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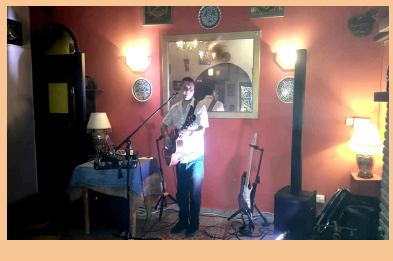
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BHC - Open letter to Britons resident in the north of Cyprus



British High Commissioner Stephen Lillie gives a Brexit update for UK nationals living in the northern part of Cyprus.

Published 29 March 2019
From:
British High Commission Nicosia
Ambassador Stephen Lillie

I am writing to update you on latest developments regarding Brexit and how it might affect Britons resident in the north of Cyprus. I know this is a matter of concern for our community there. We've been keeping in touch with community representatives but I thought it would be helpful to set out the key points here:

As you will know from the media, the UK Government and the EU have agreed new dates for our exit from the EU. The Government's wish is to leave the EU on the basis of the Withdrawal Agreement at 11pm on 22 May UK time. However, if the Agreement is not approved and no other arrangements are made, our exit would happen at 11pm on 12 April, UK time.

We will be keeping the community across the island informed of developments but I want to set out now what we anticipate happening if we leave without a deal on 12 April, so that you can prepare. I am sure you will appreciate that anything involving north-south issues in Cyprus is politically sensitive, and that there are some legal grey areas. We have been talking to the authorities in the Republic about this, but it's difficult to say exactly what will happen in practice in all situations. As High Commissioner, however, my hope is that we can work with the authorities to minimise the disruption to the lives of Britons in Cyprus, wherever you are resident.

Although Cyprus joined the EU in 2004, EU law is suspended north of the Green Line, because of the continuing division of the Island. So the local residency rules and procedures for Britons in the north should remain the same there before and after Brexit. This is in contrast to the situation for Britons living south of the Green Line, because the Republic has different residency rules for EU and non-EU nationals.

In a No Deal Brexit, Britons should still be able to cross the Green Line. The EU's Green Line Regulation allows non-EU nationals to cross the line provided they have a valid travel document and, if required, a valid visa for the Republic. We're not anticipating British nationals needing a visa to visit Cyprus, so that means you should be able to cross with a valid British passport. Please note, however, that as non-EU nationals, Britons will no longer have an automatic right to work in the Republic.

Another practical issue in this respect concerns driving licences. At present we are still discussing arrangements for recognition of driving licences with the Republic authorities. Our advice for now is that visitors to the Republic wishing to drive with a UK licence should consider applying also for an international driving permit.

The other important change that could follow in the case of a No Deal Brexit is the imposition of immigration controls on British nationals at Larnaca and Paphos airports. The current practice in the Republic is for non-EU nationals who do not require a visa – for example Americans or Australians - to be admitted for 90 days, and for passports to be stamped accordingly. The Republic of Cyprus authorities may count time spent in the north of Cyprus towards the 90 day visa free total. If this happens, you would need to exit from the Republic again through Larnaca or Paphos within 90 days or potentially face difficulties at the airport on exit or re-entry. We recognise that this could cause inconvenience for the community, and we are exploring with the authorities of the Republic how we can manage this. We will keep you updated. On a related note, you will already be aware of the issues around using Ercan airport, and the complications this can cause with the Republic authorities. This is expected to remain the case after Brexit.

As I have said, the situation explained above is intended to help you prepare in case of a No Deal Brexit on 12 April. The UK Government's wish is still to agree the Withdrawal Agreement. If implemented, the Withdrawal Agreement provides for a substantial implementation period until the end of 2020, during which Britons would continue to be treated on the same basis as EU nationals in the Republic. This will allow more time to try and resolve issues that could affect Britons in the north after the end of the implementation period.

I very much appreciate the concerns of our community about the future. We will continue to update you via our website, on our social media channels and by keeping in touch with community groups. Please also follow our Travel Advice page and Living in Cyprus Guide which will be updated in due course.

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Yeni Hastane Yolu in Gazimağusa to become One Way

The Yeni Hastane Yolu (New Hospital Road), connecting DAÜ Bağlantı Yolu (EMU Connecting Road) to the new state hospital and Salamis Yolu, the road leading to İskele, will become a one way road as of Wednesday 3rd April 2019.

Following the implementation of the decision, drivers will be able to enter Yeni Hastane Yolu from DAÜ Bağlantı Yolu, the main entrance to Gazimağusa before the construction of the new Lefkoşa-Gazimağusa Road.

Traffic and Transportation Services Commission took a decision last week as the road, where traffic runs in opposite directions, was becoming dangerous in terms of traffic safety. The decision of the Commission also includes putting crash barriers along the road, except the entry and exit spots to the Gazimağusa Industrial Zone and around the poles carrying the high-voltage transmission line.

Source: Ministry of Public Works and Transportation.



Girne Municipality ceremony for Mehmet Nur Ateş



A ceremony was held in Girne Municipality for Council Member Mehmet Nur Ateş who died on 1st April.

The ceremony was held on 2nd April and YDP deputies Dr. Erhan Arıklı, Bertan Zaroğlu, Girne Mayor Nidai Güngördü, Girne Municipality councillors and citizens attended. Bertan Zaroğlu and Nidai Güngördü delivered speeches at the ceremony. Following the ceremony, Mehmet Nur Ateş was buried in the Ozanköy Cemetery after the prayers performed in the Ozanköy Mosque.

The Mayor of Girne, Nidai Güngördü, said in his statement that he was in deep sorrow at the untimely loss of Girne Municipality Councillor Mehmet Nur Ateş.

He added that they had the opportunity to work together in harmony for a short time, and he was respectful, humble, hardworking and was loved by all.

YDP deputy Bertan Zaroğlu said that Mehmet Nur Ateş was loved and emphasized that he left too early. Bertan Zaroğlu expressed his condolences to his family and loved ones and to the city council and municipal employees.

Turkcell Girne Half Marathon 2019 News Update

Halkın Partisi Party (HP), Girne deputies Erek Cagatay and Jale Refik Rogers, Girne Municipality Council members Derya Hoca and Burak Guler and Girne district administration visited the Girne Municipality and registered for the Turkcell Girne Half Marathon on 14th April 2019.

In his speech during the visit, Mayor of Girne Nidai Güngördü stated that he was happy to see a delegation from HP in the Municipality and he received information about the city and local governments.

Nidai Güngördü, expressed his views on the Municipalities Amendment Act and Municipal Reform and explained his expectations from the government. Güngördű also said that the income from the Turkcell Girne Half Marathon will be donated to the SOS Children's Village Association, Adult Special Needs Rehabilitation Centre and the Akan Gürkan Education Foundation.

Girne deputies, Erek Çağatay and Jale Refik Rogers, stated that opinions were received from the experts about the Change of Laws and Municipal Reform, and that the Ministry of Interior has been conducting work meticulously and invited everyone to join the Turkcell Girne Half Marathon.





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Özersay: "Not being wise but being courageous is needed"

Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs Kudret Özersay called on the UN Secretary General's Temporary Envoy to Cyprus Jane Holl Lute and said: "There is a need to be courageous, not to be wise in order to see that there is no common ground between the parties in the context of a federal partnership in Cyprus.

The period of "pretending" should be over."

Özersay delivered a speech at the closing of the international conference entitled "Cyprus Issue: Past, Present and the Vision for the Future" organized by the Near East University at which alternative models for a solution in Cyprus were discussed.

In his speech, Özersay called on the Greek Cypriots, Greeks, British, international academics and thinkers and opinion leaders and stated that thinking and producing new ideas other than the established patterns are needed.

Mentioning that the Turkish Cypriot side has been thinking about new ideas for a while, Özersay said that the Greek Cypriot academics and thinking people should also abandon the statements which have been continuing in Cyprus for 50 years and put forward new thoughts and discuss these with the Turkish Cypriot academics.

Indicating that they should leave aside the memorised statements and talk about what they can do together other than these, Özersay said that neither the Turkish Cypriot nor the Greek Cypriot side could accept the other side's wishes and opinions in Cyprus.

Stating that a new thinking and dialogue process should be appropriate and in accordance with the current conditions in the island, Özersay said that the ideas that do not meet the conditions in the island will be condemned to stay in limbo.

Özersay said that the Greek Cypriot side does not want to share administration and wealth with the Turkish Cypriot side and they have no such will.

Özersay also added that this reality is starting to be included in the UN reports. Expressing that during the last 50 years in Cyprus, there have been efforts to establish a partnership state Özersay said: "A Bi-communal, bi-zonal federal partnership" has been repeated continuously but the two sides understand and expect different things from the same statement.

Stating that there is no federal culture and experience in Cyprus to reach a federal partnership and keep it alive, Özersay said that they have had 3 years of functional federation experience where everything which should not be done has been done regarding the approval of laws and functioning of the state.

Furthermore, expressing that there is no mutual confidence between the two sides, Özersay said that there is a question how a federal partnership can live without mutual confidence.

Indicating that the need for a federal partnership is different in both sides Özersay said that it is not clear if there is a need for a federal partnership among the Greek Cypriot side.

Adding that it is another question if the status quo has the quality to give pain to both sides evenly, Özersay said that the island does not have the necessary conditions to establish a federal partnership and to keep it alive.

Özersay also expressed that the Cyprus conference in 2017 failed and after this the UN tried to do what they did not do during the past 50 years and added that there is a need for an evaluation period and he wants the sides to think about the future targets.

Expressing that they should discuss what is possible and what is realistic, Özersay said that the time has come for the Greek Cypriot side to discuss what is possible and what is realistic without any political abuse.

Reminding that the UN Secretary-General appointed Lute as the Special Envoy on the Cyprus issue in order to monitor the pulse of the parties in the following process, Özersay stated that 8 months have passed since this appointment and Lute has made many contacts and



Özersay asked whether Lute has found if there is a common solution vision or not.

Calling on Lute that it is high time to prepare a report without delay and include her findings, Özersay said that the period of "pretending" should be over and if there is no common ground, the UN officials should say this sincerely and he called on the UN in this regard.

Stating that since the most basic parameters are explained and perceived in different ways then the UN officials are capable of understanding this, Özersay asked them to explain it openly and added that there is a need to be courageous, not to be wise in order to observe that there is no common ground or vision.

"In Cyprus, we no longer want UN envoys who only show courage after their retirement" Özersay said.

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Triple meeting with Lute will not be useful

President Mustafa Akıncı said that as long as the known negative attitude of the Greek Cypriot leader does not change, holding a triple meeting with Jane Holl Lute, who is appointed by the UN Secretary General to determine if there is a common ground or not, will not be useful except giving a false perception that something is going to happen.

