AUSTRIAN MINISTER VISITS UNFICYP

The Austrian Minister of Defence Brigadier K F Lulgendorf received a General Salute from the Guard of Honour.

The Austrian Minister of Defence Brigadier K F Lulgendorf visited Headquarters UNFICYP on 15 July 1976. He was received by a Guard of Honour of detachments from each contingent under the command of Captain W Wildberger and then had a discussion with Lieutenant General D Prem Chand PVSM.

New Radio Supervisor Arrives

The Secretary Radio Supervisor Mr. Jose A Monsalve has arrived in the Headquarters. He has come to UNFICYP from Jeusalem where he was serving in UNTSO.

WEDDING IN VIKING CAMP

Lt. K. Nielsen, the DANCON workshop officer and Margareta H. Nielsen were married on Friday 16 July 1976 at a service held in the welfare centre at Viking Camp. The DANCON Army Chaplain J. Skydstrøm is seen blessing the newly married couple. It was a day of celebration in DANCON, because it was the first wedding there since 1973. The witnesses of the marriage were the Commanding Officer, Lt. Col. T. Stang and the wife of the welfare officer, Mrs. I Vindtø.
WEDDING AT VIKING CAMP


The Welfare-Center was the church when I. Lt. Nielsen and Margareta H. Nielsen were married. After the service 8 officers formed a lane outside the center.

DANCON NEWS

Four step parachutals from DANCON are not able to enjoy their hobby in Cyprus. Each week end they jump at Drassilis with the British Sport Parachute Club. They are seen watching a parachutal being packed.

Ju, så er det tid til RADIO-DANCON igen. Her er vi dog ved selve redigeringen af båndene, der foregår hos KS KI. Nielsen, der styrer det anvendte stereo-anlæg. Ved mikrofonen er FPR 1. Skyttefør, der er redaktør af RADIO-DANCON.

Time for "RADION-DANCON" again!! On the left, the speaker, Army chaplain J. Skyttefør, and on the right, the technician PI. K. T. Nielsen who owns the advanced equipment shown in the picture.

HELCIPOTER-TRAINING AT SWEDCON

"An adventure but it was fun"

Helicopter training started at Carl Gustaf Camp last week. Everyone enjoyed the training and although for many it was the first time, all agreed it was very useful and fun as well. The Swedish Officers descended directly from the helicopter via a rope to an old APC.

The helicopter pilot F/Lt Brian Tomlinson and his crew, Sgt Bobby Sutton made a total of 17 ascents. In charge of the training was Captain Jan Ewers who has had previous helicopter experience in Sweden.

SWEDISH SUMMARY

Hæliropter-træning har kommet til dagsgang på allvar og for et par veckor siden var det stor dybde i toppen på helikopter-program ved OSAP.

Træningsleder var kaptein Jan Ewers, som også på det med, men solid puster fra hans hænder i Sverige.

Før mange deltagere var det hvide faldet gået på sådan grænse fra en helikopter, der måtte være det første gågom Flug helikopter.

Vist var det lite pladsendt, men det var kul også, tykkere en af deltagerne.

Anmeldelsen til helicopter-træningen er, at det et dog kan bli et aftrening til det at snakke med og gitter det alt snakke kun forflytta sig algeminet.

Og det snibbaste stedet er via helikopter.

17 ganger startede og landede den 15 år gamle helikopteren med Brian Tomlinson ved spakarna och Bobby Sutton i cockpit. Då hava fik plogte bussen med at på en och en halvtimme koppa ut ett par meter från marken och sedan fika sig ner via ett rep.

Givetvis var det en befligring med och då maste man hitta på något lite special. Så dom fick från limes högre höjd via vad dom gick för och ta sig ner via repet i en gemensam KP-bit.

