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## 31st GCC Summit concluded

*Al Ain Times News / Wam:*

President His Highness Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan has announced the conclusion of the current 31st Summit of the Cooperation Council of Arab Gulf States (GCC), hosted by the UAE on 6-7 December.

In a speech at the closing session, Sheikh Khalifa expressed his best wishes of speedy recovery for HRH King Abdullah Bin Abdulaziz Al Saud of Saudi Arabia after the successful back surgery.

Saudi's HRH Prince Nayef Bin Abdulaziz Al Saud, Second Deputy Prime Minister '&' Minister of Interior, in a speech at the closing session said the next 32 GCC summit will be held

in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia upon directives from HRH King Abdulla Bin Abdulaziz and upon the desire of H.M King Hamad Bin Eissa Al Khalifa of Bahrain.

Prince Nayef also expressed thanks to President His Highness Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Vice President and Prime Minister of UAE and Ruler of Dubai His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum and H.H General Sheikh Mohammed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, crown prince of Abu Dhabi and deputy supreme commander of the UAE Armed Forces and the people and government of the UAE for the hospitality and the organization of the



summit.

He also commended the wisdom of H.H Sheikh Khalifa in moderating the sessions of the summit.

Prince Nayef also read a cable from King Abdullah in which he said "we all look

forward to the realization of the goals and desires of our peoples" King Abdullah also expressed to the GCC leaders his best wishes of success in their efforts. He added that he shares with the other leaders "the hopes and goals of our historical responsibility."

## Mohammed issues resolution on property ownership

*Al Ain Times News / Wam:*

H.H. Gen. Sheikh Mohammed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi and Chairman of Abu Dhabi Executive Council (ADEC), has issued resolution no 64 of 2010 on regulations of property ownership.

The resolution defines general frameworks and rules for property registration in virtue of the property ownership law in the emirate of Abu Dhabi.

The new resolution aims at encouraging real estate developers and investors to register their properties and associated rights and streamlining conversion of real estate rights easily and swiftly. It will also facilitate delivery of loans for financing real estate investment.

According to the resolution, only UAE citizens or persons and companies to be identified by the ADEC

will have the right to own properties.

Non-UAE natural or juristic persons will enjoy the right to own, buy, sell, rent, mortgage and invest in investment clusters. They may hold usufruct or Musataha right for up to 50 years (subject for renewal to a similar duration) and usufruct contract for up to 99 years and long-term tenancy contract in properties located inside investment areas.



## UAE has steadily increased its engagement in the international climate talks

*Al Ain Times News / Wam:*

His Highness Sheikh Abdullah bin Zayed Al Nahyan, UAE Minister of Foreign Affairs, hosted a reception for notable dignitaries on his arrival at the COP16 negotiations in Cancun.

"Over the past few years the United Arab Emirates has steadily increased its engagement in the international climate talks. We have established numerous initiatives, including the Directorate of Energy and Climate Change within the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, which has allowed us to play a more prominent and constructive role in the climate negotiations" said Sheikh Abdullah bin Zayed Al Nahyan. "Our active participation in Cancun marks a clear signal that the UAE is keen to address the challenges of climate change in a collaborative and collective manner at the highest levels." His Highness commended the Mexican government and Executive Secretary of

the UNFCCC for promoting transparency to the lead up of the negotiations and emphasized the importance of ensuring that such practice is maintained throughout the dialogue in Cancun.

"A cooperative and transparent approach is critical to achieving a balanced agreement that compliments the needs of developed and developing nations. I would like to commend the COP Presidency and Chair of the UNFCCC for promoting and instigating transparency." In addition to H.H. Sheikh Abdullah bin Zayed Al Nahyan, the UAE's strong presence at the COP 16 climate discussions includes Dr. Rashid Ahmed bin Fahad, UAE minister of environment and water, Dr. Sultan Al Jaber, UAE special envoy for energy and climate change and Chief Executive of Masdar, as well as nearly 20 delegates from numerous relevant entities in the UAE.

## UAE flag sent into outer space

*Al Ain Times News / Wam:*

Minister of Higher Education and Scientific Research Sheikh Nahyan bin Mubarak Al Nahyan at his palace received Numira Saleem, Pakistan's first female astronaut, who sent the UAE flag into outer space a year ago.

During the meeting, Numira handed over Sheikh Nahyan a

painting of the UAE flag which was sent in the outer space besides her country's flag as a souvenir and to express the fraternal relations between the two countries.

Numira Salem is the first woman from the UAE who reached North Pole in 2007 and South Pole in 2008.

