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From the Editors Desk

Welcome to the end year issue of Kitengela Biznet. The theme of this issue is based on Christmas and end year. It is the season of merry making and making fun, a season of good cheer and laughter, a season of travel and making resolutions, a season of soul searching and for the not so spiritually inclined, a season for steady binge drinking and of crazy hangovers.

With proper strategy, it is also a season for us the Business fraternity to attempt to recoup business losses and to “gather harvests” for the expected period of business glut come early next year.

Five issues dominated the national attention during this period- The shocking murder of two young female Kenyans and the subsequent courtroom manoeuvres, the first direct flight from Nairobi to New-york by our own Kenya Airways, the blue economy conference Internationally, the death of one Jamal Khashoggi has garnered so much international interest.

All this issues get some worthwhile mention from our pool of writers and should make some interesting reading. Of course, your usual and popular whatsapp trends and the many interesting and well placed adverts should enliven your reading.

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What you should know before starting your business?

This is going to be damn hard work. Harder than you figured, by a factor of 5. You can't go home at 5. Most people just give up, exhausted and spent. Burn-out within 15 months is common.

You are going to feel a lot of pain, anxiety, fear, angst and dread. If you can't deal with it, if you're not tough enough, it's all over. Flame out comes sometimes within a year, most often after the 2nd year.

You are going to have to plan things out. Which means you better do your research. Most available research is rubbish. You have to dig, hard. The vast majority of business plans aren't worth the paper they are on. Business starters have to understand the dynamics of their businesses, and the key elements to success.

Nothing happens until something is sold. Having the perfect product but no sales is guaranteed failure. You must sell, sell, sell. Oh, and did I mention, sell?

You have to understand the 5 factors that make any business successful:

Idea - is it a good one? Is there a need? Can the concept be actualized? Can the product benefits be quantified?

Market - what is it, where is it, and how do you get to it? What message will motivate the prospect? How do you get a repeat buy? What will competitors do to you?

Capital - financial and human. How much do you need, and how much extra should you get because you'll always underestimate what you need. How much is it going to cost? What key people do you need and where are you going to get them, reward them and make them stick?

Execution - is almost everything. Marketing, sales, production, fulfillment, customer service, accounting, HR, finance and accounting must all run like clockwork. Ignore one and you'll sabotage the business.

Flexibility - the original plan won't work. Guaranteed. What is plan B and plan C? How will you know if things aren't going according to plan?

Being successful in business is all about focus on details. Many disparate details. You must be

obsessively focussed and driven. This is extremely hard to do over more than a very short while.

Mindset: you must be in a position where there is no alternative to success. You cannot fail. You will not fail. You must be driven to succeed, literally desperate for success.

Legal - you better know the law. Employment law, business law, contracts law, copyright law, tax law et al. There are landmines out there to get those who don't understand the legal issues in every business.

Spiritual aspect. Most entrepreneurs don't talk about it, educators ignore teaching it, but starting a business has a spiritual aspect to it. You are giving birth to a new creation. You need all the good Karma you can get. You will set in motion either a good thing or... I find that success doesn't happen without a good dose of prayer. OK, so you might call it something else, you may deny the existence of anything not in evidence to our limited senses, but I believe strongly that my success has been propelled in large part by some help from Above.



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Mwanaume mmoja aisukuma mkokoteni katikati ya mojawapo ya njia bovu za mlolongo/Picha/KitengelaBiznet

Wakaazi walalamikia Taka, Njia Mbovu

Na Julius Musungu

Mzee mmoja mkongwe ambaye ni mkaazi wa Mji wa Mlolongo amejitokeza kwa machungu akilalamikia hali mbovu ya Barabara za mji huu huku akirundikia lawama mwakilishi wa wadi ya Mlolongo kwa kulala kazini na kutowajibika katika majukumu yake ya kuwakilisha maswala ya wakaazi wa Mlolongo.

Kwa jina Muthusi Mainge, mkaazi huyu wa Mlolongo wa miaka mingi pia amelaumu mzozo wa vyama vya kisiasa kwa hali hiyo mbovu ya maji taka, mitaro iliyo fungika, maji taka katikati ya mji na hali mbaya ya mji huo kwa jumla.

“Nimeishi Mlolongo kwa muda mrefu sana na hali ya taka haijawahi fikai hapa, mimi najua kwa kina ya kwamba ugomvi wa kisiasa baina ya wafuasi wa Gavana Mutua katika bunge la

Machakos na wale wa wapinzani umepelekea hali kadha wa kadha kuto wakilishwa na shida za kutoshugulikiwa” Mzee Muthusi alieleza waandishi wa Gazeti la *kitengelabiznet*.

