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Üstel met with Turkish Airlines Authorities

Minister of Tourism and Environment, Ünal Üstel, had various contacts in Istanbul, where he attended the 'Northern Cyprus Tourism Cooperation' meeting.

Having made important initiatives on transportation, which is one of the most important issues directly related to the country's tourism, Üstel had a very useful meeting with Turkish Airlines General Manager Bilal Ekşi, THY Technical Managers and Anadolu Jet officials.

Minister Üstel also made some suggestions and requests to Turkish Airlines officials during the meeting;

- Elimination of the airport taxes of approximately 260TL included in the ticket prices by the two countries.
- Ceiling price application to reduce ticket prices.
- Increasing the number of flights to existing destinations.
- Introducing new flights to the required destinations.
- Passengers from the UK to be able to travel to the TRNC without changing aircraft.

• Increasing the baggage allowance on promotional tickets sold by Turkish Airlines from 15 kilos to 20 kilos.

Üstel stressed that the abolition of taxes amounting to 260TL between Turkey and the TRNC will result in a reduction of ticket prices.

Expecting more flights to Istanbul, Ankara, Izmir, Gaziantep, Adana and Antalya, where there are regular flights by Anadolu Jet, Üstel asked for the introduction of new flights to different destinations.

THY officials evaluated positively the demands of Üstel, and said they will be starting flights to the city of Hatay on 8th August. Üstel added that it is essential to have economic prices to compete in every destination both for tourists coming to our country and for TRNC citizens to be able to travel.

Üstel also said "We have requested Turkish Airlines officials to re-launch the Trabzon market, which existed in past years. Since there is a shortage of aircraft this year, we have been promised that flights to Trabzon will be re-instituted in the near future.

Two of Anadolu Jet's aircraft now serve the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus, and the second aircraft will have regular flights from Ercan to different provinces of Turkey.

Particularly in relation to Turkish Airlines planes coming from the UK, we also requested that passengers should be able to travel to the TRNC as before. Turkish Airlines General Manager Bilal Ekşi instructed his team to do a technical study on the subject.

Ercan Airport is also a big plus for tourism. With the completion of the new airport and runway, we also received the promise that Turkish Airlines will send large-bodied aircraft to our country, thus carrying more passengers. Explaining that more tourists can come to the island at a

time with large-bodied planes and passengers can travel with more affordable ticket prices, the new airport to be opened is very important for tourism" Üstel said.

Üstel asked, in consultation with the TRNC, for a single entry tourist visa for TRNC foreign tourists from Turkey, indicating that it was impossible to travel through Turkey again after visiting the TRNC, where a visa was demanded again for tourists coming to Turkey. Many foreign tourists want to see northern Cyprus in the framework of package tours of four days in Turkey, 3 days in Cyprus, and collaborative work with Turkish Airlines has commenced, he said.

Turkish Airlines General Manager Bilal Ekşi, also accepted the proposal to increase the right to carry 15 kilos to 20 kilos, which is valid for promotional tickets purchased from Turkish Airlines, and gave orders to make the necessary arrangements.

Explaining that many students are studying in the country, Üstel announced that all enrolled students travelling with Anadolu Jet will earn 20% discount.

Minister Üstel said that the 2 hour meeting with Turkish Airlines was quite useful, and that they will meet again in the following days on the issues discussed.









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Message of congratulations from Akıncı to Johnson

President Mustafa Akıncı sent a message of congratulations to the new Prime Minister of the United Kingdom, Boris Johnson, and wished him success in his new term of office.

Furthermore, Akıncı said appreciated Johnson for his sincere contribution for a comprehensive solution to the Cyprus problem at the conferences held in Geneva and Crans Montana when he was Foreign Minister and expressed that they wish to continue cooperation for a solution in Cyprus during his new term of office as Prime Minister. Moreover, Akıncı wished improvement of relations among the British people and the Turkish Cypriot people during the Prime Ministry of Johnson.

According to the statement of the Presidency, President Akıncı congratulated Charles Michel who has been elected as the new President of the European Council, Ursula von der Leyen, the President of the European Commission and David Maria Sassoli, the President of the European Parliament. In his message, Akıncı stressed that the desire of the Turkish Cypriot people for a fair sustainable agreement continues.

Reminding that in the messages sent to the newly elected Presidents of the European Institutions, it was stressed that although the Turkish Cypriot people voted "yes" at the Annan plan referendum held in 2004 and 15 years have passed since the referendum, the

status quo and the deadlock are continuing, President Akıncı pointed out that commitment of the Turkish Cypriot people for a fair and mutual acceptable agreement continues.

Akıncı also mentioned the issues of development of relations between the European institutions and the Turkish Cypriot side and representation at the European Parliament.



Cyprus dreams and policies of Greek politicians will not change



Prime Minister Ersin Tatar stated that strategic demand of Greek foreign it was proved once more that the dreams and wrong policies of Greek politicians regarding Cyprus will not change.

Prime Minister Kyriakos Mytsotakis following his first official visit to South Cyprus. Tatar said that Mytsotakis ignored the historical facts when he demanded the end of the its guarantor rights" Tatar said. Turkish invasion as the highest

policy.

"Kyriakos Mytsotakis tries to deny the fact that Turkey came to Cyprus upon a call from the Turkish Cypriot people Tatar evaluated the statement of Greek as a result of the bloody coup organized by Greece with the aim of turning Cyprus into an Hellenic island and for the safety of life and property of the Turkish Cypriot people, using Tatar added that Mytsotakis should not forget that his father, the former Greek Prime Minister Konstantin Mytsotakis, who escaped from the junta regime, could only return to Greece after the fall of the Junta regime as a result of Turkey's intervention in Cyprus.

Furthermore, referring to the claim of the Greek Prime Minister that the solution of the Cyprus problem was meaningless without the lifting of the outdated guarantees, Tatar "Contrary to Mytsotakis, the majority of the Turkish Cypriot people consider that the active and effective guarantee of Turkey is our only guarantee. We do not trust any other system. Therefore, the desire of Greece to take Turkey out of Cyprus is not only evilminded but also does not coincide with the expectations of the Turkish Cypriot people".

Tatar further stressed "Greece and the Greek Cypriot side who tried to threaten Turkey for its drilling activities in the Eastern Mediterranean and hint at using force if necessary and call on EU to help should know that they cannot prevent the TRNC and Turkey from protecting their rights in the Eastern Mediterranean".

Lokmacı Border Crossing weather protection

Environment, visited the border crossing of Lefkoşa Lokmacı. Every day an average of 3,000 people cross the border at Lokmaci, and are under the sun in the summer, and in winter in the rain. Ustel said we intend to provide weather protection to the people entering the country.

Minister of Tourism and Environment Üstel during the investigations said that for the people entering and leaving the country, considering the problems they face at the Lokmaci border, he will introduce permanent measures for the summer and winter months.

Ünal Üstel, Minister of Tourism and A modern wooden canopy will be erected to provide convenience for the people who are waiting during the entry and exit operations and the work will begin within one week and hopefully will be completed before the Bayram holiday.

> Explaining that they will look into the lack of personnel, which is one of the reasons of the intensity at the border gates, Ustel said that the Council of Ministers has taken a decision on this issue and the problem will be resolved as soon as possible.





Pretext for non cooperation with Turkish Cypriots no longer valid

In a written statement, TRNC Deputy Prime Ministry and Ministry of Foreign Affairs indicated that they salute the pertinent message given in the report of the United Nations Secretary-General, approved by the UN Security Council, which calls on the two sides, local and international actors to cooperate, in effect a call towards changing the status quo. The statement is as follows:

"The UN Security Council Resolution 2483, dated 10 July 2019, which has approved the periodic report of the UN Secretary General on the operation of United Nations Force in Cyprus (UNFICYP), was passed on 25 July 2019. We would like to share with the public the considerations of our Ministry as regards some of the main points in the report and the Resolution.

We salute the pertinent message given in the report of the United Nations Secretary-General, and approved by the UN Security Council, which calls on the two sides, local and international actors to cooperate, without clinging to surmountable obstacles. This is, in effect, a message towards changing the unacceptable status quo. This call demonstrates that for a negotiated settlement in Cyprus, the two sides on the island and the international actors need to be in direct communication and cooperation before and without awaiting negotiated settlement. Hence, the pretext for the archaic propaganda

carried out by the Greek Cypriot leadership against direct communication and cooperation for years have been discarded. The main reason for the failure of the negotiation processes for 51 years is this lack of direct communication and cooperation between the sides. At this juncture, it has become the UN's expectation for the international actors to cooperate with the Turkish Cypriot side in line with this call, thus encouraging the Greek Cypriot side towards this end as well. No doubt, only through direct cooperation and communication, the two sides in Cyprus will overcome the lack of confidence between them and create interdependencies amongst them. We would like to once again stress that as the Turkish Cypriot side we are ready communication direct cooperation.

We will continue to develop the mechanisms

As was the case previously, the report

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Minister Akar stated in his speech at the reception that Turkey is decisive state in Cyprus and will contain the containing that the containing that the containing that the cyprus and will contain the containing that the cyprus and will contain the cyprus and cyprus

and the resolution refers to the cooperation mechanisms and calls for the establishment and development of mechanisms which will help address island-wide matters. In this connection, the call by the UN Secretary-General as regards the cooperation mechanism, has made it possible to achieve, with the initiative of our Ministry and the facilitation of the UN a cooperation on a very important matter, namely that of handing over of suspects and criminals between the two sides. We will continue to contribute in a determined manner to the process of development of cooperation mechanisms which commenced upon the call of the UN Secretary-General.

The only means to eliminate tensions is diplomacy and cooperation

Tension caused by the Greek Cypriot side's provocative unilateral activities as regards the hydrocarbon resources around the island, in total disregard of the rights and the will of the Turkish Cypriots, is threatening peace and

stability in the island and the region. The terminology used in this regard in the report and the resolution is insufficient. The Turkish Cypriot side put forth three proposals which entailed cooperation in 2011, 2012 and most recently in July 2019 and all of them were rejected by the Greek Cypriot side. It is our expectation from the UN and all the relevant parties, without any further delay, to pronounce to the Greek Cypriot leadership that the only means to eliminate the tension as regards the hydrocarbon resources is diplomacy and cooperation.

A negotiation process is doomed to fail without a common vision

Unfortunately, the references in the resolution as regards the Cyprus problem can neither trigger a negotiated settlement on the island, nor are they result oriented or concrete. The processes carried out for the past 51 years, which have all failed time after time, have shown that without agreement between the two sides on a common vision, entering into negotiations will be a waste of time and will lead nowhere.