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## Mohamed Soussan, Ayla Hotel GM: Meeting the demands of the Local traditional and cultural aspects of the city is the focus of our hotel Ayla Hotel in Al Ain is soon opening its doors...

*Al Ain Times News:*

The latest business enterprise of Nael Bin Harmal Investments is the Ayla Hotel that's opening in the business hub of Al Ain very soon.

The booming business city of the emirates, Al Ain is gaining attention of the investors like the Nael Bin Harmal investments Co. L.L.C. (NBHI) who have two more hotel projects in the pipeline for 2012.

Ayla Hotel is scheduled to open for the public by end of January. Where the inauguration is planned to be a big event and is expected to be attended by the dignitaries of Al Ain.

While peeping into the last working schedule of the 153 rooms & suites hotel, we found out the special services it shall offer us in the future.

The hotel that is also part of the stylish Ayla Business Complex comprising various shops, government offices and a must visit spot for business travelers, is gaining attention now-a days.

Strategically located at the bustling spot of Al Ain, the hotel is surrounded by Government offices, Shopping malls and Hospitals.

In an exclusive interview with Al Ain Times, Mr. Mohamed Soussan, General Manager of the soon to open Ayla Hotel gave us a clear insight of the five floored building and also told us what people should expect from them.

Mr. Mohamed Soussan said that, "The hotel is not going to be one for the tourists and guests only but is going to meet the demands and the standards of the locality".

He added: "Meeting the demands of the Local traditional and cultural aspects of the city is the focus of our hotel", says Mr. Mohamed Soussan who himself has eighteen (18) years hotel management experience that he has gained while working at Sheraton Hotel and Resort Abu Dhabi, Sales and Marketing Departments of IHG property Al Ain and as an Executive assistant manager for Rotana Hotels in Kuwait and Abu Dhabi; shall be found beneficial for the successful leadership of the management at Ayla Hotel.

About providing service to Al Ain Community, Mr. Soussan mentioned that,

"Understanding the local needs of the community along with serving the International societies that are soon getting bigger

is what Ayla Hotel is all about".

When questioned about the special facilities and services that shall be provided by the hotel, Mohamed Soussan said that, "Besides having the 153 rooms Suites for the guests, our hotel is going to attract the residents with Ayla Restaurant, A health club with an experienced Physiotherapist with separate male and female days, separate praying rooms for men and women, roof covered swimming pool right at the top of the hotel accompanied by Panorama Shisha spot that would be developed at a later stage.

Tamra café that will have a traditional tea lounge and availability of conference and training rooms for business meetings and training sessions respectively are among a few attractions for the visitors."



"Special planned theme nights and different cuisines nights are some other appeals of the hotel", he added.

The Director of Sales and Marketing Mr. George Titus commented on the issue of listing the hotel among the dry hotels of the city and said that, "It's like attracting the multi-cultural society and community visiting Al Ain. Tourists from Muslim Countries love to stay in an alcohol-free environment and we shall be pioneers

in meeting those standards along with meeting all the requirements of a 5 star hotel."

Ayla Hotel will be the new face of affordable luxury in Al Ain. The hotel provides magnificent views of the city and Jabel Hafeet at its background. The hotel is furnished to meet the taste and comforts of both the business and leisure travelers.

## HP ePrinters make printing easy for Apple products' users

*Al Ain Times News:*

HP announced its compatibility with beta version of Apple's AirPrint wireless printing for iPad™, iPhone® and iPod touch®. The AirPrint will be included in the free iOS 4.2 software update in November. The Feature automatically finds printers on local networks and can print text, photos and graphics to them wirelessly over Wi-Fi without the need to install drivers or download software. HP's existing and upcoming ePrint enabled printers will be the first to support printing direct from iOS devices.

AirPrint is Apple's powerful new printing architecture that matches the simplicity of iOS—no set up, no

configuration, no printer drivers and no software to download," said Philip Schiller, Apple's senior vice president of Worldwide Product Marketing. "iPad, iPhone and iPod touch users can simply tap to print their documents or photos wirelessly to an HP ePrint printer or to a printer shared on a Mac or PC."

"We're pleased to be working with Apple to bring Apple's AirPrint to our fall lineup of ePrint printers in time for the holiday shopping season," said Vyomesh Joshi, HP executive vice president, Imaging and Printing Group.

"Making it easy for our



customers to print anytime, anywhere, is a key priority for HP. iPod, iPhone and iPod touch customers are going to love how easy it is to print using our new range of ePrint printers, creating high-quality printed pages in an instant, he added.