Vile vile uchunguzi na raundi za waandishi wa *kitengelabiznet* iliibua hali mbovu ya barabara hizo na taka ambazo zimetapakaa kila mahali mjini humu na unaweza labda kulinganishwa na mji wa Kismayu kule Somalia.

Antony Mugambi mwenye Duka katika barabara moja Kuu alieleza ya kwamba biashara imezorota katika Barabara hiyo na wameshindwa namna ya kufanya huku akieleza kuwa kunaponyesha analazimika kufunga duka kwa sababu maji taka ya choo ya napita mlangoni pa duka lake.

“Hapa tunavumilia tu pasipo na jambo la kufanya na sijui mtetezi wetu atatoka wapi”Mugambi alisimulia biznet.



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Train ride to Town for Kitengela Residents




By Julius Musungu

Kitengela Town will become the latest Metropolitan Town to have a Train station in new plans announced by the Kajiado County Governor Joseph Ole Lenku and the National Government Chief Administrative Secretary Transport Chris Obure. The leaders made the remarks when they presided over the construction of an access road (Deliverance Road) that will pave the way for the construction of the Railway station. "We are delighted to initiate the various projects in this Town including the construction of the access Road that will pave the way for the construction of a train station that will ease the movement of people to Nairobi and Back" Lenku said. The CAS in a speech read on behalf of the transport and infrastructure CS James Macharia said that the project a falls under the National Government


and development partners have initiative dubbed Metropolitan Services Improvement Project (NaMSIP), Kenya Municipal Program (KMP), Kenya Urban Support Program (KUSP) all supported with loans from the World bank. Kajiado Governor Joseph Ole Lenku "Projects being implemented in Kajiado included construction of Access Road to Kitengela Station, Installation of Rain Water Harvesting at Kitengela School, installation of street lighting in Kitengela, Ngong and Ongata Rongai and construction of a market in Ngong among others all at an estimated cost of 1.5 Billion Shillings" Obure said. The leaders made the above remarks when they officially opened the Kitengela Bus Park that had been under construction for the last 6 months at a cost of 94 million shillings. Other Projects initiated in the town was the drilling of the borehole at Kitengela Market.

Governor Joseph ole Lenku with CAS Ministry of Transport Chris Obure during the commissioning of the Kitengela Bus stop. PHOTO COURTESY




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Bingwa Sacco CEO Jane Mugo flanked by Bingwa Sacco Kitengela branch Branch Manager Antony Musembi cut the tape to officially launch the Bingwa Sacco Kitengela Branch.

BINGWA Sacco Opens 19th Branch in Kitengela Town

By Terry Mbata

Kitengela Town residents will benefit from additional Sacco services after Bingwa Sacco Ltd opened its 19th Branch in the town today. The Ceremony pre Presided over by its Chief Executive officer Jane Mugo will see the fast rising Sacco offer its services to residents of Kitengela Town and Kajiado County as a whole.

“Kajiado county will become the 4th county to benefit from our improved services as we launch this fully automated branch in the region as we saw the need for Sacco services in the town and we would like to encourage all residents of Kitengela to invest with us” Mugo said.

Mugo told of the desire to offer savings services to the town far beyond Kirinyaga County where the Sacco began 34 years ago.

“We established the Sacco in 1984 in Kirinyaga and back then it was known as Kirinyaga Tea Growers Sacco but then as we progressed we saw the need to change its name so that all Kenyans can be accommodated in the Sacco even those that do not grow Tea and since then we have never looked back” Mugo said.

Mugo added that they expect exponential growth and good profit margins in the years to come as she projects close to 400million shillings in profits come the end of the year.

“last year we made a profit of 206 million shillings and this is a strong indicator of high growth and confidence to open more branches” Mugo said.

She added that apart from the normal Sacco Services that they the company is building on offering Insurance Agency service that will include the Bingwa Prestige service in addition to opening up an investment wing that will deal with individual investment such as buying land and construction of homes.

The CEO boasted of an Asset base of 5.1Billion with Ksh 3billion in Deposits and shares and they have given out a total of 15 billion shillings in loans since its inception in 1984.

The Branch located just at the center of the CBD in Kitengela is the newest entrant in the financial services sector to make entry into the Town.

Study Hard, But Play Harder



Students engaging in a game of football at the National Ball Championships.

The general role of school co-curricular activities can never be underestimated in any progressive system.

