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AUSTRALIAN MEDAL PARADE



Sgt Mick Martin receiving his medal from Brig Fredenslund, the COS



AUSTCIVPOL Contingent marching off



The Pipes and Drums, 4 RTR

Members of the 34th Australian Police Contingent received their UN medals for service in Cyprus in a ceremony at AUSTCIVPOL HQ on Friday 16 August 1991. Five members, Station Sergeant Hutson with Sergeants Martin, McNeil, Simpson and Pearce were presented with medals by the Chief of Staff, Brigadier N L Fredenslund, with the remaining members of the Contingent receiving numbers for additional service.

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Music for the parade was provided by the Pipes and Drums of 4 RTR. Their rendition of "Waltzing Matilda" was somewhat novel to Australian ears but nevertheless was very much appreciated by the Contingent. Watching the parade was the Australian High Commissioner H.E. E Stevens and a large gathering of invited guests.

The High Commissioner was greeted by the Commander of the Contingent, Commander John Cooper, whilst Mrs Anna Norris sang the first verse of the Australian National Anthem, Advance Australia Fair.

As usual with such a small Contingent of civilian police, the ceremony was kept to a minimum with a simple march on-march off format. As each member was called forward, a brief resumé of his or her service was read out by Mr Clem Millgate. It was also a notable occasion for two members who qualified for the number 6 to their UN Cyprus medals. Supt Bob Bradley has been in Cyprus since August 1989 and is due to return to Australia in February 1992. He also served in the 23rd and 24th Contingents in 1985-86. Station Sergeant Brian Graham completed a tour of duty with the 7th Police Contingent in 1971, a Contingent which also included the person who is now the Commissioner of the AFP, Peter McAulay. Brian was also in Cyprus in 1980-81 and is due to finish his current tour in March 1992.

After the formalities, members and their guests retired to the Aussie Mess for some very welcome refreshments at the end of a hot day. Eleven members who took part in the parade will be returning to Australia in September. For them, the ceremony was a form of farewell to the island of Cyprus and to a unique and unforgettable part of their police careers.



The COS, inspecting the parade, stops to chat to Stn Sgt Phil Hutson

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AUSTCIVPOL Humanitarian Team at work

by SSgt Kev Capon

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EDITORIAL

For UNFICYP members on extended tours, the possibility of being accompanied by family is a welcome bonus to what many would probably consider a good posting in any event. But what do the families think? Is living in Cyprus beneficial or is it a major inconvenience to their normal living pattern? In this issue four Danish wives, whose husbands serve with UNFICYP, jointly provide an answer. Other readers may have different impressions. If so, why not share them with us. Meanwhile, our thanks to the ladies from Denmark for introducing a topic not often written about in the Blue Beret but which affects many members of the Force.

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WO2 (QMSI) Braithwaite attempting his knot-tying badge!



Well, he's nearly got the idea..

The 4th Royal Tank Regiment has established an adventure training facility, operating from a base at Harding Barracks in Dhekelia. The team is commanded by Major Gent with QMSI Braithwaite co-ordinating all the activities.

There are several disciplines available with qualified instructors ensuring all safety aspects are followed. They include rock climbing, abseilling and top roping (Sgts Paddy Porter and Jules Bruce), canoeing (Sgt Neil Bonar), wind-surfing (Cpl Shug Martin) and snorkelling (Cpl Dave Tipping). There are also facilities for mountain biking and hill walking.

The soldiers leave St David's Camp on Sunday afternoon, returning the following Sunday. The programme includes all students participating on a daily basis in each of the disciplines. A second package later in the tour allows students to specialise in one particular discipline. The Adventure Training Team provide a strenuous package which all participants enjoy.





Cpl Potts getting the hang of windsurfing — well, almost...



Tpr Innes (Cambrai) — the only way is down

THE CHINESE EYE



In 1918, Mr Eu Yew Tong Sen OBE, the Chinese member of the Federal Council in Malaya, presented the British Government with a Mark V Tank. He stipulated that the "Land Ship" should have its own eyes, giving effect to the Chinese idea of having their boats and junks painted with two eyes "to see". His wishes were complied with and the tank in question was issued to "D" Battalion, RTC. In commemoration of this generous gift, it has been the practice in 4 RTR to paint the "eyes" on all fighting vehicles (outside the UN) since that time. The aluminium master templates of the eyes are held by the Adjutant.