## New rules on U.A.E. Residence visa receive mixed reactions

*Al Ain Times News:*

The news of the reduction to two years of the validity of residence visas and labour cards drew mixed reactions from Dubai's business community.

The move which will be implemented next month, is a bid to regulate the labour market.

"The move is good for employees as well as employers. From the employers' perspective, he can keep track of his employees and from an employees' perspective since they are only contracted for two years, there are more possibilities. It will encourage movement which will be

good for the economy," Kumar said. Mohammad Asif Jabbar, Group CEO of Alif Investment, believes that the announcement comes at the wrong time.

"People are not ready for this announcement just as we're coming out of a financial downturn. Now we are seeing a growth and to issue such a ruling now will not help to improve the market. It will show that the government is in need of cash flow and they're putting a burden on companies," Jabbar said.

Emirati businessmen Mohidin Bin Hendi, President of Binhend Enterprises, who has over 3,000 employees,

said that it's going to be more expensive for the companies, including his own. "I used to do it [residency renewal for employees] twice every six years. Now I have to do it twice every four years," he told Gulf News.

Bin Hendi said that it's important for the country to remain an appealing business destination.

"The UAE as a whole should make it very attractive for people to come and do business and should minimise the expenses," he said. "We are becoming a penalty — penalty by the RTA, penalty by this and penalty by that.

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## Ayla Hotel provides Corporate Social Responsibility to Al Ain Community by sponsoring 39th UAE National Day organized by HCT



*Al Ain Times News:*

Ayla Hotel was among the sponsors for the National Day celebrations at the Higher Colleges of Technology for Men and Women that took place in

Al Ain at the HCT campus.

The celebration attended by Mohamed Soussan, Ayla Hotel General Manager & Mr George Titus Director of Sale & Marketing.



The event comprised of Military band performance, display of paintings by the students of Interior designing, welcoming the director Tim Smith,

traditional dance performances, poetry reading and Heritage village activities were among the few attractions of the event. The evening



came to an end with dinner for the participants and the guests.

Ayla Hotel & Resorts chain has two additional projects in the pipeline in

Al Ain city reservations or information on Ayla Hotel can be obtained by visiting:

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## Fighting extremism through social development

*Al Ain Times News:*

Giving young people a substantial stake in society is the best way to fight extremism, which feeds on lack of hope and opportunity. This means that the best guarantor of any nation's security is sustainable economic and social development, which allows its people to nurture their ambitions and work confidently to see them come to fruition. This is why the UAE has been right to concentrate its efforts on improving education, and increasing individuals' opportunities to seek their ambitions, be they for themselves in private, or in the work place, or in society.

Shaikh Abdullah Bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Foreign Minister, at the Manama Dialogue this week, spelt out why a nation's security does not depend on military force, or fences and walls. He was blazingly



confident that winning hearts and minds was much more important: "We cannot win an ideological war except through changing mindsets. And in order to change mindsets in the region we must demonstrate to people that there are multiple reasons to be optimistic about the future. We must provide positive opportunities for youth, and empower women in society, to ensure that all are stakeholders in their society. The UAE believes in this positive, alternative approach to security, and it is the approach we apply to security challenges across our region".

Shaikh Abdullah was also very

clear that open engagement with the international community is beneficial to everyone's security. "Whether through sport or trade, culture or political dialogue, international exchange gives people a shared stake in a positive and peaceful future. Greater opportunity for citizens at home, combined with greater understanding and exchange between nations internationally, is the surest way to security". A large part of Shaikh Abdullah's message was that this focus on social development and strong education is the right answer for all countries in the region, not just the UAE.

## Emirati women Influential Role in Society Sheikha Jawaher bint Mohammad Al Qasimi

*Al Ain Times News:*

Emirati women have a big role to play in society and it is important for them to participate in various fields, Shaikha Jawaher bint Mohammad Al Qasimi, wife of His Highness Shaikh Dr Sultan bin Mohammad Al Qasimi, Member of the Supreme Council and Ruler of Sharjah said during the National Day celebrations.

In connection with the UAE National Day celebrations, Shaikha Jawaher also acknowledged the role that the UAE played in encouraging women get an education, opening schools and universities for them and helping them pursue post graduate studies, as well as allowing women to participate in delegations abroad, seeking highest degrees in different specialisations.

"The country has opened doors to Emirati women

encouraging them to work in all fields so that they can become doctors, teachers, journalists, presenters and social supervisors, allowing them to realise their capacity and what suits their nature", said Shaikha Jawaher.

Hadeeth Al Thakera, the book written by Shaikh Dr Sultan highlights the stages of the establishment of the country and confirms the country's recognition towards women's issues and the support offered to help them build and develop their Arab and Muslim personality on the right bases.

