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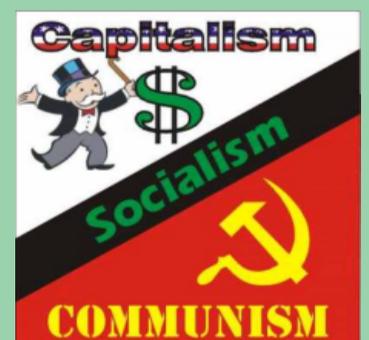
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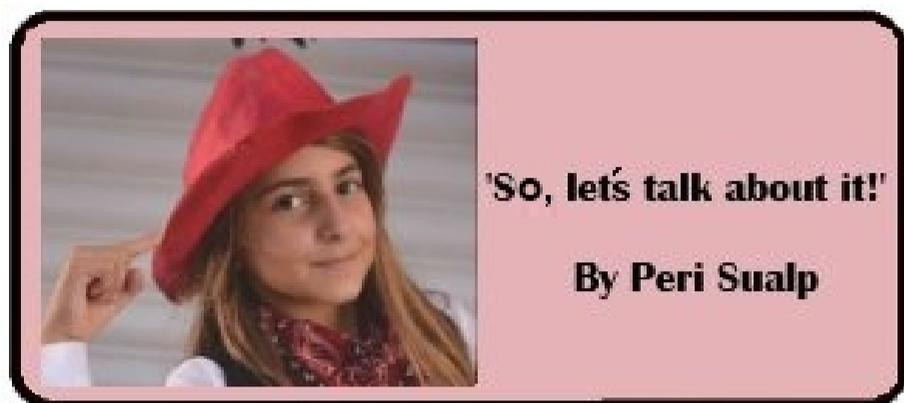


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## World Women's Day! : I am a fighter!



By Peri Sualp .....

It is a known fact that women's brains function in more complicated ways than men's.

Maybe this is the reason women could fight for their rights all throughout history. When you look at the situation of women in history, you'll find out that they struggled a lot but also achieved a lot in terms of women's rights. BUT, they still have to continue, as there is still a way to go.

Could you believe that even in the modern so called civilised countries it was only about a hundred years ago that women received the right to vote! There are some other countries that women received the right to vote only few years ago and there are some others where women still cannot vote! In some countries

women have no right to have a driving licence - they are not allowed to drive a car! In some countries they are not even allowed to leave their home without their husbands. In some countries women can even be charged for being raped. In some countries women are killed for honour and in some countries women are forced to get married while they are still children. Women are killed, beaten, humiliated, bullied, degraded, made to feel inferior etc. Unfortunately there are still places in this world where women have no rights! On the other hand there are many places where women have all the legal rights but are still pressurised by society. Even in civilised countries some work such as housework and taking care of the children is mostly done by women. Even though women are doing the same job, mostly the

wages of women are lower than men. The number of CEOs or politicians are still countable all around the world. The list goes on and on.

Women work hard, a woman is resistant to many problems both mentally and physically. A woman can give birth to another human being. They raise the men who run this world (in a good way or bad way). Women can change history or culture. Women can have an impact for the future. Women are powerful. Women are emotionally strong. Women are wives, daughters, sisters, mothers, mentors, workers, teachers,

doctors, engineers, civil servants etc.. everything you can think of... but most of all they are fighters. Women fight for their life and for the life of their children and most important they fight for the existence of the world, despite the men.

We are in the 21st Century and in order to achieve equal standards and rights with men, women still have a long way to go.

I am a fighter and I am proud to be a (young) woman.

Happy women's day to all the fighters out there and those who support them.



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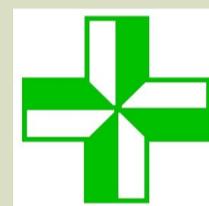
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## 10 day weather forecast for Kyrenia (as at 9/3/2018)

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## Erhürman and Özersay in Ankara

Prime Minister Tufan Erhürman and Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs Kudret Özersay travelled to Ankara last night upon the official invitation of Turkish Prime Minister Binali Yıldırım. Erhürman and Özersay will meet with Yıldırım today.

Making a press statement at Ercan Airport, Erhürman and Özersay answered questions related to their Ankara visit. Prime Minister Erhürman stated that “Good relations

with Ankara is of vital importance.”

Erhürman stated that, as well as meeting with Turkish Prime Minister Yıldırım, they will meet with Turkish Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of State in Charge of Cyprus Affairs Recep Akdağ, and other officials in Ankara.

Erhürman and Özersay are expected to return to the island tonight (7th March).



## Özdil Nami comment about tensions



TRNC Minister of Economy and Energy Özdil Nami has commented on the tensions prompted by the Greek Cypriot Administration's unilateral hydrocarbon exploration activities in the Eastern Mediterranean.

Nami stated that “The Turkish Cypriot side is not the reason for the tensions, the reason is the insistent unilateral steps of the Greek Cypriots. We always emphasize that these resources belong to all Cypriots. The management of the

island's natural resources cannot be monopolized by the Greek Cypriot Administration.

We will continue to show every effort to protect the environment of peace and tranquillity on the island, and we expect the other side to respect our rights and interests as well”.

In his speech at the Mediterranean Economic Forum in Mersin, Nami said that improving trade, increasing mutual investments and strengthening cultural ties have made significant contributions to the development of countries.

Nami also indicated that the TRNC is continuing to work hard in order to

bring a comprehensive settlement to the Cyprus problem, as well as taking important steps to safely develop the economy, despite the barriers imposed by the Greek Cypriots.

Nami also stated that they are involved in various initiatives regarding lifting the isolations on the Turkish Cypriots in the UN, the PACE, and the EU.

## Turkish PM Binali Yıldırım receives PM Tufan Erhürman

Prime Minister Tufan Erhürman has been received by Turkish Prime Minister Binali Yıldırım with an official ceremony at Çankaya Palace on his first official visit to Turkey.

Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs Kudret Özersay, Turkish Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of State in Charge of Cyprus Affairs Recep Akdağ, Ambassador of the TRNC to Ankara Fazıl Can Korkut, Turkish Prime Ministry Undersecretary Fuat Oktay, and

Undersecretary of the Turkish Ministry of Foreign Affairs Ümit Yalçın, alongside other officials were also present at the ceremony.

A lunch in honour of Prime Minister Tufan Erhürman will be hosted by the Turkish Prime Minister Yıldırım at the Çankaya Palace following bilateral and inter-delegation meetings.

At the meetings, the latest developments regarding the Cyprus

issue will be discussed, as well as relations between Turkey and the TRNC, and possible ways to develop and move these relations forward.



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## President Akinci meets Jean-Pierre Lacroix



President Mustafa Akinci yesterday received the UN Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations Jean-Pierre Lacroix, who was visiting the island to hold meetings with both sides.

and the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs Kudret Özersay was very positive. He added that the agenda focused on how the UNFICYP was fulfilling its mandate.

Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs Kudret Özersay and the UN Secretary General's Special Representative to Cyprus and Chief of Mission, Elizabeth Spehar, were also present at the meeting in the Presidency.

Stating that he had conveyed to President Akinci the UN's appreciation for the Turkish Cypriot side's cooperation, Lacroix stressed the importance of being able to continue to work in close cooperation.

Speaking to reporters after the meeting, the UN Under-Secretary-General said that his meeting with President Akinci

In addition, Lacroix was briefed about the essential work of the Committee on Missing Persons (CMP) on the island.

## North Cyprus represented at ITB Fair, Berlin

North Cyprus will be promoted at one of the world's most prominent tourism fairs later this week.

is scheduled to hold meetings with local and foreign officials from the tourism sector.

The country will participate in the International Tourism Bourse (ITB) Berlin 2018 between the 7th and 11th of March, represented by the TRNC Ministry of Tourism and Environment.

A number of activities have also been organised to draw attendees to the TRNC stand. As well as the TRNC's traditional attractions of sea, sun and sand, the Ministry will also promote the alternative kinds of tourism offered by the TRNC, including, eco, health and sports tourism.

