geiseln der Menschheit zu bekämpfen und auszumerzen.

In Mombasa wurde Geschichte gemacht vom Rotary District 9200 - umfassend Uganda, Kenia, Tansania, Äthiopien und Eritrea - und vom Lions District 411 - umfassend Uganda, Kenia, Tansania und Äthiopien - als sie gemeinsam im September 1997 in der Takaungu Primarschule ein

medizinisches Camp durchführten, in dem Ohren-, Nasen-, Hals-, Zahn- und Augenkrankheiten sowie Diabetes behandelt wurden.

Es war womöglich das erste Camp dieser Art auf der ganzen Welt!

Ihm folgte ein zweites gemeinsames Camp im November 1997 in Ribe, und am 15. März 1998 führten die Rotarier und Lions ihr drittes medizinisches Camp durch in der "Verkaart Klinik" in Mwapala.

Insgesamt wurden mehr als 2500 Patienten von freiwilligen Ärzten untersucht; Medikamente wurden kostenlos zur Verfügung

gestellt.

Es wurden sehr viele Fälle von Bilharzia und Anämie diagnostiziert. Die meisten untersuchten Schulkinder benötigten eine diesbezügliche Behandlung.

Es wurde deshalb beschlossen, demnächst in dieser Region ein spezielles Bilharziacamp durchzuführen.

Rund 50 Diabetespatienten wurden untersucht und behandelt, ebenfalls 300 Zahnpatienten; insgesamt wurden 240 Zähne gezogen.

Mehr als 450 Augenpatienten wurden untersucht, behandelt und je nach Bedarf mit Medikamenten und mit Brillen versehen.

21 Patienten waren blind durch Katarakt. Einige kamen von weit her und hätten schon vor mehreren Jahren das Augenlicht verloren.

Alle wurden untersucht, beraten und am gleichen Tag an das Lions Eye Center in Mombasa verwiesen, um in den folgenden Tagen von Spezialisten operiert zu werden. Privat würde eine solche Operation zwischen KShs 20-30.000 kosten.

Alle Patienten erhielten überdies freie Unterkunft und Verpflegung und wurden nach der Operation von freundlichen Lions nach Hause transportiert.

## RAMJI PATEL

Als Governor Nelson Kawayla das Eye Center besuchte und eine Patientin fragte, was sie als erstes tun wird, wenn sie wieder sehen kann, antwortete sie:

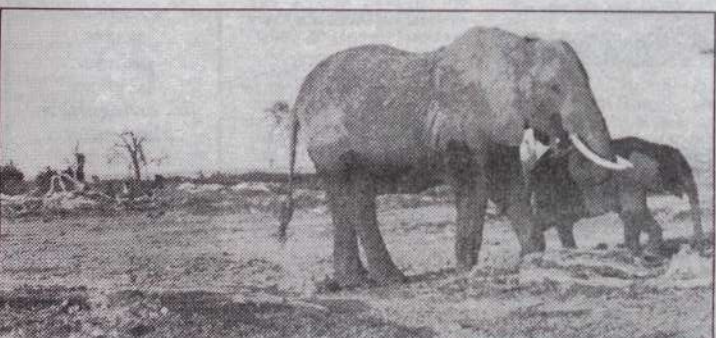
"Ich werde in die nächste Kirche gehen und beten, daß die Organisation ihr gutes Werk weiterführt zugunsten vieler anderer Patienten, die blind geworden sind wie ich."

Dieses Camp war ein historischer Meilenstein für Rotary Governor Nelson Kawayla aus Kampala und Lions Governor Ramji Patel aus Nairobi, die beide zu diesem Anlaß nach Mombasa geflogen waren.

Gleichzeitig waren Herr Jan Verkaart und Frau Ans Verkaart aus Holland gekommen, um die "Verkaart Mwapala Klinik" offiziell Hon. Simon Mkalla, Präsident der Gesundheitsbehörde von Kwale, zu übergeben.

Dies ist die zweite Klinik, die von den Verkarts durch ihre Stiftung gesponsort wurde.

# SUPER SATAO SAFARI



ELEFANTEN sind immer ein großartiger Anblick beim Satao Camp im Tsavo-Ost-Nationalpark.