"Women in our countries might not have their full rights and are asking for equality. We do not mind this and, we encourage and support them," he said



once. From their side, the Emirati ladies expressed their gratitude towards the offerings of the country.

Dr Fatma Saeed Al Shamsi, Secretary General, Emirates University, said: "During those days, jobs for women were limited to teaching and medicine, but with the increase of medicine colleges in the country today, more girls joined those colleges and became more present in the health sector."

## Special Need Children from Al Najah Rehab. Performing at the National Day Celebration

*Al Ain Times News:*

Under the patronage of Sheikh Sultan Bin Khalifa Bin Shakhbut Al Nahyan the special need people from Al Najah Private Rehabilitation celebrated 39th National day on the 5th of December at the Municipality theater.

All programs were performed by the special needs people to show case their skills

to general public. People enjoyed all the performances with excitement.

Actresses like Umm Saif from the famous Ramadan series (Ajeeb Ghareeb) and Ayesha Abdul Rehman were present at the event. They spoke about the talented youth of U.A.E. which is gaining success in all the fields' including the

television industry.

A group of new comers performed a skit where they displayed the talents of the handicapped people. A touching story it was but was put into display by maintaining the humorous flavor.

Poet Musabbah Al Ka'abi read aloud his poems that

showed the patriotic side of the youths and what they think about the Arab world and their culture.

The show came to an end with Sheikh Sultan awarding the performers and speaking about his experience of watching the kids doing what no one knew they would be capable of doing.



## Pearl diving- The ancient profession

*Al Ain Times News:*

Education and knowledge has surely revolutionized the life style of the Arabs. Some decades ago there were few literate men and Arabs were technically behind. But now things have altered in a better way. Arabs have progressed in almost all the spheres of professions and are with time trying to experience new and inventive special fields as well.

Among the ancient occupations from the Arab world comprised of some interesting tasks which if anyone of us does shall do with lots of back up plans and by staying on the safer lane. But during those days the Arabs did all that without any fear. Camel Races which are now run with keeping in mind all the safety measures were once done without any assistance or aid ready to use in case of accidents. Beside these were also fishing and sailing on the

boats made out of logs.

But, one of the amazing and innovative one was pearl diving. Known as the most highly paid professions in those days and which worked in building the economic standards of the country, pearl diving was a highly rated profession. Without any professional knowledge of the aquatic life, divers dived into the beautiful ocean water and brought out the best of the pearls for trading.

Although now there are very few people (especially Arabs) left in this field but the thrill is still there. There was a special season for the divers to and wander deep inside the sea and search the best pearls. It was known as the oyster season. The season whenever arrived, the hard-core hearted fishermen would transform into risky divers and dived in to the deep and beautiful seas of the

Arabian oceans. To gather enough oysters to make a living, 40 meters without any sort of professional equipment, each diver wears a clip like a clothes-peg to close his nostrils, leather sheaths protect his fingers and enable him to (wrench) the shells from the rocks underneath the sea, and each of his big toes is guarded by a similar sheath. He descends on a rope which has a stone weight attached to it. This is hauled up when he reaches the bottom. Round his neck is slung a string bag, which he fills with shells, attached to a rope with which his comrade, the puller, draws him up again when he gives the signal. Divers remain below the surface for nearly a minute and a half, and they descend about 30 times in one day, often to a depth of 14 meters down. A few came up with outshining sea shells consisting the most

expensive of pearls and some empty handed but the process continued.

The work was very strenuous and conditions were hard, but the divers on the whole were found healthy and many of them showed unusual but fine muscular development.

The men were paid no wages, but they received a share in the profits of the season..

Ali Nassir a 70 year old Arab from the Bedouin tribes from the olden days said that he was overwhelmed and excited when the pearl diving season arrived. He along with his friends would go for it as they were fit as swimmers. They would go for days to sail on the sea and find appropriate time to dive and bring out the best of the oyster shells. After that they would place them all together and then their manager would price them.



Though they only got the commission for the whole hard work but, "it was worth earning", he added with a grin.

The younger generation would rather not even consider this as a profession and that's why UAE is a laid back about this profession as with the discovery of oil refineries the attention of the people got focused on the all time money making business. Other GCC countries like Bahrain have its economics

built with this profession and still persist on it. Bahrain is among the best Pearl finding countries of the world.

We in order to incorporate the education of our culture and mores to the younger generation should also tell them about how their forefathers worked hard and made what UAE is now. So that they show interest in the historic and elapsed professions and try out innovative ways to make them alive again.