In many articles on the roles of co-curricular activities in a student's social development scholars have argued that the stress on the academic performance in retrogressive education systems tends to overshadow the place of co-curricular activities. Nevertheless a student's social life is as important as their academic life for an all-round human development.

A lot of pressure is exerted on students to attain high grades. This means they have no life outside classrooms; all they do and think is books and in essence they turn into zombies whose world spin around books and academic performance.

Sports and other co-curricular activities can best be defined as an extension of educational

functions that support the broad mission of learning. By no means do these functions deviate from the academic mission of a learning institution. Rather they underpin the goal of teaching students to be responsible and fulfilled human beings with opportunities that develop character, critical thinking social skills and talent.

Some Scholars argue that it is a waste of time and that good grades translate to a successful life, whereas this could be true it's also critical to appreciate that co-curricular activities can expose great talents hidden among the students and education should therefore go beyond books and the four walls of a classroom.

Global trends indicate that many schools have introduced a variety of activities such as athletics, music, football, rugby and various clubs such as scouting. In fact many schools offer scholarships based on the extracurricular activities to students who excel in their fields of choice in essence co-curricular are just as critical as academic for the following reasons:

Research has shown that students engaged in co-curricular activities have notable improvement in their academic grades, this is attributed to the skills they learn such as time management, organization skills and a boost in their self-esteem in addition skills learnt in clubs such as writing clubs help students learn how to express themselves better and may also be a bridge to future careers such as journalism and editing.

Time management skills are learn in all sports discipline, such as the ability to deliver in a 90 minutes of football, and the quarters of a basketball this is in essence time management

A desire to win is ingrained almost all co curricula activities this translates to virtues of commitment which is translated to all other areas of life thus shaping a successful committed individual. In the modern world of today those who perform well in sports earn big money, many millionaires in Kenya Today are athletes, from Eliud Kipchoge the world marathon champion, to Vivian Cheruiyot, Victor Wanyama McDonald Mariga. Not forgetting our world Beaters the Shujaa Team and our Volleyball Queens who have conquered the world.

In addition to the above co-curricular activities remains key in broadening social skills such as building tolerance and enhancing cooperation, thus co-curriculum activities form an integral part of the education system.

This seems to have been emphasized by the Kenyan Governments recent changes made to the curriculum where we now have a competence based curriculum that emphasizes on the particular individuals strengths in a particular area of learning rather than a wholesome grading of students based on a single exam.

Some of the weaknesses exposed by the earlier system included questions such as, What if the student was sick during the exams, What if the students was undergoing a significant Trauma like the loss of a Parent, sibling that affected their concentration during a particular exams and that ultimately led to failure of the particular student in the particular subject.

Over emphasis on academic success ultimately was the death of the 8.44 systems and income the competence based curriculum.

CHURCHILL IN KITENGELA

Photos By Our Team



1. Churchill moving the masses 2. MCA Tricky in element 3. MC Jessie 4. Frasha enjoying the Show 5. Obinna breaking ribs at the show 6. Prof Hamo signing out. 7. Sleepy Davy, Churchill, MCA Tricky and MC Jessie signing out after a thrilling performance. A multitude of fans thronged the Galaxy Resort in Kitengela to watch the live recording of the Churchill show in Kitengela recently. Above are the photos of the event.

Mr. and Miss Kitengela



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They came out in their best attire on a chilly Saturday night, they braved the cold and gave warmth and excitement to the modest crowd that showed up for the Mr. & Mrs. Kitengela 2018 edition. It was fun, pomp excitement and glamour as the contestants gave out their best and angled for the coveted prize. The models drawn from various parts of Kitengela Town and its environs competed in the various categories that included the

Casual Wear, Creative Wear and evening Wear. Flora Ongala seven other contestants to be crowned Mrs. Kitengela while for the men everyone was a winner as there were only 3 contestants but it was Joseph Saruni who won the hearts of the crowds and caught the eyes of the Judges to be crowned Mr. Kitengela. Kitengela MCA Paul Matuiya and his Oloosirkon counterpart who attended the event all through the

night in a rare show of solidarity with the youth promised the wards funding for the event in the next edition. "I promise that the next edition of this event will be bigger and better and in a more spacious venue with the support of my office" Matuiya said. Other sponsors at the event were Zakia College of Design and the Nairobi Women's Hospital-Kitengela.

