



GENERAL RIKHYE VISITS UNFICYP



Chief of Staff's PA hands over

The longest serving (military) member of the Headquarters in UNFICYP has packed his bags and left the Island. S/Sgt K. Fowler, the Personal Assistant to the Chief of Staff, has been the longest serving member of the British Contingent for some time having completed over two and a half years in the Force. Not only did he protect the Chief of Staff, but also played for the Force rugby team against a team from UNTSO earlier this year.

He has gone back to England for two months leave before going to the Headquarters in BAOR.



Last week Major General Indarjit Rikhye the President of the Peace Academy visited Cyprus. General Rikhye was formerly the Military Adviser to the Secretary General of the United Nations, and when he retired, founded the Peace Academy.

During his visit the General was briefed by the Senior Political Adviser Mr R Gorge, and by the Chief of Staff Brigadier H M Tillotson CBE and the Chief Administrative Officer Mr G A Dunn with whom he was pictured above. General Rikhye who was accompanied by Mrs Rikhye, was entertained by the Special Representative of the Secretary General, Ambassador Perez de Cuellar, and later met politicians of both communities.



The old and new Company Commanders of B Coy were pictured together at the beginning of their handover. The new commander, Major K Faerregaard is seen above on the left with Major B J Madsen.
 Maj O. Faerregaard til vensatre er den nye KC i B-Coy som afløser for Maj B. J. Madsen.

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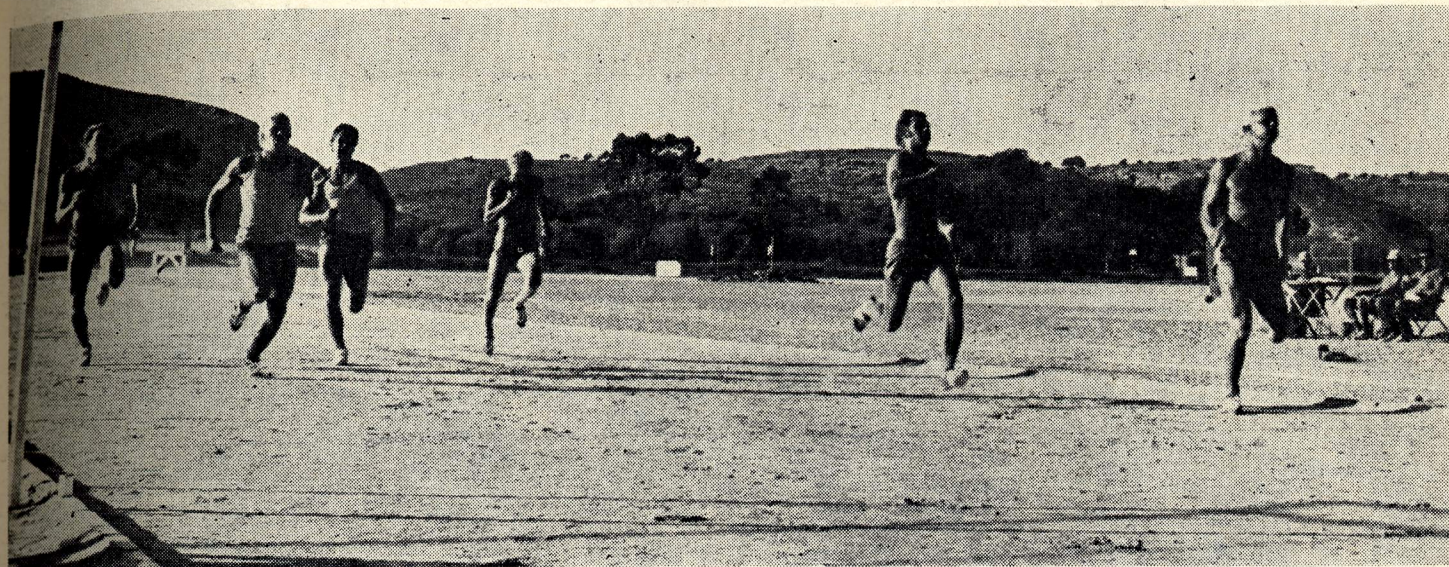
The new Company Commander for C Coy, Major K. M. Larsen who is the successor of Major K. E. Albrektsen.

Maj K. M. Larsen der afløser Maj K. E. Albrektsen som KC i C-Coy.