In his written statement to TAK news agency, Akıncı expressed that he had a telephone conversation with Lute, upon his request. Akıncı noted “During my telephone conversation, I underlined that the points to which attention has been paid by the Turkish Cypriots from the beginning are very important to compose the terms of reference and if a new negotiation process will start, it should not start from the beginning, should not be open ended and should be result oriented”.

Akıncı also mentioned the statements of Anastasiades regarding his demand for a triple meeting with Lute.

Akıncı expressed that during his telephone conversation, he said to Lute:

“The negotiation period for the sake of negotiating ended for us. If the common ground is determined with Lute’s ongoing work, we are concerned that the process is result oriented and not open-ended and the target is clear. It is a well-known fact that the political equality of the Turkish Cypriot people is a sine qua non. Whatever the name of the solution to be found, it must include the political equality of the Turkish Cypriot people. Unfortunately, we did not see any constructive attitude at informal meetings with Anastasiades. On the contrary, both in our meetings and in his statements to his public, it is obvious that he does not pay enough attention to the Turkish Cypriot side’s sensitivity towards political equality and effective participation. However, this issue is an important UN parameter among the past consensuses."



Lute - Separate meetings

The UN Secretary General’s Temporary Envoy to Cyprus Jane Holl Lute will meet with President Akıncı and the Greek Cypriot Leader Anastasiades separately on Sunday, 7 April 2019.

Lute will arrive in the island on Saturday, 6 April 2019.



1st PM Çağatay commemorated

First Prime Minister of the TRNC, the late Mustafa Çağatay, was commemorated on the 30th anniversary of his death at his graveside yesterday (3 April, 2019).

The mark left by Cağatay in the political history of the TRNC, his commitment to justice and the Turkish Cypriot people, his patience and strong sense of empathy were mentioned in the speeches made at the ceremony.

Çağatay’s family and the state and government authorities attended the ceremony held at Karaoğlanoğlu Cemetery yesterday.



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Erciyes: We are open to all kinds of new ideas

Deputy General Director of Bilateral Political Affairs and Maritime-Aviation Border, Ambassador Çağatay Erciyes stated that Turkey is open to all kinds of new ideas as long as the political equality and security needs of Turkish Cypriots are met.

Erciyes spoke at a conference entitled "Cyprus Issue: Past, Present and The Vision for the Future" which was organized by the Near East University and at which alternative models for a solution in Cyprus were discussed and pointed out that all negotiation processes between the Turkish and Greek Cypriots since 1968 failed with the last process in 2017 in Crans-Montana. Erciyes, also underlined that although there is a constructive attitude by Turkey and the Turkish Cypriots, the Greek Cypriots persistently stay away from a compromise.

"This result was inevitable because the expectations of the two sides in the island for a solution are different from each other. The parties were not actually negotiating the same thing" Erciyes added.

Noting that the last negotiation process was an indication of the Greek Cypriots opposing political equality with the Turkish Cypriots, Erciyes said that this was also the mentality which caused the Republic of Cyprus, which was established in 1960, to end within 3 years and also the rejection of the Annan Plan by the Greek Cypriots in 2004.

Stating that the Greek Cypriot side still refuses to recognise the political equality of the Turkish Cypriots in the island, Erciyes said that the Greek Cypriot leader Nikos Anastasiades still considers himself as the leader of a unitary state and regards the Turkish Cypriots as a minority. Erciyes added that Anastasiades has not taken any concrete steps even within the framework of his views put forth regarding "loose federation", or "decentralization".

"As long as there is no change in their mentality, the negotiations will not produce any result which will bring profit for both sides. Therefore, it will not be possible for Turkey to conduct a negotiation process of which parameters are not determined and is not result oriented" Erciyes stressed.

Furthermore, Erciyes said "For more than half a century, we have been struggling for a federal based solution. We have not reached any result yet. In that case, we have to consider to revise our targets. Under these current conditions, we neither exclude a federation model nor insist on a certain model. UN Secretary General Antonio Guterres in his last report pointed out the new opinions for solution of the Cyprus problem. In this context, we are open to every kind of new idea as long as the political equality and security needs of the Turkish Cypriots are provided".



Cyprus Issue: Past, Present and the Vision for the Future

The conference named 'Cyprus Issue: Past, Present and the Vision for the Future' started at the Near East University (NEU) yesterday (1st April) in order to discuss alternative models for a solution to the Cyprus Problem.

More than 50 academicians, diplomats, politicians, researchers and experts from Cyprus, Turkey and various countries in the world participated in the conference.

Participants will discuss the hydrocarbon resources in the Eastern Mediterranean and accordingly the recently rising competition in the energy issue in addition to the alternative models for a solution to the Cyprus problem.



Hotel California by The Eagles



By Ahmet Abdulaziz ....

There must be more than one Hotel California in California itself, and many more world over, but I am sure sure that none of them are as popular as “Hotel California” by The Eagles. Yes, I am discussing the song “Hotel California” by The Eagles.

This one particular song is perhaps one of the most popular songs in the history of modern music. I am sure The Eagles too would never had thought of such a marvellous success of the song, when they were working on its words, music and playing.

Being from the generation which grew up during 1960s and 1970s, it is not just The Beatles or Rolling Stones, that we all love. Our generation loves the music created by the Eagles too.

Of course Hotel California is not just their one exceptional song. We all know that they created wonderful music during their hay days, and had topped the charts of those times repeatedly, with their other songs.

As for me, I always liked Don Felder of the group. He used to be their lead guitarist during the 1970s,and also one of the main characters in the production of Hotel California. As he said in one of his subsequent interviews, he had created that wonderful tune on guitar, which ultimately became the main characteristic of this song. Once the singing of the song is finished and the way the fantastic combination of Don Felder and Joe Walsh play the last more than a minute of the song, really mesmerises me. There is something unique in it. The way the two guitarists stand and develop harmony among themselves, completing the overall music between themselves, the way they coordinate by one playing the lead and the other chords, and the way they shift their positions. All this is so fantastic, and makes me replay the video again and again.

But it is not just the exceptional performance of Joe Walsh and Don Felder that has made “Hotel California” exceptional. The main contribution comes from Don Henley and Glenn Frey, who not only wrote the words but also played an important part in making the music.

Don Henley can be seen at his best in this particular video, where he has not only sung the song but has also played wonderful drums. There is no doubt that he is one of those exceptional drummers who are known for their dual capabilities of singing while playing drums. It is a rare gem.

Now coming to the words of the song. The words are very simple yet they carry much deep meanings inside. Don Henley explained what Hotel California is in 2002 in the following words, in an interview with “60 minutes”, “It’s basically a song about the dark underbelly of the American dream and about excess in America, which is something we knew a lot about,”



Don Felder picture courtesy of Phil Konstantin - Wikipedia

However later he was quoted as saying “We were all middle class kids from the Midwest," Hanley said. "'Hotel California' was our interpretation of the high life in L.A.”, in an interview with the Rolling Stones, in 2005.

Whatever may be the real meaning of the words, I am sure that it is not just me, there are hundreds of thousands of people world over, who listen to Hotel California again and again, and still want to continue playing it. Everyone builds a story out of this lyric. I personally believe that this song deals with our inner-selves, where we try to run away from all that is going on inside us, but we cannot run away anywhere.

Below are some of the lyrics to Hotel California. Just read them and listen to more in the video and see if you can come up with something interesting about what these lines actually mean. Video link is shown below :

https://youtu.be/S9MeTn1i72g

HOTEL CALIFORNIA
On a dark desert highway, cool wind in my hair
Warm smell of colitas, rising up through the air
Up ahead in the distance, I saw a shimmering light
My head grew heavy and my sight grew dim
I had to stop for the night

There she stood in the doorway
I heard the mission bell
And I was thinking to myself
"This could be Heaven or this could be Hell"
Then she lit up a candle and she showed me the way
There were voices down the corridor
I thought I heard them say

Welcome to the Hotel California
Such a lovely place (Such a lovely place)
Such a lovely face
Plenty of room at the Hotel California
Any time of year (Any time of year)
You can find it here

Her mind is Tiffany-twisted, she got the Mercedes bends
She got a lot of pretty, pretty boys she calls friends
How they dance in the courtyard, sweet summer sweat
Some dance to remember, some dance to forget .....



KAR - News Update

177 ... 177 that is the magic number!

KAR Pet Travel helped 177 cats and dog relocate either to/from the TRNC in 2018.

88 dogs - which included 13 lucky ones who were adopted from our Rescue Center - and 30 cats were exported from TRNC to new lives in UK, Germany, France, Italy, Lebanon, Finland, Norway, Malaysia, Singapore, UAE, USA, Russia, Turkey plus many other far and away places.

59 cats and dogs made the move with their owners into TRNC. They travelled in from UK, Germany, Belgium, France, USA, Turkey, Pakistan, Thailand amongst others.

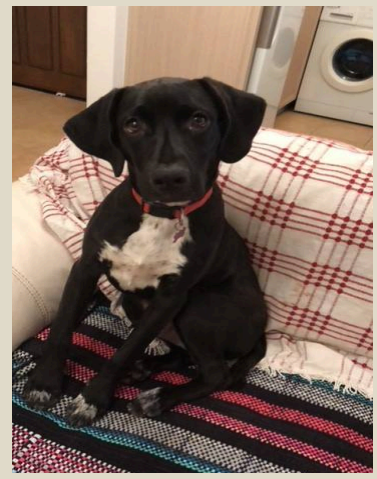
177 ... 177 fantastic cats and dogs that we have been lucky enough to help and meet along with their respective loving, caring owners.

Each pet is different and their owners needs are different so if you have any questions or need any help planning your pets move - please contact us. Your pet could be amongst our next set of lucky numbers.

Happy Pets = Happy Owners = Happy KAR Pet Travel.

Here are just a tiny number of some of those lovely pets who travelled with us in 2018 - we could not put them ALL on here but would welcome any updates and recent photos from ANY of our travelling pets.









Thank so much to the Taxi Driver who visited the Centre this morning (29th March) and dropped of 7 x 15kg Dog Food, 1 x 4kg dog food. 'Wanted to help, if only in a small way'.

Thank you Sir, your 'small way' helps us greatly and we salute you.

URGENTLY NEEDED - LOCAL SUPPORTERS

Due to this terrible weather, we are in desperate need of bedding for the puppies and dogs at the centre. Please drop at the Karakum Office on Monday at 9am. Thank you! Towels, blankets, carpet samples, bedding of any kind.





KAR - News Update



THANK YOU TO LAPTA MAYOR, MUSTAFA AKTUG

Two representatives from KAR had a successful meeting today with Mayor Mustafa Aktug. We discussed the situation of the dogs on the streets in the Lapta area and the problems that the local authorities are facing. We stressed to them the importance of control of the registration of owned dogs and neutering of those dogs that have no owners. We also discussed the law and the planning of the requirements of an animal shelter.