The Chinese Eye was officially adopted as the Battalion sign by 4th Bn RTC in May 1923.

AROUND SECTOR TWO



Trooper Jimmy Glass, Cambrai Sqn, B-22

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This month, 4 RTR takes the opportunity to introduce some of the soldiers employed in Sector Two.

Trooper James Glass (above) was born on 5 July 1970 in Annan, Dumfrishire, Scotland. He joined the Royal Armoured Corps in January 1988 and, after completing basic military and trade training, he joined the Regiment in Osnabruck, West Germany where he was employed as a Chleftain MBT driver.

This is Trooper Glass' second tour of Cyprus.



Cpls Perkins, Slaven and Milne and LCpl Wales of the QMs Dept, still waiting for their clothing exchanges...



Trooper McKee of the Pipes and Drums, doing his bit for Queen and country!



Trooper Gardner - show me the way to go home

POTENTIAL OFFICERS' VISIT

4th Royal Tank Regiment has hosted a total of 22 potential officers during the month of July. The POs were from the south of England, and sponsored by RHQ RTR. On arrival, they were briefed by the Adjutant and their programme was issued to them. Their week was to be a busy one with tasks varying from leisure to very hard work — a novelty for some.

Overall, the visit was a great success. The POs left the Regiment with a very positive attitude and several seriously considering a career as an RTR Officer.



DIVING OPPORTUNITIES IN SECTOR FOUR

Many people may think they know the island of Cyprus by heart, but a few chosen ones, the scuba divers, know better. They are not only familiar with terra firma, but also the yet widely unspoiled underwater world consisting of rock formations, seagrass, fishes and ship wrecks, to name only a few.

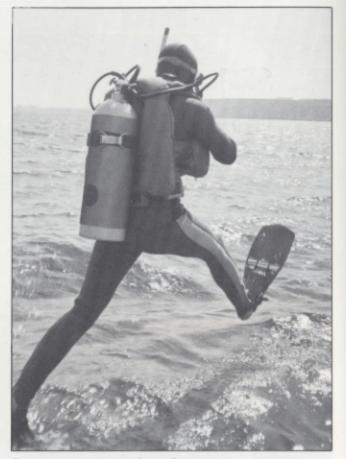
One of the main diving areas for the Austrians who are qualified divers is Cape Greco in the south east. In this location, beautiful diving spots can be found like the "Caves" with its small crevices and caves at an average depth of 12 metres. In the same area, you can — if you are lucky — see large "groupers" in Konnos Bay, or look at pieces of amphora and antique stone anchors in Amphora Bay.

The area of Cape Greco is excellent, not only from the diving point of view. The very clear water and the lack of any strong current make it an ideal training spot for beginners and advanced level divers alike.

In addition, night diving is very interesting when the moon is full. When you switch off your underwater light, you can still see marine creatures like moray eels and octapi swimming freely on the ocean floor.

Probably the most adventurous diving activity is wreck diving. In Larnaca, the "Zenobia", a huge truck ferry, sank on her maiden trip in the bay in 1980. It can still be seen with a couple of low bed trailers and trucks, partially scattered on the bottom of the ocean. A less popular wreck although still very interesting is a British naval vessel which sank during World War II, laying off the coast of Ormidhia. However both these wrecks are only suitable for experienced divers.

Hopefully, there may be some of you attracted by the rich variety the sport of scuba diving has to offer, so while you are in Cyprus, take advantage of the schools and training facilities available — as the Austrians did!



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Take pleasure in diving in Sector Four's area

CHRISTENING INSIDE THE BUFFER ZONE

An unusual event took place in the Buffer Zone area of 2 Coy on 26 July 1991. The Roman Catholic baptism of Alexander, son of Birgit and Maj Dr Viktor Horatczuk, took place in the Greek Orthodox Church of Ayia Marina, conducted by the Military Dean, the Rev Herwig Imendörffer. After the ceremony, the two Godfathers (Capt Werner Floimayr and WO2 Werner Müller) and approximately 30 guests attended an excellent dinner in Camp Duke Leopold V.



From left to right: Military Dean, Rev Herwig Imendörffer, WO2 Werner Müller, Maj Dr Viktor Horatczuk and Capt Werner Floimayr carrying little Alexander

VISIT OF THE FC TO SECTOR FOUR

On 9 and 10 July, the Force Commander, Maj Gen Milner, was welcomed by the Austrian Contingent and was taken on a tour of the whole Sector.