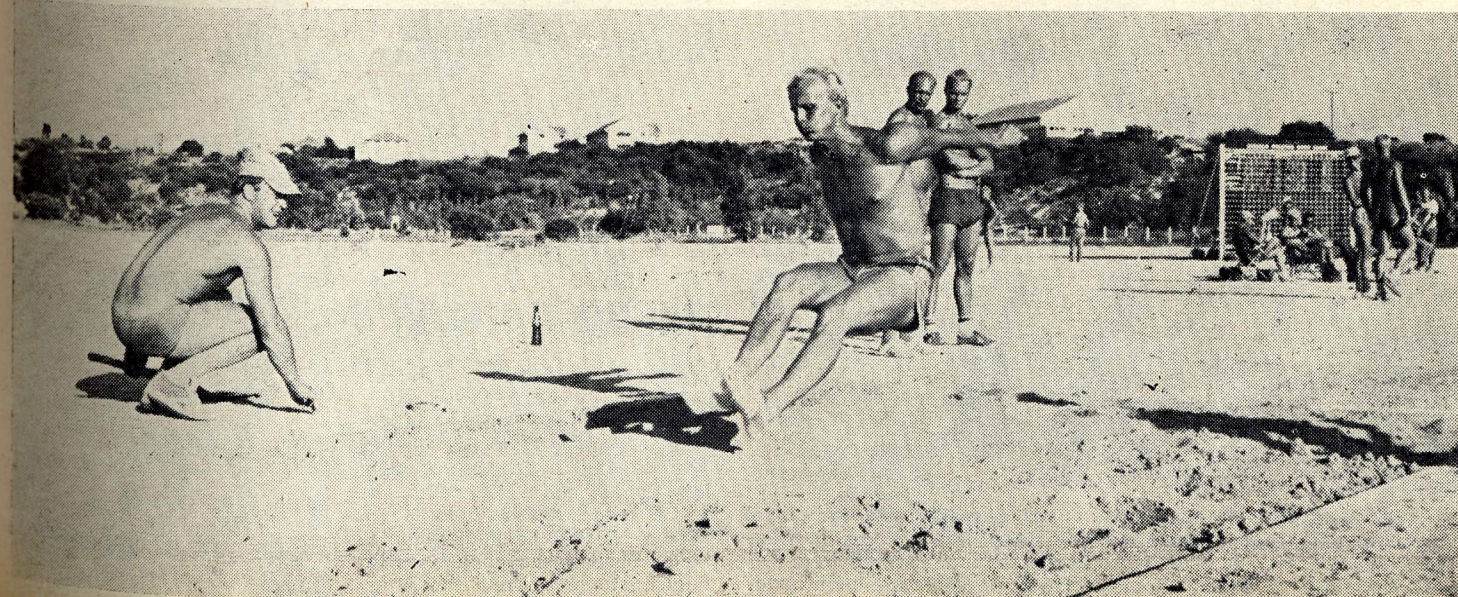
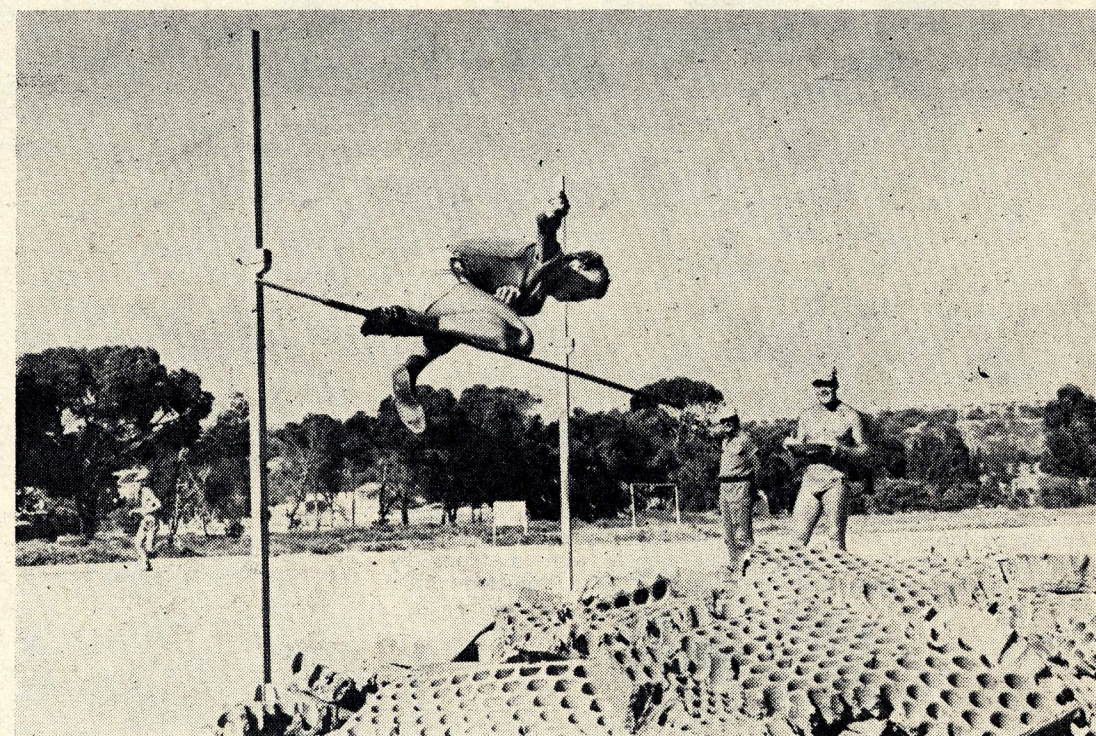


