FINLAND WIN TOP HONOURS, WITH SWEDEN SECOND IN BRITISH RALLY

Finnish driver Simo Lampinen won Britain's toughest car rally last Wednesday, 20 November, 1968.

The young Fin, son of a ski manufacturer, was crippled in childhood by polio.

Only a few years ago he was told by doctors that he would never be fit enough to compete as a driver.

Fair-haired Simo proved them wrong by contesting all the top international rallies.

But he never quite made it as a winner — until last Wednesday when he steered his Swedish Saab over the finishing line at London's Heathrow Airport.

Swedish driver Carl Orrenius, also driving a Saab, was second.

Behind him to take third place in a Ford Escort was private entrant Jim Bullough, a 41-year-old estate agent from Bolton, Lancs.

So tough was the 2,000-mile course that only 57 of the 112 entrants finished.

The rally was organised by the Royal Automobile Club and sponsored by the Sun Newspaper.

TURKEY'S FIRST HEART TRANSPLANT

Turkish doctors in an Ankara hospital have successfully carried out Turkey's first heart transplant operation. The operation lasted for nearly four hours, during which the heart of a 14-year-old boy was given to a 40-year-old woman.

The leader of the team of doctors who carried out the operation, Dr Kemal Reyazit said that the donor had died as a result of an explosion of a boiler in a bakery.

The condition of the woman is reported to be satisfactory.

(Government of Turkey, Weekly Bulletin, Vol. VI No. 52).

A major problem on the Island of Cyprus is ‘Road Safety’, each week ‘Blue Beret’ publishes a ‘Road Safety Corner’ but it is often wondered whether this is enough.

From reports, published in the Cyprus Press, of Road Safety statistics for just one week, ending Sunday, 17 November, 1968, it seems that The Cyprus Police have their hands full with Road Traffic Problems.

Five people were killed and 54 injured in 100 road accidents.

A total of 1,149 traffic offences were reported by the police and 857 cases were brought before the courts, which imposed fines totalling £2,465 and suspended driving licences in 21 cases.

Police Radar reported 53 cases of excessive speeding in built up areas.

For the corresponding week, UNIFICT’s Road Safety statistics were: Seven accidents, in which no one was injured, and one speeding offence. These figures are good in comparison with other weeks but, however, it is still seven accidents and one speeding offence too many!

AUSTRIAN NEW CHAIRMAN OF OUTER SPACE COMMITTEE

The Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space on 22 October, 1968, unanimously elected Heinrich Haymerle (Austria) as its Chairman, to succeed Kurt Waldheim, Foreign Minister of Austria who informed the Committee on 18 October that, in view of his duties as Foreign Minister, he was relinquishing his post as Chairman of the Committee.

Following the election, members of the Committee congratulated the new Chairman and paid tribute to Mr. Waldheim and to Franz Match (Austria), who has served as the Committee’s first Chairman.

Editorial Note: To all contingents; Read page 4. BRITCON, this week, are sticking their necks out by issuing a challenge to ulcomers.

UN NOW 126 MEMBERS

On the 12 November, 1968, the 126-member body of the General Assembly unanimously approved Equatorial Guinea’s application for membership to the United Nations.

Equatorial Guinea is the only independent Spanish-speaking country of Africa. Its mainland section lies on the West Coast of Africa, just North of the Equator, and is bound to the South and East by Gabon, to the North by Cameroon.

The state also comprises Fernando Poo and other smaller islands.
**CYPERNMESTERSKAB I BADMINTON**

Ved de åbne cyprytiske mesterskaber i badminton, der afholdes i Eisklip i tiden 14-16 november 1968 vandt PRRT P.T. Erikson, DANCON, mesterskabet i single og den samme sammen med englænderen WO I Randy Reid, mesterskabet i herredobbelt.

PRRT P.T. Erikson har tidligere vundet Jyllandsmesterskabet i badminton både i single og herredoblet.

**BRIEFING I HQ - UNIFICYP**

Under herred skabt, der var gjældende medt mellem november, blev reserveringen i A-kompagniet allerede.