Minister of Tourism and Environment Fikri Ataoğlu will attend the fair and



## Anastasiades - no intention of restarting negotiations



Prime Minister Tufan Erhürman has said that the latest statements made by the Greek Cypriot leader Nikos Anastasiades showed that he has no intention of restarting negotiations to reach a settlement to the Cyprus Problem.

The Prime Minister pointed out that the Greek Cypriot leader's statements contradicted those he had made in the past. Erhürman said, "Anastasiades was very much behind the progress achieved in Crans-Montana, Switzerland, and was insisting on preconditions for restarting the talks".

Speaking at a weekly press conference held at the Prime Ministry, Erhürman said that it was not possible to interpret the Greek Cypriot leader's latest remarks as productive for the resumption of talks.

The Prime Minister added that Anastasiades had effectively "stuck a wedge" in the process of resuming the Cyprus negotiations process.

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## Kudret Özersay interview with Politis



Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs Kudret Özersay gave a wide-ranging interview to the Greek Cypriot newspaper Politis this weekend, in which he discussed the latest developments on the hydrocarbon issue and urged against the Cyprus negotiations becoming a “vicious cycle”.

The interview ran prominently in the Sunday edition of Politis, as well as being picked up widely by other media outlets in both the North and the South.

Answering a question on whether “the Turkish Cypriot side is ready to continue the negotiations from where they stopped at Crans-Montana, on the grounds of the Guterres Framework,” Özersay said: “Our being part of a process which had become a vicious circle is out of the question. The point where the negotiations stopped is also the point where they had collapsed. Therefore continuing the same process from a point where they have already collapsed is pointless.”

Özersay added, “I think that there is a serious problem not only to do with the process but in the essence of the Cyprus problem. As long as we do not discuss this sincerely, a new negotiation process will not go beyond another vicious circle. We do not want this.”

There is, Özersay continued, a fundamental disagreement between the two sides regarding their interpretation of the principles of a bi-zonal, bi-communal federation. There is need for a healthy and frank dialogue in the first instance, instead of a negotiation process, in order to understand whether there is a common vision and understanding.

The Greek Cypriots, he said, are not bothered by the status quo as they consider it to be a continuation of the current situation, and of the ‘Republic of Cyprus,’ which is not recognised by the North. For Turkish Cypriots, he continued, the status quo is unbearable and they would like to change it; however, while the Turkish Cypriot side would like this to be done through a common accepted agreement, it does not mean that they will accept anything proposed to them.

Answering the question of what an alternative solution would look like if the two sides do not reach the target of a common understanding, Özersay said that no matter what the target and the solution model may be, a common will between Turkish and Greek Cypriots will be needed.

Responding to Greek Cypriot leader Nicos Anastasiades’s comments about preparations for returning to the negotiating table, Özersay said, “I would be very happy if Anastasiades has the same vision, namely that there

is a need for preparations for any new negotiations on the essence of the issues. This needs to be a sincere conversation between the two leaders, without a third person in the room taking notes and keeping score.”

Özersay also stated that the Turkish Cypriot side does not seek recognition of the ‘Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus,’ because the two sides have been negotiating with each other for the past 50 years without one officially recognising the other.

Özersay reiterated the position of President Mustafa Akinci, that it became clear during the settlement talks last summer in Switzerland that the Greek Cypriot side is not ready to share power, especially when it comes to a rotating presidency. He emphasised that one of the fundamental expectations from the Turkish Cypriot side for any eventual settlement is for the Greek Cypriot side to be willing to share power and prosperity. Özersay said he was disappointed by the recent turn of events and the stance of the Greek Cypriots in the hydrocarbon dispute.

He explained, “The signal we have had from the Greek Cypriots is that you [the Turkish Cypriots] are co-owners of the natural wealth but we will not share it with you. We will do that when we decide, and until then we will decide with which companies and under what conditions the exploitation will take place.” As such, Özersay asked, “Does it make any sense to say that they recognise us as co-owners?”

It is important, for a common decision mechanism to be put in practice in relation to natural gas, where Turkish Cypriots are recognised as a co-owner party, Özersay said, adding: “We are not looking for a committee simply to console us on the natural gas issue. This process should start because we are in the middle of a dispute about the hydrocarbon issue, whether we like it or not. There is clearly a need for mediation between the two sides, and this is more urgent than other issues at

this moment in time.”

Turning to the idea of establishing a fund to share the proceeds from any hydrocarbon finds, Özersay emphasized that there is no difference between talking about a fund and saying that it will only benefit the Turkish Cypriots after a solution, which would bring uncertainty for the future. “Our view is that the Greek Cypriot side’s statement that a consensus has been reached for natural gas within the jurisdiction of the federal state is meaningless. It is meaningless because we do not have a settlement solution. I could understand this proposal if we were close to a solution or there would be a referendum within two months’ time, but that is not the situation we are in,” he said.

Politis then asked where Özersay saw the TRNC in 10 years’ time –whether it would be part of the EU via a federal state, or whether it would be a separate state in a competitive relationship with the so-called ‘Republic of Cyprus’?

Stressing that the Turkish Cypriots’ demand for self-determination were not only applicable during the negotiations or in partnerships with the Greek Cypriots, Özersay responded, “Our request for self-determination is also valid for all external parties. We do not intend to sacrifice the Turkish Cypriot identity. I believe that the TRNC will represent the will of the Turkish Cypriot people. What we need to do as politicians and other interested parties in the North is to make our institutions part of the international community, with or without a comprehensive settlement, by improving the services that our institutions can offer and by engaging in dialogue with the international community.”

Özersay added that the Turkish Cypriot side is bored of waiting for what others decide for their future, and underlined the need to be open for a peaceful solution to disputes in and around the island.

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## Any future negotiations will be very different from previously

President Mustafa Akıncı has stated that if the negotiation process is restarted, it will be very different from previous negotiations.

He also announced that a representative from the UN will begin researching the will of people on the island for negotiations to restart.

Akıncı met with news editors in a joint live broadcast of the Turkish Cypriot televisions yesterday evening. He responded to questions regarding the internal issues in the TRNC and the Cyprus issue. The President also commented on a statement made

the previous day by the leader of the Greek Cypriot Administration Nikos Anastasiades, in which he claimed that "the negotiations could not start under these conditions" and made reference to the recent Crans-Montana Talks.

Akıncı said that 'two states under the EU membership' was one of the topics to be discussed with Anastasiades, and emphasized that the methodology of the Cyprus negotiations should be changed, rather than the parameters.

Stating that the Turkish Cypriot side had an important role in organizing the five-party conference, Akıncı said, "Our

impression is that the Greek Cypriot leadership cannot accept sharing authority, and could never accept a Turkish Cypriot as president in a joint federal state".

Pointing to a map, Akıncı said, "if we want a solution, we have to give territory in return" but he highlighted that Anastasiades has never done this.



## Anastasiades has put a wedge in Cyprus negotiations

Prime Minister Tufan Erhürman has stated that the leader of the Greek Cypriot Administration Nikos Anastasiades has put a wedge in the Cyprus negotiations process.

President Mustafa Akıncı and the Prime Minister discussed both domestic and foreign issues at their weekly meeting, which took place at the Presidential Palace.

In a short statement to reporters after the meeting, Erhürman said that he and the President had discussed the latest statements made by Anastasiades.

say that Anastasiades has stuck a wedge in the Cyprus talks" he said.

On the opening of the APLIC and Derinya crossing points, the Prime Minister said that he shared the President's view that there was a need for coordination between their respective offices.



"It's not possible to accept Greek Cypriot leader Anastasiades' declarations – they are not constructive. His statement that the current conditions are not conducive for the negotiations to continue is a clear indication that there has been no change in his stance. We shall continue to evaluate developments together with the President. But I can clearly

Asked about the process of Maronites' returning to their villages, Erhürman said that the President's office and the Prime Ministry was continuing to coordinate on the issue.

## 3rd International Cyprus Turkish Literature Symposium

The Third International Cyprus Turkish Literature and Litterateurs Symposium was held 5th and 6th March 2018. Writers, academics and lecturers attended the event at Lefkoşa Atatürk Cultural Centre.