DAS SATAO Camp, das am nächsten bei Mombasa gelegene Safari Center im Tsavo Nationalpark, hat gemeldet, daß das nun reichlich sprießende neue Gras und das viele Wasser überall die wilden Tiere veranlaßt hat, von höher gelegenen Gebieten, wo sie sich während dem großen Regen und der Überschwemmung aufhielten, wieder zurück-zukehren.

Ein Sprecher des Camps gab bekannt: "Einige Tiere wie Impalas, Wasserböcke und Dikdiks, die sich schon immer hier aufhielten, sind uns die ganze Zeit herum geblieben und haben nun viele Junge, die rund um das Camp herumhüpfen."

"Elefanten und Büffel sind ebenfalls in den Park zurück-gekommen und es wird nicht lange dauern, bis wiederum hundert oder mehr zum Wasserloch

vor dem Satao Camp zur Tränke kommen."

"Die Zufahrtsstraße über die Landebahn ist in gutem Zustand und viele verschiedene Tiere, die entlang diese Route leben wie Warzenschweine, Hirola Antilopen, Zebras und anderes Steppenwild sind unterwegs reichlich anzutreffen."

"Wie immer ist das Satao Camp ein Paradies für Ornithologen."

"Die Vielfalt der Vögel ist unglaublich; ihre bunten Farben heben sich von dem üppig grünen Hintergrund prächtig ab und sind ein einzigartiger Anblick zu dieser Jahreszeit."

"Die trockene, dürre Savanne von Tsavo Ost wurde verwandelt in saftig grünes Grasland und es kommen immer mehr Tiere zurück, so daß wir Ihnen im Satao Camp ein wahres Safari-Erlebnis garantieren können."

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**CROSSWORD NO. 520**

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**ACROSS**

- Friend to a great number this tree [4]
- Such talk is more than one used to get from the baker [8, 2, 3, 5]
- Flags, for example [6]
- Really got down to it [5]
- Practise a former teasing occupation of prisoners learning the ropes [4, 5]
- Man, it's a form of staying power [7]
- Commits oneself at the dotted line? [5, 2]
- Provide a vase with fish decoration [7]
- Inverness-shire valley. That caps it! [9]
- A profit - and not for the first time [5]
- Family whose sign pawn-brokers display [6]
- Unnecessary injunction to an up-and-coming chorus-girl [4, 1, 3]
- Tedious fellow on the West Country river? [6, 4]
- Place for a bargain in Cheshire [4]

**DOWN:**

- So pale she looks in an embrace [5]
- He makes a living between parties [9]
- Alphabetical extremes in the North-East forming an Essex headland [4]
- Papal ambassador [6]
- Utter thoughts unintentionally [5, 5]
- Heather is her other name [5]
- Quivering [9]
- Novelty bringing great cheer to the hostelry [10]
- Manchester would have been drier without this Cumberland lake [9]
- Makes Wales sing. (Or its contents, maybe) [4-5]
- Forces' decoration [6]
- Ian returned on the day Germany surrendered. (Simple, really) [5]
- My job as a banker in pontoon couldn't be better [5]
- Ratty love-maker [4]

**ANSWERS TO CROSSWORD NO. 519**

ACROSS: 1. FOREIGN BODY, 7. OAT, 9. REGAL, 10. PREORDAIN, 11. MILKTEETH, 12. SWED, 13. NORMAN, 15. JUBILANT, 17. FLOORING, 18. REMISS, 21. ENDOW, 22. OVERREACH, 24. ICE HOCKEY, 25. NAILS, 26. GAS, 27. TIDDLYWINKS.

DOWN: 1. FIREMAN, 2. REGULAR SOLDIERS, 3. INLET, 4. NIPPER, 5. OVERHAUL, 6. YORKSHIRE, 7. ORAL EXAMINATION, 8. TANGENT, 14. ARROWROOT, 16. UNLOCKED, 17. FEELING, 19. SCHISMS, 20. JEKYLL, 23. RENEW.

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NASH MOLU was a much loved and respected member of the Yacht Club whose unfortunate and untimely passing away some six years ago left the Club and all those who knew him the losers.

He was Commodore of MYC in 1990 having held several posts prior to this and always with his soul into the job in hand.

Upon his passing away his family presented the Club with a perpetual reminder of Nash and each year the Nash Memorial Trophy is sailed.

Nash's love was for pursuit races, when the handicaps are worked out before the race.