We would like to share with our public that we do have serious objections to some of the points in the report and the resolution, which we are bringing in detail to the attention of the UN Secretary-General, and the UN Security Council, as well as all the other relevant parties."

Akar: "Trying to ease guarantor status of Turkey is a vain hope"

Turkish National Defence Minister Hulusi Akar attended the reception in Ankara which was organised to celebrate the 1st August "Communal Resistance Day" which marks the 448th Anniversary of the conquest of Cyprus by the Ottomans, the 61st Anniversary of the Turkish Resistance Organization (TMT), and the 43rd Anniversary of the establishment of the Cyprus Turkish Security Forces Command.

Minister Akar stated in his speech at the reception that Turkey is decisive on defending the rights and interests of Turkish Cypriots just as 45 years ago while carrying out the Peace Operation in Cyprus. Akar underlined that Turkey and Turkish Cypriots proved their will for peace and stability in every possible platform by their words and had made proposals in order to show their support for peace and stability.

Stating that Turkey is a guarantor state in Cyprus and will continue to use that right today as used in the past and it is meaningless to try to ease or divert the guarantor status of Turkey in Cyprus. Akar added 'Turkey has started drilling activities within its continental shelf and will continue those activities as planned which are being carried out in compliance with international law.'



Özersay: "Make the Greek Cypriots negotiate natural gas issue"

Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs Kudret Özersay made statements regarding natural gas and the UN Security Council's decision.

Stating that at this point the natural gas issue constitutes a situation which is a much more significant and urgent issue than persistent and deadlocked negotiations lasting for over 50 years, Özersay said, "If the international actors genuinely want to help with the natural gas issue then they should make the Greek Cypriot Administration negotiate the issue by using an initiative. If those who try to make the parties negotiate the federal solution insist on it, despite knowing that such a solution cannot be achieved, then this means that what they want is status quo not a solution." Özersay pointed out, "The issue is not only discussing the natural gas, what matters for us is developing a mechanism which will secure the Turkish Cypriots' rights regarding these resources. This can only be achieved by involving the Turkish Cypriots' political will in these processes. What we are looking for is not an unauthorized committee which will only discuss this matter".

Mentioning the UN Security Council's latest decision Özersay remarked:

"Unfortunately the UN Security Council is trying to distort what is written in the UN Secretary-General's report and does not show the courage to face the realities. In the Secretary-General's report, however, regarding this issue, it is clearly being stressed

that they can develop mechanisms which enable cooperation regardless of the relative sides' recognition or making the recognition issue a problem. They did everything they could in order not to pass this resolution at the Security Council. What happened? Has the reality changed when they did so? Has the fact that the Turkish Cypriots in the

north of the island also have a government change or did it disappear? Could they change the fact that they have to cooperate with us in order to accomplish? No. Then they should show some courage. Unless a fair solution is reached, it is impossible to achieve stability in this region.



If Greeks had used opportunities, Maraş would not be an issue

Özersay: "If Greeks had used the opportunities presented up to now, there would not have been the issue of the closed Maraş today"

Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs Kudret Özersay responded to statements made by the Greek Prime Minister Kyriakos Mytsotakis during his visit in South Cyprus. Özersay remarked "If Mytsotakis is looking for an invasion, he should look at the Greek invasion of the Republic of Cyprus". He further pointed out that the Greek Cypriot Administration and Greece, who persisted in missing every opportunity for a solution in Cyprus, do not have a say in the issue of the closed Maraş.

Ozersay regarded the Greek Prime Minister Mytsotakis' statement regarding Greece's primary foreign policy goal of terminating the socalled Turkish invasion of Cyprus as outdated and archaic. Recalling that the existence of Turkish soldiers is a result of Greece's coup d'état attempt in Cyprus, Özersay also said it should never be forgotten that the Turkish soldiers are in the island as a result of a military intervention aimed to terminate an invasion caused by the violation of the constitution and the treaty.

Indicating that the existence of the Turkish soldiers in Cyprus aims to terminate Greece's invasion of Cyprus Özersay said, "If Mytsotakis is looking for an invasion then he should look at the Greek invasion of what he mentions as "Republic of Cyprus".

Özersay further stated:

If the Greek Prime Minister is looking for an illegal act or an activity in the Eastern Mediterranean region, primarily

they should look at the Greek Cypriots' unilateral activities which violates the rights of the Turkish Cypriots, then they will see what the illegal activities are.

Özersay also made statements regarding the closed Maraş. Stating that if Greeks had used the opportunities presented up to now, there would not have been the issue of the closed Maraş today.

Özersay continued: "If they could have compromised regarding the closed Maraş, we would have set a nice example with respect to the future of Cyprus. Given that we could not achieve any of this, I am of the opinion that they do not have a say in the issue of the Closed Maraş. It is true that the Greek Cypriots, the former residents of Closed Maraş, stakeholders. Under these circumstances however neither the Greek Cypriot Administration nor Greece are our stakeholders or interlocutors in this respect.



Turkey reacts to new extension of UN Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus

In a written statement made by the Turkish Foreign Ministry, Turkey reacted to the UN Security Council resolution on the extension of the mandate of the UN Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus for another 6 months and stressed that it is an important failure to not seek the consent of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus. The statement is as follows:

"The last United Nations Security Council Resolution on the extension of the mandate of the UN Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus (UNFICYP) for a period of six months was adopted on 25 July 2019.

The statement made today by the Deputy Prime Ministry and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus is fully supported by Turkey.

The most important issue of the extension of the mandate UNFICYP with this Resolution is that the consent of the TRNC was not sought, in contrast to the UN's established practices.

In the Resolution, the fact that the wording regarding the settlement of the Cyprus issue was drafted in such a way to constrain all parties to discuss different alternatives for a negotiated settlement, contradicts the need for new ideas as called for by the Secretary-General in the past.

As stated on many occasions, the real cause of the Cyprus issue is the Greek Cypriot side's unwillingness to share the power and wealth with the Turkish Cypriots. Unless this mindset changes and that a common ground and a joint vision based on political equality is found, there will never be a real and result-oriented negotiation process between the two sides.

As the co-owner and political equal of the Island, the Turkish Cypriots will never accept a minority status.

On another point, it is also unfortunate and unfair to notice that the resolution does not make reference to the 13 July cooperation

proposal of TRNC, while it calls for a reduction of tensions in the Eastern Mediterranean. The TRNC authorities made constructive proposals to the Greek Cypriot side in 2011, 2012 and most recently on 13 July 2019. These proposals of the Turkish Cypriot side, all supported by Turkey, prove that it is the Turkish side which is making determined efforts, whilst these efforts are not reciprocated by the Greek Cypriot side.

The issue of the unjust isolation imposed on the Turkish Cypriot people by the Greek Cypriot

Administration can no longer be overlooked, nor can its absence from the present resolution be accepted. The imposition of this isolation is also most important element exacerbating the deep crisis of confidence between the two peoples and the two sides, preventing cooperation on important areas on the Island.

With this understanding, guarantor country, Turkey continue to support the Turkish Cypriot people in every field and protect their rights and interests in the Eastern Mediterranean."



Initiatives in Eastern Mediterranean against Turkey unlawful

Turkish President and Leader of the Justice and Development Party (AKP) Recep Tayyip Erdoğan stated that the initiatives against the rights Turkey in the Eastern Mediterranean creates doubt about the European point of view towards Turkey.

Making an evaluation regarding the

latest development in the Eastern Mediterranean at the provincial headquarters meetings of his party President Erdoğan said 'we have two drilling ships in the region and there are some who are uncomfortable because of our drilling ships, Why?'.

Erdoğan continued his words by underlining that they are determined to take the necessary steps in line with international law in the Eastern Mediterranean, he also reminded that Turkey is not an ordinary nation with regard to Cyprus, and that they are in fact a guarantor country with Greece and the United Kingdom.

Erdoğan also pointed out that the EU in fact is an observer, however, it never carried out its mission, reminding that the EU was the observer in the Burgenstock Talks.

Furthermore the Turkish President said 'While 65% of Turkish Cypriots voted in favour of the Annan Plan and 75% of Greek Cypriots rejected the plan which was the result of Burgenstock, the north was excluded

from the EU while the Greek Cypriots were made full members.

Unfortunately the EU failed to honour its promises to the Turkish Cypriots following the referendum such as financial aid. This is their character. They never keep their promises.

Lastly the Turkish President stated that nowadays there is a similar unjust attitude against Turkey's F-35 issue and said that if steps are introduced against that issue, Turkey is not a clan state, it is an independent country.

The Turkish Republic has a 2 thousand year old history.



Minister Üstel visited Gürdağ Integrated Waste Recycling Plant

Ünal Üstel, Minister of Tourism and Environment, visited the Gürdağ Integrated Waste Recycling Facility which will be added to the TRNC resources.

The facility will be recycling from the appropriate wastes by an advanced shredding method, and solid, liquid and gaseous fuel will be obtained from the wastes. The project includes two separate pyrolysis plants for solid and liquid wastes, a hazardous waste incinerator for medical and hazardous wastes, and facilities for the treatment of construction and excavation waste.

Within the scope of the project, tyre treatment, oil derivative and contaminated wastes, vegetable and mineral waste oils, infectious wastes from medical wastes, waste drugs, waste agricultural drugs and construction-excavation wastes will be processed in the facility.

On behalf of the TRNC it will be quite a large integrated recycling and recovery of waste from the recycling plant.

Unal Üstel, Minister of Tourism and Environment, requested the necessary technical support in order to achieve the facility as soon as possible during the inspections he made with the officials of the Environmental Protection Department.

In his statement during the visit, he emphasized that there was no facility in the country where hazardous wastes could be disposed of, so it was important to introduce this facility.

The Minister said that expired drugs, agricultural pesticides and similar hazardous wastes have been stored safely in the past years, and that hazardous wastes can now be processed directly in the facility without storage.

Explaining that Gürdağ Integrated Waste Recycling facility can be monitored by the Environmental Protection Department via an online system, Üstel stressed that the waste management will be monitored and controlled by the personnel of the department and also the gas emissions that will be released from the facility can be monitored through the online system for 24 hours.

In addition to hazardous wastes, construction and excavation wastes are not being dealt with in our country at the moment and Üstel said that these wastes will be evaluated with this facility.

Reminding that the oil which flowed

into the sea in a ship accident in Kalecik some years ago was stored in barrels, Üstel said, "We now have a very modern facility that can evaluate all these wastes".