67 presentations were made at the symposium, which comprised of

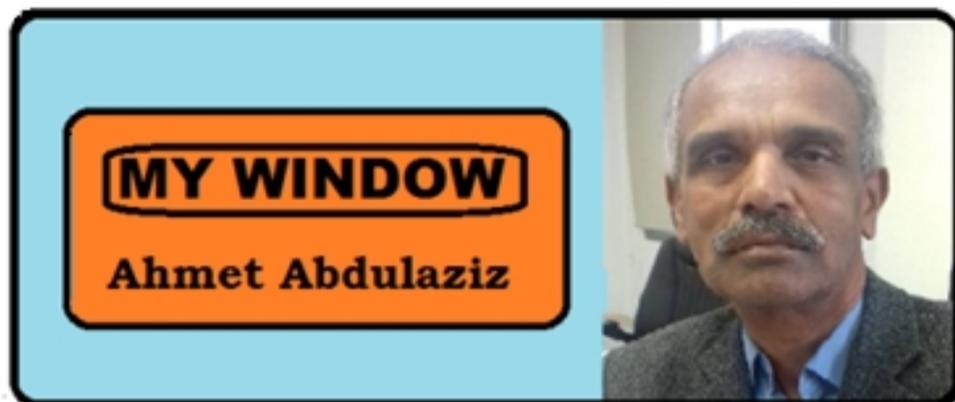
14 sessions. The presentations are to be collected and featured in a book.

Turkey, Azerbaijan, Bulgaria, Gagauzia - Moldova, Iran, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Poland and Russia, as well as the TRNC, were represented at the symposium.



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## Rich and Poor : Capitalism and Communism



By Ahmet Abdulaziz ....

Adam Smith would have never thought of where his views would lead this world to, when writing the "Wealth of Nations", or when bringing to light the idea of Laissez Faire Economy.

In the same way Karl Marx too would never have thought of the end results when writing "Das Kapital".

When I look around the world, I feel sorry for the above pioneers or visualisers of the economic systems that we presently know as capitalism and communism and socialism. Indeed they were visualisers and thinkers, not the implementer of the systems. But the present day world keeps on remembering them both in good and bad names. Unfortunately it is only those who get rich in either of the systems, who praise the system. But what about the poor, who we see in millions and millions everywhere in the world.

I personally believe that both capitalism and communism are partially good and partially bad. So are any other marginal systems that we read about frequently. The reason is that every system is very good in books, but face a lot of unwritten and unthought situations, when put into practice.

But basically I personally feel that none of the systems carry in itself a perfect understanding of human nature. The founders of both the systems had never thought that some people would come up and hijack the real theory of the system, and implement it to gain personal benefits.

This is what happened to communism. And this is what's happening to Capitalism. Had not hundreds and thousands people been herded in the killing cold of Siberia, by Stalin, just to mold the communism to his own views. Those who succeeded him used the name of communism just to drive benefits for some at the expense of others.

This is what is happening to Capitalism too. Capitalism is far better than communism, but only because it provides people with a chance to make their own decisions independently. But in reality we see that capitalism no more cares about humans. We see hundreds and thousands of people in the USA for example, who do not have proper jobs, and survive on social help. Keeping human beings simply alive must not be the goal of a system. A system must make people happy. Unfortunately both communism and capitalism have failed in general in this aspect. Under communism, people do see themselves equal and alike with

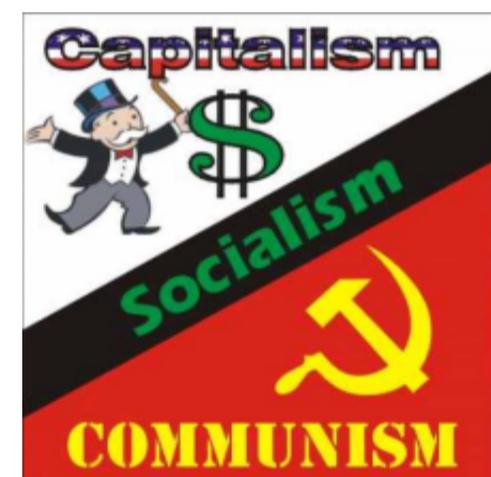


others, but they do not find a chance to do something which they think they can do more freely and in a better way. The system under communism is imposed so hard that people do simply get fed.

But when we see Capitalism in contrast, here we see that the systems have become a means to serve the wealthy class, who no more care about the rules of the game. The rich are becoming richer and the poor poorer. The whole system has become a ploy in the hands of some multi-national banks and corporations, who have formulated their own rules. They have developed a system where every monetary transaction throughout the world, ultimately led to an increase in their wealth. The way the local banks have been linked to multi-national bans, and the way the World banks and other banks make local governments change their policies not to the benefit of their people, but of the banks, sufficiently prove that the capitalism has been hijacked by the big banks and financial institutions, who control everything in this world.

The educational system on an overall basis, appears to lead a way to success to individuals, but in fact it leads to creation of workers, who would work for a penny to give the big boss a pound. The wealthy people use the system to make themselves wealthier.

I would still be liking Capitalism, because it provides human beings with free will, and to make their own decisions. But I do not like the system when I see that hundreds and thousands of people are being killed just because it would ultimately lead to sale of arms and ammunitions. The producers of arms and ammunitions are the ultimate beneficiaries of every war, anywhere in the world, just because every war leads to a sense of insecurity to a number of countries,



who end up slicing their budgets to finance ultimate purchase of arms and ammunitions. The sufferers would still be the poor, who would on one hand find a cut in their social benefits or social help, or find development projects shelved. Or on the other hand it would again be the poor who would get killed in wars. The poor are far too much at risk either way as compared to the wealthy ones.

But just not that, the producers of arms and ammunitions take practical steps to create situations among two or more countries to start wars. Not just that, they help those politicians to come into power, who would help them in buying more of their products. Arms would either be used to kill poor civilians or be kept in stock. All this at the expense of those poor workers who work hard to keep the system running and filling the safe vaults of the wealthy banks and multi-national corporations and arms producers, to name a few.

Looking at all this, I ask myself, if this is the system that I like? Unfortunately I cannot stop myself from saying No to myself.

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## “Non. No. Nein.” campaign for women by the EU

### Some voices cannot be heard. Yours can!

Every year, approximately 13 million women in the EU experience violence, but only 12% of bystanders or witnesses speak to the police about suspected abuse, and only 7% approach health services.

Věra Jourová, European Commissioner for Justice, Consumers and Gender Equality, emphasises the need for everyone to say no to violence against women:

“Violence against women is ubiquitous - women and girls are still being beaten at home, sexually and economically exploited, assaulted, harassed, raped, mutilated, or forced to marry. We cannot ignore the enormous consequences this has on women, families, communities, societies and the economy – we need to make sure that violence against women becomes a problem of the past and for this we need to speak out.”

To encourage people to speak out against violence against women, the European Commission released a video on the occasion of International Women’s Day. Created to raise awareness about everyday violence against women among those who overlook it or consider it harmless or normal, the video confronts views with the perspective of those who, in contrast to the viewers themselves, really cannot interfere to stop violence against women. Everyday objects are given a voice and they tell us how painful and damaging experiences of violence are:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N27l4UWXotM>

The video is a part of the Non.No.Nein. campaign that the European Commission initiated in late 2016 with the aim of raising awareness about the issue of violence against women, disseminating good practice and connecting stakeholders across borders.