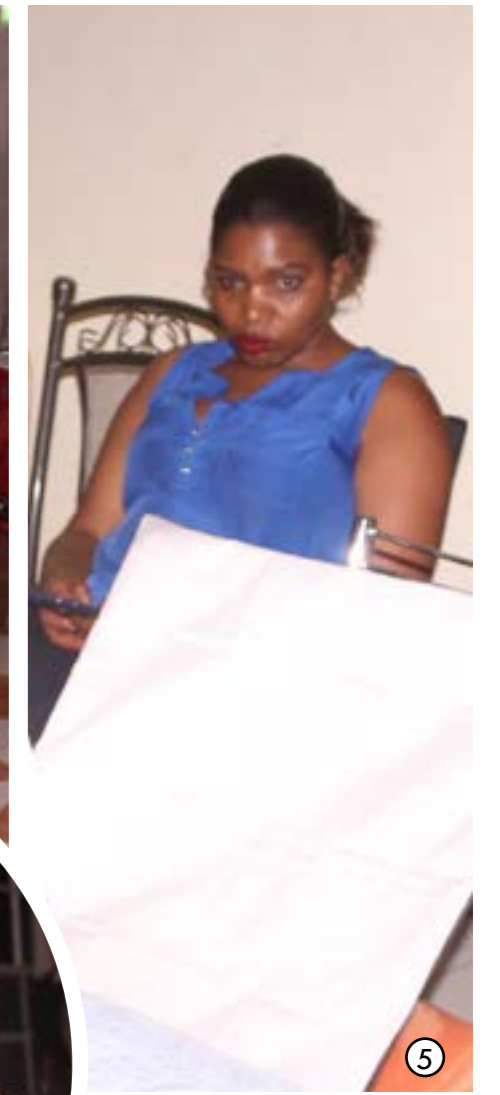
1. Miss Kitengela Flora Ongala is crowned as the winner at the Esidai Hotel as other contestants look on in envy. 2. A section of the crowd. 3. Kitengela MCA Paul Matuiya (R) and the Oloosirkon Sholinke Ward counterpart Francis Kaesha (C) congratulate the winner Flora Ongala after she was crowned the Miss Kitengela at the Esidai Hotel. 4. Flora in creative wear. 5. Tish the Sylist.



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Alfred Mutua Ahimizwa Kuwapa Wazee Nafasi



Mzee Muthusi Mutua akiwa katika mahojiano na mwandishi wa Kitengelabiznet

Mzee Mmoja Mkongwe Mutua Muthusi Mainge kutoka Mlolongo kaunti ya Machakos amewashutumu maaafisa wa Kaunti hiyo kwa kuwapuza wazee katika shughuli za kuwapatia kandarasi za ujenzi wa mijengo na miradi mbali mbali katika Kaunti hiyo. Mutua asema ya kwamba Kaunti ya Machakos imeweka mahitaji magumu magumu kabla ya Kandarasi kupeanwa, jambo ambalo limefanya kuwa vigumu sana kwa wazee kupata nafasi ya kutumia ujuzi wao ili kuchangia katika ujenzi wa Kaunti hiyo.

“Maafisa katika kaunti yetu wanamazoea ya kupuuza juhudi zetu za kupata kandarasi hizi kwa madai kwamba hatujasoma na kuwa sisi ni wazee wa zamani ilhali ujuzi

tulinao unaweza saidia sana Kaunti ya Machakos katika ujenzi wa majengo ambayo yatadumu” Mutua alisema. Mutua katika mahojiano ya moja kwa moja mjini Mlolongo alisema ya kwamba anao ujuzi wa hali ya juu aliofunzwa na Baniani ambao alifanya nao kazi sana miaka za themanini. “Nilifanya Kazi na Baniani Katika ujenzi wa jumba mashuhuri la *Nyayo House* kati ya mwaka wa 1970 hadi 1982 wakati jumba hilo lilipomalizika kujengwa.” Mutua alisema.

Aliongezea kwa kusema kuwa walilipwa pesa kidogo na wahindi ambao walifanya kazi chini yao na licha ya hayo waliujenga mjengo huo kwa kuvumilia kwa kuwa walikuwa wanawatusi hata wakati mwingine kuwapiga wafanyi kazi walio husika na ujenzi huo.

“Nilifanya Kazi na Baniani Katika ujenzi wa jumba mashuhuri la *Nyayo House* kati ya mwaka wa 1970 hadi 1982 wakati jumba hilo lilipomalizika kujengwa.”

“Tulipigwa na kutusiwa sana lakini licha ya hayo tuliweza kumaliza kazi hiyo na pia tulijifunza ujuzi muhimu ambao nimeutumia kwa mijengo mingine mingi”

Mutua alinakili.