Project staff of the Environmental Protection Agency stated that the technical team from Turkey had made a positive contribution to the project during their visit to the Gürdağ company.

Ustel added that the facility will be introduced to the press in the near future and the plant will go into operation in August.









Minister of Tourism and Environment met Indian tour operators.



Within the framework of the studies initiated by the Ministry of Tourism and Environment, Ünal Üstel met with Indian tour operators in order to increase the number of tourists coming to the TRNC and improve the country's tourism.

The target is to set up Indian wedding organizations in the TRNC, which has become an important tourism feature in the world.

Minister Üstel met with Indian tour operators at a lunch to meet Indian wedding organizations, which have become an important tourism project in the TRNC.

During the meeting, the issue of arranging Indian weddings in the TRNC, which has become one of the most important tourism events in the world, was discussed and it was decided that a further meeting would be held.

In the coming days, Ministry officials will have a further meeting with the Indian tour operators. The meeting will focus on the action plan, particularly the steps to be taken to increase the number of tourists coming to the TRNC.



KAR - News Update

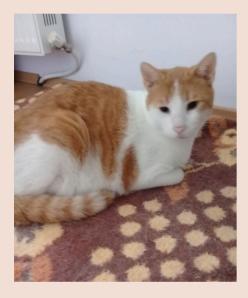


Our lovely staff members have now arrived safely in Bulgaria, and sent us this message. For the record, Dave and Rae we miss you.

Hiya. Just a quick note, as we now have internet. Thanks to KAR for all the help with moving our dog, and cat, from north Cyprus to Bulgaria. When we collected our export documentation, the procedure was explained to us and possible problems were also discussed and what to do, just in case.

When the time came we did what KAR had told us. As a result all went well and we had no problems at all. We had been ready for a couple of hiccups but none occurred. We just presented the documents, as KAR had instructed, and all went problem free. A big thank you to all at KAR.

Rae & Dave





Here is one of our new arrivals, this is Baris.

Little girl 6/8 weeks. Will be vaccinated and neutered by KAR when the time is right.

Can be seen at our Karakum Office/GladRags Shop 9am-4pm – Monday to Friday.



Massive thanks to **Sally and Graham Lewis** for purchasing a new centrifuge for the vets room. Your generosity is so gratefully received from all at KAR!



KAR are a fabulous charity, they were a huge support and help when we moved from Cyprus to Denmark. From reassuring a very nervous owner, to organising all the papers and documents for Bob (our cat).

I highly recommend KAR to anyone looking to relocate with an animal. We had no problems when we arrived in Denmark and were in fact praised for how organised our documents were by the security at the airport.

Thank you for your support in a smooth trip for Bob, who is very much settled in her new home.

Becks, Rob and Bob



THANK YOU

Post 30th July HOT OF THE PRESS!

9.30am-4pm Monday-Friday.

GladRags in Karakum have just had a HUGE donation of brand new women's summer clothes - Size 18 to 22. Autograph, Next, M&S, Wallis...... get down to GladRags in Karakum in the next few days and grab a BARGAIN!

Post 31st July

Everyone at KAR, everyone at the Centre would like to thank all of you who supported GladRags today. Revenue records were smashed over and over throughout the day. The final figure at the close of business was 1825TL! So, thank you to our donors, thank you to our volunteers and thank you for shopping with us.

Glad Rags Charity Shop in Karakum will be open ONLY from 9.30am to 1pm Monday to Friday during the month of August.



KAR - News Update



Food - Glorious Fez Food

Yesterday (1st August) over 50 people attended the first ever KAR Art Exhibition and Sale at The Fez in Catalkoy.

We would like to say a massive big THANK YOU to everyone at The Fez for their hospitality and help - in particular for the really amazing canapés that were provided by The Fez. They were, everyone agreed, simply delicious - in presentation and taste.

Thank you Chef Lorraine, the waiting staff and The Fez - you and the canapés were simply The Best.

Over 70 exhibits were on display - displayed beautifully in the Fez setting. All of the exhibits had been donated - and some of the artists were there on the day. The exhibits included original oils, local scenes, original batiks, prints, and so much more.

Thank you to Jacky and Ingrid for your help on the day and in the days beforehand. Thank you to Patsy and Edina for all of their hard work in organising the whole event - you WERE/ARE truly Ab Fab.

We needn't have worried - THEY got it right - it was a Fab event which raised a Fab amount of money.. 7,074TL in total.

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First concert for Girne Municipality Chamber Orchestra

The newly established Girne Municipality Chamber Orchestra gave its first concert at Girne Ramadan Cemil Square on 25th July, which was highly appreciated by the audience.

The orchestra was conducted by Cemre Seziner and music of the composers Tchaikovsky, Mozart, Purcell, Caccini, Jenkins, Bizet, Di Sarli and Faure was performed. Before the concert, a press conference was held on the establishment of Kyrenia Municipality Chamber Orchestra.

Girne Mayor Nidai Güngördü pointed out that they had made firsts and innovations in many different fields such as the International Olive Cartoons Competition, Vounos Stone Sculpture Symposium, and the City Museum and Art Gallery. He stated that the work on culture and art continues to develop.

Conservatory graduated artists applied to them with the idea of the establishment of a Chamber Orchestra and the orchestra was created by the decision of the Council, it has been rehearing for the last 3 months.

Girne Municipality General Art Director Derman Atik stated that important works have been achieved in the fields of culture and art in the last 5 years and pointed out that if the steps taken today had been taken years ago, Girne would be at a better point. Derman Atik stated that they had felt the great lack of a Chamber Orchestra in the Municipality for many years and thanked Cemre Seziner who had provided the formation of the Chamber Orchestra and the members of the orchestra.

Cemre Seziner, the conductor of Girne Municipality Chamber



Orchestra, stated that municipalities and artists exist to serve the public and that he believes that important work will be accomplished with this cooperation.

Cemre Seziner thanked the Mayor of Girne Nidai Güngördü, General Art Director Derman Atik and members of the city council who supported them on their way to the establishment of the orchestra.









Girne Municipality Summer Youth Workshops

Girne Municipality Summer Vacation Children and Youth Workshops, held in cooperation with Girne Youth Development Center (GİGEM) organised activities in which young people attended universities in the Girne area.

On the 29th July, a Multicultural Night was organised at Le Chateau Lambousa Hotel, hosted by Girne American University. A performance of a wedding and henna night was given under the supervision of Behiye Kaşifönder from the Consultancy Centre of Girne Municipality.

Summer The entertaining performance of Youth the young people was greatly appreciated by the audience. The young people who participated in the Dance Workshop of Girne American University as part of the organisation of events are spending their summer holidays with fun and in a useful way.









The ever supporting Mayor of

Nicosia, Mehmet Harmancı, who

never misses an event at EMAA's,

the Director of the Cultural

Department of the Ministry of Education and Culture, Sehbal

Hamzaoğulları, and the translator

of the book, Ceren Karanar, were

adding words of praise before the

exhibition of the illustrations that

are contained in the book, was

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SAPPHIRE – The Promised Time by Kemal B. Caymaz



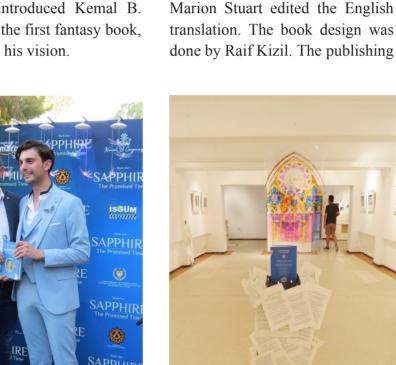
By Heidi Trautmann www.heiditrautmann.com

Review of book launch 22nd July at EMMA Nicosia Art Centre.

Blue, the colour of romanticism, blue the colour of endlessness and mystery.... the colour 'SAPPHIRE - The Promised Time', Book I in the English translation. I open the book, the front pages in glittering Blue. The printing on recycled paper. colourful Kemal's book illustrations on transparent drawing paper, the impression of irreality, transparency, other levels of existence of long ago but timelessly present. A fantasy book based on Cyprus legends of St. Hilarion.

The book launch of the English version of 'Book I' was an enchanting stage installation, the book taken apart and reestablished as volatile sculptures, pages caught in flight along with the crowds of fireflies, the fairies and djinns which are important protagonists, carrying the elements of the story. The castle walls as transparent hangings through which the room with the guests in it became its fantasy touch. Sort of finding oneself between the pages of the book that was going to be presented.

Gökçe Keceçi, the President of EMAA, - European Mediterranean Art Association - welcomed the guests in the garden of the Association reminding us of the importance of the arts, the importance of working together and the importance of promoting the arts and to make it available for all. She thanked all members who have selflessly been working for the cause over the years in order to enable the association to support artists and show their work. She introduced Kemal B. Caymaz and the first fantasy book, his work and his vision.



opened.







of the book was supported by the Cultural Department of the Ministry of Education and Culture.

The book is available at Amazon and also in all known bookstores around the island.

Below is a link of his Turkish book launch at the Bedesten some years ago....

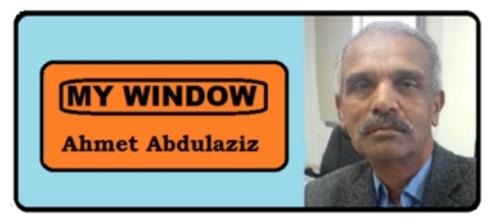






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Ongoing campaign against illegal workers in the TRNC



By Ahmet Abdulaziz.....

During the last couple of weeks, the local police have started a campaign against the illegal workers. Almost every day, we come across news with photos in the Turkish language newspapers, showing one or more illegal workers nabbed by the police. The ongoing campaign is a part of cleanup operation started off after some foreigners in the TRNC were found involved in some serious crimes.

So far I think the number of illegal workers has reached over a hundred. In a small country like TRNC, even a hundred is a big figure, but I believe that it's just a fraction of illegal workers in the country.

However, when I discuss the issue of illegal workers, it automatically covers those people also who are continuing in work without legal documents. I accept them as illegal workers because they do work somewhere to earn a living.

I personally appreciate the ongoing campaign of the police and hope that it would help in getting rid of, if not completely but a sizeable proportion, of illegal workers in the country. Most of these illegal workers are from third world countries.

We see that the pattern of low wage workers has changed a lot during the last ten or so years. The Turkish workers from mainland Turkey have slowly left the workplace to the workers from third world countries. The main reason for this is that the workers from third world countries

are cheaper as compared to Turkish workers.