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## KIC Al Ain – Internship and Employment Program Signing Event

*Al Ain Times News:*

Khwarizmi International College in Al Ain held a press conference where the Fashion Designing Department signed an Internship and Employment Program with the top and prestigious fashion designers of Al Ain.

Mr. Naeem Radi, CEO, Al Khwarizmi International College signed the Articulation with Designer Mohammad Zain and Fatima Jabir on the 8th of December, 2010 in the presence of Mr. Mohammad Fadi the Campus manager of Khwarizmi International College Al Ain campus, Dr. Ahmed Ghonim Manager of the fashion designing department, students and media.

The articulation comprises of a mutual contract where the designers would like to offer internships as well as



employment opportunities for the students of Al Khwarizmi College Al Ain to work in their organizations.

Faculty of the Fashion Designing Department and the students were present at the event. The designers their showed keen interest to work with the talented students who although being in their first semester of the

academic year demonstrate great professionalism in their designs.

Designs of the designers along with the students where kept on display.

The evening came to an end with the guests being handed over with gift hampers from the fashion brands.

## UAE joins Intel Science Arab World Competition

*Al Ain Times News:*

UAE is participating in Intel Science Competition Arab World (ISC-AW), being held at Library of Alexandria, Egypt under the auspices of the League of Arab States.

The three- day event begun yesterday with more than 120 participants from 10 Arab countries are participating in the competition which is first of its kind in the Arabic version of Intel International Science and Engineering Fair

held every year in United States (Intel ISEF).

Contestants from the United Arab Emirates, Egypt, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Morocco, Oman, Palestine, Saudi Arabia and Tunisia will showcase their distinguished science projects in various scientific and social specializations. The winners will be given a cash prize of \$25,000 and scholarships of top Arab universities.

The Intel Science Competition - Arab World is an Arab competition organized by Intel Corporation in cooperation with Science Age Society for the first time on the Arab world level, with the aim of encouraging intermediate and secondary level students of the age group between 14-18 to gain interest in scientific research and execute scientific and research projects based on the methodology and tenets of scientific research.

## Private schools experience increase in student enrollment

*Al Ain Times News:*

Student placements at private schools during the 2009-2010 academic year has increased by nearly 6,000, according to the Abu Dhabi Education Council (ADEC).

The opening of 11 new schools between April to September 2010 accounted for 5,400 places while some existing schools increased their capacity to accommodate about 600 students.

The increase in placements at private schools was as a result of ADEC's efforts in encouraging ongoing development of school capacity in the private sector in order to ensure sufficient supply to meet the demand of school places by the emirate's growing population.

According to ADEC figures, the current growth rate of the Emirati students is two per cent per year while the expatriate student population grows at a rate of seven per cent per year.

If this trend continuous within the next 10 years, ADEC



expects to welcome around 150,000 new students into the education system.

"Private sector development is an important priority for ADEC. We are proactively working to attract various investors to establish high-quality private schools that cater to the needs of the emirate's diverse population. We are also in the process of developing best practice licensing policies and procedures for the private school sector to provide a professional and efficient infrastructure to encourage the continued development of new schools," Yousif Al Sheryani, executive director of Private

Schools and Quality Assurance Division at ADEC, said in a statement.

As part of these efforts, the Council has granted licenses for 29 new schools – 21 to be established in Abu Dhabi and eight in Al Ain. Curriculum breakdown included 10 British, 12 US, four Indian, Australian, Canadian, and one UAE Ministry of Education. An ADEC statement said a number of these newly-licensed schools have also applied for land allocation to build their schools. Last year, eight schools were given land plots by ADEC, some of whom have begun or are about to begin construction this year.

## MBA '&' PhD exhibition in Dubai and Abu Dhabi

*Al Ain Times News:*

The increasing number of students interested in beating the economic crisis and up-skilling with a graduate degree can meet some of the world's top universities presenting Masters and PhD programs in Dubai '&' Abu Dhabi.

Scholarship fund of \$1.6 million (around 5.8 AED) will be offered to visitors of the exhibition to give them more chances to study further.

In the toughest graduate job market in decades, university leavers have to be ever more imaginative and resourceful to stand out from the crowd. With record numbers of graduates competing for fewer jobs, many university leavers across the continent are finding that now is the perfect time to invest in a Masters or PhD qualification and benefit from an employer demand for a more specialized skill-set.

The QS World Grad School Tour, the world's most prestigious series of postgraduate education fairs, will be in Dubai '&' Abu Dhabi on the 9th and 11th of December at Crown Plaza Hotel and Abu Dhabi National Exhibitions Center (ADNEC), respectively.

