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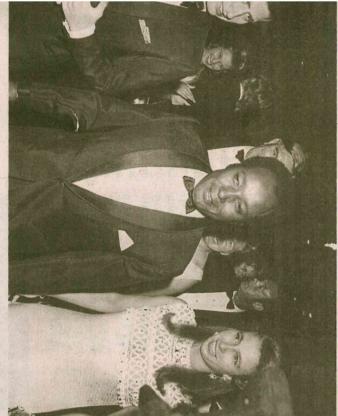
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mother propaganda), welcoming the country moves away from new king to his station as the celebration (and royalist Vox News mourning his long-reigning It is a moment of national

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er duration and fewer attendees, ow-ing to what the palace has explained as austerity measures due to "King Charles's sensitivity to the cost-of-livday's – dubbed Operation Golden Orb – will be less elaborate, with a shortspend it on community service.
Unlike the last coronation of 1953 to ing crisis" as reported by Time maga-

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Being a lover of music (he played the piano, trumpet and cello while in

school), King Charles is said to have commissioned 12 new pieces of music by composers throughout the British Commonwealth, including a new Coronation Anthem by Lord Andrew Lloyd Webber and a piece written for a gospel choir by Debbie Wiseman. Six of the new songs are purely orchestral, and they'll play before the service be-

King Charles holds unique attrib-utes such as being the first heir to the

"The King studied archaeology and anthropology in his first year at the University of Cambridge, switching to history for the remainder of his degree," says the royal family. He also became the first member of The Royal Family to successfully complete the propolate the propolate the propolate the remainder of the propolate the propolate

plete the parachute regiment's train-ing course, before he was appointed Colonel-in-Chief of the Regiment in

1977.

There's going to be a lot of heavily symbolic ritual going down over the course of the ceremony, some of it stretching back before the Norman of it brand new for the occasion.

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save of stuck driver in Pilot in heroic choppe Galana Kulalu speaks

BY MARY WAMBUI

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I had to balance between

he Sheldrick Wildlife Trust's pilot caught in a viral clip rescuing a truck driver who had been trapped in flood waters along the Galana-Kuin flood waters a and providing support to my

Hartley, who at some point was younger brother Roan Garr-

lalu causeway on Wednesday evening has described his heroic act that saved the truck driver's life as "dangerous".

Speaking exclusively to Saturday Nation from the Trust's elephant nursery in Nairobi, Taru Carr-Hartley (24) said he had to balance between hovering closely over the truck and providing support to his younger brother Roan Carr-Hartley, who at some point was hanging below the hel-icopter and on top of the truck while help-

> helping the truck driver and on top of the truck while hanging below the helicopter

ing the driver, James Rufus Kinyua, into the helicopter.

Roan had strapped himself to a harness that was attached to the chopper and his elder brother knew that any slight change in the distance between the helicopter and the lorry would cause a double trag-

to help the gentleman into the chopper, then hop back in himself," he says. distance and height between the helicop-ter and the truck so as to give him time had to concentrate to maintain the

(NIB) where he had delivered fuel when, on his way back, he encountered floods the Galana National Irrigation Kinyua was driving his fuel truck from Board

"His lorry had been pushed sideways by the rising water and two of his wheels went off the concrete causeway, getting it stuck in the middle.

Someone called for help and a tractor came from NIB. But by the time it arrived to pull the truck from where it was wedged, the water continued to rise and had pushed the truck onto its side and interest of the contractor." to deeper waters," recalled Taru, adding that the water levels had risen so much that by the time the helicopter arrived, the cabin was halffull of water.

"The situation was getting dangerous for the driver who was alone at the time, but I think there was a second man in the lor-ry. By the time it was getting stuck, he had managed to exit but the driver stayed in to

help. Obviously, he did not expect it to rise too quickly," said Taru.

At around 4pm, he received a call to rescue a truck driver trapped in flood water and his brother Roan quickly hopped into the chopper to accompany him.

"We received a call from our field man-

and arrive there in about 45 minutes," he ager at Galana where SWT is in partner-ship with KWS to do conservation on the ranches. Thankfully, we were able rush

phone was off.
"I was told he had been there since The pilot says they found Kinyua looking extremely tired and scared, and that his

ing on top of the lorry and I could see the windscreen was smashed and the whole 10am, in extreme fear I am sure. He was

cabin was filling up with water,"he recalls.
Kinyua then started moving closer to the chopper, making it easy for the two brothers to fetch him out of the scene.

Taru does not remember the exact words that Kinyua used when he finally pulled into the chopper since he had his headset on but he recalls hearing the words, "Wow! Thank you!"

Taru is a pilot who has been flying since he was aged 18 and today,he works as the aerial and field manager at the depart-

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Pilot Taru Carr-Hartley covers up one of the helicopters belonging to Sheldrick Wildlife Trust at the organization's offices based at the Nairobi National Park on May 4, 2023. FRANCIS NDERITU I NATION