(I accept that my knowledge of legal provisions regarding working is weak, so those who want to go through the relevant laws, can find that information on the Ministry of Labour and Social Security website. link shown at bottom of page)

However, when we look further into the issue of illegal workers, we can divide them into 2 classes. One type of worker is those who come to the TRNC as workers through a proper channel, after completing all documentary requirements. Most of them complete their tenure and get their work permit renewed. However, there are many, who leave their jobs without completing the legal period of their work permits. The employer, in that case, gets their work permits cancelled. Thus such workers become illegal workers if they do not find some other job for which they get a new work permit. It is usually difficult to go through this process successfully, as there are time limits for completing various procedures for this.

Once out of a job, workers usually fail to get all their necessary legal paperwork done during the prescribed period. In case of failure, they become an illegal worker. Once someone becomes an illegal worker, and as the time passes by, the chances of them becoming a legal worker becomes

For them, the most preferred way out is to go back to their home country, and then if they want to return back, they should complete all legal formalities once again. But very few opt for this option. The majority prefer to stay, find some job, keep on working as an illegal worker, and wait for a change in the employment rules and regulations. The practice of converting the illegal workers into a legal one, by paying fines, after every five or more years, has become a practice in the country. Thus all illegal workers usually pin all their hopes on this.

There is another form of illegal worker in the TRNC. They are the workers who come here to work, but get themselves registered as a student in a university in the TRNC. The introduction of evening classes in some universities has in prompted such workers, who work in daytime, and then attend their classes in the evening. Here I would not discuss how difficult it is to attend the classes and then do the assignments. and go through regular tests and examinations, after working (mostly as cheap labour) the whole day. But there are hundreds of such workers in the TRNC who are registered as students in some universities.

The prevailing law allows a registered student to work, but with certain limits and conditions. Unfortunately, most of these student workers do not work according to these frames of rules and regulations. A sizeable number of students from Asian and African countries usually fall in this category. Most of them do not have student work permits. So they too thus fall into the category of illegal workers.

The police are now pursuing all such illegal workers. They are catching them, locking them up, taking them to the court, and then sending them back to their home countries.

Up to this point, everything seems normal. The culprits (illegal workers) are going to be punished for their wrongdoings.

However, there is yet another very important aspect that has been

ignored. They say that it needs two hands to clap. So one hand is the illegal worker, and the other one is the employer who gives work to these illegal workers. Are they not guilty? Are they not equally at fault along with the illegal workers?

The employers usually take illegal workers, just because they (illegal workers) do not have bargaining power. They just want to earn something to survive. Thus an illegal worker is the cheapest form of labour in the country. This is not the case in TRNC only. Everywhere it is the same. The employer takes the cheapest labour, and the cheapest labour everywhere is the illegal workers.

So when the police are carrying out a campaign against the illegal workers, I believe that they must also take strict actions against those employers who give them work. They too should have been taken to court handcuffed, with their names and identities published in the press along with their photographs. This is what is done in the case of the illegal workers. Every day we see their photos in Turkish language newspapers. But so far I have not seen any photo showing any employer who had employed the illegal workers, handcuffed, walking with the police to the court.

Why is it so? Does anybody know and what can be done about it?



It wasn't the dinner but the Barry White music which was fantastic

By Ahmet Abdulaziz

Recently we were invited for a dinner at a local restaurant and it was the first time that we had been there.

It was a restaurant on the terrace of an hotel. The place was wonderfully decorated, and the scenery around was simply bewitching. A cool light wind added to a wonderful environment.

As usual we were passing through the period of a long wait to get our ordered food, when the background music started. I must congratulate the person who had selected those wonderful pieces of music that evening. All of a sudden the overall atmosphere of the place had changed, at least for me. The music was not loud, but I asked the waiter if it was possible to increase the volume a bit more.

Luckily there were not many customers there, so the waiter obliged. Though still it was not loud, but it had really tuned me in.

I must mention here that my way of enjoying music is very different from others. The maximum exponent of my enjoyment of music, are my fingers, which start playing the drums over my knees. I perform all rollings etc of the drums over my knees, while enjoying the music.

The dinner arrived, and we started eating. Yet I was too involved with the music. The waiter had understood the whole situation, so he replayed all the songs while we had dinner. So that dinner became one of my most enjoyed meals.

I think, rather continuing with this preamble, I must disclose that it was the songs sung by Barry White, which were being played in the background.

I had listened to some of popular songs of Barry White in the past, but after I returned following our dinner, I listened to some of his other songs



and went through Wikipedia information about him, which I would like to share here.

" Barry White, born in 1944 in California, earlier took the gang life at a younger age. But once he was caught and sent to jail, his life changed. Once out of jail, he entered the music field at an early age, after gaining understanding of playing piano. He started his career as a songwriter, and wrote some nice and popular songs.

His voice was just like other kids of his age, however his voice deepened suddenly when he was 14 years old. This voice was a rarity, and ultimately ruled the music world.

White continued his career as songwriter and producer of musical groups, till early 1970s, when he was advised to release his own songs. So he wrote some good songs and sang them. The result was "I'm gonna love you just a little more baby", his first solo album. The album instantly hit the charts and White was established as a popular singer.

This success of the first album led him to a series of albums, which were also well received by the music enthusiasts, world over. ""NeverNever Gonna Give you Up", released in 1973, "Can't get enough of your Love, Baby" in 1974, and many others followed his initial success.

However his most popular songs are "Let the music play" and "You are the First, the last, My everything".

Barry White had formed a 40 piece orchestra, which contributed to most of his popular songs and tunes. He continued producing music during the 1980s and 1990s.

He however naturally slowed down eventually, due to his health problems. He spent most part of his later years struggling against his weight problems, blood pressure and other illnesses. He died early at the age of 58.

During the course of his career in the music business, White achieved 106 gold albums worldwide, 41 of which also attained platinum status. White had 20 gold and 10 platinum singles, with worldwide record sales in excess of 100 million records, and is one of the best selling music artists of all times.

White was posthumously inducted into the Dance Music Hall of Fame in 2004. Later in 2013 he was awarded the 2,506th star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame."

See video on link below:



https://youtu.be/Fcd3XuQwDQQ



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Hope 4 Pets - News Update



Alternative Quiz with Gazza at Bar 33, Ozankoy, in aid of Hope 4 Pets

Readers Mail From Stephanie Harrison-Croft

It's the one we've all been waiting for! "GAZZA'S BIG FAT ALTERNATIVE QUIZ" In aid of Hope 4 Pets.

The event is being held at Bar 33 at The Old Mill, Ozankoy on Thursday 8th August. Food will be served from 7pm, and the quiz will start at 8pm with teams of up to 6 people.

Meals are 55TL with 10TL from each meal being donated to H4P.

Menu:

Moussaka served with salad

Spicy chicken wings served with chips and homemade coleslaw Cheeseburger served with chips and homemade coleslaw Toad in the hole served with mashed potatoes, veg and gravy Vegetable moussaka served with salad

PLEASE NOTE FOOD MUST BE PRE-ORDERED

To reserve your table and order your meal please call 0548 888 3371.

In addition to this our wonderful Donata is going to donate 2 homemade cakes which you can buy per slice for a donation of your choice.

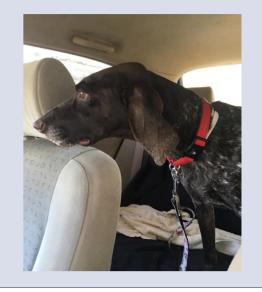
It's going to be a fun night so get dialling now!



Post by Emma Eminsoy 1st August

Update on Angus -

He has had his staples out and all is looking good after his surgery to remove his bladder stones.



Post by Elizabeth Stowell 1st August

Anyone remember Boney!

H4P were asked to post him by Paul Wright, who is currently looking after him. He has no microchip, he has been neutered, and has had all his inoculations, he is good with cats and other dogs.

We were asked to post to try and find Boney a home, we have not had a single enquiry.

If Boney cannot find a home in the TRNC there is now some funding in place for his travel to the UK/Europe, if you are interested in this lovely boy, please contact either Paul Wright on 0533 8681071 or Hope 4 Pets via messenger, Facebook or our website, where you will find our contact details.

Boney is a very affectionate young boy around 2 years old and when first found by Paul he was skin and bone, hence his name! Please give this boy a chance of a happy loving home. If you can't be his new family, please share - the more shares, the more chance someone will fall in love......





Hope 4 Pets North Cyprus

Donations for H4P can be made at the below

http://www.gofundme.com/f563ks

https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd =_s-xclick&hosted_button_id= 564ZWVYVXR7JC

http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/hope4petsnc/?t=Easyfundraising-li&v=a&u=1BPIOL

UK bank account. BACS using sort code: 20-11-81, acc no: 23445542 Hope 4 Pets North cyprus

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https://www.facebook.com/pages/Hope-4 -Pets-North-Cyprus/1539352692960384?fref= ts

http://www.123formbuilder.com/form -4356329/charity-membership-application



Hope 4 Pets - News Update



H4P post by Stephanie Harrison-Croft 1st August ...

This is a very important update and appeal about 5 Italian Greyhounds that were asked if we could help by Altyn Patiler Yeliz Osman Cin

The story goes that sadly their owner died and the whole family of 5 were relinquished to the Lefkosa Shelter by the deceased owners family.

Italian Greyhounds are a small, sensitive but a loving breed and a shelter is no place for them. They become frightened and insecure loving their home comforts and H4P immediately stepped in to try and help this family who are strongly bonded. We have amazingly found a home for all 5 in the UK with Sandy Mccluskey who is experienced with Italian greyhounds.

Today Yeliz and I took all 5, Jenny aka J Lo, Enzo, Popi, Archie and Bella to the vets to be checked out. All are Lieshmania negative, Enzo, Popi and Archie tested positive for Ehrlisha/Anaplasma and will start antibiotics. Hopefully in a months time when their bloods are re-done they will begin their rabies travel prep to go to the UK. They have been wormed and have flea, tick and sandfly protection.

Now here's the thing, because of the nature of this breed they will NOT fair well in a shelter and the signs are evident and we need foster for all 5 together. Yes a huge ask but they are small, calm and need you now!!

We also need your help to raise the estimated costs of 6K for the entire family of 5 to the UK. Any direct donations will quite clearly help. Possibly a fundraiser, car boot, sponsored bake off, walk, swim, sponsor J Lo, Enzo ,Popi, Archie or Bella, you choose, or absolutely anything at all to raise funds to give them the security and stability they need.

https://www.gofundme.com/f/italian-greyhounds-to-uk...





Post by Stephanie Harrison-Croft 29th July.