Maj Gen Milner inspecting the Guard of Honour at Camp Duke Leopold V

RUSSIAN MILITARY ATTACHÉS AT AUSCON



Col Gradoselsky and Lt Col Kirsanov during the briefing

BUFFER ZONE MARCH

Having just arrived on the island, the new personnel in Sector Four's HQ Coy had to participate in their first Buffer Zone march, the purpose of which was to familiarise the newcomers with the Buffer Zone area. The participants started in the area of 2 Coy and ended, after a long, hot day, with a bathe at the most Eastern OP, A-28.



A terrain briefing during the march

On 2 July, Col Victor Gradoselsky and Lt Col Igor Kirsanov, military attachés to Cyprus, were invited by Lt Col Holzer to Sector Four. At one of the Austrian shooting ranges, they were offered the chance to try out the STG 77 and P 80 infantry weapons. As you can see below, Lt Col Kirsanov is proud of the fact that he hit the target on the "nose"! The whole performance was followed by a feast of "kleftiko", Austrian beer and Russian vodka.



Lt Col Kirsanov feeling proud of himself



HQ Coy personnel in action

VISIT OF THE AUSTRIAN AMBASSADOR

On 6 July, the new Austrian Ambassador in Athens, Dr Georg Calice, arrived in Cyprus. On this occasion Dr Calice visited Sector Four and was taken on a line tour, where he was given short briefings on the work carried out along the line and at the OPs. The Ambassador also visited Goshi where he laid a wreath in memory of three soldiers who are buried there. In the evening, the Ambassador was hosted to a dinner at Camp Duke Leopold V, where he expressed his appreciation for the work the Austrian Contingent is doing in UNFICYP.



The wreath laying ceremony at Goshi

CANCON NEWS





UNFICYP Sector and Unit Commanders with Maj Gen Clive Milner at Wolseley Barracks Officers' Mess after the July Force Commander's Tactical Conference, which was hosted by Sector Three.

MILITIA COMMANDER VISITS



BGen Walker inspects the Quarter Guard on his arrival a Wolseley Barracks

From 16-24 July 1991, BGen CA Walker visited Sector Three. BGen Walker is the Militia Commander of the Prairie Militia Area (PMA), which encompasses the area west of the Great Lakes and east of the Rocky Mountains. 1 PPCLI was augmented by some 80 militia personnel from PMA for our deployment to Cyprus. Canada has had a policy for some years now to have a minimum number of positions in CANCON open for reservists who volunteer. BGen Walker took the opportunity to see first hand the professional development of his part-time soldiers.

CALGARY CARES

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The Calgary group 20/20 entertaining everyone after the CANCON Medal Parade at the Ledra Palace Hotel on 14 June 1991.

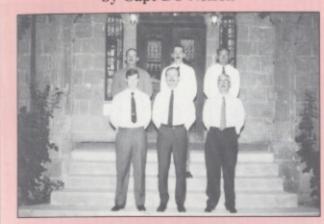
Between 11-17 June 1991, Sector Three was visited by some very welcome people from Calgary. The group, sponsored by "Calgary Cares", included the five people of the country music group 20/20 and four representatives from various boards involved with the Calgary Stampede. They brought some Calgary cheer and greetings from home to the soldiers of 1 PPCLI. For six terrific days, the two groups entertained the troops with live country music, traditional Stampede pancake breakfasts and Alberta barbecues.

The tour ended with the volunteer ambassadors from Calgary taking back giant "Thank You" cards expressing gratitude to the many businesses that made this all possible. It was nice to know Calgary Cares.



Serving up a pancake breakfast to the soldiers of Central Platoon at CS-52 OP Normandy

1 PPCLI BIDS FAREWELL by Capt BC Nelson



Front row, left to right: Maj Husty Bassarab (DCO), LCol Tom Geburt (CO) and Maj Ron Furlotte (Ops O).

Rear row, left to right: Maj Perry Grandy (OC Rural Coy), Maj Colin Magee (OC City Coy) and Maj Tom Reaume (OC Adm). Six months have gone by quite fast. On 20 August 1991, Sector Three held its change of command parade. It seems as if it were only yesterday that 1 PPCLI took over responsibility for Sector Three on 8 March 1991. But, all good things come to an end and we must bid Cyprus "farewell".