Margaret Ray said 'We felt it was a very constructive meeting and thanked the Mayor for his time. We felt that it was a good beginning to our future relationship'.

PLEASE HELP!

We are in desperate need of bottles of bleach, Klamoks 1000 and 625 and Flagyl at the Rescue Centre. Any donation however large or small will be most gratefully received - they can be dropped off at the Rescue Centre in Arapkoy or our office in Karakum. Thanks in anticipation!





Lambousa Market are selling cheap blankets (15TL) and Towels.... please, if you can, purchase a few for the dogs and puppies at the centre.

You can drop them off at Veni Vici in Lapta for collection. It really will be appreciated. Our Centre is still very wet and the dogs need something to bed down on.

Our puppies are not 'house trained' so need constant replacement of bedding..... please dig deep and help the centre dogs.

Veni Vici Restaurant on the Lapta strip have very kindly offered to be a drop off point for 'softies' for the centre.

So if you have any old towels, blankets, sheets, etc, we URGENTLY need them for the dogs and puppies at the centre.

The terrible weather at the weekend has left our dogs struggling for bedding.

Please help if you can.







We are having a trial run with Saturday opening at the GladRags shop in Karakum.

On Saturday 6th April, the shop in KARAKUM will be open between 10am-12pm.

Please support the shop where you can, as this support allows the work we do to continue.

Be on top of the world with TRNC Sky Diving

By Chris Elliott....

The pace of change in Northern Cyprus is reaching even greater heights and long may it continue.

In the past we visited Geçitkale Airport and met with the guys at the KKTC Hava Sportlari Federation led by Serkan Ozcezarli and we sent Margaret Sheard from CyprusScene aloft in a gyrocopter and when we visit Geçitkale airport again perhaps we can persuade her to make her first sky dive.

In the meanwhile if any of our local readers would like to take the plunge and book a Sky Diving experience please contact Serkan Ozcezarli via his Facebook page or by email at info@skydivenorthcyprus.net

Still want to know more then go to http://www.skydivenorthcyprus.net/

You may enjoy a video, the link is shown below :





https://www.facebook.com/flyserkan/videos/10157340837884201/

TEMIZ Kibris - a CLEAN Cyprus - News Update

By Chris Elliott.....

So many of our readers express their concern for the protection of the environment in North Cyprus and it was good to see the following posting in the TEMIZ Kibris - A CLEAN Cyprus Facebook page which we support.

"*Something great is going on in this beautiful country.*

The government, the people, and the children start caring for the environment. Miracles happen every day. Alsancak, Lapta, Girne, Lefke, Magosa. Guzelyurt.. and it is just the beginning of making this beautiful country into one of the best countries in the world.

God bless all the people who are trying to be an example of this."

To follow the activities of this page and like it, please click here and show your support for all those people and organisations who are cleaning up North Cyprus for future generations to enjoy and care for..













9th Besparmak (1st International) Theatre Festival in Çatalköy



By Heidi Trautmann ....
www.heiditrautmann.com ....

The Prisoner of 2nd Avenue by Neil Simon.

As long as there is theatre, music and the arts, there is still hope, I have said so many times. The organisers of the local theatre festivals know that and keep pushing towards communication with the outer world.

This year we had theatre groups from Turkey, Serbia, France and Italy and the local ones were the established companies from various city communities.

Unfortunately, I was only able to see a single one for health reasons. I had heard good critics about the plays. At least I would not miss the GIBETSU, the Girne Belediye Theatre with their play – two performances – The Prisoner of 2nd Avenue by Neil Simon, a play with all the modern problems of communication, environment, jobs and loneliness.

The play was directed by Nermin Uğur and the actors were Cenk Gürçağ, İlkşen Varoğlu Atik, Mehmet Soyluoğlu, Ayleta Futsi, Şerife Eminağa, Ayşen Rahvancıoğlu, Sevil Birben Sargın, İlde Atik, Perihan Hulusioğlu, Dilek Seçkin and Fethi Ercan

Assistant director: Fatma Tüney and Perihan Hulusioğlu. Stage works: Mehmet Saygıer. Stage design: Derman Atik. Stage design realization: Levent Korol, Celal Onat. Music and effects: Evren Mercimekçi.

The lead characters of Mel and Edna were very well played by Cenk Gürçağ and İlkşen Varoğlu Atik. The play is very text intensive and although I did not understand all of the dialogues I got the meaning by the acting and body language. Congratulations, well done. I especially liked the last scene when Edna and Mel reach out their hands to each other and face the world together: a strong scene.

The plot, as I took it from the internet:

Edna and Mel are a struggling, middle-aged couple living in New York City. Mel has just lost his job, the walls of their apartment are much too thin, and the city is in the middle of a heat wave. Their troubles escalate when Mel suffers a nervous breakdown. Mel becomes slightly paranoid, the apartment is robbed, and their neighbours, well, they don't help matters much. Throughout it all, Edna does her best to support her husband, even getting a job of her own after Mel is fired. Her efforts aren't enough, however, and Mel's siblings are called in as backup. Quickly, in a crowded apartment in the most crowded city in the world, all hell breaks loose, and it becomes apparent that the only thing Mel and Edna can rely on are the people closest to them.

There was one last play on March 27: 'Yildiz Olmak Kolay Mi' by Nahid Sirri Örik with the Catalköy Tiyatro Su, which had already been performed some days ago with very good critics.







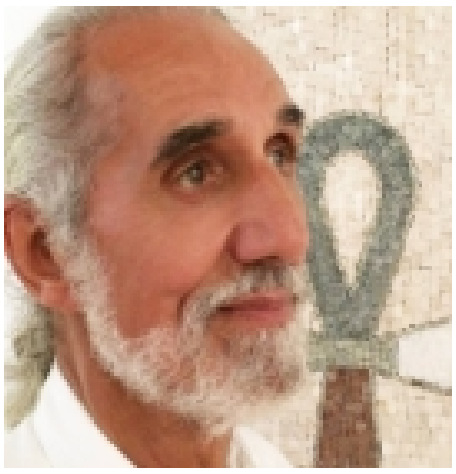






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The Mind and the Possibility of Impossibilities



By Nick Vye ....
Sanctuary ....

The sentinel at The Sanctuary with the crystal power wand at the portal of one dimension in the physical world.

It's the minds role throughout our lives to create the thoughts of fear, apprehension, anxiety, worry etc. All these things can lead to breakdowns in a person's health. As they say (a healthy mind is a healthy body).

The development of learning to still the mind and bring about positive actions and thoughts, is one of the benefits of meditation or contemplation. The adage - Be still and know thyself, springs to my mind.

When you have peace of mind, then the world you exist in is at peace. Your thoughts become fewer as you become the controller of your own mind. Life takes on a different perspective and you are more content and happy within your inner being. This brings about a healthy body and a relaxed attitude to life.



The Gospel of Mary : Where the mind is, there's the treasure. Hence the name for our forehead (TEMPLE).

A lot of religions talk about the second coming of our lord. For me this means: When man's brain builds the temple within himself.

We will then unite as a whole and finally realise our true potential and find the POSSIBILITY OF IMPOSSIBILITIES.



With love light and peace to you all.

Nick Vye
Sanctuary

THOUGHT OF THE DAY

Your life's slice of the cake,

Is equal to the dough you bake!

STILL
A Poem by Nick Vye, Sanctuary

Have you ever been totally still,
Not even aware of your own free will,
Just the sound of your beating heart,
Feels separated from you and apart,
Not even sure you have a mind,
No thoughts there of any kind,

Only your consciousness now exists,
Shrouded now in a hazy mist,
Your body now is an empty tomb,
Awaiting your return real soon,
Then all of a sudden you become aware,
You're back in your body and now a pair

Hope 4 Pets - News Update

Facebook Posting by Stephanie Harrison-Croft :

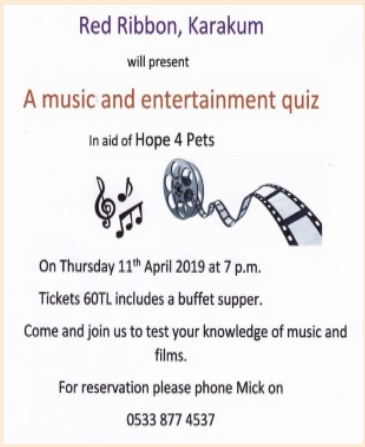
We are slowly gathering a list of generous outlets who are kindly offering exclusive discount on recommended retail prices to customers when you present your current H4P membership card. There are others who we hope will be joining the list and we will add them as we go along. Thank you to all so far.

Adil Erten @ Boutique Cyprus Gifts ~ Girne ~ 20% discount.
Altay Şakar @ Vetpoint ~ Catalkoy ~ 10% on food and pet products.
Basak Eminaga @ Vetpetite ~ Karakum ~ 10% on food and pet products.

Thinking caps on for another great music and entertainment quiz at the Red Ribbon Restaurant, Karakum.

Please join us and help Hope 4 Pets to help the animals of North Cyprus.

To book tel Mick on :
0533 877 4537





Facebook Posting by Emma Eminsoy :

A little update on "Uncle Sam"
He had a check up and X-ray this week and everything was good.
After which he swiftly ran up the tree to sit on the roof
He has however since taken up his spot in the surgery in a very comfy bed to sleep out the bad weather





Some of the lovely items on offer at the Wednesday morning market at the Pia Bella Hotel, Girne. Why not pay them a visit next week?











Janie's Birthday Fundraiser

For my birthday this year, I'm asking for donations to HOPE 4 PETS NORTH CYPRUS. I've chosen this charity because their mission means a lot to me, and I hope that you'll consider contributing as a way of celebrating with me. Every little bit will help me reach my goal.



Adventure on the road with cyclist Abdulhalim Akçay - Part 9

By Ahmet Abdulaziz....

Cyprus scene is following Abdulhalim Akçay, who is continuing his long cycling tour of Turkey. He plans to visit 81 provinces and 800 districts in a period of 2 years.

Here is his diary for the period from 26th to 31st March 2019.

118th day 26/03/2019

He had spent the last night in his tent by the lake.

It was a great morning, where he enjoyed breakfast with sports loving Cennet Cayda in Ula. He then went with Cennet Ceyda on a short tour of the area, and took some photographs and also meeting local people, who showed their interest in his adventure.

He spent the whole day strolling around and taking photographs.



119th day (27/03/2019)

The most interesting feature of this area is not just the beauty of natural scenery, but the love of cycling too. Here everywhere one can find people of all ages riding bicycles.

He roamed around and met many people.



120th day (28/03/2019)

He spent the night at the area specially reserved with camps for cyclists. This area was established and managed by the Belediye municipality and the Muğla University.

He met with Fikret Ekmekci who is attached to the Muğla University, who invited him to a panel about cycling. It was interesting to speak to the students, and to explain the benefits of cycling and how cycling can play an important role in our daily lives.