Major, in his lovely home with Adele Booth, who is another of our recent rescues in the UK, and is well and truly settled as you can see. Apparently he is a lazy begger these days! In the morning he won't get up until he hears the sound of his lead and he looks well and truly loved up to his Mum as you can see.

Post by Stephanie Harrison-Croft 29th July

Another lovely update. This time for Asil now Basil at his new home in Leeds.

Happy happy life Basil and thank you so much to Kathy Ashton, Helen Kingman and Philippa for helping us achieve such an uplifting result for this boy who most truly deserved a happy ending. Joanna Bartholomew



North Cyprus Trevor's Tips for August 2019



By Trevor Hughes

Vehicle Registration

The Ministry of Public Works and Transportation have launched a new application by the name of Registration Vehicle 'Kayıt Information System' which informs vehicle owners in advance about all transactions performed at Vehicle the Registration, Inspection and Licensing Branch Authority.

Vehicle Registration and Licensing Branch sent an SMS to vehicle owners asking them to submit their name, surname, e-mail address and license plate number.

Thanks to this free service, the information will be recorded and vehicle owners will be informed via SMS when the dates of various transactions are approaching (amendments/changes to the road traffic Laws, MOT dates and Road Tax which will allow you to tax the car online, when it's in operation).

The SMS message sent out caused suspicion among receivers who wondered whether it was a scam or not, so deleted the message without reply.

Would it not have been better to have announced it in the most popular expat read paper and the paper most read by the local people, one week before? Instead they chose to place an article in the papers the following Saturday, after it had gone out!!

Do reply to the SMS message, because by helping them, they will help you to avoid paying penalties incurred for late car-related payment/documentation.

Summer Heat

With the high temperatures we are experiencing at the moment, our car batteries are taking a severe pounding trying to cope with the normal wear and tear normal driving imposes on them, and trying to cope with the extra burden of supplying cool air through the air-conditioning system.

The shelf life of batteries here only last between 2 - 3 years so they will quickly become inoperable, letting you down when you least expect it.

Battery first aid helps to prevent failure. Put the battery on charge from time to time to keep the power level high is a good idea, and check the water levels in the radiator to stop the car overheating, it only takes a few minutes. In the last week alone I've been called out twice because of battery failure.

Does your insurance company cover you for vehicle retrieval in such circumstances? Capital



Insurance supplies this service as an integral part of their fully comprehensive policies and can be added to a third-party policy for very little money. Maybe you should check with your insurance provider as many will only provide breakdown in an accident situation and then only once. Capital Insurance are the only insurance provider to operate a home start service as well, making them the industry leaders.

House Fires

In order to try and justify the latest increase in electricity charges, the Government and Kib-tec encouraging people to use the lower midnight tariff to keep prices down. Well the other week I was called out to a house fire which had been caused by a kitchen dishwasher. The owners of said machine had loaded it, switched it on and retired to bed hoping the machine would have done its duty and washed the dishes by the time they got up the following morning. Well at 05.00 hrs the following morning the man of the house was woken up with the smell of smoke coming from the dishwasher area. Going downstairs he found the machine had caught fire. Luckily the fire was quickly brought under control and extinguished.

The thought of what may have happened is terrifying, or if the same process had been during the day time whilst out shopping is too frightening to think about!

Luckily they are insured by Capital Insurance who are processing the claim.

Should you follow this sort of practice and risk losing everything you own just to save a few minutes of time, I know we don't?



Mobile Phone Roaming Costs Across Cyprus

At last the making of calls across the divide for Turkish Cypriot subscribers is now up and running and will cost between 4tl and 4.12tl per minute for calls, depending on whether you use KKTCELL or Telsim Vodafone.

Receiving calls and SMS messaging will be a little cheaper. While incoming calls will cost between 2.5tl and 1.53tl, SMS messaging will cost 1.5tl and 0.50tl depending again on which service provider you use.

Users need to activate the roaming service before entering South Cyprus. GSM operators advise their customers to deactivate the service upon returning to the TRNC to avoid unnecessary charges.

Subscribers will need to send SMS messages to activate and deactivate the service.

To do this, subscribers can send an SMS saying AC to 7075. To deactivate the service, send an



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SMS saying KAPAT to 7075 Cross Border Telecommunication. These numbers are for Telsim Vodafone.

When switching this facility on please ensure you switch this serve off when coming back over the border to avoid accidentally roaming when close to the border.

There is a Vodafone/Telsim office close to Capital Bank in Alsancak who will give you all the help you may need before using this service. I have always found them to be highly professional and nothing is too much trouble. We switched to Vodafone a few months ago and glad we did because our other supplier was rude and very unfriendly when facing customers.

When broken down this crossborder phone facility will help them recover your vehicle even more quickly.

Bayram Holidays

In the month of August there are several Bayram holidays where Government/Local Government offices and Banks are closed;

- 1st August
- 11th August
- 12th August
- 13th August
- 14th August
- 30th August

Capital Insurance are working as normal during the festive days.

Temporary Residence

This article came to my attention this week. If true, it will underline what I have been saying for a long time.

If you are over 60 and do not have a North Cyprus Residency Permit,



you will now have to purchase one in three months time. According to the translation below you will have a year to obtain one. Many people, now over 60 and in theory free of the need to purchase a Residency Permit will remember the nightmare it used to be to try and get one. I wonder how much they will cost?

"The Residence Permit and Visa allows Regulation, which foreigners to enter the country, to reside in our country and leave our country, has been accepted. This regulation, which, on one hand, will contribute to us overcoming our problems regarding the subject of non-registration and on the other, will organize the visa types, durations, provisions cancellation conditions as well as residence permit types, durations, provisions and cancellation conditions. This regulation, which will begin operation in three months, will now hold foreigners over the age of 60 to a residence permit, whereas before, foreigners over the age of 60, could reside in our country with no permit requirements. These individuals will be granted a one-year long opportunity to register."

'Simplified Renewal Process for Over 60's Only. The simplified over 60 Residency renewal process allows for a 1- or 2-year renewal. There is no requirement to visit the immigration section at a local police station, nor are there any medical formalities. Instead you should report direct to the residency office at the immigration HQ in Lefkosa on a weekday morning, taking with you the documentation detailed below.

The residency office closes at 1pm (Jun 19) and you will need to take a ticket number from a machine by the office door to secure your place in the queue.

- A completed (but unsigned) residency application form.
- Original letter from your local Muhtar confirming your residency address with a 4.00TL (Jun 19) revenue stamp stuck to it.
- Your passport plus a copy of the photo page.
- Copy of passport residency page
- Your blue or pink residency registration card.
- A copy of your bank account statement to confirm your income (Internet print-out is acceptable).
- The appropriate fee:
- 17.50TL in revenue stamps (June 19). You can buy stamps in any post office or in the cafe on the same floor but the fee could be slightly more.

If you have moved house since your last renewal a copy of your new house contract, Kocan or rental agreement, with the new address, if appropriate, is also required.

Having handed in the various forms to the residency office, if all is in order you will be asked to take your passport and an invoice for the appropriate fee to the pay office (Vizne) down the corridor on the left to make the payment. Once there, hand over your passport and the invoice and on payment of the fee your passport will be returned with the residency stamp inserted. Return with your passport and fee receipt to the residency office for final documentation by the immigration officer and that is the end of the process. '

This information will need verifying to ascertain its accuracy and confirmation that this is indeed factual and true. I will be speaking to the people I know to confirm its accuracy.

Watch this space!

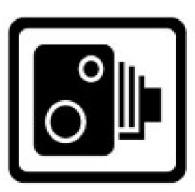
Speed Cameras

Those eagle-eyed people amongst us may have noticed that speed cameras are now adorned with an orange reflecting stripe on the back and front of them. Well, there are two explanations:

- 1. It is to make them more obvious, informing drivers that if you are exceeding the speed limit you will be fined accordingly, or
- 2. This information was given to me by an on-duty police officer at Camlibel police station," the camera has been calibrated and is found not to be working", can you believe this?

Regards Trevor Hughes





Cyprus Turkish Barbers Association visit Girne Mayor

The delegation of the Cyprus Turkish Barbers Association visited the Mayor of Girne, Nidai Güngördü, together with the President of the Union, Cemal İnönülü.

During the visit, opinions were exchanged on the problems of all barbers in general and in particular the problems of the barbers in Girne.

In a statement made by Girne Municipality, it was decided to set a meeting date to discuss the problems with the participation of other Mayors.

During the meeting it was agreed to pay attention to the sensitivity of hygiene issues in Girne, which is a tourist area.



Tulips Blister Sisters take advice on foot care

By Chris Elliott..

I well remember going with Margaret Sheard to the Tulips (Help Those with Cancer Association) offices in Lefkoşa to meet the Blister Sisters when they gave news of their special event for Pink October 2019.

So, all was revealed. These 4 ladies, who are staunch supporters of Tulips (Sue and Carole having supported the cause for some 9 years), are undertaking mammoth task of walking some 200 kilometers, the route being Girne to Gazimağusa to Lefkoşa then back to Girne. The "Trail of 3 Cities" will start at 10.30am on Wednesday 16th October at Cafe George in Girne, arriving in Gazimağusa on Friday October, then to Lefkoşa on Monday 21st October and back to Cafe George in Girne on Tuesday 22nd October.

I remember saying to Margaret at the time that their task is going to be so hard and more so on their feet and she said perhaps they should seek advice from Amanda Perry-Harding the chiropodist, podiatrist at Nulten Oral in Alsancak as she does wonders with my feet and this idea was shared



with the Blister Sisters.

So on Friday 26th July whilst Margaret was making our weekly e-newspaper I went along to meet the Blister Sisters and Amanda Perry-Harding in her treatment room where I sat fascinated as I listened intently to her talking indepth about foot care advice for distance walking.

This mainly concentrated on blisters - prevention and treatment as this will include and cover most other relevant problems encountered when walking/hiking long distances

Blisters

Discussed causes of blisters.

- Pressure.
- Heat/friction.
- Moisture.

Discussed preventative measures and the risk of blistering

- How to correctly fit boots or footwear.
- Socks; materials and fitting.
- Keep the feet dry, products etc.
- How to toughen soft skin.

How and when to deal with a blister if one does occur.

Toenails

How to look after the toenails and keep them healthy.

After each day's walk

How to prepare for the next day after walking all day.

For those readers who would like to know more about foot care please contact Amanda Perry-Harding MCpod, SRCh, DPodM on 0533 836 8972 or by email on Podiatry-northcyprus@gmail.com

For the Blister Sisters, a Facebook page has been set up called Blister Sisters Walking 4 Tulips, sponsorship forms will be available or donations can be made via the link below and also read more of their plans and activities on their Facebook link below.