The boats and helms on the highest handicap start first and all boats finish at 1800 hours exactly and the boats' positions at that point is the finishing order.

Hence slow boats endeavour to stay ahead while the faster boats do their utmost to catch the boats ahead of them.

The cadets sailing Toppers set off to a bad start as all three forgot their life jackets and had to return to the shore making them late for their respective starts.

# Cadets Lose Out During A Mad Rush To Start "Nash Molu Memorial" Race

Jonty Marsh in WEC Rotterdam was to go first, followed by Hannah Marsh in *The Merry Mariner* and Michael Coppinger in *Free Willy* but in the event they all started in a rush like a Le Mann race from the shore, hence losing all their advantage.

Michael took an early lead which he maintained for some 40 minutes of the race which was to last him just over an hour before Phil Jones and David Farr - a formidable combination - overtook.

If he had started on time he could well have stayed ahead of the race.

Michael, looking over his shoulder, could see the Lasers and 420s catching him up, but managed to keep them at bay losing ground to the Bosun all the time.

Alistair Barnes and Stephen Coppinger in *Stothert* and *Pitt*

were closing on the little Topper which managed to hang on to second place.

However the 420 could not stop Chris Barnes in *Chanzo* overtaking them in the last seconds to snatch third place, pushing them into fourth.

Further down the fleet Marylyn Barnes in *Ishilia* squeezed into fifth place ahead of veteran Tony Rowland who took sixth place, seventh Kalim Hassanali and Gary Morgan in *Meteorite* and eighth Samantha Barnes and Trupti Patel in *Bunkeroo*, ninth Andy Burnard in *Nyketundu*.

The good thing with this type of race is that all 14 boats completed the race, with nobody retiring due to being left behind.

The dinghy park was a hive of activity on Saturday morning as those who turned up, despite torrential rain, found themselves rewarded with boat maintenance and cleaning instead of a sail.

The weather was too unsettled and the tide working against launching hence it was decided to clean up the last six Toppers which everyone did very willingly and it was a joy to see all the children working so well together.

Now we have a whole fleet of boats ready for KBC to film on April 18.

The tide will be excellent this Saturday, it is just the weather which is an unknown quantity.

Sunday's weather was a complete change with a Force Five to Six blowing from the South East producing white horses in the harbour - always an indication to start biting the finger nails.

Five 420s and two Bosuns took to the water for a series of four short races for the Mercury Trophy presented to Zanzibar Sailing Club in 1960 by the American Satellite Tracking Station, who in turn presented it to MYC.

This race on 'B' Handicap - personal handicap - for the slower boats at the Club excluded Lasers and Ospreys.

In these extreme conditions the Bosun comes into its own and while Andy Burnard and Frances Marks in *Armilla* had some trouble competing, the other Bosun, *Orion* helmed by Tony Rowlands and crewed by Chris Barnes took first place in three of the four races.

Their weight, age and experience were definitely working for them.

Andy and Frances set out in *Temeraire* but had gear failure and changed boats missing the first race.

## 'TOENAILS'

They were over the line in the second and fourth races and while producing good results were disqualified, leaving them with a result in only the third race.

This was the sort of stuff seventh place is made of.

First race results, with everyone hanging on by their toenails was first *Orion*, second A. Barnes and S. Coppinger *Stothert* & *Pitt*, third S. Barnes and T. Patel *Bunkeroo*, fourth M. and P. Coppinger *DHE Mermaid*, fifth Alfred Okoth, Edward Omond and Grayson Ochieng *420 Number One* [yet un-named], sixth Samuel Ndaro and Omar Mbithi *Marine Power*, seventh A. Burnard and F. Marks.

There was no shortage of spectator entertainment with two of the 420s capsized simultaneously in the second race.

Samuel Ndaro and Omar Mbithi in *Marine Power* sporting their logo for the first time decided it needed a wash!

They fell in on the unstable run from Likoni Buoy to Pelalaza Buoy, righting their boat quickly.

The rescue boat turned around to watch Alistair Barnes and Stephen Coppinger in *Stothert* and *Pitt* take a dive with their spinnaker up.

This is more difficult to resolve as the spinnaker has to be brought down and stowed before righting the boat.

Stephen did all the donkey work while Alistair stood comfortably on the centre board shouting instructions - that's the life of a crew!