Aliongezea na kusema kuwa hivi sasa ana ujuzi wa miaka thelathini akiwa amehusika kwa ujenzi wa majengo kama *Consolata Mission Kajiado, Amboseli, Naro Moru* shule ya vilema, Hospitali za Kajiado na pia alihusika kwa ujenzi wa *Kimathi House* Nairobi.

Mutua anakiri kuwa ni kweli hana masomo ya kirasmi lakini ujuzi wake wa miaka mingi unashinda hata wajenzi wengi ambo wanahusika katika ujenzi wa mijengo Katika Kaunti hii na kila anapopiga raundi zake katika mji wa Machakos anasikitika kwa kuwa majengo mengi yanayojengwa wakati huu yamemejaa makosa chungu mzima.

Mzee huyo anaomba maafisa wa Kaunti ya Machakos kutozingatia tu masomo kwa wajenzi ambao wanaomba kandarasi lakini pia wawape wazee hao nafasi ya kuonyesha ujuzi wao.

Mutua anasema ya kwamba hivi sasa amebuni Kampuni ya ujenzi iitwayo *Machakos Spotlight Agency* ingawa anaongezea ya kuwa imekuwa ni ngumu Kupata kazi kutoka kwa Kaunti ya Machakos.

Mutua anaendelea na kuomba Serikali ya Kaunti ya Machakos Kupitia kwa Gavana Alfred Mutua kuweka mikakati ambayo itaawezesha wengine wenye ujuzi kama yeye kupata nafasi za kuchangia katika ujenzi wa Kaunti ya Machakos.



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Do You Know The Meaning Of That Name?

By Zack Omoro

I have been employed in Kitengela for some two weeks now. The sand in Kitengela is stifling sometimes and I have yet to make or bump into old friends.

It is Saturday afternoon, I stroll around Kitengela, it is still suffocating. There is no air in Kite only the sizzling smell of Nyama Choma is in the air. Naturally my feet lead me to a bar. Next to me is a well looking elderly man, he is stall, bespectacled, neat haircut and a moustache.

I nod at him as I pull a chair; He looks at me and smiles. A beer later he looks up at me and smiles again and speaks:

“How is Kite taking you?” He casually asks.

“How did you know I am new in the town?” I ask Surprised.

He looks at me, winks and murmurs “Mgeni Kuku Mweupe”

I love Irish potato; It is called Waru in the local Kikuyu dialect. I order two plates, one for him and one for me. He takes a rain check.

It is soon brought, and as I tuck it in, My new friend asks loudly...

You know where the name Waru came from?

I had no answer

He continues

“ You see when the Mzungu came he thought of introducing this new crop the Irish Potato and as he was instructing the natives in planting it he insisted that it had to be planted a single one per hole and therefore the instructional wordings from the typical Mzungu Nasal drawl were :

“One here...one here...One here... To the natives mind the words sounded like Waru...Waru...Waru...

and the name stuck.

I laughed.

He continued

“You have been to Thogoto?”

Thogoto is a small missionary centre a few kilometres west of Nairobi.

“ Of course “ I answer back.

“You know the origin of the name?”

I hesitated and before I could answer he tells me:

“The missionary who first settled there was called from Scotland and was nicknamed Scott. He built the theological college there. Thogoto therefore is a corruption of Scott just as Kirigiti is a corruption of Cricket...a game the British introduced to their colonies .He smiled.

“Just like the 4 o'clock tea so common in all members clubs ”

You know the meaning of Dagoreti corner? ...It means the great corner...that wide swerve as you come from Ng'ong as you head to town”

He continued:

“ I suppose you have been to Embakasi?

“I always pass there heading here” I answer back.

“It was the first Airport in the country and had a big notice board written “ Embarkings” and the name stuck. You know, the airport was built partly by the Mau Mau prisoners Mau Mau was the name of the Kenya's freedom fighters in the early fifties.

“I suppose you know the meaning of Mau Mau?”

Easy, I replied:

“The first words for Mzungu aende Ulaya, Mwafrika abaki Kenya”.

“ Naaa!” He castigated me “The freedom fighters partook an oath called the Muma, the British commander could not fully

vocalise the words Muma.... you try vocalising Muma that in a British military drawl, It ends up as Mau Mau.” He smiled indolently.

I was now on my fifth beer and was feeling high or aire as the millenials say.I ordered two beers for him as I begged to leave.