A-KOMPAGNIETS

Reservering

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**DANCON NYT**

**SILVER FISH BOYS**

Glada svenska miner i FN-tjansten

Vill du se, hur ett svenskt soldatsammanstot sat efte dya min- dera FN-tjanst på Cyprus, då kan du bero mig till förstärkning op 211. Eller "mörkt ekse more - de på bil-

**OP 211**

**4 UNITED AREA**

**Julkorthalsning med UNICEF**


UNICEF är FN:s barnhjälphandel, som har att erbjuda och minsta sagt väsentligt pro-

**Sweden News**

Swedish Forces Photos

**STINKY MED SPRUTA I JAKT PÅ FIENDEN**

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Chefen för DANCON med flera officerer, blev ved en Hướng trong i HQ UNIFICYP fredag formiddag først holdt samvirket af generalmajor A.E. Martsbø, og fik derefter genævnat UNIFICYP stæres og HQ UNIFICYP funktioner.
A GLORIOUS DAY FOR 42 Sqn RCT

The Drive-Past led by Sqn Ldr Capt R. Scrivannah-Wright.

O’Wednesday 20 November, 42 Sqn produced a performance on their Medal Parade that not only matched the weather which was like a summer day, but will be remembered for its precision, smartness and effort.

The Force Commander arriving at 3 pm, inspected the Guard of Honour, before receiving a General Salute from the Squadron on parade. Maj Ch.A. Foster having reported the parade state, accompanied the General on his inspection. This complete, the Parade marched past in slow time, followed by the Adjutant in Review Order.

The Medal Party then received their medals from the Force Commander, before marching off parade in quick time. The Band of the Royal Hampshire Regiment played a selection of music indicating an excellent arrangement for “Thank-you very much!”

The Squadron soon drove past in every conceivable mode of conveyance they use, from “Tight”, to Blower cars, very spruce and smart. As the Parade spectators, over two hundred, were entertained at the Officers Mess, Sigs Mess and The Wheel Em In. Needless to say, the evening was a great old, all parties got intermingled and a fine day was enjoyed by 42 Sqn and their guests.

REQUEST TIME

Capt Peter Webster, who is on HQ Staff, runs a record request programme on the Cyprus Broadcasting Corporation. It lasts for thirty minutes and is for you, at 1930 hrs on Fridays.

42 Sqn RCT seems to be the main users, so how about a few requests from the Royal Hamps and other British Units.

You can notify folk at home to send in requests to UN Request Time, CBC, Nicosia, or of course send in your own special requests.

A MERE STRIPPING, SIR!

There were rumors coming from visitors in Cyprus that a new Top by Lennard had arrived at the Base. It seems that WO1 Simmonds, who is normally a strict, strict, strict, and was last seen in the 173rd, has made a change.

THE HASH HOUSE HARRIERS ABROAD!

Blood curdling yells of “On - on - on”, heard over the hills of Lefkosia, could well have struck terror and challenge into the hearts of hundreds to open their afternoon having an idle nip. This noise signifies that Laird had organised his first Cyprus Hash.

Off duty personnel, the un-Patrolable, were in pursuit of the “hares”, the untameable hillmen. This extraordinary sight, similar to a paper chase, is known as a “Hash”, and continued for some 25 miles.

Before the start, the two hare had a series of paper trails or “runs” of not more than half-a-mile. Then the trail stopped or “closed”. Within a 100 metres the trail restarted and the pack of harriders, hotly pursuing, were forced to “check” before crossing the line, thus giving the harriders time to catch up. At one stage the new trail was found, it was “On - on - and away they went. The course chosen last week, lasted for 40 minutes, and they will gradually increase, as everyone gets fitter. Paphos District are so keen on “hash”, as opposed to “hassh”, that they will pass on details of how to run this sport, or accept any challenges most willingly. So why not sort out a team, contact Major Laird at Ktima, and spend a good day hunting the hills of Paphos. Or perhaps CANCUN will challenge. Pa- phos to send a team to Kyrenia?

Physical Fitness

That the members of “A” Company believe in good healthy re-creation is evident from the very keen volley ball competition which is being run at Lefkosia at present. Our photographer was on hand to get this action picture during a recent game.

“HULLO ALL STATIONS”

The harriders cope with a mud run.

With the present CETA strike in progress wireless communications has gained greatly importance with consequent extra work on the Operations. Sgt B.J. McKenna, a former police officer, was called into the ranks, but casually on his bare shoulders in 19 year old Lance Cpl M.J. Pettit, son of Pat and Joan, who is one of the youngest members of the squadron. His parents and his uncle Howard have also served in Cyprus. The “harry” years are over and it is on his first tour of duty with United Nations.