The European Commission is committed to stopping violence against women – in 2017 alone it made €15 million available to 12 national authorities and 32 grass roots projects aimed at preventing and combating

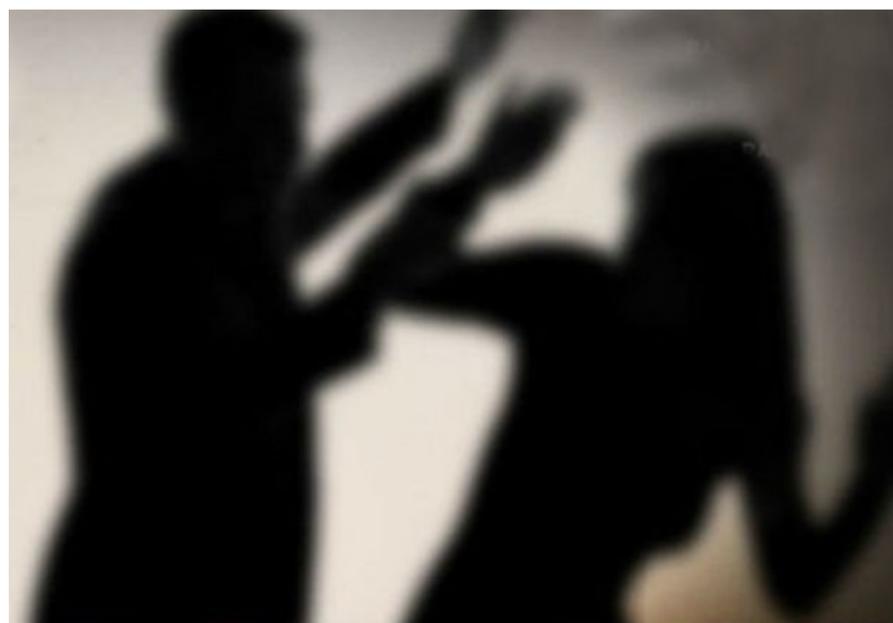
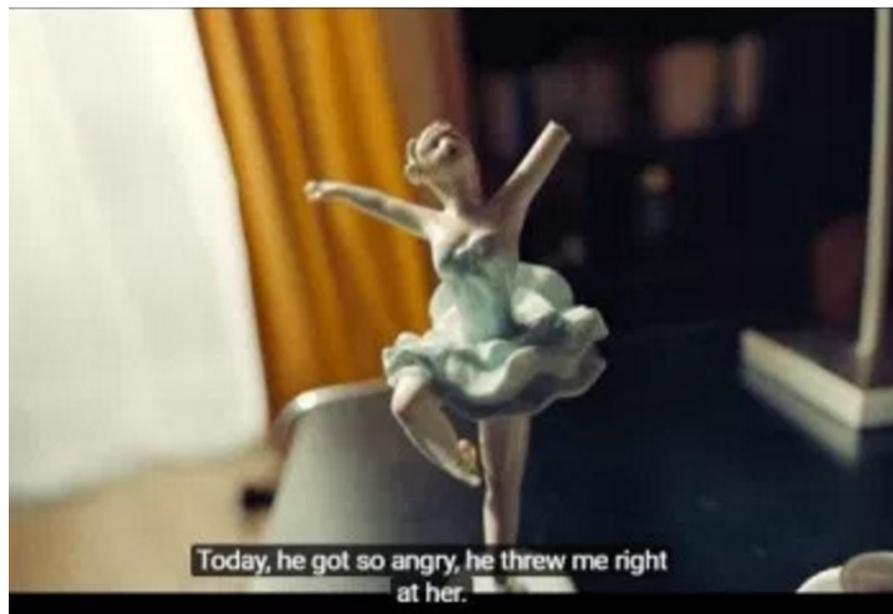
violence against women.

Internationally, the Commission supports projects fostering the rights of women who experienced gender-based violence, including sexual violence, in developing countries and in humanitarian crises. In 2016, the EU supported 62 humanitarian projects on this topic with close to €24.5 million in total that directly impacted almost 3.4 million women, girls, boys and men around the world.

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## Revival of the Shadow Theatre

By Heidi Trautmann ...

Karagöz and Hacivat – The revival of the Shadow Theatre in Nicosia at the new ‘Bandabuliya Sahnesi / Stage’ in the heart of Old Nicosia

For the opening of the ‘Bandabuliya Sahnesi’, in the small road just behind the Bandabuliya Market, in February 2018, Mehmet Ertuğ was the honorary guest at the very first performance by the succeeding puppeteer Izel Seylanı of whom I am sure, we will hear much more in the near future.

somebody, but young people lack the patience to learn the business in which so many things are involved. There is not only the technical side to be learned, but you have to learn about people, about the daily ups and downs of your country, your neighbourhood, and use it with irony and sharp wit the information you have registered.

Who would still do that?” ....

in the person of Izel Seylanı, he not only writes, organises, directs and acts, all in one person...and he does it with passion. He had already worked on the idea of reviving the Shadow Theatre and has had performances at the Güney Mesaoria Theatre, and now we offered him to come to open the Bandabuliya Theatre with us with a play he especially wrote for the occasion.”

Aliye Ummanel continued ... “I am happy that we have succeeded - with the support of Mehmet Harmancı, the Mayor of Nicosia - to open the ‘Bandabuliya



Many of us in North Cyprus, interested in art and culture and its continuation were seriously worried that the Shadow Theatre would disappear with the last puppeteer Mehmet Ertuğ when he became sick and was no longer able to bring his Karagöz and Hacivat shows in the small theatre he entertained at in the Büyük Han. It was there that I led an interview with him in 2008 for the newspaper Cyprus Today and for my book “Art and Creativity in North Cyprus, Volume II” which was published in 2015.

Already years ago he had begun to look for a successor:

.....“I have tried my best to find

The same worries would not leave another person, Aliye Ummanel, Art Director of the Nicosia Municipality Theatre. She told me that the Shadow Theatre had been on her mind since childhood since her great grandfather was involved in the Shadow Theatre (Karagözcü Sadık). She knew about the danger of the disappearance of this old traditional puppet theatre and wondered what would happen and what could be done.

One day she dreamt – “I have always been a daydreamer, you know” - that she must not worry as there will be some young people to come and take over ..... “ and you see”, she said, “here he is, the successor we were looking for...



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## Revival of the Shadow Theatre

Sahnesi / Stage' to enliven the old part of Nicosia which - with its covered market - has always been a centre of social and cultural life; it is one first step in the right direction in how we all want to see Nicosia. We do not want commercial interest to dominate the scene here, but our traditional culture and the arts."

The team of the Nicosia Municipal Theatre is enthusiastic about this new opportunity and has with passion and energy helped to bring this vision to life.

Many months they have spent to renovate the place with the help of the Projects Department of the Nicosia Municipality and its architects: Cemal Bensef, Şerife Soygür and Pinar Özge. Furthermore, with the help of the theatre company's stage setters and the designer Özlem Yetkili who added puppets of her design in the old way and some with today's appearance, they are so beautifully done. The assistants to manage the puppets behind the black curtain are the actresses Asu Demircioğlu, and Melek Erdil who handles the

musical instruments; they did it so well.

The Bandabuliya Stage opened for us the black curtain to the 'Black Box' where in the centre of the stage the Shadow Theatre is set up. I was sitting among children with their parents but could also greet friends, adults with the heart of a child, who still remembered the old times.

I had spoken to Izel Seylanı, director of the play, who is happy to have the Karagöz performances in the Old City. (There will also be a

performance as part of the Çatalköy Theatre Festival on the morning of March 12, in the tent of the Olive Tree Hotel in Çatalköy) and he said he would be happy to not only see children and their parents in the theatre but also guests from other countries who want to learn about this old tradition. He would then explain the plot and the moral of the story in English.

The title of the present play is "A Bandabuliya Story: Karagöz and the Magical Vegetables".

I enjoyed it tremendously together with the audience which helped Karagöz along when he was getting lost.

There will be a performance once a week, on Saturday at 11:00, just as it used to be ...

I asked Aliye Ummanel whether it is planned to have other plays and activities on the Bandabuliya Stage?

"Oh, yes", she said, "This is just a beginning. We now have to improve the stage from the technical point of view to have a proper infrastructure for bigger plays. There will also be activities for children and young people."

In the theatre lobby a coffee bar is set up and guests of the show are sitting at tables. Will this be a regular Theatre Café? "Right now, only for performances but we plan to have it run under the control of the Theatre." We shall inform about it in time."

Information and tickets to be obtained at Lefkosa Belediye Tiyatrosu, Tel. 2278782 and on facebook.



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## Make Eastern Mediterranean area of common benefit

Deputy Secretary-General and Turkish Presidential Spokesperson İbrahim Kalın has stated that there is an established process and order regarding the exploration of hydrocarbon reserves in the Eastern Mediterranean.

He emphasised that the Greek Cypriot side had frequently violated the principle of joint hydrocarbon activities by the TRNC and South Cyprus.

