UNIFICYP MEMORIAL UNVEILED

"Lieutenant General D Prem Chand, the Commander of the United Nations Force in Cyprus, unveiled a memorial to Sergeant Ian Donald Ward of the Australian Civilian Police on the side of the Troodos-Lefka road on Tuesday 28 October 1975. The memorial has been built at approximately the spot where Sergeant Ward was tragically killed almost a year ago on Tuesday, 12 November 1974 while carrying out a humanitarian task of reuniting a family.

The memorial was dedicated by Reverend John A Murray CF in a short service held before the unveiling. After it had been unveiled wreaths were placed on the memorial by representatives of the military and police contingents in the United Nations Force.

Generals Visit UNCIVPOL

It is actually a rather rare occasion for a Police Station be visited by TWO Generals at the same time. But traditional cooperation and friendship between CANCON and AUSTRIAN CIVPOL made it possible. BGEM JLJ LEFEBVRE CD and BGEN CH BELZILE CD had lunch with the Austrians during their visit in CYPRUS and were shown what AUSTRIAN "Gemeinschaft" means. Picture shows the two Generals welcomed by CO-AUS-CIVPOL Col. FUCHS.

On Tuesday, October 14th 1975, the Force Commander Lt. Gen. PREM CHAND, PVSM, and the Police Adviser, Commissioner Jim HAMILTON, OBE, QPM, paid a visit to HQ AUS-CIVPOL. Nicosia to say farewell to the police officers due for rotation.
A new battalion is taking over!

The operations are carried out in cooperation with Britcon. The Swedish forces in the Maghreb district also contain a new MP — and a Civil Police detachment (picture).

Another job at the moment is to settle down and organise our new "home" for the next six months. The area is divided in two: Carl Gustaf Camp and Gold Fish Camp.

Both camps are situated in Fincon. Although at the moment busy in making our camp as functional and comfortable as possible, our Sports Officer is eager to organise our sporting team to challenge our UN neighbours in a near future.

Swedish summary


I dagens tidning berättar vi om rotationen, presenterar vår nye chef, och talar om att ett par viktiga uppgifter just nu är att hålla ighåll supply — transporterna norrut och göra oss hemmastadda på Carl Gustaf och Gold Fish Camp. Sist men inte minst behöllar vi om vårt sportofficers ansträngningar att organisera idrottsverksamheten för att åt småningom utmana våra vänner på övriga kontingenter.

General Carl Erik Abangua, Commander in Chief of the Swedish army, inspecting the new civil police detachment during the UN training in Linköping, Sweden.
BRITCON NEWS

Force Commander Visits 644 Signal Troop

Last week the Force Commander visited a number of small units in and around the Headquarters. While he was with 644 Signal Troop he took the opportunity to present UN Medals to a number of British and Canadian soldiers as the picture shows.

FEWO HANDS OVER

WOI JW FARROW, RE has handed over his slide-rule and has moved on to the Area Works office, DOE Bielefeld, BAGIR. His place has been taken by WOI D Hopewell, RE, previously of 62 CRE (Construction), Barton Stacey, England.

THE TRANSPORT SQUADRON DON’T JUST DRIVE

Recently five sections from 1 Squadron Royal Corps of Transport — the Force Transport Squadron — left their wheels behind at Kalopetria and set off on foot in the Troodos area to carry out their last training exercise of their tour in UNFRCYP this year.

The sections walked by one of two routes from just north of Kalopetria up the mountain to Pedioumas. The first team to complete the course did so in just under an hour and a half, while the last taking much longer claimed they took their time to enjoy the scenery.

Fin Camp Becomes St David’s Camp

In an unusual ceremony last week Lt Col J Pullinen performed his last official duty as the CO of the Finnish Battalion when he handed FINCAMP to the 1st Battalion Welsh Guards.

This was done in a short ceremony in which the flags of the Danish and Finnish Battalions were lowered to mark the arrival of the Welsh Guards in Sector 2, gifts were exchanged by COs to mark the occasion. A part of the Finnish guard is pictured bottom left.

AUSCON NEWS

Anställdes österreichischen Staatsfeiertags wird im Rahmen einer schlichten, stilvollen Feier die österreichische Fahne gehobt.

Heisung der österreichischen Flag an Liberations Day.