With good grace he allowed me to leave, but called out as I drained the last swallow.

“ One last one” He called out “I Suppose you think you know the origins of the name of this town Kitengela?”

“ Well....I stuttered “ Nairobi's Bedroom?”

“Wrong!” He replied “the now Kitengela town was originally known as Noonkopir which in the Maa dialect means a place of many flying birds”

I had stood up and just wanting to chide him asked:

“I suppose you think you know the meaning of Ng'ong, referring to the small town 10 km west of Kitengela shadowed by a hill named after the town.

He brightened up” Ngong is an Anglicization of a Maasai phrase Enkongui Emunyin...Meaning a stream next to a mountain. You know if you have been keen to look, Ng'ong hills is shaped like the knuckles of a man- legend has it – It was formed when a giant who had tripped over Mount Kilimanjaro pressed a fist into the ground to right himself up”

He laughed loudly “It means therefore that if he had tripped and fell across Kenya, his shaft must have made a huge hole somewhere....I wonder where?”

With that He burst out laughing. I laughed too.

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ONE ON ONE

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Know Your Business Man



When did you settle in Kitengela and how has your experience been about the growth and development of Kitengela Town?

We first settled into Kitengela Town after moving from Riruta satellite in Nairobi and this was after I resigned from the IT company I was working for.

Intrestingly when we settled here back in the year 2000, there was no electricity, there was no water and there were no access roads. Kitengela was basically a bush. However it was soon after the post poll violence of 2007/2008 that there was an influx of people in Kitengela Town owing to the fact that there was relative peace in the town during that period of turmoil. **How did you begin your business and where did you get the capital from?**

Initially my wife was the first person to start the glass and aluminum business at Riruta satellite but when I resigned I we joined together to begin the business luckily I had background knowledge in technical industry as I had studied at the Thika Technical School and later I took several courses with the Chinese tutors.

We raised the capital to start the Kitengela from our savings and also we borrowed a loan from a bank in Kitengela and that is when we established the Kitengela Branch. I am proud to say that so far we have been able to grow to two branches in Kitengela.

What are some of the challenges have you faced as a business person dealing with Glass and Aluminum industry?

Competition is very in this industry nowadays and in turn this has caused many business people to adopt albeit unfair techniques in a situation where you find that some business people flood the market with low quality, substandard products that look like the originals, this in turn confuses the customer leading to the customer buying the product at a low price but poor quality and these counterfeit products put a lot of strain on the price of genuine products that we sell.

How has this industry grown over the years?

We have seen many shops come up but what has gone down is the quality of the products on offer but as business people in this field

we need to address the issue and maintain the price quality but I am aware that many are driven by greed.

What can you advice the upcoming and budding young people who would like to venture into business especially in the glass and aluminum industry?

Persistence in whatever one sets their mind to and the passion to commit themselves to what they may engage on? In addition the young people should not overlook the technical training institutions as they offer a good training base in specific areas of expertise.

Are you satisfied with the current political administration in Kitengela /Oloosirkon Sholinke Ward?

i see no problem with the current political leadership in Kitengela Town and Kajiado in general.

Where would you like to see the company in the next 5 years?

I am looking to expand the capacity of the factory so that we can be able to produce at large scale our products and that will be in our factory based near Yukos Area.



The SportsPesa league 2018/2019 projections

Traditionally the Kenyan footballing season kicks off in August every year; There is an exception this year as the 2018/2019 SportsPesa Premier League (SPL) football season for the first time kicked off on 8th December 2018, to align the Kenyan league with the international football calendar. The 2017/18 season ended in early September on an anti-climax as Gor Mahia was a class apart from the other teams emerging victorious with four matches to go. The following are my predictions for the top teams in the coming season:

Gor Mahia- The team is the soul of the SPL with very passionate and extra exuberant male fans matched pound to pound by their well upholstered lady fans. No denying, but the SPL in Kenya remains animated because of this team. They have maintained the unenviable reputation of getting overly excited when they lose, draw or sometimes even when they win. 2017/2018 has been a good season for the team despite their early exit from the continental competition. The high point of their season was the visit to the United Kingdom and facing a top English team. Predictably they were outplayed. In the recent past there have been signs that all is not exactly well in the clubs boardroom, leading to their very successful coach walking away.

My predictions:

The team fans are bound to remain the heartbeat of the KPL albeit with a bit of passionate expressions especially when results fail to go their way.