Mange vil tro det er Køksek der gør klar til dagens ret, men det er helt forkert. Det er cementblandemaskine type Dancon i funktion til dagens byggeprojekt efter gør-det-selv metoden.
 Maintenance goes on all the time — even in Dancon — where a hard working team were pictured repairing shelters in preparation for this coming winter.

Swedcon's Athletics - Competition



The Swedish Contingent's Athletics Championships were held at Dhekella sports ground recently. More than 60 competitors took part in what proved to be a thrilling and enjoyable competition with the contestants gaining excellent results. The Games were also a final exercise in preparation for the athletic competition against the Finnish Contingent which were held last week. Pictured here are some scenes from the 100 yard running event (above), the high jump (right) and the long jump (below).



Battle of Britain Parade in Nicosia



The anniversary of the Battle of Britain was celebrated quietly by the United Nations Flight of 84 Squadron at Nicosia two weeks ago. The celebration began with a flight by three Whirlwind helicopters round the UN Protected Area

(below right), and then continued with a short parade. Squadron Leader Situnayake took the parade and presented UN Medals to all those who had earned them.

OP RACE



As part of their continuous training programme the Royal Irish Rangers recently held an OP race, in which teams from all companies ran a relay race along the patrol track from OP B31 to St Davids Camp. Some of the competitors are seen handing on their batons in Mammari.



Changes in HQ BRITCON

Another year has gone by in HQ Britcon and it is time for the principal staff officer in the Headquarters to hand-over. Major Tony Rundell, 16th/5th L, has left Cyprus and his relief is Major Robert Osborne (seen right) of the Royal Tank Regiment. Major Rundell has gone back to England to retire from the Army after twenty one years service.



Life Saving Course in Larnaca

Während der dienstfreien Zeit vom 12/9 bis 23/9/77 wurden an der Kiti Beach 14 neue Rettungsschwimmer des Auscon

durch WO1 Stiendl herangebildet. Neben der theoretischen Ausbildung waren folgende prakti-

sche Übungen zur Erlangung des Wasserrettungsabzeichens erforderlich: Schwimmkonditionsübungen

Tieftauchen bis zu 5 m Tiefe mit Herausheben eines ca. 5 kg schweren Gegenstandes Streckentauchen bis zu 25 m Suchtauchen Rettung eines gleichschweren Menschen mit und ohne Kleider Erst Hilfe — Wiederbelebung — Atemspende — Herzmassage Handhabung mit Rettungsgeräten wie Rettungsball Rettungsgurt Rettungsmatratze Bootsrettung



Erstes Bild: Die neuen Wasserrettungsmänner des Auscon mit ihrem Ausbildungsleiter WO1 Stiendl. The new Austrian Lifesavers pictured at Kiti Beach with their instructor WO1 Stiendl at the end of their demanding course.

Unterstützt wurde dieser Kurs durch das 80 PS starke Motorboot der Pioniere des Auscon unter Steuermann 1/SSgt S Staudacher Am letzten Kurstag fand unter Anwesenheit des CO Lt Col H J Oberwinkler eine Schauübung statt.

For the past two weeks in their off-duty time, 14 Austrian soldiers have been learning to become life-savers on a course run by WO1 Stiendl at Kiti Beach. In order to become qualified the students had to study both the theoretical and practical sides. At the end of the course the CO, Lt Col Oberwinkler, was convinced of the value of such instruction after watching the students demonstrating a practice rescue.