121st day (29/03/2019)

This day he reached the 97th district of Turkey. He had spent night at the house of his friend in the Akyaka area. After breakfast he set off towards Gokova. Here he met Mr. Umit, who had been following him on facebook. He enjoyed a good time with him. They went along to tour the area.

The next stop was Marmaris. The road to Marmaris was difficult.

Weather and the natural beauty was however good to continue on.

Taking photographs on the way and at the entrance of the city made his progress slower.

It was nearly dark when he entered Marmaris. He found a suitable place by the sea to pitch his tent.

He slept well as he was very tired.



122nd day (30/03/2019)

Marmaris is a beautiful place, where his first night at the side of sea was really wonderful. It was a pleasant morning. He planned to stay in Marmaris for two days.

He went to visit the famous castle and the museum there. The weather was fine and he took lots of photographs and met people.

It was a rest day, and he enjoyed the whole day strolling around here and there.







123rd day (31/03/2019)

He spent most of his time meeting people. He walked a lot on the beach. It was a sunny day and there were good number of people enjoying the good weather.

He met a couple of people who were following him on facebook.

He had had a nice lunch at Hacinin yeri, which is very famous. The food was cheap and was of good quality.

It was a nice day on an overall basis.





A fond farewell to Pamela Campbell

By Chris Elliott ....

On Saturday 30th March I went along to St Andrews Church, Kyrenia for a memorial service for Pamela Campbell who passed away on 15th April 2018 in the UK.

I had been invited to attend the service by her daughter Vanessa Parr who I had met at St Andrews Hermitage together with her mother and father Peter in 2012 when they were visiting North Cyprus and they told me some very interesting things about Cyprus when they were living here.

Pamela was the St Andrews Church Secretary from 1985 to 1987 and was happy to talk about the past and how North Cyprus had changed since then.

One of the fascinating things Pamela told me was about her father Sgt Reginald Evans and his DCM (Distinguished Conduct Medal) which was the second highest medal and was instituted in 1854 during the Crimean War for gallantry and was in use until 1993 and the family were all very proud of him but also so pleased to talk about how he overcame the trauma of war and a very serious injury to go on to lead a full and happy life.

I wrote an article in the Cyprus Observer in 2012 about our meeting and her father and will be republishing that very soon as it's such a fascinating true life story and a tribute to people who overcome life changing problems.

After that meeting I had many emails from Pamela including copies of her news letters to friends and relatives and I was so impressed with this lady who was so full of caring for others and also a fascinating writer of great talent.

I think the life of Pamela Campbell is best summed up by her daughter Vanessa who arranged for the following article to be published by the Daily Mail on the eve of the family's arrival in Northern Cyprus.

Extraordinary LIVES

MY MOTHER PAMELA CAMPBELL
by Vanessa Parr

SHE was known as the Painter in Words because of the thousands of poems she wrote, but it was as a wife, mother and grandmother that she excelled.
Mum grew up in Armitage, Staffs, where she met my father.
They married in 1956 and had three daughters.
She accompanied my father throughout his RAF career and was a founder member of the Forces Wives Association, the first civilian radio controller for Thames Valley Police, and held numerous positions in the Women's Institute, Station Wives Clubs and church committees.
She was always willing to help those in need with financial assistance, clothing or support.
Shocked at poor pay and conditions in the Armed Forces in the Seventies, she organised a march of Army wives through London. She became a great friend of John Major when he was first elected as MP for Huntingdon. His maiden speech in the House of Commons was based on a dossier Mum had compiled on conditions in the RAF.
She was very popular when airmen received a substantial pay rise soon after.
In 2011, my parents documented my grandfather's letters to his mother when he was serving in World War I. Some were used in ITV's The Great War: The People's Story in 2014, with the actor Daniel Mays portraying my grandfather. Mum was a prize-winning author, travelling to Las Vegas to receive a prize, and wrote and recorded the song Watch Out, Here Comes Mama, the words of which meant so much to her.
It was played at her funeral service, where a tribute from former Prime Minister John Major was read.
Tomorrow would have been her birthday and it's the day we have chosen to hold a memorial service and scatter her ashes in the Kyrenia mountains in North Cyprus, a place she loved and visited many times.
We may be scattering her ashes in the wind, but we won't be saying goodbye to the Painter in Words, for whom life was always an adventure and a challenge.
Her words will live on in her poetry, books and short stories.



Campaigner: Pamela

■ *PAMELA CAMPBELL, born March 30, 1933; died April 15, 2018, aged 85.*

Press cutting shared by Vanessa Parr from Daily Mail, Friday 29th March 2019.





above - an example of Pam's art with tiles she painted.

above right - Pamela in later years.

right - the family gathering at St Andrew's Church, Kyrenia for Pamela's memorial service.



Sergeant Reginald Evans DCM

"The state I was in when finally I did reach our trenches can be imagined. Challenged by a sentry, I was almost too exhausted to reply. Plastered with mud and clothing literally in shreds, I was almost unrecognisable even by men of my own Company"

Sergeant Reginald Evans – DCM

The following year, in February 1916, Reg was badly wounded in the face and underwent pioneering plastic surgery performed by Captain (later Sir) Harold Gillies at Britain's first plastic unit set up in the Cambridge Hospital, Aldershot

By Chris ELLIOTT ....

This article follows on from Saturday 30th March 2019 when I went along to St Andrews Church, Kyrenia for a memorial service in memory of Pamela Campbell who passed away on 15th April 2018 in the UK. Pamela's daughter Vanessa Parr, who I had met at St Andrews Hermitage together with her mother and father Peter in 2012 when they were visiting North Cyprus, had brought a copy of a Cyprus Observer newspaper in which I had written an account of her grandfather as told to me by her mother Pamela.

about how he overcame the trauma of war and a very serious injury to go on to lead a full and happy life.

Pamela said her father, Reginald Josiah Thomas Evans was born in January 1888, a month after his father died. He was educated at the Spurgeon Orphanage in London and then served an apprenticeship as a wood borer at the Gade Brush Factory of GB Kent and Son Ltd, Apsley. He lived with his mother and brothers in Broad Street, Hemel Hempstead. He joined the Herts Territorials in 1913 and he was with them at camp in August the following year, when war was declared.

and the call to mobilise came on Tuesday evening, when notices ordering the Territorials to report themselves to headquarters were posted on the post office and other prominent places. There was an immediate rush to respond to the call and the first to reach the Drill Hall was Mr R Evans. Others quickly followed on and soon the hall was filled with members of the local Company, all highly delighted at the prospect of being able to serve their country."

So Reg, Pamela's dad, was the first man from Hemel Hempstead to join up.



Reginald Evans shortly after enlisting in the army



Sgt Reginald Evans, Pamela's father, was awarded the DCM (Distinguished Conduct Medal) which was the second highest medal and was instituted in 1854 during the Crimean War for gallantry and was in use until 1993. The family were all very proud of him but also so pleased to talk

The Gazette of 8th August 1914 described the scene:-

"*The first intimation which the Territorials had that matters were regarded seriously, was the order to strike camp at Ashridge and return to their homes to await further instructions. They did so*

She said he served in F Company of the 1st Hertfordshire Regiment and, after a stay in Bury St Edmunds, travelled to France in November 1914.

In October 1915, becoming Corporal Evans he was then awarded the DCM for a moonlight reconnaissance. Reg wrote later that they needed :

"*a volunteer to go out that night and report what damage had been done to the enemy's wire and front trenches by the intensive bombardment.*

The artillery would receive orders to cease fire for an hour whilst the reconnaissance was carried out but, so as not to raise suspicions at the lull, machine guns would carry on covering fire over the German lines.

Whoever took the job on would have to go alone. It would probably mean death but would certainly mean glory."

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continued .... Sergeant Reginald Evans DCM

Reg went out on his mission and returned safely despite the artillery starting a fresh bombardment:-

"*The state I was in when finally I did reach our trenches can be imagined. Challenged by a sentry, I was almost too exhausted to reply. Plastered with mud and clothing literally in shreds, I was almost unrecognisable even by men of my own Company. After making my report I found an old dug-out where I was only too glad to turn in and sleep. I had been out over an hour longer than was intended and been given up for lost, hence the recommencement of the bombardment, which so nearly caused my death. A personal letter from the General commanding the brigade was handed to me next morning, thanking me for the reconnaissance made and the report sent in and when after a few days, news came through that I had been awarded the D.C.M. I felt that I should need the attraction of a whole barrow-load of decorations before undertaking another expedition of the same kind.*"

The following year, in February 1916, Reg was badly wounded in the face and contracted Scarlet Fever and was held in isolation until he could be shipped back to the UK during May. He was then taken to the Cambridge Hospital, Aldershot where he underwent pioneering plastic surgery performed by Captain (later Sir) Harold Gillies at Britain's first plastic surgery unit. Here Captain Gillies performed 11,000 operations on over 5,000 patients.

Pictures of Reg and his facial reconstruction were incorporated into a book "Plastic Surgery of the Face" by Sir Harold Gillies which has become a reference manual for plastic surgery techniques ever since.

In September 1916 Reg was now a sergeant, and making a remarkable recovery and returned to a hero's welcome in Hemel Hempstead and received a present of a gold watch from his employers.

Pamela said whilst he was recovering from his wounds he joined the Royal Sussex Regiment before transferring for a period into the Flying Corp at Uxbridge and then learning of a volunteer force being raised, he joined the British Expeditionary Force's campaign in Russia against Lenin's Bolsheviks of 1918-1919.

Her father was shipped out with the other troops en-route to Murmansk during October and he wrote that the conditions on the boat were horrendous because of the cold. After arrival they found no arrangements had been made to receive them and the troops marched out of the town before they reached a monastery where they set up camp and did not return from their mission to the UK until the latter part of 1919.

After the war, Reg found it difficult to resume his civilian life back in Hemel Hempstead and went to live in Armitage, Staffordshire, from where his mother originated. He married Eva Walker in 1924 and they had four children - Bill, Mary, Pamela and another son who died as an infant.

He ran newsagents in Armitage and also served as parish clerk, Secretary of The Royal British Legion and was in the Home Guard during the Second World War. He died in 1943 and is buried in Armitage Churchyard.

When speaking with Pamela she told me that she has always been proud of her father's exploits and she was encouraged by her family to write to the BBC who were preparing a special edition of Antiques Roadshow for Remembrance Day.