The 56th Canadian Contingent is the second battalion of the Royal Canadian Regiment (2 RCR) from Gagetown, New Brunswick. 2 RCR, an infantry unit from eastern Canada, as with 1 PPCLI, is no stranger to Cyprus. This will be the fourth tour for 2 RCR and the twelfth tour for the Regiment. The CO, LCol Tom Gerburt, was accompanied by his senior officers on arrival on 13 August 1991.

As we leave Cyprus, we wish 2 RCR good luck and hopefully, things will go as smoothly for them as they did for us.

LADY PATRICIA



Maj Michitsch, Ops O, escorts the Colonel-in-Chief as she inspects the Corps of Drums on her arrival at Wolseley Barracks/Ledra Palace. Left to right: Cpl Dunn, MCpl Johnson, Pte Trudel and Cpl Evans

Sector Three has had many visitors in the past few months, but none so dear and welcomed as our Colonel-in-Chief, the Honourable Countess Mountbatten of Burma. Lady Patricia, who visited 1 PPCLI between 30 July and 02 August. Lady Patricia is both the Goddaughter and niece of our namesake, Princess Patricia. She keeps a close relationship with her Regiment and visits each of the three battalions every two years, especially if deployed in Cyprus. She visited all the sub units on and off the line, and the highlights of the visit for the soldiers of 1 PPCLI were the breakfast and barbecue with Lady Patricia, which allowed the men to talk with her one to one.





Maj Hasse Ekström (left), OC HQ Coy DANCON/UNFICYP and Comd DANCOY/UNIKOM is leaving for Denmark after five months in Cyprus and one month in Kuwait. He plans to start a civilian career after 24 years of service with the Danish Army as an anti-airartillery and field-artillery man. His successor, Maj Leo Madsen, comes from the Danish Signal Corps where he has been OC Sig Coy for the past three years.



The former MTO, Capt Wagner Rasmussen (right), has now returned to Denmark where he will be 2ic, HQ Coy, in a signal battalion. His successor is Capt Claus Andreasen, who was a Gun Position Officer in an artillery battalion.



On Monday 5 August, Maj Søren Franzmann (right) took over command of B-Coy DANCON. He was last in Cyprus in 1982. His predecessor, Maj Mogens Jakobsen, left for Denmark on 15 August and takes over the function of Chief Admin at 2 Jutland



Maj Palle Pedersen (right), OC C-Coy, DANCON has returned to Denmark after six months' service in Cyprus. He plans to join the Army Operational Command. The new OC C-Coy is Maj Ole Søndergaard, who comes from the Danish Artillery where he has been OC HQ and Target Acquisition Battery for the past two and a half years.



Welfare Officer, Capt Kurt Nicolaisen (left) instructs his successor, Capt Poul Sørensen, in the planning of welfare tours. Capt Nicolaisen left Cyprus on 15 August, returning to his job in the artillery. Capt Sørensen comes from the Jutland Dragoon Regiment (1 Tank Bn), where he left his job as an Intelligence Officer.

DANCON MEDAL PARADE

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Photos by SSgt Kev Capon



Pte D Sørensen, HQ Coy



DANCON personnel and HQ Coy marching



Capt G Naeve (left) and Capt K Geertsen



The Pipes and Drums of 4 RTR



in UNFICYP. The Battalion is manned mainly by drafted personnel who have done their national service in the Army, however the Navy and Air Force are also represented, and all personnel are especially trained for UN service. The Unit is made up from infantry, cavalry, artillery, engineers, signals, etc. NCOs and Ptes can volunteer for two periods (of six months each). Officers are appointed for only one period. The main part of the Contingent will rotate in November.

The Battalion has three companies, i.e. HQ Coy in Viking Camp, Xeros; B Coy in Skouriotissa Camp; and C Coy in Limnitis Camp and in Kokkina.



OC C Coy/DANCON, Maj PG Pedersen



DANCON, led by Lt Col D Banja, marching off parade



at the front of the parade



DCOS presenting the UN medals



DANCON on parade



Capt S Fischer-Jensen, 2ic/HQ Coy. receiving his UN medal from the Chief of Staff

by Annemarie Fredenslund Karen Wedel Kirsten S Møller Kirstine Hønnerup

We as Danes are privileged to be able to accompany our husbands to UNFICYP, as this does not often happen in the Danish Army. We do move around, but usually within our own country. We therefore feel very lucky to live outside the Danish borders for one or two years, and to have the opportunity of mixing with various nationalities. Being with people from other countries is extremely interesting - it is educational and it widens one's horizon. In other words, we do not feel as ignorant towards foreign customs as we perhaps did before we said farewell to our lovely little green spot in the world.