The tour will be bringing with it international universities and graduate schools such as George Washington, HEC, Hult, IE, ESADE, Maastricht, NYU Tisch and many more leading institutions. The Tour, now in its 10th year of operation, will visit 61 cities in 37 countries around the globe in 2010.

Candidates can register for free entry and get full information on www.topgradschool.com.

Prospective applicants will maximize their chances of acceptance to prestigious courses with advice from admissions professionals from some of the world's leading institutions. They will also have the chance to apply for \$1.6 million worth of exclusive scholarships and funding offered to Tour attendees by participating institutions, making postgraduate study an ever more viable alternative to a daunting labour market. QS, the leading education and career network and organizers of the Tour, offers an additional US\$10,000 scholarship, available to all who attend.

Peter MacDonald, director of the Tour, says Dubai '&' Abu Dhabi are key recruitment

destinations for many of the world's top grad schools who are keen to see more international students on their Masters and PhD programs. "Last year, the quality of candidates who attended the Tour was exceptional and we are expecting this same level to continue into 2010. Students interested in both professional and personal development are turning to a masters or PhD to give them that edge in the current economic climate. The QS World Grad School Tour is the perfect opportunity for them to meet with the admissions directors who will be reading their applications." Faced with a sharp reduction in their graduate intake, many employers are specifically targeting the more specialized and advanced skill-sets acquired during postgraduate study. Patrick Benammar from Valeo's Management Services Department in Paris, explains, "We have vacancies open for masters graduates and we hire between 20 and 30 per year. We are looking for their capacity to innovate and their willingness to prove that we can convince our customers to use new technologies.

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## Silkor launches the first-of-its-kind laser skin resurfacing technology

*Al Ain Times News:*

Silkor Laser Medical Center – the leading chain of laser hair removal, laser medico-aesthetic and skin treatment services across the region (Accredited by the Ministry Of Health) on December 6th announced the launch of a revolutionary skin laser resurfacing technology in the Middle East. The new Silkor UltraPulse Encore Fractional CO2 Laser Resurfacing Device, the first-of-its-kind laser technology available in the Middle East, is set to usher in a new era in skin treatments.

The latest Silkor laser device sourced from Lumenis - the worldwide leader in medical and aesthetic laser and light-based systems – provides the industry-best ablative resurfacing treatments unheard of in the region. The UltraPulse Fractional CO2 Laser represents the latest innovation in laser resurfacing.

The launch of the new skin rejuvenation treatment will go a long way in turning the clock back on wrinkles, as also removing scar traces left by skin disorders, tightening, and



clearing of the skin.

Lara Tarakjian, Executive Director at Silkor Group of Companies, said: “We are thrilled to unveil this

revolutionary UltraPulse Fractional CO2 Laser Resurfacing Device in the Middle East, and this is part of our mandate to offer the best innovation

in the markets we operate in. The treatment is FDA approved and offers unmatched safety and quality outcomes for our customers. Offering the entire range of services, the CO2 laser device offers the finest incision, ablative and endoscopic aesthetic procedures for effective skin laser resurfacing.”

“At Silkor, we are focused on developing and delivering premium laser services with innovative treatments aimed at enhancing customer satisfaction and convenience. Within

the mandate of this, we are happy to unveil the UltraPulse Encore Fractional CO2 Laser Resurfacing Device in the Middle East. We remain committed to offer the latest developments in laser medical equipment, services and proficient standards for our customers. Silkor has earned its reputation for delivering customized treatments and bringing real benefits to the consumer,” said Amal Rashkidi, Corporate Medical Director at Silkor.

## For teeth, fashion is not a healthy affair

*Al Ain Times News:*

An emerging trend of ‘teeth adornment’ among youngsters is leading to tooth decay, a condition experts say is becoming increasingly common in the UAE.

Dental experts have said that youngsters are increasingly opting for temporary teeth braces as fashion statements which is becoming a cause for poor dental hygiene and consequently, tooth decay.

They say the trend that is being emulated by teenagers and youth in their late 20s has led to rise in a less common form of tooth decay - adult rampant caries. Wire braces are held in place with rubber for fashion, holding six upper and lower teeth, and are changed often to either match the dress or even mobile phones.

“We have usually heard of nursing bottle caries, early childhood caries, but adult rampant caries is becoming increasingly common especially among the youth in rural areas,” said Dr Gaurav Jain,

dental surgeon, Alfahras Polyclinic located on the UAE and Oman border.