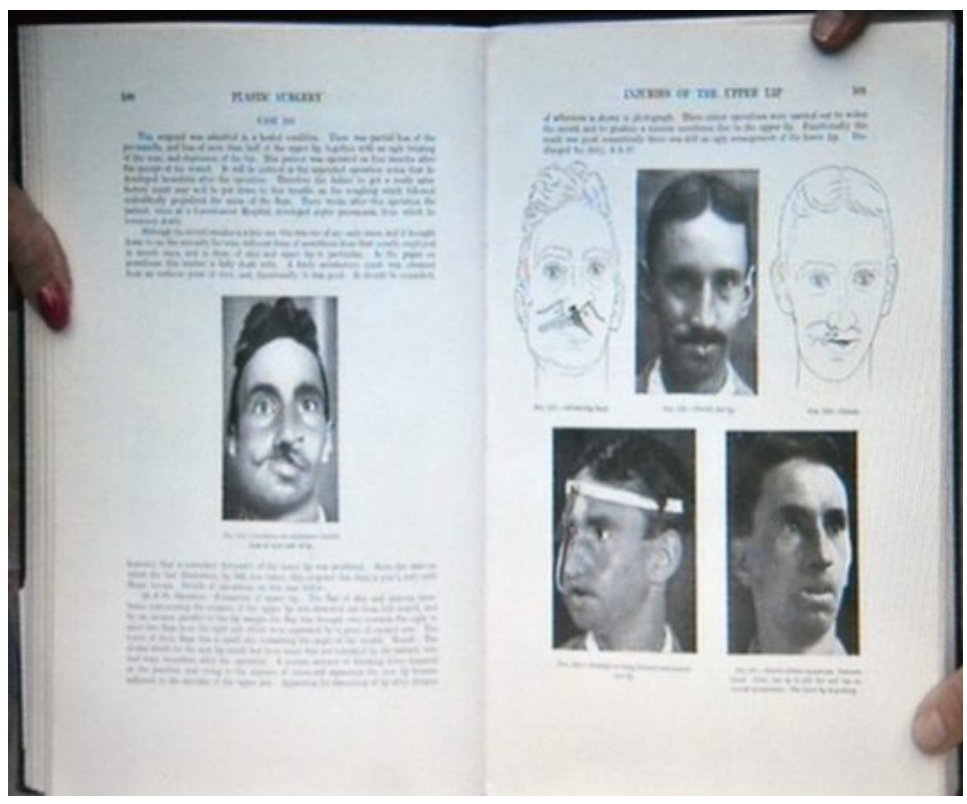
Having sent a profile of her father's life, she was delighted to be invited to go to the National Memorial Arboretum which is managed by the Royal British Legion and took part in this BBC programme and told the story of her father at the beginning of the programme. As Pamela said her dad was a very special man and is buried in Armitage only a few miles away from where this programme was made, at the National Memorial Arboretum, Alrewas near Lichfield.

Life is like a wheel and goes in circles and I was very touched and glad to be able to remember Pamela and her memories of her father Sergeant Reginald Evans – DCM and with the permission of the family share these memories again to hopefully a larger readership.









“Every Nook and Cranny of North Cyprus” by Ediz Tuncel

By Ahmet Abdulaziz ....

An exhibition of one hundred artworks of renowned local artist, Ediz Tuncel were put on display, at the Exhibition Hall of Near East College. The exhibition carries out different aspects of photography with oil and watercolour paint effects.

The exhibition reflects the natural, cultural and historical values of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus and of the Turkish Cypriot community and is entitled "Every nook and cranny of North Cyprus".

According to the press release of Near East University, the exhibition was inaugurated by by Erkut Şahalı, the Minister of Agriculture and Natural Resources. The opening ceremony was attended by Dr. Suat Günsel, the Founding Rector of Near East University, Associate Professor İrfan Günsel, the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Near East University, vice rectors, deans, faculty members, guest artists from Ukraine and guests.

Underlining that they prepared an exhibition aimed at combining two close branches of visual arts, painting and photography, the photography artist Assistant Professor Ediz Tuncel stated that “Every Nook and Cranny of North Cyprus Photo-Painting Exhibition” consisted of photographs selected from his photo archive.

“100 photos reflecting the natural, cultural and historical values of North Cyprus and Turkish Cypriot people from Karpasia to Yesilirmak (Limnitis) were selected from my photo archive, which consisted of photos taken within 20 years.

Having been re-pictured with oil and watercolor paint effects, 100 photo-paintings, which are perceived as photos when looked at from a distance and as paintings when looked at closely, will be displayed at the exhibition for art lovers” he added.





Students visit elderly with a “Make Happy Be Happy” slogan





By Ahmet Abdulaziz ....

The students of Near East University English Preparatory School, visited the Lapta Nursing home, with their teachers, in line with the motto ”Make Happy Be Happy”.

On this occasion the teachers of the school explained to the students that it is not only the duty of the state to protect the elderly and consider them as if they are our own family, but it is a social responsibility task of everyone to undertake responsibility in this regard.

While the students and teachers made donations on behalf of the School they stated that they took into consideration the needs list of the Lapta Nursing Home and their assistance was made in this direction.

The students had emotional moments by kissing the hands of the elderly and giving them flowers and the letters they had written.

The English Preparatory School teachers and students who expressed their great pleasure in this visit stated that the elderly living in the Nursing Home had no other expectations except love, interest, understanding and remembering.

World Water Day Exhibition at European University of Lefke

By Ahmet Abdulaziz .....

In order to emphasise the importance of water in our lives and in the world, the European University of Lefke organised an exhibition in connection with the World Water Day on 22nd March 2019.

Giving information about the exhibition, Academician of Communication Sciences Faculty Assist. Prof. Dr. Derin Işıkören said that 22nd March World Water Day is celebrated worldwide with awareness raising and informative activities. Işıkören said that considering the fact that underground and surface water resources are rapidly polluting and decreasing, these events are very important in terms of explaining the problem to the younger generation. Işıkören also said that "Our University has been participating in this series of events for the last three years to raise awareness through visual communication".

Pointing out that many topics are better understood as a visual message because of the media environment in which the young generation grow, Işıkören said "For this reason, we offer a series of banners to the attention of the viewers, emphasizing the importance of water and drought as of 2019 World Water Day. The studies were carried out by 2nd and 3rd grade students in Visual Communication Design and Graphic Design. We congratulate them for their research and efforts".



TRNC Environmental Protection - Department Activities

The TRNC Environmental Protection Department, which carries out environmental cleaning every Thursday at different points of the country, in an attempt to raise awareness on environmental cleanliness.

The staff of the Department of Environmental Protection and the Office of the Museum of Antiquities and Museums have now organised a clean-up event in the Kyrenia Castle region to help to raise awareness of the environment.

The Environmental Protection Department of Güzelyurt branch organized a sapling planting with Kurtuluş Primary School students.

The Environmental Protection Department of Famagusta Branch, together with the students of Güvercinlik Primary School, have instilled environmental awareness to the children by performing both environmental awareness and bird watching activities.

Source: Ministry of Tourism and Environment







Martin Bell visits Cyprus again with Prestige Holidays tour group

By Margaret Sheard .....

I was delighted to be asked by Martin Bell if Chris and I would like to join him and Julia Berg with the Prestige Holidays tour group who were visiting Cyprus, north and south, to meet the group and attend his talk, as we did last year.

Many people of the older generation will remember Martin who was fondly nicknamed "The Man in the White Suit". Having spent his British national service in Cyprus, he went on to join the BBC and in the following 30 years he covered 11 conflicts and reported from 80 countries, being remembered for reports from countries such as Vietnam, the Middle East, Nigeria, Angola and Northern Ireland during the troubles there.

He was the BBC's Washington correspondent from 1978 to 1989. Martin received the OBE in 1992 and that same year he reported on the war in Bosnia. In the 1990's Martin decided to change direction and moved into politics which continued for the next few years.

In 2001 he was appointed UNICEF UK Ambassador for Humanitarian Emergencies, for children caught up in conflicts or natural disasters.

He has also found time to write several books along the way, one being The End of Empire which covered his national service years in Cyprus.

This year there were 26 people in the group who had travelled from the UK, accompanied by Martin Bell, to enjoy some of the interesting areas in both south and north Cyprus. Chris and I met up with Martin, Julia and the group at the Arkin Colony Hotel in Girne, where we enjoyed a nice buffet meal with them prior to the talk which was to be given by Martin, followed by a question-time period.

I mentioned during my introduction that I have written many accounts of the memories of ex-national servicemen who served time in Cyprus in the late 1950's, at which time Martin took the microphone and related the story of Fingers the Goat which is one of my favourites from the many reminiscences with which I have been involved. These memories are mainly under the heading Cyprus Remembered on the CyprusScene website.



There were many questions about life here in North Cyprus, including cost of living, weather, some politically based questions, and how I thought Brexit might affect the expatriates living in North Cyprus. I tried to answer the questions as best I could and hope my replies were acceptable to the group.

Among the group were 3 ex-military men who served in Cyprus and I assume they were amazed at the changes in both the south and north since they were here as young men.

It was a very nice evening and we would like to thank Martin and Julia for inviting us to join them and to be able to write about the event.







The group were heading back to the south the following morning with an early start.



Forthcoming Events

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11st Apr: *Little Prince (2018)*