Kirsten

Cyprus is so unlike Denmark that we all felt quite different from the very start. This meant that our change in lifestyle was quite easy to accept. Driving on the left of the road, shopping, speaking English most of the time, getting adjusted to the high temperatures, etc was all so different to what we were used to, but now that we are settled (and have been for quite some time), we would probably be considered as foreigners in Denmark!

Wouldn't you give just anything to see us "attack" a Danish roundabout from the right side of the road? Or bumping into somebody and automatically saying "excuse me" instead of the Danish "undskyld"? And what about when we have to pay a Danish



Annemarie

hairdresser £20 instead of C£7 at the most here? No doubt we shall be in for some surprises on our return.

Coming back to prices for a moment, this country is a paradise. Most items are much cheaper here, so that makes some of us "invest" in the future... For instance, going to a dressmaker is something we would never even consider in Denmark — that would really be too extravagant. Shopping from factories is illegal at home. Having watches, bags, shoes, etc repaired here takes no time, and it is so cheap that it is really a "luxury".

Cyprus is as small in size as it is big in history. We can actually stay on this island for one year and still go to different historical sites, some of which are so old that it is difficult to imagine what Cyprus has been through in years gone by.

We are also lucky language-wise. Almost no matter where we set foot, most Cypriots speak English or German, the two languages which are mandatory in Danish schools, so we are fortunate to be able to practise what we have learned in theory.

Some of us suffered quite a lot last summer when we first arrived. The heat turned our lives upside down. Whereas in Denmark we were used to being active all day long, we had a conscience here about doing only one thing a day — but the heat was so intense for us that it put an automatic stop on any physical experimentation!



Kirstine



When telling friends in Denmark that we were posted to Cyprus, some replied "Lucky you - you are going on a long holiday". It all depends on how you look at things. If we accept the fact that having a holiday is doing something different to what we are used to, then yes, it is a holiday. However it is up to the individual to make the most of the time at hand. The four of us are proud to have had the chance of taking an active part in representing our country, Denmark. For example, we are glad to have been able to help in the Spring Fair along with the soldiers from Sector One, as this was the first time Danish wives had been asked to take an active part in the event. Preparing for this Fair also gave us the opportunity to get to know each other better.



Karen

Our husbands apparently found our standard of work so high that they asked us to help with the preparations for the Danish Lunch, held at the BBC Officers' Mess. Again we were happy to be of some help and again we got together to work, talk, laugh, etc. The reason we find this worth mentioning is because Officers' wives in Denmark rarely mix with each other. We do not have morning coffees or lunches as most wives work full time. We seldom have the opportunity to meet in the evening as we all have our separate lives and commitments. We may not even live in the same town, and since there is not much Army housing, we don't see each other very often. It is quite possible that we don't even know most of the other wives of the Regiment that our husbands belong to. So this is also a new experience for us.

Apart from the heat, there is one thing we all find difficult to deal with



here. Once we have finally got everyone's name and face right, half the names and faces leave the island and newcomers replace them - and there we are, back at the start again! This is, f course, a challenge to us all, as new people inspire you in new ways - even to us "old timers".

Even though there are seasonal changes here, they are of course different to where we come from. During summer in Denmark, the trees are green! However, everything has its price - the price in Denmark is too much rain at times. The price for being in Cyprus is the lack of rain - but then again, we have a wonderfully long, warm summer which we shall all miss when our time comes to go.

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A Danish Minister who was in Cyprus 25 years ago wrote a book about his experiences on this island, and on one of the last pages he wrote "Watch out for your soul - it stays in Cyprus".

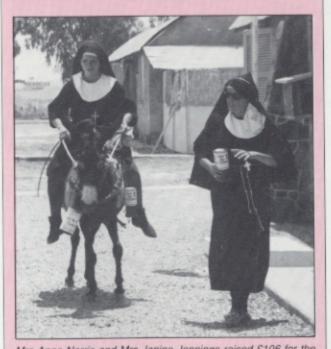


Of course there are many other things we could mention. Each one of us has different experiences to share, and we realise the serious fact of why we are here with our husbands, but if you all enjoy your tour in Cyprus as much as the four of us have done, then you are as privileged as we feel we are!