No Kenyan football team has

been so consistent, seemingly, effortlessly winning most of their matches as Gor Mahia. Nature fails to work this way and a spanner in the works for Gor Mahia could be in the works. I therefore predict an implosion in the team management mid-season next year and a struggle to retain their SPL position.

Despite the constant unwarranted assault by the Gor fans against the Tom Mboya statue on Moi Avenue. The statue will remain standing. All Footballers Cooperative (AFC)-For the second year running, the team failed to rise to the occasion despite having a bevy of well-endowed beauties as a major feature of their fan base. Admittedly, they play good football but lack of patience and a mistaken idea that the success of the team only hinges on the destruction of their only arch rival- Gor Mahia. Their turnout of coaches this year has claimed all records. (25 Coaches in seven years!) Their recent indulgence in destroying seats at Kasarani stadium is an indication that they are mere imitators and should leave such unwarranted combatives to their noisy expert Shemejis.

It takes long to rebuild a team once it has crumbled the way AFC has been. Therefore the coming season for the team will be as follows: Coaches will continue to pass through the dens revolving door. The Mashemeji derby will continue to be a crowd puller.

The league table is unlikely to improve for Ingwe in the 2018/2019 season; the team is likely to finish mid table.

Ulinzi- If there is a club which is a perennial underachiever, then this team fits the docket. The

players in this military side have an assured salary, a pension, gyms, perfect medical safety net but then they have consistently played a traditional brand of football which is plain gritty and energy consuming. If you study their playing curve, the team has been consistent in winning three games, drawing two, losing the next three and starting the circle again and again.

Interestingly, the team has never lost a game played in a down pour. My predictions for the coming season are therefore as follows:

The team is likely to be title contenders come 2018/2019 season.

It will be the only team which will stand stiff and to attention during a national anthem.

They will win all their matches played in a down pour.

Tusker: A tactical, sober and a resolute team which has been consistent in the Kenyan footballing landscape; their main shortcoming is that team is like a diesel engine taking time to warm up before getting fully engaged in the business at hand. It explains why the team is normally at full throttle only at the second half of the season when almost at will brushing off competition as it garners the necessary points. The other shortcoming of the team is that despite its long history, the team is yet to muster a credible fan base country wide.

My Prediction is that the team is likely to be a major title challenger in the coming season. But only if, they shake off the sluggish pace when taking off from the blocks.

Sofapaka: This Kawangware based team was the talk of town several years back when it took the KPL

title in the same year of promotion from the lower tier superleague. The team has failed to maintain the tempo and constantly struggles in the mid table. The opposing fans therefore chant against them arguing that the team is slowly degenerating to a lower animal as they started as so far Champions and have degenerated to be So far Paka. Soon they shall be So far Panya!

The female fan base are candy to the eyes, but the team needs to further work on their female fan base to make it more attuned to the Football fraternity. (If you know what I mean!).

Prediction:

The team is unlikely to degenerate further and will remain Sofa Paka and a mid-table team.

Bandari- A coastal side which surprisingly finished runners up in the 2017/2018 season. Surprisingly because the team lacked consistency winning when expected to lose and losing when expected to win. Creditably, their losses in their home turf were always hard fought.

Their manner of play, suggests a mind-set of a team that this is not built for a long haul league but a championship team engaged in short but tough campaigns. My prediction is that the team is likely to revert to their traditional mid-

table team in the next season.

Nakumatt- Credit goes to this team that struggled against all odds managed to remain the premier league despite a host of logistical difficulties. Their remaining in the league is attributed to sheer persistence and industry. The team has recently been adopted by some financially endowed individuals and has been re-baptised as Mt. Kenya. Adopting the name Mt Kenya is a positive move as it gives the team some deep political connotations and with it some much needed goodwill and a worthy fan base.

My prediction is that the team is likely to be the wonder boy for the 2018/19 season and likely to end in the third position.

Kariobangi Sharks: The new kid on the block and enjoying so much goodwill dripping from the top leadership of the country's football. The team were also the surprise winners Like the counterparts from Eastern, the team plays classic football and seems not intimidated by the big guns. The team's venture into the continental ranks will give it that much needed experience.

My prediction is that the team is likely to be the wonder boy of the league at least in the first half of the league, but then inexperience, injuries and plain fatigue is likely to slow the team come second half

of the league. A mid table team.

Vihiga United- The throw in specialists. A no compromise team, very resilient, hard tacklers and reportedly lacking sweating pores. The team finishes a close contested game with literally no sweat!. Most of their goals from this Kakamega based side have been scored from throw ins. Where three of their most muscled players deliver throw ins which have the speed slightly short of actual kicks colloquially known as "dabals".