ON POINT DUTY

Sgt M. Clifford and Cpl B. Sinclair inspect “A” Company weapons at Lefkosia. Both Airmen are newcomers by trade and are members of the 2nd Gen. Ordinance Coy. Nelson Bros, Ballycastle, Co. Antrim, but Sgt Clifford is on his third tour of duty with the UN whilst Cpl Sinclair is on his first tour.

LEFT

Adopting the dual role of soldier-cum-police, is Pte Francis McHugh of 42 Company. He is shown here on checkpoints duty near the antelope to Camp Kramskoi on the main road through Lefkosia village. Nineteen year old Francis is a native of September, Co. Galway and stationed at Aghinas with No. 4 Gen. 5 and 7 Coy. This is his first back overseas.

IRCON NEWS

DARTS COMPETITION

British News

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ANYONE FOR STEAKS-OR-A COMBAT RATION PICNIC

It is not often that Canadians can picnic in the sun in November. During the recent Canadian exercise, four members of the reserve company of 3 R25eR, took advantage of warm sun, a quiet moment, field rations and a vivid imagination to have a picnic. L to R: Cpl J. J. Lemieux, Pte J. V. Gallant, Cpl A. J. Brown and Pte B. Chouthier.

Butchering a side of beef in Camp Maple Leaf are L to R: Sgt Raymond Roy and Cpl Andre Holee.

CHRISTMAS PARCELS

The Canadian Contingent conducted a recent alert exercise in Cyprus. The Reserve Company of the 3rd Battalion, Royal 22e Regiment, were the participating group. In the photo Captain Marcel Saure describes locations to Brigadier General E.M.D. Leslie, Chief of Staff. On the left is Mayor G.R. Bowen, Information Officer, and next to him is Mr Dale O'Hara, a visiting Canadian newshawk.

CHECKMATE

With the experienced help of Postal Cpl Bernie Maurais, Cpl Laurent Beaudoin gets his Christmas Parcels gift wrapped ready for mailing to Canada.

CANCON NEWS

A game of Chess helps to pass the waiting hours for members of the reserve company of 3 R25eR during a recent exercise. L to R: Cpl J.R. Poirier, Cpl G. St. Pierre and Cpl J. D. Gilbert.

PENTADAKTYLOKSEN JUURELLA


FINCON NEWS

No. jaakko on ollutjäsenten tarkastuksessa asuinalueet Kyprokselaita. Lisäksi päivityksiä on tavoiteltava kevyitä ja varojen seurassa.
42 SQN RCT MEDAL PARADE

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A BUNNY STORY!

A pilot from the AAC Flt HQ UNFICYP had a sortie to Anadhill last week. Whilst waiting for his passenger to complete his task on the ground there, he offered to take a soldier up for a ride.

The soldier leapt at the opportunity during which the pilot put the Sioux through a series of spiralling manoeuvres.

On return to terra firma, the soldier returned to his Section Post where he shed the details of his flight to a friend, including how the pilot had descended whirling round and round, like a sycamore leaf.

"What did he do that for? enquired the slightly puzzled listener, "Why?" said the soldier, "to look down rabbit-holes, at least that's what the pilot said!"

A SERGEANT-MAJOR'S ANSWER TO A REQUEST FOR A DAY OFF

A CALENDAR year has 365 days. Of those, each man in the Army gets eight, hours of sleep, totalling 122 days, leaving 243 days. Also, you can set men eight hours each day for recreation, which makes another 122 days, leaving 121 days. Less your five Zulu weekends a year, you also get 47 weekends consisting of Saturday and Sunday, making 74 days, which leaves 47.

Now the Army gives each man 30 days leave each year, so we only have 17 working days left minus ten legal holidays, leaving only seven days. Normally, you men swing the lead at least 50 miles a day, making another six days, leaving only one day out of our original 365 and I'll be darned if I'll give you that one day off because we still have to keep the Army to run!

A SWEDEN SWEEP TO KING'S CUP 'SEMI' PLACE

SWEDEN qualified to meet Denmark in the semifinals of the King's Cup lawn tennis tournament when they beat West Germany 4-1 in Bremen Sunday, 24 November, 1968. The teams started the day level at 1-1, but Sweden's indoor specialist Ove Bengtsson beat Hajo Ploeth 6-2, 6-4 and Martin Charislet clinched the tie with a 6-3, 6-4 win over Christian Koons.

Then in the closing doubles, Bengtsson and Lars Oelander beat Karl Meller and Hans Juergen Pohmann 6-2, 6-4.

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