254 (UNFICYP) SIGNAL SQUADRON WIVES' POOL PARTY IN AID OF THE "SAVE THE CHILDREN" FUND

On 12 July 1991, a pool party was held on the UNPA. This was the culmination of Mrs Kerry Bryant, Anna Norris, Janine Jennings and Tracy Hodkinsons' efforts to raise money in aid of the Save the Children Fund. Apart from a very successful pool party, a raffle was also held and, thanks to the organisers, some great prizes were to be won. To date, some £1,200 has been raised for the charity.

Well done ladies for all your efforts.



Mrs Anna Norris and Mrs Janine Jennings raised £106 for the "Save the Children" Fund with their Nuns' collection



Cpl Alan Walker (above) joined the Army in June 1988, completing basic training at Trg Bn and Depot REME. From there, he went to the school of Aeronautical Engineering for his basic aircraft course, leaving in December 1989, and was posted to his present parent unit, 1 Regt AAC in Hildesheim, north east Germany.

He arrived in Cyprus in July, after representing the Army at the Inter-Services Athletic Championships. He is the Army Triple Jump Champion (two years running), BAOR Triple Jump record holder and the BAOR 200 meter Champion.

Presently serving with UN Flight in Nicosia, he is enjoying himself both professionally and socially in a friendly and proficient unit.



Lord Baden-Powell, former Colonel of the Regiment

Their first active service began in 1775 in Jamaica, but after several engagements and casualties through yellow fever, they returned thirteen years later to England. They took part in the Peninsular War (1813) and the Battle of Waterloo (1815), but soon after were disbanded only to be raised again forty years later in 1858. They then took part in the South African War in the defence of Ladysmith. They were besieged for five months until relieved by a force which included the 13th Hussars. In recognition of their services in South Africa, the Regiment was granted the title of Princess of Wales' Own which was changed to 18th Queen Mary's Own Hussars in 1910. Their last campaign before the amalgamation in 1922 was the Great War in which the 18th were part of the British Expeditionary Force which sailed for France. After amalgamation, we were involved in the "D" Day Normandy Landings in 1944 and later



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The present Colonel-in-Chief, the Princess of Wales, with the OC, Maj Simon Ledger

After the First World War, it was decided to reduce the number of line Cavalry Regiments in the British Army. The identity of both the original Regiments, the 13th and 18th Hussars, was preserved in that the 18th Hussars provided "A" Squadron and the 13th Hussars the remainder of the new Regiment. This amalgamation took place in 1922.

The 18th Hussars, now "A" Squadron, was raised in Ireland as the 19th Light Dragoons but three years later became the 18th Light Dragoons.



A Captain of the 18th Hussars from the late 1900s in full dress



18th Hussars Drum Banner with battle honours

then, service has been worldwide including Belize, Germany, England, Norway and Turkey.

More recently, the Squadron has served in Episkopi 1979-81, in 1987 as the UNFICYP FSC Sqn and now again in 1991. Many members from the Sqn have seen service within UNFICYP

saw active service in Malaya. Since before and many old friendships have been renewed (for example the Sgts' Mess on Friday afternoons!). The Sqn is commanded by Major Simon Ledger, Capt Robin Matthews is 2IC and Capt Sid Taylor the AO. We look forward to the challenges of our role and to the numerous sporting competitions and social occasions.

VISIT OF THE UNPA YOUTH CLUB TO NICOSIA DETACHMENT, UN MP COMPANY



SSgt Palviada taking a roadside breath sample

On Wednesday 31 July 1991 the Nicosia Detachment, UN MP Coy, hosted a visit of 42 members of the UNPA Youth Club. After meeting the group, who were all between 8 to 16 years old, the Detachment Commander, WO2 Steve Ansell, briefed them on the type of work undertaken by the UN MPs and invited them to have a look around.

Sot Hans Horvath, himself a father of four children, delighted our guests by showing them the Detachment's vehicles, radios and radar gun. Many of the new users were thrilled when they "caught" several speeding vehicles on the road outside of the Duty Room.

Sqt Dan Gasseau then excelled in showing all concerned around the offices and our Duty Room. The most popular items on display, as you would expect, were the handcuffs, truncheons and police cells.