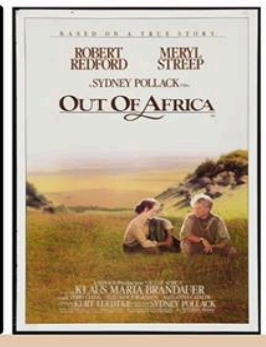
18th Apr: *Out Of Africa (1985)*

25th Apr: *Cabaret (1972)*





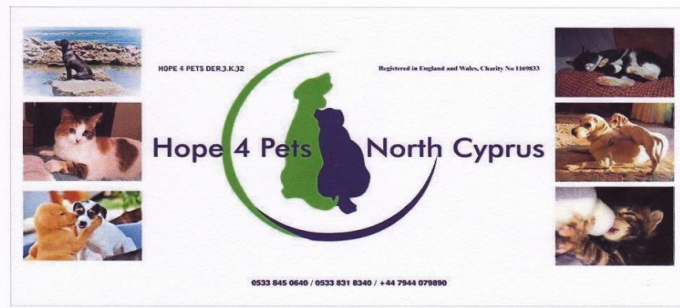




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Blakes's traditional British Fayre
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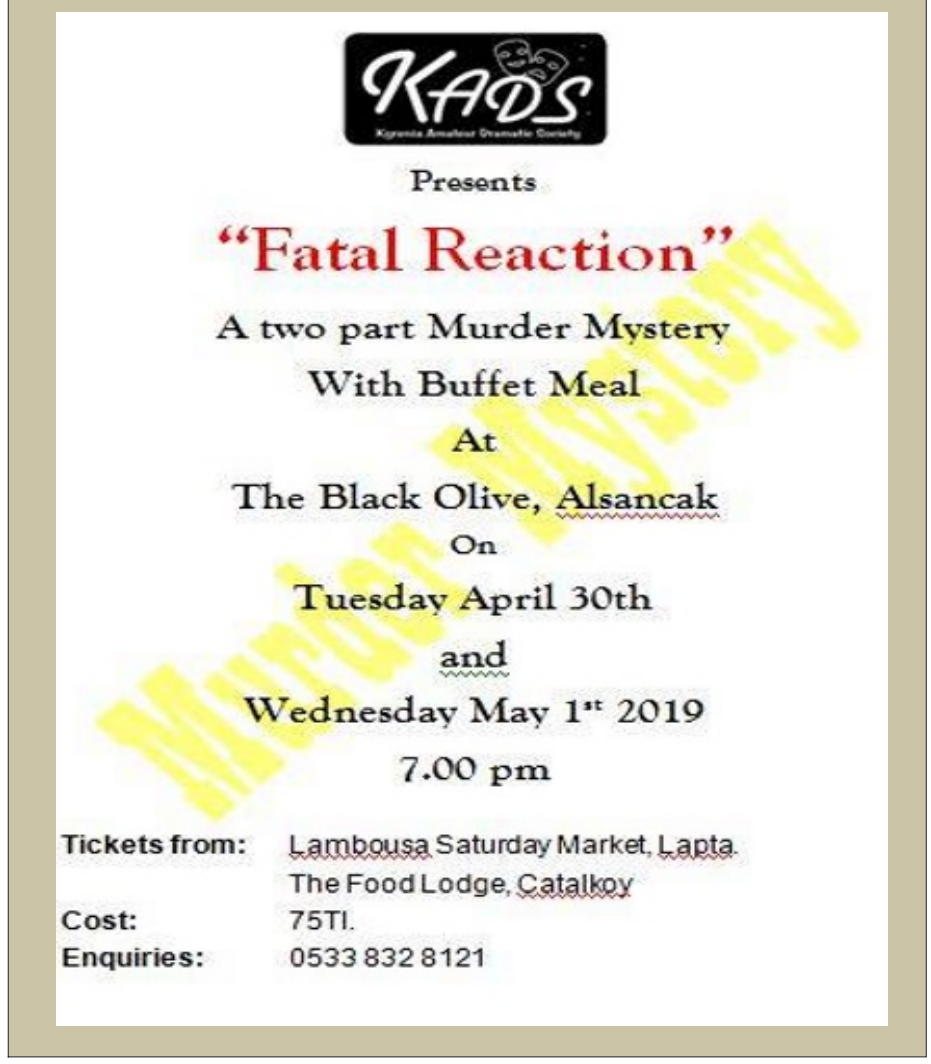
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Forthcoming Events









5th April to 11th April 2019

North Cyprus Events Calendar
6th April to 19th April 2019

A list of events you can look forward to in North Cyprus. For those charity fund-raisers, venues etc. who would like to include an event in the Weekly Events Calendar, contact Chris or Margaret at cyprusscene.com.

The Events Calendar is published on cyprusscene.com website every week on Thursday so please try to submit information you would like to be included by Wednesday each week.



6th April – Saturday - The Soulist Coffee and Music House, Alsancak will be presenting Ayda Baykurt Project (Latin) at 9.30pm. Entrance 35TL.

6th April – Saturday - Football :
Yonpaş Dumlupınar v Çanakkale (L1) at Dr Fazıl Küçük Stadı, Famagusta. Kick off 3.30pm.
Doğan Türk Birliği v Baf Ülkü Yurdu (SL) at 20 Temmuz Mete Adanir Stadium, Girne. Kick off 3.30pm.
Yenicamı v Mağusa Türk Güçü (SL) at Ataturk Stadium, Lefkosa. Kick off 3.30pm.
Dörtyol v Karaoğlanoğlu (BTM) at Şht Hüseyin Ruso Stadıum, Lefkosa. Kick off 12.30pm. (BTM promotion Play Off Final)'
Ozanköy v Mesarya (L1) at Mustafa Özkayım Stadı, Ozankoy. Kick off 3.30pm.

6th/7th April – Saturday and Sunday - Lefke Portakal Festival.

7th April – Sunday - Classical concert at Karaman Church at 7pm. Ayse Karaoglan (Violin) and Atakan Sari (Piano). Entrance by donation of 35TL. To book email karamanchurch@outlook.com

7th April – Sunday – Football :
Esentepe v Merit AlsancakYeşilova (SL) at Erdal Barut Stadıum, Esentepe. Kick off 3.30pm.
Maraş v Yeniboğaziçi (L1) at Maraş Stadı, Famagusta. Kick off 3.30pm.
Girne Halk Evi v Cihangir (SL) at 20 Temmuz Mete Adanir Stadium, Girne. Kick off 3.30-pm.
Karşıyaka v Akova Vurdu (L1) at Ergin Cemal Şahdur Stadı, Karsiyaka. Kick off 3.30pm.
Gönyeli v Türk Ocak (SL) at Ataturk Stadium, Lefkosa. Kick off 3.30pm.
Glençik Gücü v Küçük Kaymaklı (SL) at Şht Hüseyin Ruso Stadıum, Lefkosa. Kick off 3.30pm.

10th April – Wednesday - Friends of the TRNC Emergency Services (112) will be having their Afternoon Tea Talk at the Black Olive Cafe starting at 3pm. Lots of nice sandwiches, cakes, tea/coffee. The speaker will be exMP Stephen Day with his talk "What Brexit might have been". To book call 0533 840 7834.

10th April – Wednesday - The Soulist Coffee and Music House, Alsancak will be presenting Alper Cengiz & Friends (Blues, Rock and Soul) at 9.30pm. Entrance 25TL.

10th April – Wednesday – Football :
Yonpaş Dumlupınar v Mağusa Türk Gücü (CUP) (Semi-final first leg) at Dr Fazıl Küçük Stadıum, Famagusta. Kick off 3.30pm.
Yenicamı v Doğan Türk Birliği (CUP) (semi final first leg) at Ataturk Stadium, Lefkosa. Kick off 3.30pm.

11th April – Thursday - There will be a music and entertainment quiz at Red Ribbon Restaurant, Karakum in aid of Hope 4 Pets starting at 7pm. 60TL includes a buffet meal. To book call Mick on 0533 877 4537.

11th April – Thursday - Quiz of the Week with Susie, followed by Karaoke at the Balti House, Esentepe at 8pm. 5TL per person. 2-course quiz menu 40TL. To book call 0542 889 3034.

11th April – Thursday - Classic film event at The Food Lodge in Catalkoy in association with the DVD Shop, Catalkoy. Starting at 5pm you can enjoy Little Prince (2018). 15TL for the film, a soft drink and popcorn. There are also hot dogs and nachos available.. Reservations must be made - call 0533 839 8764

12th April – Friday - Bingo at Charlie's Bar, Esentepe at 8.30pm.

12th April – Friday - Black Olive Cafe, Alsancak will be holding a Tamla Motown and Soul night for Green Hill Cemetery starting at 7.30pm. Basket meals will be available. (Now fully booked).

12th April – Friday - The Soulist Coffee and Music House, Alsancak will be presenting Fireballs (Classic Rock) at 9.30pm. Entrance 35TL

14th April – Sunday - Turkcell Girne Half Marathon. Starts and finishes at Kordonboyu, Girne. 3km, 7km and 21km.

14th April – Sunday - The Soulist Coffee and Music House, Alsancak will be having their Breakfast with Jazz event with Lady M at 10.30am. Tickets 75TL pre-sold at the Soulist.

16th April – Tuesday - Supper Club event at the Kaya Palazzo Hotel, Karaoglanoglu with Totally Tina. Tickets will be £50 per person. The event will be in aid of the British Cemetery Committee. Tickets ordered are now available for collection at Best Seller Bookshops, Karakum and Alsancak.

16th April – Tuesday - The Soulist Coffee and Music House, Alsancak will be having a Celtic and Blues Rock Night for Roland's birthday starting at 8pm. Entrance 25TL.

16th April - Tuesday - Easter coffee morning at Bar 33, Ozankoy from 11am in aid of Hope 4 Pets. 15TL includes coffee and cake. Craft stalls, plant stall and Dawn's Gemstones.

17th April – Wednesday - The Soulist Coffee and Music House, Alsancak will be presenting Lady M Jazz Trio at 9.30pm. Entrance 25TL.

18th April – Thursday - Quiz of the Week with Susie, followed by Karaoke at the Balti House, Esentepe at 8pm. 5TL per person. 2-course quiz menu 40TL. To book call 0542 889 3034.

18th April – Thursday - Classic film event at The Food Lodge in Catalkoy in association with the DVD Shop, Catalkoy. Starting at 5pm you can enjoy Out of Africa (1985). 15TL for the film, a soft drink and popcorn. There are also hot dogs and nachos available.. Reservations must be made - call 0533 839 8764

19th April – Friday - Bingo at Charlie's Bar, Esentepe at 8.30pm.

19th April – Friday - Black Olive Cafe, Alsancak will be having Afternoon Tea and Market in the Garden from 12 noon.

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Answers on page 27 - No cheating!

TRNC Environmental Protection Department

Report for 25th to 31st March 2019

Among the audited locations, music was monitored at 223 locations, 23 plastic bag inspections were made, natural life audits 4, wastewater inspections 17, EIA inspections 5.

Air Quality, exhaust emission and industrial plant inspections were made in 85 places or persons.

Sound, solid waste, EIA, industrial chimneys, wastewater, air quality and plastic bag inspections were carried out - in Nicosia 92, Famagusta-Iskele 182, Kyrenia, 23, Güzelyurt-Lefke 68.

6 people/institutions were given a time notice, 1 person/institution was given a penalty.

You can help the teams intervene more quickly by informing the Alo 123 telephone line, which is responsible for pollution in the environment.

Source: Ministry or Tourism and Environment



NORTH CYPRUS CHEMIST ROTA

6th April – Saturday
Karpuzolu Eczanesi, Uğur Miroğlu Cad. Karakum. Tel: 816 1230
Pinar Keklik Eczanesi, Karaoğlanoğlu Cad, Alsancak (TechnoGold). Tel: 821 3077

7th April – Sunday
Bariş Eczanesi, Ibrahım Nıdal Cad, Lapta. Tel: 821 8410
Selvin Çağay Eczanesi, Ecevit Cad, Girne. Tel: 815 2025

8th April – Monday
Emin Eczanesi, Alsancak (opp. Mardo) Tel: 0533 870 1946
Nürçag Eczanesi, Şht Dursun Özsaraç Sokak Gırne. Tel: 815 1025

9th April - Tuesday
Arkan Adişanli Eczanesi, Hz Omer Cad. Dedekorkut Plaza, Karakum. Tel: 815 2062
Başak Eczanesi, Zıya Rizkı Cad, Girne. Tel: 815 3620

10th April – Wednesday
Dünya Eczanesi, Salıh Miroğlu Cad. Girne. Tel: 815 0009
Günay Variş Eczanesi, Uğur Mumcu Cad. Karakum. Tel: 815 2585

11th April – Thursday
Girne Eczanesi, Bedreddın Demirel Cad. Gırne. Tel: 815 1447
Kandil Eczanesi, Karaoğlanoğlu Cad (Chicken Planet/GAU) Tel: 822 3842

12th April – Friday
Arda Çelik Eczanesi, Zafer Cad, Ozankoy. Tel: 815 2069
Rizki Eczanesi, Nacı Talat Cad, Girne. Tel: 815 3496

13th April – Saturday
Eminağa Eczanesi, Ziya Rızkı Cad, Gırne. Tel: 815 2248
Zehra Kelebek Eczanesi, Mınreşal Fevzl Çakmuk Cad. Girne. Tel: 821 3888

Duty Chemists for the Girne - Alsancak - Lapta areas

Chemist Opening Hours
From 1st April 2019, on weekdays, Monday to Friday opening hours change to 8am to 7pm and Saturdays between 8am and 1.30pm until May 12, 2019. Duty chemists 8am to 2am.