My prediction is that the team is likely to finish in a respectable position and not surprisingly for even the top honours.

Wazito FC: You can see the lack of playing imagination of a team just by seeing their team name. Wazito has been slow in their moves probably weighed down by their higher than average mental quotient. Their coach from their bench uses deep vocabularies as he spews advice from the side-lines. Words like...inertia, strategy, Contemporaneously, Jurisprudence....et al.

I suspect that their post match analysis is more interesting than the real game.

Prediction: Bar changing their unimaginative name, the team will remain in the lower league.



WHATSAPP Trends

CORRUPTION

SELF EXAMINATION

- If you usually put more sugar in your tea when in a hotel than you do at home, you're likely to be corrupt.

- If you use more tissue in a public washroom than you do at home, you are a potential thief, if given opportunity you would take what's not yours.

- If you serve yourself more food that you can finish just because someone else is footing the bill, you're greedy.

- If you usually jump queues, you have potential for abusing office if given a powerful position.

- If you are more concerned about knowing someone's surname rather than first name, you're likely to be a tribal bigot. It's even worse when someone tells you their name and you ask, "which tribe is that?"

- If you usually overlap while in traffic jam or have no regard for traffic lights, then you would easily embezzle public funds if you're given a position at a public office since you hate regulation .

- If you channel waste or dirty water from your compound to a neighbour's compound rather than manage it, you're ill-mannered.

If you look at this post and wonder whether it was really necessary to talk about these issues; then you are

dishonest and you would easily cover up ills in the society for your own benefit.

Let us try to be people of character wherever we find ourselves.

FURTHER TRAFFIC ACT AMMENDMENTS

1. Probox overtaking a range rover KSH.500,000 or life imprisonment.

2. Driving under the influence of alcohol:-

A) tusker - ksh. 10,000

B) pilsner, summit, guinness, mnazi - ksh.30,000

C) KC, kane extra -'sh.50,000

D) Blue moon - life imprisonment

E) Jack Daniels - No fine

3. Talking on the phone while driving: -A) iphone- 1,000

B) Infinix-50,000

C) Kabambe: unanyang'anywa gari unaachwa na simu

The English language has some wonderfully anthropomorphic collective nouns for the various groups of animals.

We are all familiar with:

a ***herd*** of cows,

a ***flock*** of chickens,

a ***school*** of fish,

a ***gaggle*** of geese, and

a ***pride*** of lions.

However, less widely known is:

a ***murder*** of crows,

an ***exaltation*** of doves,

and, presumably because they look

so wise... a ***congress*** of owls.

Now consider a group of baboons.

They are the loudest, most dangerous, most obnoxious, most viciously aggressive, and least intelligent of all primates.

And, what is the proper collective

noun for a group of baboons? Believe it or not... a ***parliament***!

YEP... A ***PARLIAMENT OF BA-**

BOONS*! Pretty much explains

everything doesn't it?

THINGS I HAVE NEVER SEEN SINCE I WAS BORN

1. Albino kiwete

2. Mazishi ya albino

3. Masai kiwete

4. mkorino polisi

5. Mkorino na mimba

6. Mkamba vajoo

7. Ambulance kwa petrol station

8. Police Wa traffic akienda choo

9. Mwalimu Wa nursery mwanaume

10. A pregnant dwarf lady

11. Albino chokoraa

12. Masai mwenda wazimu

13. Albino karau

14. a, Muslim Masai

alafu ya mwisho awa watu Wa kupi-

ga keyboard kwa kanisa sijawai ona

wakitoa sadaka

BIZ NET CLASSIFIEDS

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2. **KAJIADO Bisil-Ngatataek 5,10,20 acres red soil price 275k p.a 0733249108**

3. **KAJIADO Town** : ¼ ac plots along main road near Naisula School. Clean tiles.

best prices quick sale. 0721520121

4. **KATANI** : 16 plots 50 x 100 @1.6M all with Title, Rates paid .Preferred SACCOS and groups . 0722239319

5. **KERARAPON**: 1/2acre 0713177189

6. **KITENGELA** : Milimani ¼ acre 2.9M 0726276271

7. **KITENGELA** : Near KAG University touching tarmac 7acr @14M - 0704903911

8. **ATHI RIVER** 2.14ac @100m 0729750106

9. **KAJIADO** 4ac @3.5M p/ac 0721860139

10. **KISAJU** : Pipeline rd. Land for sale ,10ac touching tarmac @4.7m -0733697465

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