The average age of these amazing 4 ladies is 61½ years and they aim to cover 30 kilometers each day, so between now and the 16th October they will all be in training for this major feat. We have nothing but admiration for what these ladies have set themselves to do to support Tulips in their neverending battle to help cancer patients.

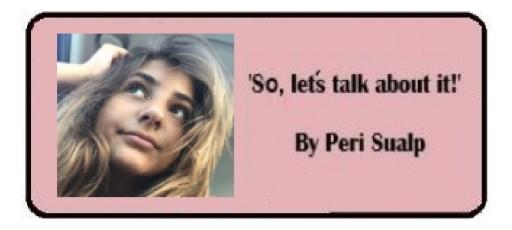


Sponser the Blister Sisters at www.gofundme.com/trail-of-three-cities **Facebook:** https://www.facebook.com/Blister-Sisters-Walking-4-Tulips-2336297219768448/



audience.

My idol and mentor, Demetra George Mustafaoğlu



By Peri Sualp.....

Recently I was with the person who changed my life in so many ways ... Demetra George Mustafaoğlu. Music changed her life and now mine and that is what we share.

I am so happy to have her in my life as my mentor and my teacher. Our journey together started 5 years ago and during this time I have been so lucky to get to know her better and have her as my number one role model.

The story of her life and achievements cannot fit into this article but I think at least you'll have an idea. Here are some questions and answers from our very own Diva...

Q: Who inspired you when you were young and why?

A: Barbra Streisand because I loved her music and she had an ethnic background and she was fun and funny and she's still singing.

Q: How did you start your music career, what made you decide?

A: My music career began one cold and snowy morning when I was 12 years old and my mom, the church organist, called me away from Sunday school classes to sing in the choir when only my grandmother and the bass showed up. A foot of snow had fallen so people were afraid to go out but we made it and I sang the church liturgy that day.

Q: What did you want to be when you were a child?

A: I had planned to be a school teacher until I was 15 when a tour of Fiddler on the Roof Broadway tour came through Oklahoma. The music, energy and dancing hooked me at that moment and I went home afterwards and informed mom I would go into musical theatre! The next year I was hired for chorus to sing and dance at 16. The directors thought I was 18 and I didn't even drive yet. Mom would drop me several blocks from the theatre so no one would see me



without a car. I was the baby of the company! At 17 the following year I sang the very difficult role of Maria in West Side Story and my

death scene brought great reviews and a standing ovation from the

17 year old Demetra as Maria in West Side Story

Q: What is your favourite song to sing and why?

A: My favourite song to sing in opera is the aria Chi I'll bel SOGNO di Doretta by Puccini from LA RONDINE. The melody is beautiful and has lots of high notes. My favourite Broadway piece is Don't Cry for Me Argentina that I sing with the symphony because it allows great acting to sell it and I give it all I have.

Q: Who is your number one supporter?

A: My greatest supporter has been my husband. After my mom passed away my husband took over and he supported me in my performing and in auditioning and attaining the goals I had. When you have children you need that extra support if you are a performer because you need that extra backup and so he was always there for me and I also supported him in his business, then together we were able to contribute to our American



Demetra and Peri

community and share Turkish culture wherever we went in the United States. Mehmet and I have hosted a lot of events for Turkish American culture.



Demetra and Mehmet

Q: Can you tell me a little bit about your mother?

A: Mom was brilliant. She helped dad at the drycleaners, did some of his accounting, played the organ at church, organized the band jobs, held office in her ladies' organization and taught me time steps and songs for my first audition. My girlfriends all loved her too and whenever I won some contest or competition she would get right in with us and celebrate like a girl! I miss her dearly. She had a good ear and a keen eye. She always had good musical advice and I really learned how to select a program from her guidance.



Demetra as a child

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Thank you so much Demetra

George Mustafaoglu for giving

your time for this interview, which

does not cover all of your amazing

achievements, some of which are

Dr. Demetra George Mustafaoglu

is a two time Grammy List

Nominee for her cd "Demetra

George Sings Love Arias", a

former Miss Oklahoma to Miss

America, talent and swimsuit

winner, San Francisco Opera

Winner, recipient of the US State

Department's Cultural Diplomacy

Award, awarded by ENMODA

International magazine as Best

Opera Singer and just recently

shown below:

2nd August to 8th August 2019

continued My idol and mentor, Demetra George Mustafaoğlu

Q: What is your biggest achievement?

A: Awards and honours are wonderful but I really think my biggest achievement I share with my husband Mehmet and that was raising two wonderful successful young women Devran and Deniz and they've given us grand babies too and continued working and we're a very close family.

Q: You have a lot of awards and success, who do you owe this to?

A: I owe the awards and honours to teachers and family who supported me. You never accomplish goals alone. My voice teacher Nina Hinson from Texas and educated in Oklahoma became part of our extended family and we even hosted her at our place in Istanbul.

Q: Do you play any instruments?

A: I play the piano, guitar & bouzouki as my family had an ethnic dance band so while everyone was dating in high school I was off with the family performing at weddings, baptisms and conventions.

Q: If you weren't a singer what would you be?

A: I wanted to be a teacher until I was 15 and discovered theatre, but I really enjoyed medicine and I am doctor mom at home so I would HAVE probably enjoyed being a doctor or a nurse practitioner. I would also have loved being a chef because I love cooking especially pastry cooking not beef and meat or kebab!

Q: What's the one thing you like about Cyprus?

A: Well first off, the people. People make a place, that's very important. Here people are super kind, wonderfully warm, classy



Demetra and Mehmet with daughters and grandchildren

and gentle. Second, I love the food and since my roots are Mediterranean I mean it when I say this is the best cuisine ever!

Q: What's the one thing that you don't like about Cyprus?

A: Oh! The holes in the roads! Hahah!!

Q: What are you doing in your free time except for singing?

A: I play tennis! Both of our daughters played tennis and when we lived in Los Angeles and we had a tennis court in the backyard which was wonderful because we had lots of tennis gatherings and the girls had company over and they would practice at our house and so I became a tennis player. I was a good tennis player! My county club picked me two years in a row for outstanding tennis player and I was given a hat that was autographed and belonged to the world champion Pete Sampras and then a tennis ball that was autographed by Andre Agassi. So I really love it and we just finished doing our tennis court here and it's gorgeous! Ready to get out and play.

Q: Let's go to some fun questions. If you were a Disney princess what Disney princess would you be?

A: Probably Princess Jasmine because I like the Middle Eastern culture I think it's cool and when

the girls were growing up I even had an Aladdin birthday party for them.

Q: If you were an animal what animal would you be?

A: The American Bald Eagle or a Falcon, same family because they have keen vision, great hunters/survivors and can fly above the crowd and all the mess in the world!



Miss Oklahoma



Demetra and Mehmet

selected by Turk of America Magazine as an Outstanding Artist for sharing art cross culture. She resides in Catalkoy, North Cyprus half the year and gives of her art to raise money for North Cyprus charities.

Demetra receives award from John Koenig



Nuri Harun Ateş and Demetra



Demetra and Peri

Royal British Legion, Kyrenia Branch - News

Yesterday 1st August, Dave Horsfall, Chairman of The Royal British Legion Kyrenia Branch, was happy to be presented with an amazing cash sum of **4230TL** at the Black Olive Cafe, the venue of the recent production SHOWSTOPPERS.

A massive Thank You to Ian Chennell, Director of the Fantastic two night production and his team for a brilliant fundraiser.

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The money is greatly appreciated and will go to good use helping those in North Cyprus in need of welfare and also partly towards the 2019 Poppy Appeal.

We would also like to thank Vicki Karaca for all her efforts in providing not only a great location but a super buffet on both nights.

Thank you also to the team at Azant for sponsoring the event







Last Night of the Proms

Wed 18th Sep 2019

This year's RBL screening of the 'Last Night of the Proms' will be shown on 2 large screens in the lovely setting of The Wild Duck Café in Lapta.

Food and Drinks will be available from 4.00 pm (pre-booked food orders only).

Menu to be advised.

Gates open at 6.00pm. Please show your tickets.
Show commences at 7pm.

Tickets 20TL to RBL Members, 25TL to Non-Members.

Available from the following outlets:

The Wild Duck Café Bestseller Bookshop Alsancak, RBL Stall at Lambousa Market on 3rd & 10th September Or by calling Pamela on: 0533 873 6876



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Northern Cyprus Tourism & Cooperation Meeting in Istanbul

Translated from Turkish

Within the scope of the promotional event of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus, the Northern Cyprus Tourism and Cooperation Meeting and reception was held in Istanbul with the participation of Prime Minister Ersin Tatar and a large number of guests.

The Minister met with the sector representatives at the Tourism Cooperation Meeting and listened to the problems.

The meeting was chaired by Tourism and Environment Minister Ünal Üstel and was held with the participation of important tour operators and hotel officials and tourism sector representatives from Istanbul and TRNC and lasted for about 2 hours. Minister Üstel, made the opening speech and expressed his happiness to be together with the participants and wanted to listen to their problems

The event was held in order to examine the problems of TRNC tourism, the problems experienced by the tourism sector and why the country's tourism decreased in 2019, Üstel said that he had introduced an initiative to take measures to avoid this decline in 2020.

Explaining that there was enough time to talk about everything at the meeting, the tourism sector representatives who attended the meeting said they wanted to offer the problems they faced and their opinions and suggestions in order to eliminate these problems.

Underlining that tourism is an indispensable sector for the country, Minister Üstel pointed out that the sector covering the current deficit of the budget is education and tourism and said, "UBP governments attach great importance to tourism. The most obvious indicator of this is that Prime Minister Ersin Tatar is also attending the meeting."

After the opening speech of the Minister of Tourism and Environment Ünal Üstel, the meeting commenced. During the meeting which lasted for about 2 hours Minister Üstel listened to the problems, opinions and suggestions of the sector representatives one by one and replied.

After the meeting, a reception was held with the participation of Prime Minister Ersin Tatar and many guests.

Prime Minister Ersin Tatar, in his speech at the reception, recalled that he served in the Istanbul media for 10 years, and as the Prime Minister of the TRNC he was extremely happy to be in Istanbul.

Tatar emphasized that the TRNC is going through a great improvement, "Here I am giving this message. Several sectors have emerged in the TRNC during the last 45 years. Turkey may well have problems because of south Cyprus, we have had troubled days, but we all work together, we have confidence in Turkey and Turkey also trusts us and the Turkish nation have achieved a very important position for the future in the Eastern Mediterranean.