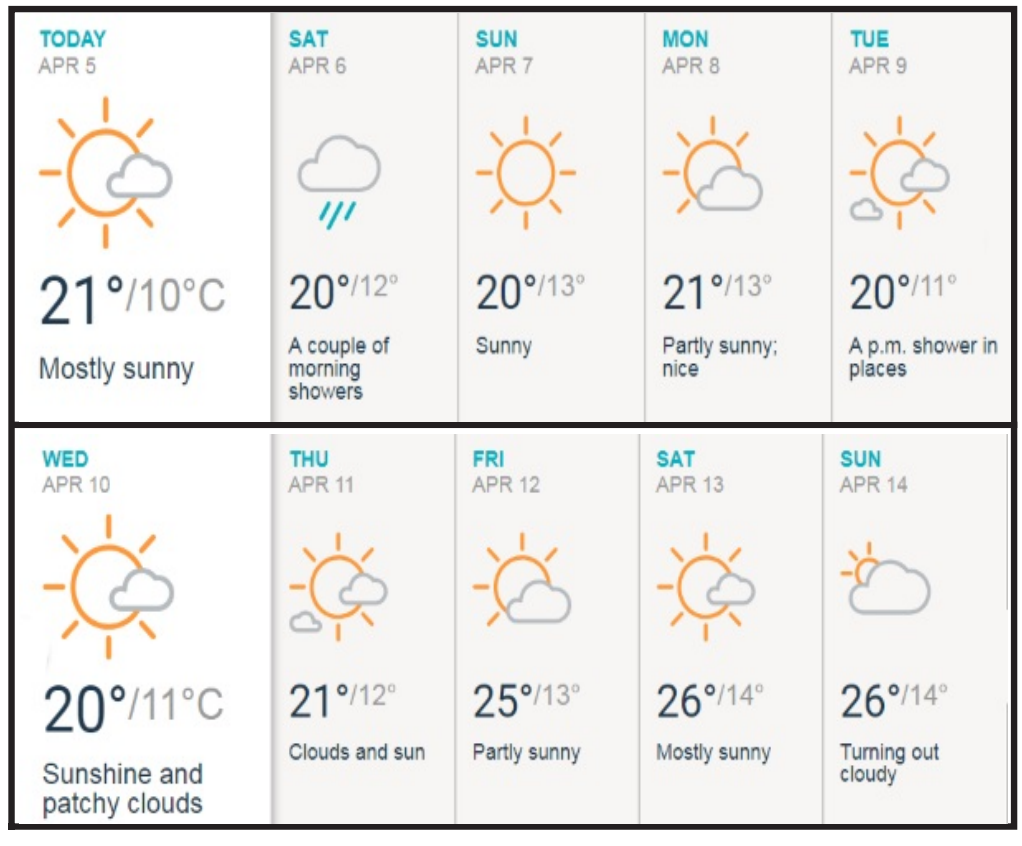
Emergency Telephone Numbers

mobile numbers are prefixed 0533 or 0542 or 0548
landline numbers are prefixed 0392

POLICE	
Emergencies	**155**
General	228 3411
Girne	815 2125
Lefkosa	228 3311
Gazi Mağusa	366 5310
Guzelyurt	714 2140
Lapta	821 8512
FIRE	
Emergencies	**199**
Forest Fire	**177**
Girne	815 2111
Lefkosa	227 1259
Gazi Mağusa	366 5389
Guzelyurt	714 2200
AMBULANCE	
Emergencies	**112**

HOSPITAL	
Girne	8152266/815 2254
Lefkoşa	228 5441;
Gazi Mağusa	3662876/3665328
Güzelyurt	714 2125
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Güzelyurt	714 2122
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Girne	815 2118
Gazi Mağusa	366 4483
Güzelyurt	714 3516

Kyrenia Weather (from 5th April 2019) 10-day Forecast



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How did you do?



KIBRIS CUP Semi Final draw made

By Richard Beale .....

On Monday April 1st the draw was held at the Kıbrıs Turkish Football Federation offices in Lefkoşa for the Semi Final of the Kıbrıs Cup.

The draw is :

Yonpaş Dumlupınar v Mağusa Türk Gücü
(First leg to be played at Dr Fazıl Küçük Stadium, Famagusta on Wednesday 10th April).

Yenicamı v Doğan Türk Birliği
(First leg to be played at Lefkoşa Atatürk Stadium on Wednesday April 10th).

The second legs will be on Wednesday April 24th.

The only League 1 side left in the competition, Dumlupınar, have drawn their great Famagusta rivals Mağusa Türk Güçü, which should provide two exciting "derby matches"



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Football Results and League Tables for Weekend March 30/31

By Richard Beale...

It's as you are between the top two, 1 point continues to separate the current champions and leaders Yenicamı and Mağusa Türk Gücü, and on Saturday these two clash in what must be the "Match of the Season" at Lefkoşa's Atatürk Stadium. This will attract a huge crowd and the atmosphere should be electric.

Elsewhere Esentepe continue to claw their way to safety winning 3-2 at Küçük Kaymaklı, there is now clear daylight between the two

automatic relegation placed clubs Gençler Birliği and Girne Halk Evi and the group above them.

With 6 matches left to play League leaders Göçmenköy continue to grow and strengthen their hold at the top winning at home 1-0 against Karşıyaka.

The race to grab the second automatic promotion spot is probably now a 4 horse race involving Düzkaya, Özankoy, Hamitköy and Akova Vuda which was the only side not to win at the weekend.



SUPER LEAGUE Week 24 RESULTS

Baf Ülkü Yurdu	Yenicamı	1-3
Çetinkaya	Gönyeli	4-2
Cihangir	Gençlik Gücü	1-2
Küçük Kaymaklı	Esentepe	2-3
Lefke	Doğan Türk Birliği	0-1
Mağusa Türk Gücü	Girne Halk Evi	4-0
Merit Alsancak Yeşilova	L. Gençler Birliği	3-0
Türk Ocak	Binatli	2-0

	K-Pet Super League	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PS
1	**YENİCAMI**	**24**	**19**	**3**	**2**	**74**	**26**	**48**	**60**
2	Mağusa Türk Gücü	24	19	2	3	67	24	43	59
3	Doğan Türk Birliği	24	16	0	8	47	29	18	48
4	Merit Alsancak Yeşilova	24	13	4	7	44	37	7	43
5	Çetinkaya	24	12	5	7	39	29	10	41
6	Lefke	24	11	4	9	40	34	6	37
7	Cihangir	24	11	4	9	44	43	1	37
8	Türk Ocak	24	10	4	10	40	34	6	34
9	Gönyeli	24	10	3	11	37	37	0	33
10	Gençlik Gücü	24	9	4	11	51	56	- 5	31
11	Baf Ülkü Yurdu	24	8	6	10	44	43	1	30
12	Küçük Kaymaklı	24	5	8	11	30	55	-25	23
13	Esentepe	24	7	1	16	27	48	-21	22
14	Binatlı	24	6	3	15	31	57	-26	21
15	L. Gençler Birliği	24	3	7	14	25	58	-33	16
16	Girne Halk Evi	24	3	2	19	28	57	-29	11

Week 24 K-Pet League 1 Results

Akova Vudu	Yonpaş Dumlupınar	1-1
Bostancı Bağcil	Mormenekşe	3-2
Çanakkale	Değirmenlik	0-3
Doğancı	Ozanköy	2-3
Düzkaya	Maraş	3-0
Göçmenköy	Karşıyaka	1-0
Mesarya	Yalova	4-1
Yeniboğaziçi	Hamıtköy	0-2

	K-Pet League 1	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1	**GÖÇMENKÖY**	**24**	**17**	**2**	**5**	**48**	**26**	**22**	**53**
2	Düzkaya	24	15	2	7	45	23	22	47
3	Ozanköy	24	13	7	4	44	31	13	46
4	Hamitköy	24	13	5	6	55	36	19	44
5	Akova Vurdu	24	11	9	4	56	27	29	42
6	Yalova	24	10	9	5	30	23	7	39
7	Mesarya	24	10	6	8	48	43	5	36
8	Bostancı Bağcil	24	10	3	11	40	37	3	33
9	Y. Dumlupınar	24	7	9	8	43	36	7	30
10	Karşıyaka	24	7	9	8	36	36	0	30
11	Doğancı	24	7	5	12	32	46	-14	26
12	Maraş	24	7	3	14	31	50	-19	24
13	Çanakkale	24	7	2	15	28	60	-32	23
14	Mormenekşe	24	6	4	14	35	50	-15	22
15	Yeniboğaziçi	24	6	4	14	25	42	-17	22
16	Değirmenlik	24	5	3	16	29	59	-30	18

Football Fixtures for 5/6/7 and 12/13/14 April

Richard Beale ....

As you may have only received your copy of CyprusScene E-newspaper on Saturday it may be too late for you to plan going to watch a local football match.

So every week we will publish the current weekend matches plus the following week to make it easier for you to plan ahead.

The only place to be on Saturday if you are into Local football (which is probably only me!) is in Lefkoşa. First match at the Hüseyin Ruso Stadium kick off 12-30pm is the BTM League Play Off Final between Dörtyol and Karaoğlanoğlu the winners being promoted into the K-Pet League 1.

After that match time for a quick kebab then off to the Giant Atatürk Stadium (kick off 3-30pm) to watch the "clash of the titans", current Champions and League leaders Yenicamı v second place Mağusa Türk Gücü. A solitary point separates the two teams, the result of this match will decide probably who will end up Champions.

SL= Super League. L1= League 1

BTM= BTM League 1.