The Turkish Presidential Spokesperson was speaking at a press conference held in

Presidential Complex in Ankara today.

“There are some conflicts regarding our own Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) in the Eastern Mediterranean. Our stance will not change in this regard.

However, I would like to put forward a proposal: let’s work to make the Eastern Mediterranean an area of common benefit, not an area of conflict.

The Turkish and Greek Cypriot sides should work jointly under a shared benefit framework and we,

as Turkey, will fully support it. We welcome the involvement of Greece or other countries in this joint work. However, if any illegal hydrocarbon exploration activities are undertaken

unilaterally that violate sovereign rights, this will inevitably have consequences. Turkey will not hesitate to take proportionate and necessary steps to protect its interests under international law,” said Kalın.



## Greek Cypriot side needs to be mentally ready

Turkish Prime Minister Binali Yıldırım has said that the Greek Cypriot side should be mentally ready, should a permanent and sustainable solution be necessary on the island.

A press conference was held at

Çankaya Palace following the bilateral and inter-delegation meetings between Turkish Prime Minister Binali Yıldırım and Prime Minister Tufan Erhürman.

Speaking at the press conference, Turkish Prime Minister Yıldırım

said, “One important issue is the Cyprus problem and its solution. We discussed this comprehensively. We have exchanged views on next steps following the failed Crans-Montana conference held last July.”

The Turkish Prime Minister said that the underlying reasons behind the failure of the conference without reaching a resolution should be analysed, and continued: “The international community and the Greek Cypriot administration need to understand that the Greek Cypriot side should be mentally

ready for a permanent and lasting solution. The Greek Cypriot side should convince the Turkish Cypriot side that they are ready to share. Political equality, fair governance, fair sharing of welfare and trust between the two sides on a federal structure are important. Moreover, protection of our independence - which was gained with great sacrifices - the safety of life and property, and the continuation of Turkey’s guarantee under all circumstances are very important points. Seeking a solution without explicitly putting forward these principles will mean the issue remains inconclusive, and we will not reach a sustainable solution.”



## Burcu criticises Hristodulidis's statement

Presidential Spokesperson Barış Burcu has said that Greek Cypriot Foreign Minister Nikos Hristodulidis’s statement that President Mustafa Akıncı refused to meet with Greek Cypriot leader Anastasiades socially does not reflect reality.

In his written statement, Burcu said “President Akıncı publicly stated his desire many times to meet face to face with Anastasiades, to understand his intentions, and conveyed this to the UN Secretary General’s Special Representative to Cyprus, Elizabeth Spehar”.



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## Finding Friends - JOHN FLOOD - where are you now?

By Margaret Sheard ...

We have received a request for help to find a long lost friend and Cyprus veteran from the early 1960s.

Morris Brand, who now lives in Kelty, Scotland, has made the request to find John Flood, and below is the information he has given about his old friend, who would now be in his 70's.

By Morris Brand ...

Back in May 1961, a bunch of 15/16 year old lads left their homes from all over the UK to embark on an 18 month training course at RAF St Athan in South Wales. There were 3 of us from Scotland - myself (from Kirkcaldy in Fife), one from Dumfries who I found last year following an article in his local paper. He just happened to be in Scotland when the article appeared as he has been living near Protaras in Cyprus for the last 10 years! Then the third one is John Flood who originated from Paisley in Scotland.

I met up with John when I was posted to RAF Akrotiri in Cyprus in 1964 but can't quite remember when he left or indeed where he went after there.

We have tried various groups on Facebook, different associations including the Boy Entrants Association. I have even had an article printed last month in the Paisley Express but all to no avail to date.

A few weeks ago, I received another 'possible' lead to say that a John Flood (born 1944) - which would fit in - married a Constance E M James at RAF Akrotiri. Unfortunately, I don't have the date.

*There were 19 of us who joined as motor mechanics back then and we know that one is deceased, one lives in Australia, one in New Zealand and at least one in Cyprus - John's whereabouts are unknown. We are extremely desirous of finding him as we are having a reunion in June this year and would dearly love to see him there.*

Of course John could be anywhere in the world and, as both our website and CyprusScene.com online Enewspaper reach readers worldwide, we hope that perhaps we may be successful in locating him to reunite him with his old friend Morris.

It is always a long-shot but maybe, just maybe, John or someone that knows him may happen to read our request for help. If anyone can supply any information about John Flood please contact us at [www.cyprusscene.com](http://www.cyprusscene.com) and we will be so happy to pass the information on to Morris.



RAF boy entrant - a young John Flood shown above.

Below - RAF days - John is extreme left, back row.



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## Ataturk's short-lived marriage

### Part 4 of Ataturk's romantic life. By Ismail Veli ....

Mustafa Kemal's love life was one of turbulence, pain and sometimes tragic.

With the Ottoman empire constantly at war from the Tripolitanian war in 1911, the Balkan wars in 1912, WW1 and in particular the war of independence from 1919 to 1923 his determination, courage and thinking, was way ahead of his times, helped to propel him to that of a national hero and international stature that few in history attained. Loved by his people and respected by all he fought.

Sadly he was never able to achieve the same success in his personal life. In parts 1 and 2, I wrote about some of his lesser known but important relationships, while the 3rd was a better known affair that ended in tragedy. Mustafa finally married Latife Ussaki/Usakizade (Ushaki in English) on 29 January 1923. Sadly it was a short lived marriage that ended in August 1925.

Mustafa Kemal and Latife first met at Latife's family mansion in Izmir in the immediate aftermath of the recapture of Izmir from the Greek army. According to Andrew Mango "he was impressed by her easy and direct manners and her European accomplishments". Latife did her best to accommodate the Gazi during his 3 weeks stay at her family home. The first signs that she had more than just normal affections for the Gazi was when he had to leave Izmir for Ankara. She requested to go with him in any capacity possible, to work as a staff member, but without success.

Latife did leave a great impression on Kemal however. Her confident, elegant and well spoken manner with a European education was something that Kemal hoped to see in the Turkish women of the future. In addition in-spite of her obvious infatuation with him she was definitely self controlled enough to resist his possible advances.

It was very soon after on January 29 1923 that Mustafa and Latife



married. Their wedding was a glimpse of what was to come. On their wedding day Latife did not wear the veil. She was an emancipated woman and Mustafa would go one further when on February 18 1923 it was reported by the Daily Mail correspondent that "The Ghazi was dressed in a tweed suit, breeches and cycling stockings, while Latife was wearing riding breeches, with high boots and spurs. and had a bright silk handkerchief over her hair". The nation was shocked but their God like love for him meant they accepted the new image he was starting to portray.

Though Latife's love for her husband was strong, cracks soon began to appear. Latife was used to a modern and luxurious family mansion. The villa where they lived in Cankaya was by comparison much smaller and simple, above all it seemed they were hardly ever alone. Mustafa's career and constant drive for reform and new ideas meant he also enjoyed the company of friends who had fought by his side for years. Every evening Mustafa would have large a

gathering. Initially Latife's patience and adoration for her husband seemed an adventure, but eventually she began to tire of the constant gatherings. When Mustafa's fatigue and health began to show signs that his body was beginning to suffer, she doted and began to lay some rules on his work routine but he started to become irritated.



Ataturk and Latife on a tour of Anatolia. 29 Jan 1925. (archive of Ulvi Sulaoglu)



Latife 18 yaşında... Piyano hocası Anna Grosser-Rilke'ye imzalıdır fotoğraf (1918).

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## Ataturk's short-lived marriage

With constant meetings at Cankaya privacy was a rare occurrence. Latife was an independent and confident of her own ideas which Kemal admired, she was also a great host seeing herself as an equal.

Kemal often listened to her ideas about the emancipation of women in Turkish politics and every walk of life he found her advice useful and practical. But when she began to interfere in his lifestyle of almost nightly entertainment of his friends the strains began to show.