Tatar pointed out the developments in the Mediterranean and made the following evaluations:

"Let Ecevit and Erbakan's place be Paradise". They gave instructions and soldiers came to the Island, they



brought peace to Cyprus, they came to protect the life and property of their compatriots in Cyprus. We're looking at after 45 years the TRNC has emerged as an extremely important state for Turkey's security. History can never erase it. Therefore, I speak to the Prime Minister of Greece who came to Cyprus and gave a message. The Turkish nation is behind us. Talk as much as you want. There are two peoples in Cyprus. No one can take the rights of the Turkish people arising from international agreements. I say this as the Prime Minister of the TRNC".

Stating that the Ottoman Empire had 70,000 martyrs during the conquest of Cyprus, Tatar told about the problems faced by the Turkish presence on the island throughout history. Tatar, stating that Turkey and TRNC have an extremely strong position in the Eastern Mediterranean, "We have suffered a lot. We have to strengthen the economic structure even more.

With the blessing of the water brought from Anatolia, the TRNC state will continue to give prosperity and well-being to its people. There is competition. There are comparisons with the neighbours. Again at this point, we expect much from the motherland. We expect more tourists and students. "he said.

In his speech Unal Ustel gave information about the meeting held before the reception which was attended by many sector representatives.

Prior to the reception today, we had meetings with tour operators marketing the TRNC for about 2 hours. We examined all the issues. I thank you personally on behalf of my Ministry and on behalf of my country for attending this beautiful reception under the auspices of our Prime Minister."

Minister Ustel continued in his speech as follows:





continued Northern Cyprus Tourism & Cooperation Meeting

" The Turkish Cypriots have been fighting for their existence in order to maintain their Turkish presence on the island, and thanks Motherland Republic of Turkey for its successful help and support for the welfare of the Turkish Cypriot people. The TRNC was established at the expense of being isolated from the world market and is supported with the guarantee of the Republic of Turkey.

only reason the Cyprus negotiations have been going on for half a century and not reaching a result is that the Greek Cypriots see themselves as the sole owner of the island and class the Turkish Cypriots as minorities rather than political equals.

The reason we come together today is for the development of the areas of Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus tourism, the identification of the obstacles before us and what we can do together. Because of being an island country, transportation to the country is only possible by air and sea.

Due to both the increase in foreign exchange rates and the serious efforts, pressure and smearing policies of the Greek Cypriot propaganda, especially with the cost of flight ticket prices, adversely affect the tourism and economy of the country.

The number of aircraft companies flying to our country has decreased and consequently the competition has been eliminated. When the rise in foreign exchange is added to this negative situation, it is inevitable that air ticket prices would increase. Most flights for TRNC are carried out from motherland Turkey. High area taxes between the two countries are also among the factors that increase ticket prices. Tourists visiting the country, and also the higher education sector, which is another tourism sector in the TRNC, are also adversely affected by the high tariffs on air tickets.

Since the first day when I became the Minister of Tourism and Environment

of the new government established under Prime Minister Ersin Tatar, the leader of the National Unity Party, we have been working on the obstacles and problems and how they can be overcome.

It is envisaged that a reduction of 260TL may be achieved by the abolition of the area taxes between the two states within the framework of the measures we have determined as the Ministry, in order to reduce the ticket prices in air transportation.

With the new airport which will be put into service soon, we will have an airport that will allow the landing of large-bodied passenger planes as well as more passenger capacity. We believe that this will bring great relief in air transportation and cheaper fares.

I recently recent met with the Republic of Turkey Culture and Tourism Minister, Mr. Mehmet Ersoy and we discussed the obstacles and the way forward for the tourism sector.

There has also been a meeting with Turkish Airlines General Manager Mr. Bilal Ekşi, THY technical managers and Anadolu Jet officials and various suggestions were made.

We also requested the creation of new destinations as well as increasing the flights of Anadolu Jet to existing destinations in Istanbul, Izmir, Ankara and Gaziantep, which will allow more tourists to come to our country. We asked for the resumption of the Black Sea - Hatay flights. It was confirmed that Ercan - Hatay flights will start on 8th August.

Our country also hosts a large number of citizens of Black Sea origin. We requested that these citizens should be able to travel directly to the place where they were born and grew up, and that their families living in the Black Sea area would be able to come to the TRNC easily. We received the answer that it is not possible to institute the Ercan - Trabzon flights due to the lack of sufficient aircraft, but it will be



possible to launch them in the near

Another obstacle to the foreign tourists coming to our country via Turkey, and entering Turkey with the single-entry is not possible for them to re-enter into Turkey. This is an important negativity for us, and during our meeting with Mr Ekşi, in consultation with the relevant authorities of the Republic of Turkey, we asked that after visiting the TRNC tourists returning to Turkey should not have to obtain a further visa.

We also discussed the need to travel to the TRNC, as in previous years, without the need for passengers to get off the plane, especially in relation to THY aircraft departing from the UK. Thereupon, the necessary instructions were given to start technical work with the relevant people.

Mr. Ekşi accepted the proposal of an increase from 15 kilos to 20 kilos luggage allowance in respect of Turkish Airlines promotional tickets and the necessary arrangements will be made immediately, he confirmed.





We are committed, as the Ministry of Tourism and Environment, with all of our facilities, to bring more visitors to the TRNC, including the Republic of tourist visa, after visiting the TRNC it Turkey and are determining regulations for intensive promotional activities in many countries of the world. depend on our homeland emotional bond to encourage all of our brothers to visit the TRNC at least once and are launching promotional activities in many provinces.

> To pave the way for the tourism sector we will do whatever needs to be done for the development of the country and the most important point will be the contributions of our esteemed sector representatives. I express my belief that you will contribute to the promotion, development and growth of the TRNC with your support and thank you all for your attendance."

> At the reception Istanbul Provincial Culture and Tourism Director Coskun Yilmaz attended on behalf of Turkey Culture and Tourism Minister Mehmet Ersoy. Coskun Yilmaz, gave a speech and said that it is very important for people living in Turkey, to visit Cyprus as not only is it a safe island for us, it is part of us, with its tourism, culture and art. Every Turkish citizen and every Muslim and their families should make a discovery trip to where our personal community and nation lives.



Forthcoming Events



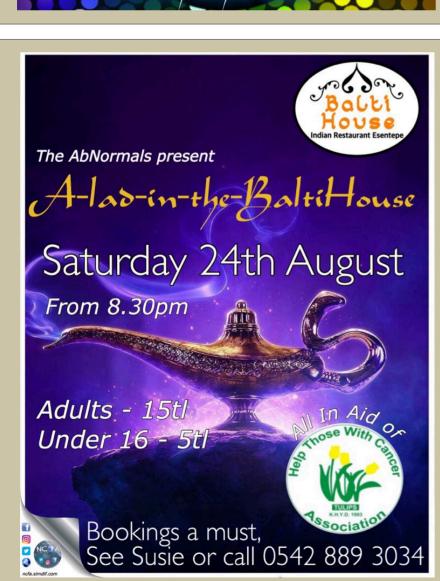




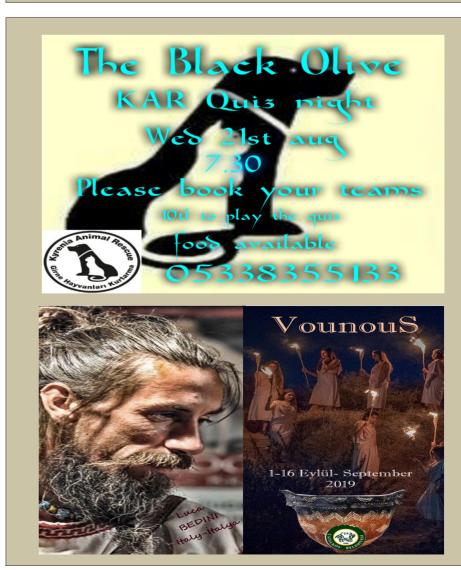


Forthcoming Events









EMU participating in an Art Project joining West with East

By Ahmet Abdulaziz

The Faculty of Communication, Department of Visual Arts and Visual Communication Design of Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) is participating in an art project entitled "Daily News Project 4".

The project is a continuation of previous ones, with different titles. The EMU has also participated in the previous projects.

The EMU recently issued information about the project. According to the press information a total of 8 universities are participating (four universities from the east and four from the west). The west is being represented by universities from Poland, Romania,

Bulgaria and North Cyprus whilst the east is being represented by universities from China and India. The participating universities obtain 15 copies of the cover page of a daily newspaper from their country. Each university selects a project leader. The leaders then indicate 5 participants – artists from their communities. Newspapers from the East are sent to leaders from the West and vice versa. The leaders and participants then carry out original, artistic commentary on the cover pages. Using different perspectives, this project emphasizes the fact that daily news cannot be ignored.

All techniques can be applied to the newspaper cover pages. The deadline for sending work is 15th October, 2019. The curator and

special guest of the project is Prof. Martin R. Baeyens from Belgium. The editing coordinator is Assoc. Prof. Dr. Krysztof Marek Bak from Poland's Silesia University. The artwork that emerges from the project will be exhibited in Poland's Cieszyn University gallery and the galleries of other

universities. EMU will be represented by Visual Arts and Visual Communication Design Department Chair Prof. Dr. Senih Çavuşoğlu, Vice Chair Asst. Prof. Dr. Fırat Tüzünkan and Senior Instructors Shahriyar Mirzaalikhani, Marjan Khajavi, Hare Eminoğlu and Naz Atun.



Candan Erçetin and Kardeş Türküler concert in Girne

The 9th Girne Culture and Art Days organised by Girne Municipality continued with a Candan Erçetin and Kardeş Türküler concert recently.

Candan Erçetin and Kardeş Türküler, took the stage at Girne Amphitheatre, and gave a pleasant evening for the audience. The concert started with the songs from the Kardeş Türküler group, and Candan Erçetin performed her popular songs in Turkish and foreign languages. The concert, which lasted two hours, was attended by approximately 3,000 people.

The 9th Girne Culture and Art Days will continue with the Hayko Cepkin concert on 6th August.

In his speech at the concert, Mayor of Girne, Nidai Güngördü, said that people of different cultures from

107 countries live in Girne.

Candan Erçetin and Kardeş Türküler group, who sang the songs of different languages and cultures, gave an unforgettable night for the audience. Continuing speech, Nidai Güngördü thanked Candan Erçetin Kardeş Türküler group on behalf of the Municipal Councillors and Girne residents and presented flowers and plaques.