Selected matches for weekend 5/6/ April

PLACE	DATE	L	MATCH
ESENTEPE			
Erdal Barut Stadıum	Sun Apr 7	SL	Esentepe v Merit Alsancak Yeşilova ko 3-30pm
FAMAGUSTA			
Dr Fazıl Küçük Stadı	Sat Apr 6	L1	Yonpaş Dumlupınar v Çanakkale ko 3-30pm
Maraş Stadı	Sun Apr 7	L1	Maraş v Yeniboğaziçi ko 3-30pm
GIRNE			
20 Temmuz Mete Adanir Stadium	Sat Apr 6	SL	Doğan Türk Birliği v Baf Ülkü Yurdu ko 3-30pm
	Sun Apr 7	SL	Girne Halk Evi v Cihangir ko 3-30pm
ISKELE			
Cumhuriyet Stadıum	Frı Apr 5	SL	Gençler Birliği v Çetinkaya ko 7-00pm (floodlight match)
KARŞIYAKA			
Ergin Cemal Şahdur Stadı	Sun Apr 7	L1	Karşıyaka v Akova Vurdu ko 3-30pm
LEFKOŞA			
Atatürk Stadıum	Sat Apr 6	SL	Yenicamı v Mağusa Türk Güçü ko 3-30pm
	Sun Apr 7	SL	Gönyeli v Türk Ocak ko 3-30pm
Şht Hüseyin Ruso Stadıum	Sat Apr 6	BTM	Dörtyol v Karaoğlanoğlu ko 12-30pm (BTM promotion Play Off Final)
Şht Hüseyin Ruso Stadıum	Sun Apr 7	SL	Glençik Gücü v Küçük Kaymaklı ko 3-30pm
OZANKÖY			
Mustafa Özkayım Stadı	Sat Apr 6	L1	Ozanköy v Mesarya ko 3-30pm

Selected matches for weekend 12/13/14

PLACE	DATE	L	MATCH
CATALKÖY			
Nihat Bağcier Stadı	Sun Apr 14	L1	Düzkaya v Yonpaş Dumlupınar ko 3-30pm (Stadium behind Tempo Supermarket)
FAMAGUSTA			
Dr Fazıl Küçük Stadıum	Wed Apr 10	CUP	Yonpaş Dumlupınar v Mağusa Türk Gücü (Semi-final first leg) ko 3-30pm
Gazimağusa Canbulat Stadıum	Sun Apr 14	SL	Mağusa Türk Gücü v Doğan Türk Birliği ko 3-30pm
Muharrem Döveç Stadı	Sun Apr 14	L1	Çanakkale v Karşıyaka ko 3-30pm
GIRNE			
20 Temmuz Mete Adanir Stadium	Frı Apr 12	SL	Türk Ocak v L. Gençler Birliği ko 7-00pm (floodlight match)
KARAOĞLANOĞLU			
Orhan Dural Stadı	Sat Apr 13	SL	Merit Alsancak Yeşilova v Gençlik gücü ko 3-30pm
LEFKOŞA			
Atatürk Stadium	Wed Apr 10	CUP	Yenicamı v Doğan Türk Birliği (semi final first leg) ko 3-30pm
Atatürk Stadıum	Sat Apr 13	SL	Çetinkaya v Esentepe ko 3-30pm
Şht Hüseyin Ruso Stadıum	Sat Apr 13	SL	Küçük Kaymaklı v Girne Halk Evi ko 3-30pm
Göçmenköy Stadı	Sun Apr 14	L1	Göçmenköy v Ozanköy ko 3-30pm

Final BTM League Results and Tables

By Richard Beale ...

Last week it was Görneç who were crowned Champions of the Red Group, this week in their final match of the season Lapta were crowned champions of the White Group.

At a packed Şehit Şevket Kadır Stadium Lapta easily overcame Yilmazköy 6-2 to return to the K-Pet League 1 at the first attempt after being relegated to the BTM League last summer. A hat trick from their prolific and experienced striker HÜSEYIN SARRO, and a brace of goals from SELÇUK SOYER and one from FAHRI ÜCÖZ saw them home.

Karaoğlanoğlu who had an outside chance of overtaking Lapta if they lost went down at home 1-4 to Tatlısu HOSK.

They must play Dörtyol on the 6th April in the BTM Play Off Final to decide who will accompany Görneç and Lapta into League 1 next season

Venue : Lefkoşa Şht Hüseyin Ruso Stadium : Saturday April 6th : kick off 12-30pm



Lapta celebrating! - Photo: Arena sporkoilk.com

FINAL BTM LEAGUE 1 FOOTBALL RESULTS.

RED GROUP

Gazıköy - Dörtyol	*0-3
(match given to Dörtyol as Gazıköy unable to raise a team)	
Geçitkale- Vadili	1-4
Mehmetçik-Dipkarpaz	P-P
Türkmenköy-Serdarlı	4-2

WHITE GROUP

Denizli- Ortaköy	1-0
Karaoğlanoğlu-Tatlısu HOSK	1-4
Lapta- Yilmazköy	6-2
Zümrütköy-Aydınköy	2-4

FINAL LEAGUE TABLE (Red Group)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
GÖRNEÇ CHAMPIONS	**16**	**12**	**3**	**1**	**50**	**14**	**39**
Dörtyol	16	11	4	1	44	11	37
Vadili	16	11	3	2	42	15	36
Türkmenköy	16	10	0	6	33	25	30
Geçitkale	16	5	3	8	25	28	18
Mehmetçik	15	4	2	9	27	38	14
Serdarlı	16	4	2	10	26	39	14
Dıpkarpaz	15	3	3	9	18	28	12
Gazıköy Relegated to League 2	16	1	0	15	11	76	- 1

LEAGUE TABLE (White Group)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
LAPTA (Champions)	**14**	**10**	**3**	**1**	**41**	**20**	**33**
Karaoğlanoğlu	14	9	1	4	32	17	28
Tatlisu HOSK	14	8	1	5	27	21	25
Denizli	14	7	3	4	25	17	24
Ortaköy	14	7	0	7	20	27	21
Yilmazköy	14	3	3	8	17	36	12
Zümrütköy	14	3	2	9	19	33	11
Aydınköy (relegated to BTM League 2)	14	2	1	11	22	38	7

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Esentepe cut Forest down to size

Result : Küçük Kaymakli TSK 2 Esentepe KKSK 3



Right photo -EFOSA surrounded by teammates after scoring Esentepe second goal.

By Richard Beale ...

Saturday March 30 2019: K-Pet Super League : Lefkoşa Şht Hüseyin Ruso Stadium.

A battling second half performance from Esentepe after being 2-1 down at half time, gave Esentepe 3 more invaluable points that enables "the great escape" to become more of a reality.

Esentepe have climbed to 14th position in the League table and more importantly are 5 points further away from the 2 automatic relegation places.

Since taking over at the beginning of the year Coach Hüseyin Çağer has overseen a remarkable transformation of Esentepe fortunes, they are playing with so much confidence and belief and that "never say die" team spirit is back again. The "great escape" via the relegation play-outs continues to grow, is that Steve McQueen on a motorbike coming over the hill I can see!

It was a horrendous journey on Saturday lunchtime through torrential rain and floods to reach central Lefkoşa. The big surprise when eventually arriving at our destination we found it was bone dry! Having our usual kebab before the match the cafe owner did say rain was coming and it sure did soon as the match kicked off at 2-30pm. My God did it rain, the heavens opened up and the match was played entirely in torrential rain, which miraculously stopped at the final whistle. The Şht Hüseyin Ruso pitch was in excellent condition and soaked up most of the downpour, it only started to become waterlogged in the final 20 minutes.

The surface however was very greasy and defenders found it difficult to turn and both goalkeepers found trying to catch the ball was like holding a bar of soap.

I applaud both sets of players in providing us with great entertainment in such inclement conditions, that had a feel of watching a game in the UK on a cold January winter's afternoon.

The K. Kaymaklı fans were in fine voice, creating a noisy atmosphere beating drums, waving flags and lighting flares. They had plenty to cheer about as their team dominated the opening exchanges.

MATCH NOTES :

10 mins : Those drums were banging ever louder when K. Kaymaklı (nicknamed Forest) took the lead following slack Esentepe marking. With defenders holding off, Berkem on the right spotted an unmarked MUHAMMED NALIK who had time to turn and spotting goalkeeper Onur slightly off his line sent a curled shot over a despairing goalkeeper**.1-0**

21 mins : Esentepe nearly equalised following a corner that was cleared out of the area to Şahin. The Esentepe Captain was meant to send the ball back into the area, but as he kicked the ball he slipped, instead of a cross it ended up as a shot that just cleared the Forest crossbar, with goalkeeper Efe looking on apprehensively.

25 mins : An Esentepe equaliser all down to teenager Sükrü's persistence in not giving up a lost cause. Chasing a Yakup pass on the right it looked like K. Kaymaklı defender Sena would shepherd the ball out of play. Sükrü had other ideas robbing the defender before squaring a pass to JUNIOR who did well under pressure to squeeze in a shot that was deflected into the net off the goalkeeper **1-1**

37 mins : It was that man MUHAMMED NALIK who restored the Forest lead direct from a free kick just outside the box. Again he beat Onur at his far post the ball dipping in the net between the angle of the crossbar and far post. **2-1.**

45 mins : Esentepe were denied a penalty when again Sükrü robbed defender Sena who thought the ball was going out, the Esentepe rising star cut into the box and was tripped by Sena, but referee Fehmı Dayı waved away Esentepe appeals for a penalty.

HALF TIME SCORE : 2-1

K. Kaymaklı were probably good value for their half time lead, the rain continued to hammer down and Esentepe suffered a hammer blow to themselves when Kaan who had sustained a shoulder injury in the first half, was unable to continue and was replaced by Ahmet in the 57th minute.

67 mins : Junior should have put through Sükrü, but delivered a poor ball to the teenager, who recovered and in turn gave Junior a chance, but the Cameroon striker's shot was deflected for a corner by the onrushing Efe.

69 mins : The goalkeeper rescued K. Kaymaklı again as he came quickly to smother Sükrü's effort at the near post. Esentepe were now dominating the match launching wave after wave of attacks and got their just rewards when they equalised in the 76th minute. Mahmut crossed from the right finding Junior who flicked the ball onto EFOSA who beat goalkeeper Efe with a right footed shot that looped into the net. **2-2.**

To make it worse for K. Kaymaklı their defender Taner must have said something to the referee and was given a second yellow card which resulted in him being sent off

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K. Kaymaklı drums had now fallen silent it was the Esentepe fans now who were making their presence felt urging their team on in the driving rain.

The K.Kaymaklı team looked a bedraggled lot now, it was all Esentepe and they scored the winner in the 82nd minute when Junior was involved again, crossing to the far post where Şahin and YAKUP were stationed, it looked like Şahin had prodded the ball home but YAKUP must have got a last touch to it as he was credited with the goal.

FULL TIME SCORE : 2-3