Allt gick bra och ingen skadade sig, fast dom var några som gjorde lite småarab.
**NEW LEADER FOR 644 SIGNAL TROOP**

Captain K G Darby (seen above) has arrived in UNIFCYP to take over command of 644 Signal Troop from Captain I W Morris. Captain Darby has come here after being the Adjutant of 8 Signal Regiment in Caterick - the largest Signal Regiment in the British Army. Captain Morris leaves to become 2 i/c 533 Signal Squadron in Limburg.

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**FORCE COMMANDER VISITS SECTOR TWO**

The Force Commander inspecting the quarter guard on his arrival at Mammari OP.

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**HANDBOVER IN 8 SQUADRON RCT**

Major J B Little (left) seen with Major R C Hylden during the handover of command of 8 Squadron.

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In a Royal Corps of Transport Squadron there is always a lot for one commander to hand-over to another. But when it is all done, and the Squadron personnel has been handed over, the men in the Squadron take over and see the old commander off in style and comfort. The choice of vehicle was easy - and to make it comfortable, what better than an armchair! So it was, that at 1315 on Tuesday 13 July Major Hylden found himself lying in the back of 8 Squadron's vehicle for his farewell journey.

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**BACK GAMMON MEISTERSCHAFT**


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**ENGLISH SUMMARY**

On 14 July 1976, the Austrian Minister of Defence Brigadier K.F. Lütjendorf arrived in Cyprus to visit the Austrian Military and Police Contingent. He was met on his arrival at Larnaca Airport by the Austrian Honorary Consul, Dr. Marangos, and the Contingent Commander Lt. Col. W. Fritz. During his two-day visit Brigadier Lütjendorf visited the Austrian War Memorial at Gazi, the Police Contingent in Nicosia and made a brief visit to each OP.

During the past two weeks a Backgammon Tournament has been held in I Company. This reached its climax when Lieutenant Hansen played Niederhauser for the championship. Lieutenant Hansen won.

NEW COMMANDER VISITS 2 PPCLI

Wednesday 28th July

Very little has changed at CANCON since the last issue of the Blue Beret. We have had a few postings and a number of the "augmentees" have rotated. As usual, we are still hard at our sports program. One unusual happening worthy of note is that the Canadians are managing to beat the U.S. Marine Corps at softball. Wonders never cease! There is only a grain of truth to the rumour that the Swedish tennis team left a few long faces amongst the Canadians.

CANCON NEWS

Can St Aubin, the new commander of 1 Combat Group inspects a 2PPCLI Quarter Guard.

CHAPLAIN AT WORK MEMENTOS OF A VISIT

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FINCON VETEN PÄÄLLÄ

English Summary

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Fincos' own newspaper Sopost has a new editor, Senior Lieutenant Sallamo who has replaced Captain Myllä - now HQ Company's new Commander. (Picture above left).

The "all-too-well known horseplay" gave place to serious business as Fincos swimmers competed in the RAF's pool. In the pictures on the left the start of the 50 metres breaststroke is seen.
NEW PROVOST MARSHAL ARRIVES

Major Bob Stevens tour in UNFICYP as the Force Provost Marshal is due to end shortly, and he is now handing over to Major Dave Stone before leaving to take up a staff appointment in Canada. Major Stone is no newcomer to Cyprus as he served here in 1980 when the Military Police presence in the Force was very much bigger than it is now.

DONATIONS

REACH £190

As a result of generous donations to the United Nations Appeal for the Relief of the Victims of the Earthquake in Italy in early May, UNFICYP has so far received over £193 from the Secretariat and Contingents. The splendid response to this appeal will be much appreciated by the special committee in New York that is co-ordinating the collection of these donations.

UNCIVPOL NEWS

MEDAL PARADE FOR SWEDCIVPOL

13 NEW AUSTRIAN POLICEMEN

Last week Lieutenant General D Prem Chand PVSM visited the Swedish Civilian Police HQ in Famagusta to present UN medals. He is seen above with Superintendent H E Janson as he presents a medal to Inspector Nyman.

TRAFFIC STATISTICS

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