Resigned to be out of the winning slot for a burn up in an attempt to catch the tail end boats.

Alfred Okoth with trainees and new candidates for MYC membership Edward Omond and Grayson Ochieng had the advantage of two crewmen and proved the most difficult to catch. Edward and Grayson are being

sponsored courtesy of Sea Scout Leader Chris McCormick from Liverpool, who was on holiday in Mombasa last week, and on behalf of her troop, the 19th Crosby Sea Scouts wanted to assist Sea Scout sailing in Mombasa.

First *Orion*, Second *Bunkeroo*, Third *420 Number One*, Fourth *DHE Mermaid*, Fifth *Stothert* and *Pitt*, Sixth *Marine Power*, Seventh *Armilla*.

The Third race saw *Bunkeroo* capsized before the start and having to wait while the Linea Messina Roro took its route steadily into the harbour.

They had totally blown themselves out of the race through a huge gust and simple mistake, but sailed round at the end of the fleet for the practice.

First *Orion*, Second *Stothert* & *Pitt*, Third *DHE Mermaid*, Fourth *Armilla*, Fifth *420 Number One*, Sixth *Marine Power*, Seventh *Bunkeroo*.

The boats set out in the Fourth race with no knowledge of the results so far as the handicap calculations had not been worked out at this stage.

*Orion* was unaware of her clean sweep and with the wind dropping found herself being chased hard by *DHE Mermaid* who managed to take first place from *Orion* in second place.

*Marine Power* took an excellent third place, *Stothert* and *Pitt* fourth, *Bunkeroo* fifth, *420 Number One* sixth and *Armilla* seventh.

The drop in wind came as a great relief, certainly to young Michael Coppinger in *DHE Mermaid* after such a tiring afternoon's sailing in such ferocious winds.

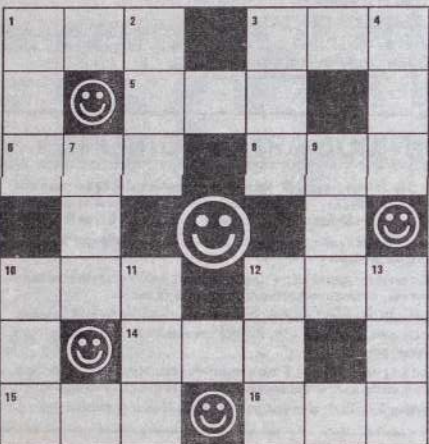
The overall results were first *Orion* with four and a quarter points, second *DHE Mermaid* eleven and three quarters, third *Stothert* & *Pitt* 13, fourth *Bunkeroo* 17, fifth *420 Number One* 19, sixth *Marine Power* 21 and seventh *Armilla* 25 points.

The sailing season officially ends on Wednesday, April 15, but sailing continues as usual through the closed season with the Off Season Trophy - a selection of 16 assorted races.

## Sailing Notes by Sea Breeze

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1. Big town on Mombasa-Nairobi road ? (3)
  3. Small insect found in long grass ? (3)
  5. To say 'Yes' with your head ? (3)
  6. Metric System is based on this number ? (3)
  8. The time of your expected arrival ?
  10. Earth with lots of minerals in it ? (3)
  12. A complete collection of something is this ? (3)
  14. Old fashioned way to describe beer ? (3)
  15. You use this on top of the letter 'I' ? (3)
  16. Champions try and do this all the time ? (3)
- DOWN:**
1. A doctor who looks after animals ? (3)
  2. A small 'Hotel and Bar' is called this ? (3)
  3. This is the opposite of 'subtract' ? (3)
  4. Well dressed men have this around their neck ? (3)
  7. This is very useful when you listen ? (3)
  9. You will find this word in USEful ? (3)
  10. If you are no longer young, you are ... ? (3)
  11. You do this to your food at meal times ? (3)
  12. Tailors earn their living with this ? (3)
  13. A heavy weight - just 1,000 kilos ? (3)