Latife began to put pressure on his drinking, in particular at dinner meetings, occasionally walking into meetings and saying "what's this Kemal, drinking again". She began to put pressure to cut down these meetings to more reasonable hours. These were not unreasonable from normal family perspectives, this however was no ordinary family and the period in Turkish history was no ordinary period. According to Lord Kinross, in the rebirth of a Nation she became too overconfident and tried to change Mustafa himself. Her tactfulness began to wain and she tried to show signs of controlling Mustafa. The world could not control him however let alone an individual. Perhaps the straw that broke the camels back was when Mustafa having been offered a house in Konya to reside in. At a lunch gathering where men and women unveiled gathered together. After the event Mustafa walked together to a local hotel, no sooner had they settled down for a coffee and Latife showed up unexpectedly. She said "Kemal, I have come to take you home".

According to Lord Kinross, Mustafa did not like being called

"Kemal", she knew this and her attempts at controlling him in public began to humiliate him. At a gathering with guests she even claimed she broke up her education to come to Izmir to meet the Gazi, Mustafa told her, she was free to pursue her education anytime she wanted. Witnesses claimed that while he was talking to sentries one day she walked to the balcony and ordered him to come in. At a public tour of Erzurum in 1925 the situation reached boiling point. They quarrelled in public and Mustafa asked her to go back to Ankara. The public outbursts especially in Erzurum convinced Mustafa that

the marriage had to end.

She was accompanied by his trusted ADC Salih Bozok. He handed him a sealed letter to give to Ismet Inonu. It read :

*Mme Latife is preceding me to Ankara. I decided that it would be wrong for us to continue the trip together, as the experience of the last two years has convinced me that we cannot live together. I have informed her of my decision. She is desperately sad and may ask you or Fevzi Pasa to bring us together again, but my decision is final. However I do not wish to harm the honour and standing of herself and*

public authority at a time when his aim was to change Turkey's future. This was no easy task. He argued and did away with the Ottoman Capitulations to the West which was crippling to Turkey, He had plans to outlaw the veil, do away with the Caliphate, do away with the Oriental fez, and even give women equal voting rights, and above all to separate religion and affairs of state with secular laws, and even change the written script from Arabic to Latin so as to help overcome the immense illiteracy of over 90% prevailing in those days. Most Turks spoke a different language to that of the Arabic script, if the country was to progress this had to be changed. Frankly even in 2018 most Islamic countries do not have the courage to attempt such far reaching reforms. These subjects however are not part of this article. Suffice it to say that perhaps Latife's genuine care for Mustafa's indifference to his own health and well being did eventually cause his untimely death in 1938 at the age of only 57. Latife also never remarried and died in 1975 at the age of 77.

Ataturk's gigantic efforts to change his country from backwardness to the modern era no doubt contributed to his drinking, and drained him physically. Only his spirit was never broken. It can be said that the only marriage he really had was to his country. Amen to that.

Photos and sources used in this article are from the books of Atatürk. By Andrew Mango 1999 Atatürk. The Rebirth of a Nation. By Lord Patrick Kinross. 1964 Basinda Mustafa Kemal Atatürk. By Beylikdüzü Belediyesi IV Print 2017. Courtesy of Cengiz Özkarabekir



*her family. for whom I retain my respect, and my feelings of true friendship. The manner of separation will be decided in Ankara. She must be made to agree to return quietly to Izmir.*

From the book "Ataturk", by Andrew Mango. page 414.

The divorce became official on 5th August 1925. Mustafa felt that marital outbursts in public undermined his

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## Girne Municipality celebrate World Women's Day

Girne Municipality organized an event in Ramadan Cemil Square for World Women's Day on 8th March.

Girne Municipality organized a "Poetry and Music Concert" event on March 8, for World Labour Day for Women. In addition to the citizens, UBP Girne MP deputy Gürçağ Altuğra participated in the event. The event took place in Girne Ramadan Cemil Square, and Anafartalar High School teacher Oya Kutsal made a special speech about the meaning of the day.

In addition, Şht Hasan Cafer Primary School teacher Sevgül Ulgün, Oğuz Veli Middle School teacher Burçak Göldoğan and Girne Municipality Art Director Derman Atik gave readings of poetry.

There was music from the Dilara Ferit Band, and the event ended with a walk to the Atatürk Statue in Kordonboy.

Güngördü: We are a people-orientated

Girne Mayor Nidai Güngördü spoke at the event on March 8, World Working Women's Day; and spoke of the struggle, solidarity, violence against women, wrong politics and a stand against gender

discrimination. Nidai Güngördü stated that they are a people-orientated municipality that values women and children and that violence, abuse and gender discrimination against individuals is unacceptable. Given that they wanted to see more women in the country's politics, municipalities and social life, Güngördü celebrated women's day for all women.

Altuğra: Women are the foundation of society

UBP Girne MP Gürçağ Altuğra pointed out that women are the nucleus of the community, which is based on society. Gürçağ Altuğra stated that she organised her house as a mother and a wife. Altuğra argued that women should move equally, hand in hand, shoulder by shoulder, and to be able to exercise their rights.



## KKORD Off-road Championship this Sunday at Alagadi



By Ahmet Abdulaziz ...

The 2018 KKORD Off-road Championship is starting this Sunday (11th March, 2018) in the Alagadi area.

The North Cyprus Off-road Association is organising the event with the organisational support of the Sports Department, Health Ministry and the Anti-drug commission of the Prime Ministry Office.

It will be the 5th race to be organised in memory of the late Veleddin Hudan, the ex off-road race enthusiast.

Alagadi race track is the most favourite track of the off-road race

enthusiasts, who are expected to turn up to enjoy the event. The race will start at 10.30 am, and the participants will be entering the track with a distance of 3 minutes time in between. The event is expected to be finished before 1.30pm, after which the winner will be announced.

The participants have been grouped in 4 classes on the basis of the engine power of each car.

Apart from the government departments the event is being sponsored by North Cyprus Otomobile Club, Güven Sigorta, Bigibox and Energy FM.

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## Mother and son reunited in time for Mother's Day

By Kim Betts – KAR ....

In May 2017 we arranged for a handsome black and white cat to travel to the UK. His name was Ben Iki.

He had been adopted by Jenny and Simon Collyer who have a holiday home here in TRNC. A close friend of theirs had been caring for Ben Iki whilst his travel preparations were completed. Sue was also looking after other cats in the neighbourhood - including Ben Iki's Mum.

Ben Iki settled into the Collyer household really well and seemed to really enjoy the UK lifestyle.

On one of their regular visits to TRNC Jenny and Simon called into the KAR office for a quick chat with Kim. They had decided that it was only right that Ben Iki's Mum, (who was still around), should be given the same opportunity as Ben Iki - and so her travel preparations began. They had named her Olcay.

Sue agreed to look after Olcay for the 4 months needed before Olcay could travel. She was the perfect foster carer as Olcay already knew her.

Jenny and Simon visited TRNC again early in 2018 to have a "cat"ch up with everyone including Olcay.

Soon the day arrived for Olcay to travel to the UK. She arrived in the

UK on Wednesday March 7th and was collected from Heathrow by a very excited Collyer family.

As you can see she has quickly learnt the art of "rug snuggling" and seems to be settling in very well.

We hope that Olcay has a wonderful Mothers Day - sharing it in the UK with her son Ben Iki and her adopted family.



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## EFRAR - an even braver shave!

By Sue Steel – EFRAR 2018 Committee ...

Kate Bell, 64, is a lady on a mission. A mission to raise 10,000TL for EFRAR 2018 supporting Tulips.



Mrs Bell, a retired mortgage manager has lived in Esentepe with her husband, for just over 10 years. She has always wanted to join in the Fun Run but has always found herself in UK when the event has taken place.

However, having recently watched her male "Abnormal" friends having their heads shaved, she thought "I can do that too".

Kate said: "Anyone who knows me, knows my hair is very important to me and having my head shaved is a huge thing for me to do but if I can raise at least

10,000TL then that is what I will do.

Cancer is an illness which unfortunately knocks on most doors and I have personally lost my father, father-in-law, aunts and uncles to cancer but have other dear family members and friends who have undergone the gruelling treatment and survived.

I hope my gesture will raise the 10,000TL and so help cancer sufferers, here in North Cyprus, with their treatment."