“Youngsters are unable to maintain dental hygiene due to these braces and this is leading to rampant caries or carious lesions on more than seven to eight teeth at a time,” said the dentist who claims that nearly 50 per cent of his patients are suffering from the condition. Generally adult caries is associated with multiple lesions on posterior teeth or molars and premolars, but sometimes front teeth are also involved, he said. “Occasionally, the condition is so terrible that patients are left with only root pieces in posterior region of oral cavity.”

He also said that extraction was now a common practice among dentists instead of performing procedures such as root canal that could save the teeth.

“We should shift our focus and deploy more human resources in rural areas where oral hygiene is



mostly neglected due to low public awareness,” said Dr Aisha Sultan, Head of Dubai Dental Services and Northern Emirates Services, Ministry of Health, who has been associated with the ministry for the past 30 years. According to the ministry’s statistics for 2003, children in Fujairah had the highest number of periodontal disease while those in Ajman had the lowest incidence. She also said that orthodontists were carrying out such practices to earn quick money. “Encouraging youngsters to use braces

when they don’t require it is unethical,” she said.

According to Dr Jain, oral hygiene should be taught to children from a very young age.

“Children should be encouraged to brush thoroughly and especially at night,” he said.

Eating fruits and vegetables in the raw form can have a flushing action on teeth. Foodstuff containing sugar and between-meals snacks should be avoided while carbonated drinks should be restricted.

## Angels of Mercy in Al Ain

*Al Ain Times News:*

Angels of Mercy Cancer Support Group operating under the umbrella of Friends of Cancer conducts group meeting for the cancer victims every month in the palm sports club in Al Ain.

A non-profitable organization run for the cancer patients is one of its kinds.

The group conducts meeting that comprises of a question answer session between the patients, guardians (family members) and the guest Doctors who come there to boost the will of living among the patients fighting against the deadly disease. The inform them about the healthy tips they could follow to have a good diet.

Survivals speak about their survival journeys and the medical support and the correct way to cure the disease with the other patients to make them realize that if given proper medical care, it is possible to fight against the disease.

Introduction of medical wigs for the patients is one way to make them feel normal again and remove the feeling of being isolated from the society. Along with that a make over done by the leading Beauticians from the famous Beauty stores attend the meeting and make the patients feel confident and beautiful by providing them tips to stay healthy and beautiful.



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## NBA JAMFEST ABU DHABI 2010 LAUNCH IS A 'BIG' SUCCESS

*Al Ain Times News:*

NBA Legend Hakeem 'The Dream' Olajuwon officially opened the NBA JamFest Abu Dhabi 2010 in front of thousands of excited basketball fans and their families at the FLASH Forum on Yas Island.

The three-day basketball festival, which is running until the 4th December, is organised in partnership between FLASH Entertainment and the National Basketball Association (NBA), as an interactive basketball festival for fans of all ages and skill levels, as well as families and children.

Hakeem Olajuwon, who has been in Abu Dhabi all week, visiting workers, hospitals, schools and a basketball club, officially launched the event together with John Lickrish, Managing Director

of FLASH Entertainment; Aly El Hamamsy, Managing Director of NBA Middle East and members of the New York Knicks Dance team.

Talking about the event, Hakeem said:

"Being part of this event, which is helping to promote the development of basketball in the UAE and the Middle East, has been a great honour. To see so many kids taking part is such a positive sign for the long term future of basketball in the region."

John Lickrish commented:

"The first-ever NBA JamFest Abu Dhabi 2010 is about fans having fun and getting involved in basketball here in Abu Dhabi. The NBA Jamfest has brought people of different ages and cultures

together to enjoy free basketball and entertainment activities, and everything that the Yas Island Show Weekends have to offer."

The weekend of free activities includes competitive 3-on-3 basketball tournaments, performances by New York Knicks City Dancers, and high flying acrobatic stunts by the Milwaukee Bucks "Rim Rockers" Dunk team. Fans also had the extremely rare opportunity to be photographed with the NBA Larry O'Brien trophy.

Aly El Hamamsy commented:

"Basketball is such an amazing game - it doesn't require any expensive equipment and is a great way to stay fit. At the NBA, we are continually working to promote the game across the

Middle East and based on the success of the inaugural NBA JamFest Abu Dhabi 2010, we look forward to working with FLASH in the future to bring more exciting events to Abu Dhabi."

In addition to all the basketball festivities, FLASH Entertainment also paid tribute to the 39th UAE National Day by building an Arabic Heritage Village. The village, which is running on Thursday 2nd and Friday 3rd December at Yas Island's Hotel Plaza, gives people the opportunity to experience many aspects of local UAE culture from traditional music, henna painting and falcon shows.