Next in the visit was the Special Investigation Section. Everyone was treated to a show of fingerprinting techniques by WO2 Ray Storch. He recorded all their fingerprints for the record!

Not to be outdone the Detachment Commander, SSgt Petri Palviala, and Sgt Jasper Hjortkjaer (don't worry if you can't pronounce his name - neither can we!) gave



A "drug dog" demonstrating a typical search for narcotics





WO2 Storch identifying a set of fingerprints



MSgt Horvath supervising a radar check

a display of how to deal with drunken drivers. The show proved just how easy it is to be over the limit. All the visitors then had the chance to prove themselves sober - fortunately, everyone passed.

The final show was by the RAF Police drugs sniffer dogs from Episkopi; everyone was captivated by the dogs' display and their excitement when finding the secreted heroin in the Detachment Commander's car. (There is absolutely no truth in the rumour that an additional unexplained package was found!)

Finally, everyone was treated to a much needed energy boost of sandwiches, cake, cold drinks and ice

The visit was deemed by all a great success; the detachment policemen got to the meet the local children and more importantly, the children got to know that their local military policemen are human after all!

en passant... If you have any information you would like to see published in this section, please telephone extension 2235 by 12 October 1991.

VIP Visitors

Singapore Military Delegation
Miss Barbara A. Mikulski, US Senator



Lt Col MJM Swan, CD

Lt Col Murray Swan assumed command of the Canadian Contingent on 20 August from Lt Col Ray Romses.

Lt Col Swan was commissioned by the Royal Canadian Regiment in August 1966. To date, he has served with all three regular battalions of the Regiment, his last tour being as Deputy Commanding Officer (1984-1986) with the current Sector Three Unit, 2 RCR.

Lt Col Swan has completed three tours with UNFICYP and in 1987-1988, he served with the Multi-national Force Observers (MFO) in the Sinai. Lt Col Swan arrives from the Canadian ND HQ where for the last two years, he was the Senior Staff Officer Operations in the National Defence Operations Centre.

Lt Col Swan joins the Force as Commander CANCON and the Chief Humanitarian Officer. He is accompanied by his wife Marion, daughter Lindsay (15) and son John (12).

Right: The DCOS, Col EN de Broë-Ferguson, presenting the winner's shield to 34 (UNFICYP) Tpt Sqn GTR, representing Support Regiment.

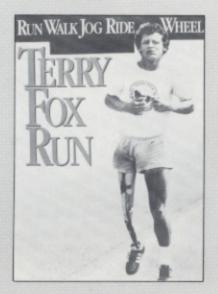
THE TERRY FOX FUN RUN 5 OCTOBER 1991

It boggles the mind. In 1980, a 21 year old Canadian named Terry Fox ran a marathon almost every day for over four months. An amazing feat by anyone's standards. But what made it all the more amazing is that Terry Fox was a cancer victim, and he undertook a run across Canada, over 5000 miles, on an artificial leg.

Terry Fox had a dream - to defeat cancer for all time by raising money for research. On 1 September 1980, Terry's dream came to a crushing end. After 3,339 miles, Terry had to stop running, ironically near a small village called Marathon in Ontario. Cancer, his old nemesis, was back and had spread to his lungs. He died a short time later but his dream lives on. Every year. Canadians and friends, wherever they may be, take part in an annual Terry Fox Run in honour of a true national hero and to keep his dream alive by raising cancer research funds.

At 2130 hours on Thursday 3 October 1991, the true Terry Fox life story film entitled "I Had A Dream" will be played on our own UNPA SSVC Television Channel.

On Saturday 5 October 1991, CANCON will hold its eleventh Terry



Fox Fun Run. Help us make it a success by registering and obtaining sponsors before 5 October 1991 or registering between 0645-0720 hours at the Nicosia Airport on the day of the run. Why not make it a family outing? For the Terry Fox Fun Run you can run, walk, cycle, jog or wheel through the course. The cost has been set at C£1.00 for persons over age 16 and C£0.50 for children. Any donations are also welcomed.

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SGT ANDY HALL



Sgt Andy Hall recently arrived from 71 AC Workshops REME in Detmold where he ran the Blade Bay, servicing Lynx and Gazelle main rotor blades. Prior to arriving at 71 AC Workshops, he spent 12 months in civilian employment, during which he worked on Boeing 737 and 767 aeroplanes. Andy is single and an all round "Good Egg"!