FIRE ?



Am Montag, dem 19/9 fand im Camp D.L.V. eine Feuerlöschübung statt, bei der auch die Feuerwehr von Larnaca teilnahm. Es gelang mit vereinten Kräften, das Feuer in erstaunlich kurzer Zeit zu löschen.

The Contingent held a fire practice on 19th September in which the Larnaca Fire Brigade took part.



Zweites Bild: CO Lt Col H J Oberwinkler überzeugte sich selbst vom Kursergebnis und lobte die Leistungen der neuen Rettungsschwimmer.

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2 RCR ARRIVE



Captain Mike Caines, Sector 4 Operations officer greets his counterpart from the 2 RCR Captain Sam McInnes.



Capt Tom Kontra waiting for his first Cypriot pounds.

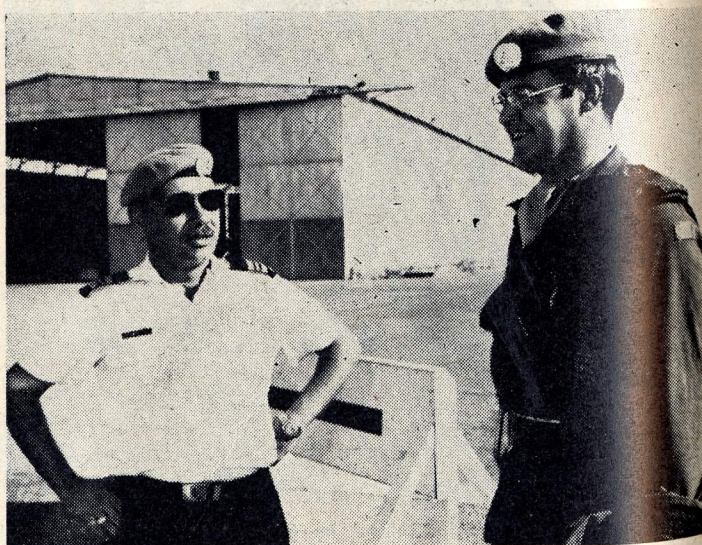
The advance party of the Second Battalion The Royal Canadian Regiment arrived in Nicosia last week to begin their takeover of the responsibilities in Sector Four. 2 RCR under the command of Lt Col J R MacPherson, have come to Cyprus from the Canadian Forces Base at Gagetowng New Brunswick.

The main body of the battalion are arriving this week on 4th and 7th October, and the official Change of Command Parade will take place in Wolseley Barracks tomorrow, 6th October. 2 RCR last served here in 1975, and as a result many of the officers and men of the Battalion are not strangers to the Island. With the completion of their handover 12e Regiment Blindé du Canada leaves this week to return to Canada, to re-form once more as a reconnaissance regiment. During their six months tour they have proved that armoured corps soldiers can adapt very well to infantry work.

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The conditions they experienced in Cyprus were totally different to those they endured on their final work-up exercise before they left Canada. That exercise was carried out in a blizzard, which necessitated the use of snow-shoes for all patrols, whereas this summer in Cyprus has been one of the hottest on record.

Old City Sqn Commander Meets His Relief



Major Yvon Savoie will be handing over his area of responsibility to Major Sandy McQuarrie.

Vieraita Swedconista



Kuusi ruotsalaista rauhanturvaajaa tutustui Finconiin viikon ajan. OP-palvelun ohella pojat tutustuivat suomalaisten isäntiensä opastuksella myös saareen; tässä paistatellaan päivää Troodosin auringossa.



Viimeiset FINCON mestaruudet yleisurheilussa Kyproksella on ratkottu. Keihäskolmikko jääk Harjukelo, ylik Tuliniemi ja jääk Enonkoski majuri Saikkosen käteltävinä. Muut mestarit: 100 m kers Peuhkuri, pituus kers Peuhkuri, 3000 jääk Paksuniemi, korkeus jääk Timonen, kiekko jääk Uimi, kuula Suominen ja ruotsalaisviesti IV/Valuk.