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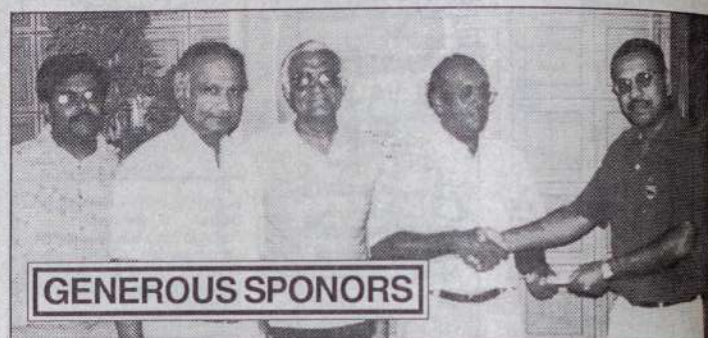
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## Coastal Bottlers Coast Open Bowling



GENERAL MANAGER Coastal Bottlers Limited Mr. Paniraj (right) hands over the sponsorship cheque for the Coast Open Bowling Tournament which was held over the Easter weekend, to Mombasa Sports Club Bowling Captain Chandu Shah (second right) as looking on (from left) are Marketing Manager Coastal Bottlers Limited Pankaj Desai, Ex-Officio Member Mombasa Sports Club Bowling Section Chandrakant Shah and Mombasa Sports Club Trustee Natu Nathwani.



WINNERS OF the Coca Cola Open Rinks Bowling Champions are, (from left) Oliver Fowler, Alan Gilham, Pat Gilham, Ian Stamp, Captain Bowling Section MSC Chandu Shah and Secretary Bijal Dodhia.



WINNERS OF Coca Cola Coast Open Pairs Bowling Championship are (from left) Deepa Mukhopadhyay, Chandrakant Shah, Kenya Bowling Association Representative Ian Stamp, Captain Bowling Section MSC Chandu Shah and Secretary Bowling Section MSC Bijal Dodhia.

FRIDAY 10th April saw the second KSPCA 'Puppy Charge' take place in the beautiful Shimba Hills in Kwale District, south of Mombasa.

This event is run along the lines of the now famous 'Rhino Charge'.

It is mainly for four-wheel drive vehicles whose main aim is to reach many control points as possible in a certain time, the winners being the ones who cover the least amount of kilometres.

To accomplish this feat, many entrants traverse the countryside in as straight as course as possible even if it means driving down sheer slopes, through the bush or even along a dried up riverbed.

Entrants are asked to raise as much sponsorship as they can as all funds raised go to the Kenya Society for the Care and Protection of Animals, Mombasa Branch.

The society is the only animals charity based in Kenya which means its resources are always in demand and funds are always in short supply.

The event is organised by Mombasa Motor Club who obtains all the necessary permits etc.

This year, the route was devised by Angus Leckie of the Club.

Thirteen vehicles, all four wheel drives this year, all makes, all shapes and sizes, a bit like the competitors rally, made their way to the

## Victorious 'Idiots' Team Traverse Shimba Hills In Shortest Time For 'Puppy Charge'

rendezvous point near Kwale town.

The actual starting points being a closely guarded secret.

It was a beautiful cool morning, which quickly became a hot, humid afternoon.

One young lady, after entering, decided to go and borrow some additional equipment only to find on her return that everyone had left for the starting point and she didn't know where it was, however, being a clever person and a woman at that, she found it.

At the start there was a mad rush to purchase refreshments to take in the vehicles then everyone left on their intrepid journeys.

They passed briefly through



MASHARIKI MOTORS Mombasa Branch Manager Rob Smith (right) seen during the Puppy Charge with sales executive Ed Peck Ngomo.

the main control at various times either to replenish their refreshments or to pour water over their heads!

Eventually everyone returned to the finish and lunch, which had been supplied by Godeni Farm, was consumed with gusto

and more refreshments.

Whilst this was happening, the results were being calculated by Angus Leckie, Sue and Dave Williamson of the Motor Club.

The winners were 'The Idiots' team driven by George Barbour of Ali Barbour restaurant in Diani, navigated by Mike Bowen of the Golden Key Casino.

They won accommodation for four at Satao Camp.

In second place were Team Biach, driven by Tim Jessop and navigated by Simon Sharpe, they won dinner for four at the Tamarind Restaurant.

In third place were Team Chundadriven by Robert Hellier and navigated by Callum Luman.

They won dinner for four at All Barbour's restaurant.

All thirteen teams received a beautiful 'Puppy Charge'

Trophy donated by A.V.A.

There were two special prizes, one for the competitor who had raised the most sponsorship.

This prize, accommodation at Coral Cove Cottages, went to Brian Gow of Marshalls.