Mary Watson, EFRAR 2018 Chair

commented: "It is one thing for a man to have his head shaved but quite different for a woman. This easily demonstrates Kate's commitment to raise money for EFRAR and Tulips and, in her own way, provide much needed support for cancer patients."

Finally, Kate said "If everyone out there, in Northern Cyprus and the UK, who knows me, digs deep in their pockets to support me in reaching my goal, I will be eternally grateful. I plan to do this in early May, if I reach my target amount"

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## Gülcem Gündoğ - A unique project

By Ahmet Abdulaziz ....

Gülcem Gündoğ, a student of Faculty of Communication Department of Photography and Cameraship, recently held a campaign to help the Çağlayan Children's Home.

This campaign in fact was her graduation project at Near East University.

In cooperation with the Near East Primary school, she managed to hold a workshop for the children, where they created interesting paintings. These paintings were

ultimately printed on T-shirts and page markers for books. These T-shirts and page markers were put up for sale and the sale proceeds were then donated to the Children's Home.

It was a unique project which not only raised funds for the Children's

Home, but also brought to light the factor of social responsibility. The children who participated in this project not only got a chance to learn to express their talent, but also came to realise their social responsibility for the betterment of society.



## Kutlu Adalı Press Awards announced

By Ahmet Abdulaziz ...

Basın Sen, the Press Workers Trade Union, announced the winning journalists for the 17th Kutlu Adalı Press Awards.

The jury consisted of Press Workers' Trade Union (Basın - Sen), Turkish Cyprus Journalists Association (Kıbrıs Türk Gazeteciler Birliği), Turkish Cyprus Sports Journalists' (Kıbrıs Türk Spor Yazarları), The Kutlu Adalı Trust, represented by İlkey Adalı and İlknur Çakmak.

The jury was headed by Serkan Soyalan, the General Secretary of Press Workers' Trade Union.

Hereunder is the list of the winners:

- Kutlu Adalı Honor Award : İlknur Çakmak on behalf of Hakan Çakmak
- Press Workers' Trade Union (Basın - Sen) Special Award: Sevgül Uludağ
- Best News Award : Duygu Alan (Dipkarpaz'da Aşk Kazandı) - Havadis Gazetesi
- Best Sports journalist: Eren Şişik (Yedek Kulübesine Dürüm Çağırdı) - Yenidüzen Gazetesi
- Hakan Çakmak Special Award: Kadri Esemen
- Young Journalist Award: Tünay Mertekci
- Press Workers' Award : Celil

Uysal, Tekin Kurt, Mustafa Bozdoğan, Erol Uysal

- Devoted Journalists' Award : Ayşe Taşseven Denizoğlu, Eralp Adanır, Ali Baturay
- New Press Award : İpek Dermuş (Voice of the Island) - Irene Zamani (Voice of the Island)

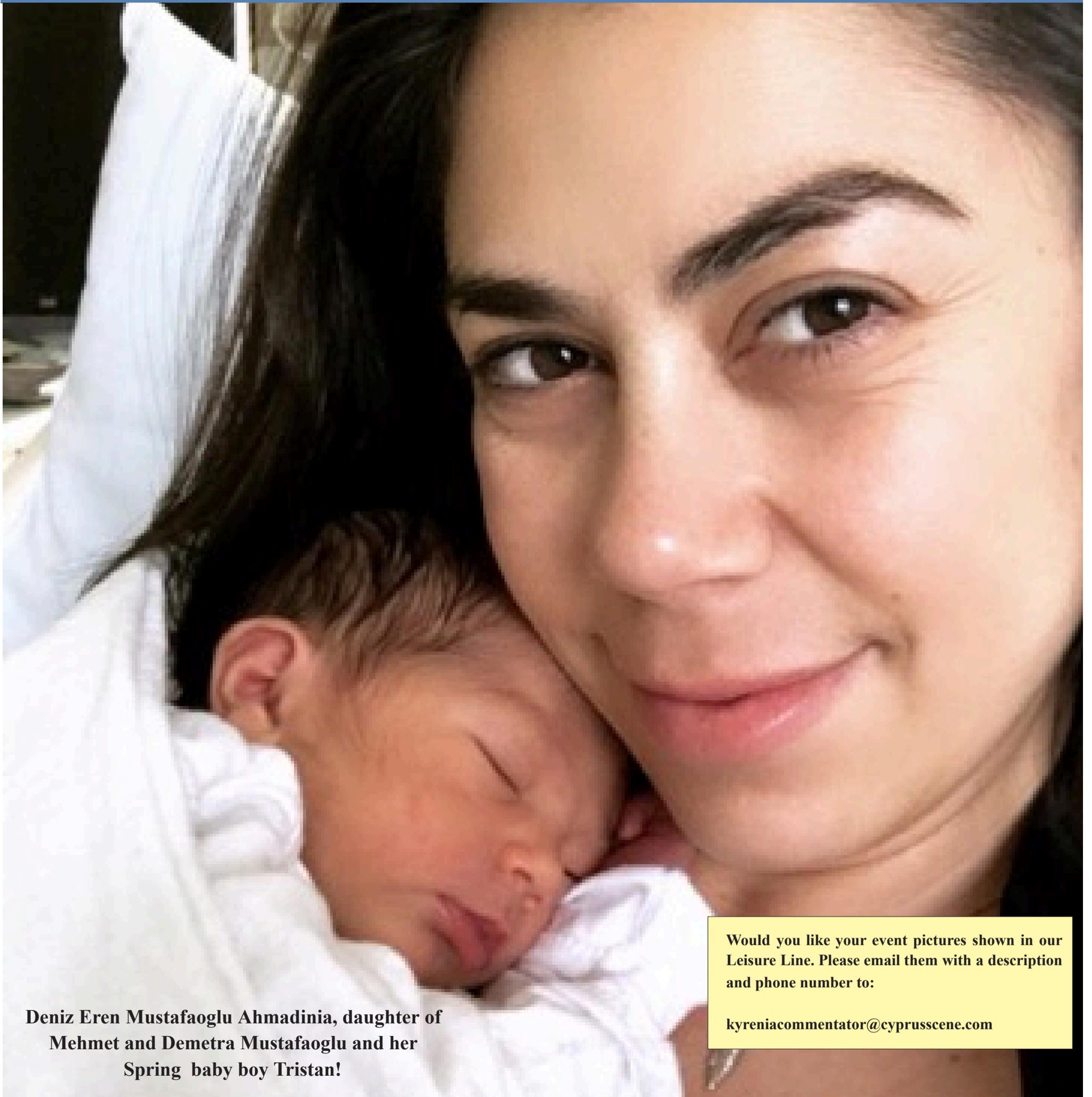
The awards will be distributed in a ceremony to be held on 23rd March at 8 pm, at the meeting hall of Turkish Cyprus Journalists Association (Kıbrıs Türk Gazeteciler Birliği)



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# The Leisure Line

Be in the Spot Light!



**Deniz Eren Mustafaoglu Ahmadinia, daughter of  
Mehmet and Demetra Mustafaoglu and her  
Spring baby boy Tristan!**

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# In the Spotlight!

Baby Tristan!



Tristan decided to arrive 5 days prior to his scheduled C section. He greeted his family at 5:29 pm Pacific Time Thursday March 1 at Cedars Sinai Hospital in Los Angeles, California. He weighed in at 6 pounds & 5 ounces & measured 20 inches long. (2.8 kilos,



Father Saam Ahmadinia & Dede Mehmet Mustafaoglu



Mimi Demetra serenades, Dede Mehmet bottle fed and are enjoying every minute with Tristan!

# In the Spotlight!



On Saturday 3rd March it was fun and games in the small village of Hisarkoy where they were holding the 8th Orchid Festival.

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## British Peacekeeping forces moving to Old Nicosia Airport area

The location of the British Forces in the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus is changing.

The British Forces, will be leaving the Ledra Palace Hotel at the end of the year or early 2019 and will be moving to the former airport of Nicosia, which is under the control of the United Nations.

The Alithia newspaper, published in Southern Cyprus, wrote that the British High Commissioner's statement in Nicosia was included in the agenda of the visit of Jean-Pierre Lacroix, Deputy Secretary

General responsible for peacekeeping operations of the United Nations.