SUOMI VOITTI

"Rakkaat viholliset" Suomi ja Ruotsi kohtasivat toisensa yleisurheilumaaottelussa 27. syyskuuta Whekeliassa. Suomi osoitautui tällä kertaa paremmaksi keräten pisteitä 91 Ruotsin saaliin ollessa 70. Tuloksia: pituus: 1. Thorell R 582, Riikonen S 563, Aakula S 560, keihäs: Harjuko S 49.36, Enonkoski S 47.23, Tuliniemi S 46.65, 300 m: Paksuniemi S 9.32, Heiska S 10.40, Taskinen S 10.19.4, korkeus: Edegren R 170, Elfving S 165, Timonen S 160, kiekko: Uimi S 34.81, Andersson R 34.50, Koliseva S 34.38, 100 m: Forsberg R 12.0, Thorell R 12.5, Forsberg R 12.8, kuula: Suominen S 12.38, Timonen S 11.71, Kettunen S 11.66, viesti: Ruotsi 2.18,1 Suomi (Jaatinen, Elfving, Enonkoski, Heiska) 2.20,0

ENGLISH SUMMARY

Six soldiers from the Swedish Contingent visited the Finnish Contingent recently. In the top left picture the visitors are seen with their Finnish hosts at Troodos. Pte Harjukelo, the champion in javelin this year, can be seen (below left) being congratulated by Major Saikkonen. A team of Canadian officers took part in a friendly game of baseball at Fincon recently. Our guests were better! Congratulations!

SUOMI-KANADA JA KÄTTÄ PÄÄLLE!



Kanadan ja Suomen upseerimessit ottivat mittaa toisistaan pesäpallon merkeissä. Ja kuinkas kävikään! Vieraat voittivat 12-10.

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God Jul

Season's Greetings

Rauhallista Joulua

Frohe Weihnachten

Glaedelig Jul

Nollaig Fe' Mhaise Dhibh

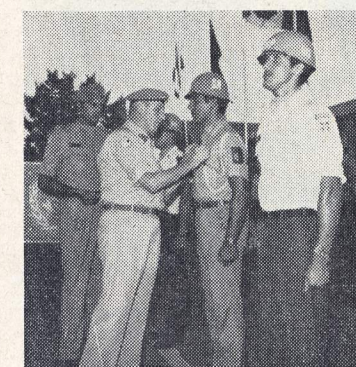
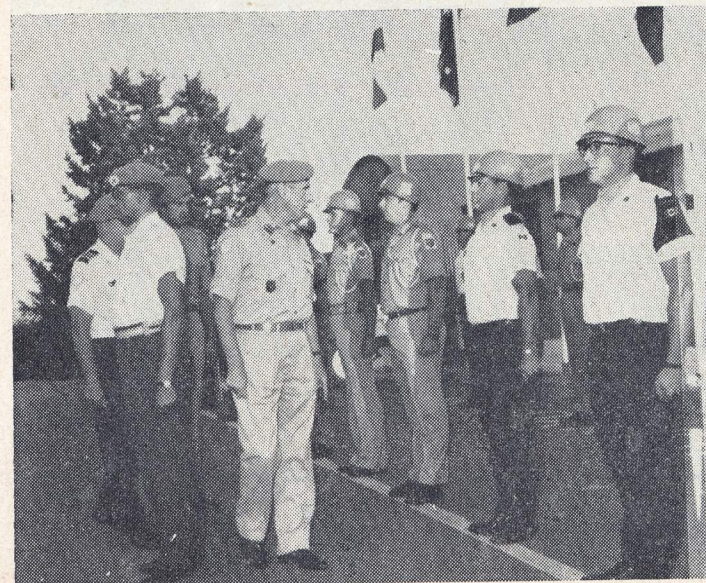
Joyeux Noël

CHRISTMAS IS COMING SOON

There are only eleven shopping weeks left to Christmas! Already the post offices are reminding us that we must send our parcels and letters off early if we want them to arrive in time.

Another reminder of the festive season is the Force Christmas card, which is now on sale in the Headquarters. The card pictured above (with the inside page left) may be obtained either from the Secretariat Procurement Officer at the Headquarters in quantities of 100 or more, or from the canteen in the Headquarters in quantities of less than 100. The cost of each card is 0.90 mils. Bulk orders of 100 or more will be sold for 0.85 mils each. All profits from the sale of these cards is credited to the Force Welfare Fund.

MP COMPANY MEDAL PARADE



On Saturday 1st October, the United Nations Military Police Company held their Medal Parade. The Force Commander presented the UN medals to all members of the Coy and thanked them for their work "in the service of peace".

TRAFFIC STATISTICS

Two Weeks ending	
1st October	8
Same period last year	11
Total for the year	174
Total for the same period	
last year	210

Lesson for the month
WHY DIE IN PERFECT HEALTH?