Anstalldes der Feier zum österreichischen Staatfeiertags, die gemeinsam mit der Medaillparade abgehalten wurde, konnte unser Kontingent Kelt, Oberlt RIEGER, den FC und den österreichischen Generalkonrad Dr. MARANGOS begrüßen.

Lt Col RIEGER CO AUSCON welcomes the Austrian Gen. Consular Dr. MARANGOS on occasion of the Medal Parade and the celebration of the Liberation Day.

Unter Assistent des kommandierenden Offiziers, Hr. HOFFHAUSER, verleiht der FC persönlich die UN Medaille „In the service of peace“ an den österreichischen UN — Polizisten, Rittmeister PFÖHL.

AUSCYPOL Capt. PFÖHL was presented with the UN medal "In the Service of Peace" by the FC personally.

Freundschaftsbeding nimmt Ost SINTLER ihre Auszeichnung entgegen, die ihm vom BMFV für langjährige, ehrenvolle Dienst in der österreichischen Armee verliehen worden ist. Oberlt RIEGER sieht man an, daß auch die Überreichung einer Auszeichung Freude machen kann.

II SINTLER, receives the Austrian Service to Duty Medal presented by II Lt Col. RIEGER.

In stilvollen österreichischen Lederhosen sitzen und hocken österreichische Soldaten an einem Baumsstumpf herum. Die Musketen im Hintergrund sind demnach nicht deplatziert, sondern es sich doch wirklich um einen Tanz.

Folklore at the Medal Parade reception; Lederhosen = leather hot pants play part in a traditional wood-cutters dance.
ENGLISH SUMMARY

The Commander of Fincos has changed. In the picture (right up) is Olly Lopmeer, Commandant of Fincos. Evert Dammert is the new Commandant (right down). During the houndover parade 47 UN soldiers were promoted to higher ranks. During the ceremony the Commandant was presented with a sword by the Commandant. The stick belonging to that Finnish UN soldier, who has been on long service in war-time, has a new owner. Former CO, Capt. F. R. Dammert, is being handed over the stick to Capt. E. Dammert (below).

In the rotation which was completed on 30th of October, the strength of the BN was reduced from 600 all ranks down to 430 all ranks. Capt. E. Dammert is returning to service and will undertake another role in the armory (below right).
CAMP SWIMMING SPORTS

A blast of a whistle started the Camp UNFICYP Swimming Sports at the RAF Swimming Pool at Nicosia. The swimming competition was the last part of the Inter Sub-Unit Sports Competition held at Nicosia in October. The sports included in the competition were 3-a-side football, badminton, basketball, tug-of-war and swimming. The Force Transport Squadron and 644 Signal Troop were always very close at the top, and the final result depended on the swimming. In the end the swimming was won by the Force Reserve, while 644 Signal Troop won the Inter Sub-Unit Cup.

A flying start for the breakstroke.

A THOUGHT FOR DRIVERS

Why do so many people sustain injuries and lose their lives as a result of motor car accidents? Is it the actual car, or the roads we use them on, or the character, who believes he is infallible, who sits behind the wheel?

Drivers are a strange group of individuals who en masse set themselves up as experts, with relatively no training at all. We train jumbo jet pilots, ships captains and railway engine drivers, but "our friend" the car driver merely drives around the block, answers a few questions and is let loose on the road. He then assumes responsibility for his car, his passengers and all other road users.

Experts in road safety, vehicle manufacturers, highway and traffic engineers contribute expertise with a view to eliminating road deaths. Research has shown where the problem with drivers lies, yet we cannot communicate with these people even to save their lives. Despite the work of all the experts, the driver has the power to reduce their efforts to nothing.

Surely we in UNFICYP can do better.

Responsibility for almost all road accidents rests with the driver. He must be made to realise when taking the wheel of a car that is his responsibility, his decision, his life.

CHRISTMAS CARDS 1975

These cards are on sale now, and orders accompanied by the correct amount of money should be sent to the Procurement Officer of the Secretariat at HQ UNFICYP. All profits from the sale of these cards will be given to the force Welfare Fund.

Card A — The flag and the writing are in UN Blue on a white background.

Price: 75 pence.

Card B — The flags and medals are in the correct colours on a white background.

Price: 85 pence.

Orders for 100 or more cards of any one sort will attract a discount of 5 pence per card.

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Total for same period

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