Brian had raised Kshs. 32,000 sponsorship, unfortunately his car had developed technical problems and he was unable to compete.

The other prize, which was a bottle of Dom Perignon Champagne donated by Mrs. Carol Ashcroft, was given to Mike Hughes who had travelled all the way from Nairobi to compete.

All in all we hope to realise Kshs. 140,000 from the event.

This includes a donation of Kshs. 10,000 from Mashariki Motors our local BMW agents who also supplied a further Kshs. 5,000 of sponsorship to one vehicle.

This was a magnificent effort on the part of competitors, organisers, sponsors, and KSPCA and we all look forward to next year's 'Puppy Charge'.

### Special Report By Correspondent

## Chandrakant Shah And Deepa Mukhopadyay Win Coca Cola Coast Open Pairs Bowling Competition

THE Easter Weekend had all roads leading to Mombasa Sports Club for the Coca Cola Coast Open Bowling Tournament, writes WHAT-A-BOWLER.

Twenty two entries from Mombasa had been selected, while

ten entries were received from Nairobi.

Friday afternoon kicked off the first event for the weekend, which was Rinks First Round.

Gail Corby's team of Jim Fletcher, Sherry Fletcher and Norman Searle defeated Charlie Patel's Team of H. S. Mhajan, Kirti Chhaniyara and Aftab Mohamedbhai.

K. P. Shah's team of Raman Patel, Rasila Shah and Tara Shah defeated Geoff Collie's team of Paul Wamae, Natu Nathwani and Lata Shah.

Also in the Rinks First Round, Rajan Khaterpal's team of Jayshree Patel, Kusum Patel and Nafisa Khanbhai defeated Chandrakant Shah's team of Deepa Mukhopadyay, Rasik Patel and Bijal Dodhia.

Oliver Fowler's team of Alan Gilham, Ian Stamp and Pat Gilham defeated Bakir Ganiwalla's team of Asgar Adamjee, Bharti Babla and Hamida Jafferalli.

The Rinks Semi-Finals took place on Saturday afternoon between Gail Corby's Team and K. P. Shah's Team, with K. P. Shah's Team winning and proceeding to the Monday Finals.

In the other Semi-Final, Rajan Khaterpal's Team lost to Oliver Fowler's Team.

Monday morning saw the Rinks Finals being played in the hot Mombasa sun.

Oliver Fowler's Team of Alan Gilham, Ian Stamp and Pat Gilham were declared the Coast Open Rinks 1998 Champions after defeating K. P. Shah's Team.

Coast Open Pairs was also being played over the Easter Weekend at the Mombasa Sports Club.

At the Quarter-Finals Stage,

Geoff Collie and Paul Wamae defeated Jim Fletcher and Norman Searle, while Charlie Patel and Kusum Patel defeated Gail Corby and Sherry Fletcher.

Also reaching the Semi-Finals stage were Chandrakant Shah and Deepa Mukhopadyay after defeating Bakir Ganiwalla and Asgar Adamjee.

Oliver Fowler and Ian Stamp defeated Alan Gilham and Pat

Gilham.

Sunday afternoon saw the Coast Open Pairs Semi-Finals in action, with Charlie and Kusum Patel defeating Geoff Collie and Paul Wamae.

Also in the Semi-Finals action were Chandrakant Shah and Deepa Mukhopadyay who amazingly defeated the favourites Oliver Fowler and Ian Stamp.

Monday Morning, the Pairs Finals

was an all Mombasa affair.

Chandrakant Shah and Deepa Mukhopadyay were against Charlie and Kusum Patel.

All the action of drawing and shooting was to be seen in this finals and the eventual winners were Chandrakant Shah and Deepa Mukhopadyay.

In the Subsidiary Event which was sponsored by the Chairman of the Kenya Bowling Association and took place on Sunday afternoon, the worthy winners were Nafisa Khanbhai, Sherry Fletcher and Bharti Babla.

Prizes were kindly given out by Ian Stamp, the Chairman's Representative.

All the bowlers were treated to a Tawa Dinner on Sunday night at the Royal Court Roof Top, which was highly enjoyed by all.

The raffle draw also took place on the Sunday Evening.

The Captain, Chandu Shah in his speech thanked the sponsors Coca Cola for the fabulous sponsorship and hoped that Coca Cola continues their worthy sponsorship.