The next FLASH offering in the Yas Island Show Weekend series is Creamfields, the world's biggest electronic festival. Creamfields weekend,



which is on 9th December, is back in Abu Dhabi for the second year with a new format, new venue, amazing entertainment and some of the world's leading DJs including David Guetta, Dizzee Rascal and many more. In addition to Creamfields, three hotels on Yas Island (Yas Hotel, Crowne Plaza and Centro Hotel) will host themed poolside parties on Friday 10th December, with performances by leading

local and international DJs.

"Creamfields Abu Dhabi 2010 features some of the world's biggest DJs but also supports emerging talent with local and regional DJs showcasing their skills on stage. We look forward to seeing even more people join us on Yas Island for Creamfields, Guns N' Roses and all the fun-filled activities taking place each weekend," concluded John Lickrish.

## Special Cricket Tournament on National day

*Al Ain Times News:*

In honor of the 39th National day celebrations Al Ain sportplex came forward and celebrated the festival by conducting a special 10 overs one day cricket tournament. Around 8 teams participated in the tournament form all over U.A.E.

The tournament was played all day round with AL Ain Sportplex Cricket Academy Team A playing the first match against Eagles Eleven. The former team won by a huge margin of 8 wickets and moved on to the semi-finals.

The second match was played between Rasco Shabiya and Estimate Reality team, was an interesting match where Rasco Shabiya boys beat the latter team and won by 12 runs.

The third match took place between Jotun paints Abu



Dhabi and Al Ain Sportplex Cricket Academy Team B. Jotun Paint boys won the match by 12 runs making their place in the semi-finals.

The last match however was played between Al AinCC and Mazrouei CC and Al Ain CC boys won the match by 4 runs.

The semi-finals were played between Al Ain Sportplex Team A And Rasco Shabiya and Al Ain CC And Jotun Paints Abu Dhabi where the teams to move on to the finals were Al Ain Sportplex Cricket Academy

Team A And Al Ain CC by winning from their respective competitors by 7 wickets and 33 runs respectively.

The final match was however won by Al Ain Sportplex cricket Academy team A boys who won the tournament for national day for the second consecutive year.

Prize distribution was conducted in the presence of Mr. Zakariya from the Ghantoot Ice Hockey Team who wished good luck to the cricket academy in AL Ain.

## Al Ain Raceway Round 4

*Al Ain Times News:*

Friday 3rd December saw the UAE's karting fraternity gather at Al Ain Raceway for the 4th round of the AARKC, the national series. In the Junior MAX class, Piers Pakenham-Walsh and Oman Karting Team's Abdullah Al Rawahi fought long and hard from lights to flag. Both drivers displayed superb overtaking and defending abilities and pushed each other all the way passing each other again and again. Piers would take the win a slender 0.58 seconds clear of Abdullah, with Ameer Hassan rounding off the top 3.

There was drama in the DD2 class as reigning Champion and current Championship leader Mohammed Al Dhaheri suffered a huge blow to his campaign when his rear axle failed on the second lap. This promoted his nearest rival Sheikh Khalid Al Nahyan



to the front of the pack and he converted his inheritance into a crushing win. Hussein Umid Ali and Patrick Jarjour followed him home in second and third respectively.

The Senior MAX and Masters class – the busiest race of the day – produced the most entertaining finale of the campaign to date. Edward Jones, Maurits Knopjes and

Sanad Al Rawahi speared the pack and fought ferociously to the checkered flag. There were copious overtaking maneuvers which really tested the driver's wits and skills, the three men swapping places on a constant basis. No foul play and Edward crossed the line the winner with Maurits and Sanad in close pursuit.

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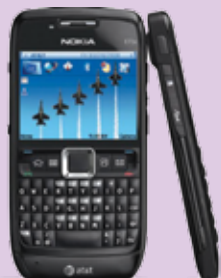
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سوق الجمعة Friday Souq	الجيمي مول Al Jimi Mall	10 ديسمبر 2010 10th December
شجرة عيد الميلاد Christmas tree lightening	فندق الهلتون Hilton Hotel - Palm Court Café	11 ديسمبر 2010 11th December- 6:00 P.M.
وقت خبز الزنجبيل Ginger Bread Time	فندق الانتركونتيننتال InterContinental - Ballroom	11 ديسمبر 2010 11th December- 4:00 P.M.
بيت خبز الزنجبيل Ginger Bread House	فندق روتانا Rotana Hotel	8 ديسمبر - 7 يناير 2010 8th Dec-7th January 2010
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