North Cyprus Events Calendar 3rd August to 29th September 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.



3rd August – Saturday - Karaman Church will have a Puccini Plus concert with Demetra George accompanied by Rauf Kasimov, starting at 8pm. Suggested donation 50TL per person. To book email karamanchurch@outlook.com

4th August – Sunday - The Red Lion in Alsancak will be having a Race Afternoon and Quiz, followed by music from GP King at 5pm. The event is in aid of the Blister Sisters Walking 4 Tulips. For more information call 0533 883 3557.

7th August – Wednesday - Black Olive Cafe, Alsancak will be starting monthly Curryoke nights from 7.30pm with Laura. Curries will be available. To book call 0533 835 5133

8th August – 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.

9th August – Friday - Black Olive Cafe, Alsancak will have DJ Mike with a great Tamla Motown and Soul night from 7.30pm. There will be a buffet at 45TL which has to be pre booked. Free entry everyone welcome. We will also be raising money with a 50/50 for Greenhill cemetery. To book call 0533 835 5133.

9th August – **Friday** - Bingo at Charlie's Bar, Esentepe at 8.30pm.

10th August – Saturday - KAR will be having a Tenable Quiz (and more) at Sartaj Restaurant, Catalkoy at 7.30pm. 10TL per person. To book place email kartrnc@gmail.com. 2 course meal 60TL. To book contact Khan on 0533 861 7224.

13th August – Tuesday - Tulips will be holding a Fashion Show with a difference (all the models are cancer survivors) at The Oasis Hotel (from Ozankoy/Bellapais roundabout 500m on Bellapais Road). The events starts at 6pm and is 20TL per person (including soft drink on arrival). There will be an auction by Karl Rugg and entertainment by Katie B. Quality ladies casual and evening dresses will be modelled which will be available for sale. Tickets available at Lambousa stall or contact Lynda 0533 873 1693 (west Girne) or Gill 0533 877 1036 (east Girne). There is a 3 option menu for 50TL per person (chicken, fish, vegetarian) and a pre-order voucher will be given with ticket.

15th August – **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.

16th August – Friday - Bingo at Charlie's Bar, Esentepe at 8.30pm.

16th August – Friday - Black Olive Cafe, Alsancak will be holding a Night at the Races for NCCCT, starting at 7.30pm.

21st August – Wednesday - Black Olive Cafe, Alsancak will be hosting a Tenable Quiz Night for KAR at 7.30pm, 10TL per person. Optional meal deal 45TL. To book call Vicki on 0533 835 5133 22nd August – 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.

23rd August – **Friday** - Bingo at Charlie's Bar, Esentepe at 8.30pm.

24th August – Saturday - The Abnormals will be performing A-lad-in-the-BaltiHouse from 8.30pm. Adults 15TL, under 16's 5TL. In aid of Help Those with Cancer Association (Tulips). Booking essential, call 0542 889 3034.

29th August – **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.

29th August – Thursday - Black Olive Cafe, Alsancak will be holding their Night Market – 5pm to 8pm.

30th August – Friday - Bingo at Charlie's Bar, Esentepe at 8.30pm.

30th August – Friday - Black Olive Fun Quiz from 7.30pm.

1st – **16th September** - Vounos Symposium, Catalkoy – more information to follow.

2nd September – Monday - RBL Kyrenia Branch has an escorted tour of the Taskent Wildlife Rescue and Rehabilitation Centre and Panayia Absinthiotissa Monstery. The trip (includes transport, lunch and a donation to the Wildlife Centre) will cost 140tl for Members and 150tl for Non-Members and leaves Karsiyaka Square at 8am – picking up along the route plus Lemar Karakum car park. Contact Pamela (Honorary Secretary) info@rblkyrenia.com or 0533 8736876.

14th September – Saturday - Queen tribute with Killer Queen at the Girne Amphitheatre which will be in aid of Help Those with Cancer Association (Tulips). Tickets £25 per person. Reserved tickets are now available from Best Seller Bookshops in Karakum and Alsancak, George Cafe Girne, Blakes Lounge Bar & Bistro, Alsancak.

18th September – **Wednesday** - Royal British Legion, Kyrenia Branch, will be holding Last Night of the Proms at The Wild Duck, Lapta. Food and drinks will be available from 4pm, prebooked food orders only. Event starts at 6pm and the show at 7pm. Members 20TL, non-Members 25TL. Tickets will be available soon at Wild Duck, Best Seller Alsancak, RBL stall Lambousa Market or call Pamela on 0533 873 6876.

27th to 29th September - The Soulist Coffee and Music House, Alsancak are preparing a Friends Across Borders event with bands from south and north Cyprus and possibly Germany. This will be a great live music event. More information to follow soon.

NORTH CYPRUS CHEMIST ROTA

3rd August - Saturday

Bariş Eczanesi, Ibrahım Nıdal Cad. Lapta. Tel: 821 8410 Define Eczanesi, Ataturk Cad. Girne. Tel: 815 3516

4th August – Sunday

Nazim Variş Eczanesi, Karaoğlanoğlu Cad. Alsancak. Tel: 821 3088 Öncel Mahmutoğlu Eczanesi, Ecevit Cad. Gırne. Tel: 815 0850

5th August - Monday

Gündal Eczanesi, Iskenderum Cad. Altınör Apt. Karakum. Tel: 816 0543 Pinar Keklik Eczanesi, Karaoğlanoğlu Cad. Alsancak. Tel: 821 3077

6th August – Tuesday

Torensel Eczanesi, Beşparmaklar Cad. Çatalköy. Tel: 824 5713 Rizki Eczanesi, Nacı Talat Cad. Girne. Tel: 815 3496

7th August – Wednesday

Ahmet Çağer Eczanesi, Ankara Cad. Alsancak. Tel: 821 3434 Setenay Bebgisu Eczanesi, Semih Sancar Sokak, Doğankoy. Tel: 816 0082

8th August – Thursday

Ömrüm Eczanesi, Karaoğlanoğlu Cad. Karaoglanoglu. Tel: 822 2287 Selvin Çağay Eczanesi, Ecevit Cad. Girne. Tel: 815 2025

9th August – Friday

Dünya Eczanesi, Salıh Miroğlu Cad. Girne. Tel: 815 0009 Nejla Erçal Eczanesi, Universite Yolu (GAU), Karaoglanoglu. Tel: 822 3202

10th August – Saturday

Nürçag Eczanesi, Şht Dursun Özsaraç Sokak Girne. Tel: 815 1025 Yusuf Tandoğan Eczanesi, Beşparmaklar Cad. Catalkoy. Tel: 0548 865 3434

Duty Chemists for the Girne - Alsancak - Lapta areas



Chemist Opening Hours

From 20th May to September 2019 - summertime opening hours are 8am to 1pm and 3pm to 7pm on weekdays and 8am to 1pm on Saturdays.

Duty chemists 8am to 2am.



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Kyrenia Weather (from 2nd August 2019) 10-day Forecast

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35° /24°C	35°/25°	35°/24°	35°/24°	35°/25°
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WED	THU	FRI	SAT	
AUG 7	AUG 8	AUG 9	AUG 10	SUN AUG 11
AUG 7				
36°/24°C				

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Thriller In The Heat with Esentepe!

By Richard Beale....

Saturday July 27: Esentepe Erdal Barut Stadium.

Yes it was the 27th July, the temperatures in the mid 30's and once again were back playing football. It's not just the case of "Mad Dogs and the Englishman" I was joined by quite a few Turkish/ Turkish Cypriots as well.

The first friendly match of the season ended in defeat for Esentepe against Super League "giants" Doğan Türk Birliği (DTB), but both teams can feel pleased with their performances during this very entertaining game.

Despite the hot temperatures the match was played at a high tempo, very competitive as in the first half Esentepe took the game to the visitors and were well worth their 1-0 goal lead at the break.

Esentepe included a number of trialists in their team and DTB included ex Esentepe favourite left back EMEK KIRILMAZ in their line up.

Esentepe matched their more illustrious opponents in the first half with midfielder VURKAN GÖRNEÇLİ in particular being prominent. He was often behind Esentepe attacks or helping breaking up DTB breaks.

DTB threats came from mainly their tall, strong, powerful African striker Wilson who twice in the first half brought Esentepe goalkeeper Onur into action with two fine diving saves.

Esentepe took the lead in the 20th minute following fine work on the right by teenager Şükrü, who squared the ball across to trialist ERAY to slot home. 1-0



VURKAN is Esentepe best player in the first half

Eray looks like he has goals in him forcing the DTB goalkeeper into a fine double save just before the break. Another trialist Furkan also took the eye, this tall midfielder looked very comfortable on the ball.

HALF TIME SCORE: 1-0

During the interval both teams made numerous changes to give their full squads a run out.

In the opening minutes of the second half the dangerous Wilson sent in a powerful header just wide of the far post following a good cross from Billy Michael.

Esentepe did not heed that warning when WILSON equalised for DTB in the 53rd minute, even though Esentepe had plenty of men back, none challenged the big striker who beat replacement goalkeeper Hüseyin with a powerful shot from just inside the box. 1-1

Esentepe regained the lead in the 60th minute following good work from



MURAT SIVACI and goal scorer BATUHAN both trialists

Kaan putting through another trialist BATUHAN, who slotted the ball past the DTB goalkeeper. **2-1**

Result: Esentepe KKSK 2 Doğan Türk Birliği 3

Wilson and his fellow African Billy Mitchell were becoming more influential as the game wore on both bringing good saves from Esentepe keeper Hüseyin.

In came as no surprise when WILSON equalised in the 68th minute beating Hüseyin with an angled shot from the right. **2-2**

Then Wilson set up BILLY MITCHELL in the 73rd minute, with Esentepe appealing for offside Mitchell ran on and beat the advancing Hüseyin. 2-3

Kaan worked hard for Esentepe in the second half, and Wilson will prove to be an excellent signing for DTB, he will cause problems for lots of Super League defences.

FULL TIME SCORE: 2-3

ESENTEPE TEAM (first half); T=Trialist

Onur (gk): Mahmut, Kağan Arsu, Tuğrul, Burak : Şükrü, Furkan (T), Vurkan, Uğurcan; Görkem (T), Eray (T, Batuhan 37 mins)

ESENTEPE TEAM (second half):

Hüseyin (gk): Uğurcan (Hüseyin Bahçeci 65), Eren, Tuğrul (Hasan 65), Muhammed: Murat (T), Yakup, Hüseyin Ermiş, Emre : Kaan: Batuhan (T). (Orhan 70).