Chandu also thanked the upcountry bowlers for coming down to Mombasa for the Coast Open Tournament.

A token of Appreciation was given to Coca Cola, which was kindly collected by Natu Nathwani on behalf of Coca Cola.

The Dhillon Trophy will be played this weekend and the next.

A lot of action is anticipated in this weekend event.

Charlie Trophy follows immediately after and is a one day event, which takes place on May 1, 1998.

### COAST BRIDGE with C.P. SHAH

OVERTRICKS ARE all important in Duplicate Bridge and South made an 'unbelievable' 12 tricks on the following hand.

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

NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
ONE DIAMOND	DOUBLE	REDOUBLE	ONE HEART
THREE 'NO TRUMPS'	PASS	FOUR SPADES	PASS
PASS	PASS		

West led the Ten of Clubs and Declarer won the Ace and smoothly led the Nine of Hearts to Dummy's Ace and returned a low Heart.

East was marked with the King for his 'double', so rather than taking the doomed 'finesse' South played as though he was about to Trump the second Heart.

From East's perspective, this was highly consistent with West's 'One Heart' Bid.

He was fooled and played low, South's Knave winning.

**NORTH**

♠	A	K	4
♥	A	Q	2
♦	A	J	10 5
♣	7	6	4

**WEST**

♠	10		
♥	10	7	6 4
♦	7	6	4 3
♣	10	9	8 5

**EAST**

♠	Q	J	2
♥	K	8	5 3
♦	9	8	
♣	K	Q	J 3

**SOUTH**

♠	9	8	7	6	5	3
♥	J	9				
♦	K	Q	2			
♣	A	2				

Declarer now played his Diamond King, a small Diamond to Dummy's Ace and led a third Diamond.

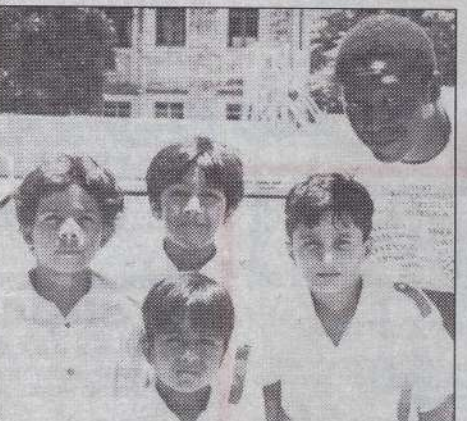
East could have Trumped and cashed a Club to hold Declarer to 11 tricks but he thought that South was 'ruffing' the third Diamond.

He discarded a Club.

South won the Queen, cashed Dummy's Ace and King of Spades

and led the master Diamond. East belatedly Trumped, but South threw the losing Club and held his loss. The full Hand is shown above.

## YOUNG CHAMPS



SOME SWIMMERS from the Junior team are seen, from left Ibrahim Khan, Irtanai Gulamhussein, Imran Jiwan and Zakir Ramani (front) with their coach Amer Mwatsaha.

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# Coastweek

MOMBASA, April 17 - 23, 1998.

## Supa Congo Boys XI Crush Western Stars

SUPA CONGO Boys FC beat Western Stars FC 4-3 as the Coast Premiere League points hunt got tougher over the Easter weekend.

The match at the Baobab ground saw Sangoi's Supa Congo winning by just one goal to collect maximum points in this well attended and well competed for Premiere League encounter.

On good Friday Black Panther FC had suffered defeat at the same

venue when Young Rovers FC beat them 1-0.

On the same day Brazil FC settled to a barren draw with visiting Cosmos FC from Mombasa at the Alaskan ground in Malindi.

At the Kilifi Plantation ground Sunrise FC beat Lucky Boys FC 3-

they knew very well that the two teams Burnley and Kiteta had been suspended but went on to include them on the fixture.

### COAST SUPER TWO LEAGUE

On Friday Kilifi Gold FC beat Whitesands FC 5-1 in the ongoing Coast Super Two League at the Baobab ground.

At the same venue on Saturday Mombasa Stars FC beat Dundee FC 3-0 while Nyoka FC beat Chaisea FC 1-0 at the Police ground.

At the Tudor ground on Sunday Mackenzie FC beat Carrn FC 2-0 and on Monday Whitesands got a walk-over when Police FC failed to show up.

### KALOLENI SUB BRANCH

At the Mwanjama ground on Saturday Sham Wonders FC settled to 1-1 draw with Bantu Warriors.

On Sunday Super Power FC beat Weillers 2-0 at the same venue.

The matches were organised by the Kaloleni Sub Branch of the KFF.

### WEEKEND FIXTURES

Saturday 18/04/98 - Young Rovers versus Western Stars at Baobab; Brazil versus Supa Congo at Malindi; Lucky Boys versus Black Panther at Kilifi Plantation.

Sunday 19/04/98 - Cosmos versus Bayern at Baobab.



Soccer Scene with SERAJ MOHAMED

0 before their home crowd.

Sunday's match at the Baobab ground did not materialise thus giving Bayern FC a walk-over because their opponents Burnley Amature FC are serving suspension.

Burnley was suspended for causing the abandonment of a Coast Premiere League Match at the Baobab ground this season.

On Easter Monday Hotspurs also received a walk-over because their opponents Kiteta FC are also serving suspension.

We are yet to get clarification as to whether Bayern FC and Hotspurs FC will be awarded three points each for their Sunday and Monday matches respectively.

KFF Coast Branch released Fixture Number Two which started with match No. 13 on April 4, when

### BRIDGE RESULT

RESULT OF THE Duplicate Bridge played at Mombasa Sports Club on Wednesday, April 8th.

Ajit and Chuni 134; Kirit and Amu 129; Ranchodhai and Trivedi 123; Kirit and Chuni 119; Tushar and Pulin 119; Laxmikant and Dr. V. Patel 106; Janakbhai and Panachand 105; Dr. J. Shah and Bharti 97; Mr. and Mrs. D. Shah 97; Mr. and Mrs. Mahendra 91, Harilal and Shantilal 90.

## TIDE TABLES

MOMBASA, April 17 - 23, 1998.

**FRIDAY** High Water - 2.9 m at 07.03 hrs (7.03 a.m.) and 3.2 m at 19.20 hrs (19.20 p.m.). Low Water - 0.7 m at 01.06 hrs (1.06 a.m.) and 0.9 m at 13.00 hrs (1.00 p.m.).

**SATURDAY** High Water - 2.7 m at 07.44 hrs (7.44 a.m.) and 3.2 m at 19.20 hrs (7.20 p.m.). Low Water - 0.9 m at 01.46 hrs (1.46 a.m.) and 1.1 m at 13.38 hrs (1.38 p.m.).

**SUNDAY** High Water - 2.5 m at 08.39 hrs (8.39 a.m.) and 2.8 m at 21.06 hrs (9.06 p.m.). Low Water - 1.1 m at 02.36 hrs (2.36 a.m.) and 1.3 m at 14.30 hrs (2.30 p.m.).

**MONDAY** High Water - 2.4 m at 10.07 hrs (10.07 a.m.) and 2.7 m at 22.42 hrs (10.42 p.m.). Low Water - 1.3 m at 03.48 hrs (3.48 a.m.) and 1.4 m at 15.53 hrs (3.53 p.m.).

**TUESDAY** High Water - 2.5 m at 11.56 hrs (11.56 a.m.). Low Water - 1.3 m at 05.33 hrs (5.33 a.m.) and 1.4 m at 17.54 hrs (5.54 p.m.).

**WEDNESDAY** High Water - 2.8 m at 00.23 hrs (12.23 a.m.) and 2.8 m at 13.17 hrs (1.17 p.m.). Low Water - 1.1 m at 06.57 hrs (6.57 a.m.) and 1.2 m at 19.18 hrs (7.18 p.m.).

**THURSDAY** High Water - 3.0 m at 01.38 hrs (1.38 a.m.) and 3.1 m at 14.13 hrs (2.13 p.m.). Low Water - 0.9 m at 07.55 hrs (7.55 a.m.) and 0.8 m at 20.17 hrs (8.17 p.m.).

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



### STAR PLAY

Kenyan Davis Cup player Allan Cooper has been enjoying a well-earned rest at home with his family in Mombasa, after posting very good results in Ireland, Congo Brazzaville, Nairobi, Ivory Coast, Bulgaria and Togo.

He is the current Kenya Open defending champion and Kenya National champion.

The 20-year-old tennis ace has now set his sights on being placed within the Top 1000 circuit players.

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