According to the newspaper, the



British High Commissioner said the United Nations would no longer use the Ledra Palace Hotel to host Peace Corps troops and that the hotel could only be used

for events in reception halls.

Speaking that the decision was part of the proposed revision of the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus, the Spokesman stated that there is no scenario for the UK contingent to be taken over by the United Nations.

The Politis newspaper also reported that the Ledra Palace Hotel is no longer used for accommodation by Peace Corps soldiers, because the building is not in good condition and needs maintenance and repair.

Source: BRTK

## Political equality of Turkish Cypriots is indispensable

Prime Minister Tufan Erhürman has stated that the leader of the Greek Cypriot Administration Nicos Anastasiades should recognize that acceptance of the political equality of Turkish Cypriots is indispensable to the negotiation process.

Erhürman attended the joint press conference after bilateral and inter

-delegation meetings with Prime Minister Binali Yıldırım within the framework of his contact schedule at the Çankaya Palace in Ankara.

Erhürman emphasized that Anastasiades' statements on the hydrocarbon issue show that he does not yet have a clear view on the status of Turkish Cypriots. He also said that the Greek Cypriot

leader's comments after his re-election did not contribute to efforts to resume the negotiation process.

The Prime Minister stressed that Turkish Cypriots not only have a right to receive a share of the island's natural resources, but are also one of the key decision makers about these resources.

Prime Minister Erhürman indicated that the concept of the Turkish Cypriots' political equality is a key factor in these ideas.

Erhürman said, "We share an awareness with Turkey of the importance of political equality for the Turkish Cypriots. We know that any settlement which does not guarantee the political equality of Turkish Cypriots will not be sustainable."

Expressing that Turkish Cypriots are eager to open up to the world, Erhürman said: "Even if there is no legal recognition, our people's recognition is extremely important to us. Participating in international sports competitions, freedom of trade with other countries, and taking part in global art and cultural life are all aspects of our human rights.

We also need the support of Turkey."



# CyprusScene : Trivia and Sudoku

### Double Initials

- 1) What is the real name of rap star Eminem?
- 2) What is the real name of Doris von Kappelhoff?

### The Silent Era

- 1) Which 2 stars of the silent screen married in 1920?
- 2) Who directed "The Birth of a Nation"?

### Disney Films

- 1) Which film is about the fate of a princess called Ariel?
- 2) Who plays the father in the 1960 film "Swiss Family Robinson"?

### Ireland

- 1) What is the Irish word for the Police?
- 2) What is a 'dubh linn' (as in Dublin)?

### Holiday Destinations

- 1) Where is Sidi Bou Said?
- 2) Where would you throw a coin into the Trevi Fountain?

### Connections

- 1) What name connects Gary Numan and Cliff Richard?
- 2) What do Abba have in common with Buddy Holly?

### Disco

- 1) Name Disco Tex's group
- 2) Who sang "Never can say goodbye" in 1974?

### The Middle Ages

- 1) Who was crowned emperor in Rome in 800?
- 2) Who did William the Conqueror marry?

### Military History

- 1) Which island was awarded the George Cross in 1942?
- 2) Where was Custer's Last Stand?

### Water Sports

- 1) When was yachting first included in the Olympics?
- 2) When was canoeing introduced to the Olympics?

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## North Cyprus Events Calendar 10th March to 21st March 2018

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.



### 10th March – Saturday – Football:

Mağusa Türk Gücü v Lefke (Supa League) at Gazimağusa Canbula Stadi – kick off 3-00pm.

Girne Halk Evİ v Değirmenlik (League 1) at Girne 20 Temmuz Mete Adanır Stadi – kick off 3-00pm.

Gençlik Gücü v Yeni Boğaziçi (Supa League) at Lefkoşa Atatürk Stadium – kick off 3-00pm

### 11th March – Sunday - 15th Orchid Walk

- 9km route from Kozanköy to Karşıyaka. Tickets for the Orchid Walk are 35TL from all Deniz Plaza branches and Telsim branches in Lefkoşa – at Ortaköy, Girne Gate and Dereboyu, Girne, Gazimağusa Sakarya, Güzelyurt and İskele. There is a post-walk raffle and entrants should send their ticket number to 0548 855 1515.

### 11th March – Sunday – Football:

Dumlupınar v Doğancı (League 1) at Gazimağusa Dr Fazıl Küçük Stadium – kick off 3-00pm.

Maraş v Kaya Mehmetçik (League 1) at Maraş Stadi, Famagusta – kick off 3-00pm.

L. Gençler Birliği v BAF Ülkü Yurdu (Supa League) at İskele Cumhuriyet Stadi – kick off 3-00pm.

Yenicami v Küçük Kaymaklı (Supa League) at Lefkoşa Atatürk Stadium – kick off 3.00pm.

11th March – Sunday - **KKORD Off-road Championship** at Alagadi area – 10.30am to 1.30pm.

### 12th March – Monday - Football :

Türk Ocağı v GAÜ Çetinkaya (Supa League) at Girne 20 Temmuz Mete Adanır Stadi – kick off 6-15pm (floodlight).

12th March – Monday - **RBL Quiz Night** at Jessic's Bar, Lapta. 7.30pm. 5TL entry. 10TL Bingo.

14th March – Wednesday - **Friends of the TRNC Emergency Services** – 112 Afternoon Tea Talk at The Black Olive Restaurant, Alsancak. 3pm – The speaker will be Keith Lloyd talking about the Battersea Dogs Home. 20TL includes tea/coffee, sandwiches and cake. To book call 0533 840 7834.

16th March – Friday - **RBL Quiz Night** at the Olive Press, Lapta at 7.30pm. Compered by Brian Thomas. 5TL entry and 10TL for a game of Stupid Bingo. To book your team call 0533 880 1196

16th March – Friday - **KAR** will be having a quiz night at The Blue Song Restaurant, Lapta at 7.30pm. 25TL per person including food. Orders taken when registering teams. Call 0533 847 2819.

16th March – Friday - **Blakes Lounge Bar** and Bistro, Alsancak will be celebrating Delia's birthday. 7.30pm onwards, free buffet and music with DJ Dave Mancini.

17th March – Saturday - **Classical music concert** at Bellapais Abbey at 7.30pm featuring students of Rauf Kazimov. 20TL. The concert starts at 7.30pm and tickets are 20TL, available from Deniz Plaza, Kybele Restaurant, Bestseller Bookshop and at the entrance on the night. Proceeds from ticket sales will be for EFRAR 2018 (Tulips).

21st March – Wednesday - **Best Seller Bookshop**, Karakum will be having a book launch and signing of "Brandy Sours" by Bryan Hill – 11am to 2pm. The book is a "tongue in cheek" memoir by Bryan of the 7 years he lived in North Cyprus.

### NOTE:

KAR - ½ price winter sale starts on 19th March at the Girne shop (not at Gladrags). Opening hours Monday to Friday 9am to 3pm, Saturday 9am to 1pm.

Supper Club – If you have booked for the Totally Tina concert, the tickets are now available at Best Seller Bookshops and the Colony Reception. When collecting please indicate who the tickets are for and also ensure payment does not include any old £5 or £10 sterling notes.



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## Here are the answers to Sudoku on page 23

GRID No 31

3	8	1	6	4	5	2	9	7
9	5	4	3	7	2	6	1	8
6	7	2	9	1	8	3	4	5
2	6	7	5	9	3	4	8	1
1	3	8	4	2	7	5	6	9
4	9	5	8	6	1	7	2	3
5	4	6	7	8	9	1	3	2
7	1	9	2	3	6	8	5	4
8	2	3	1	5	4	9	7	6

GRID No. 32

3	8	9	6	4	7	2	1	5
5	6	2	1	8	9	4	7	3
1	4	7	2	3	5	8	9	6
9	5	3	8	1	6	7	4	2
6	1	4	7	9	2	3	5	8
7	2	8	4	5	3	1	6	9
8	7	5	3	6	1	9	2	4
2	3	6	9	7	4	5	8	1
4	9	1	5	2	8	6	3	7



## Here are the answers to the Trivia Quiz on page 23

**Double Initials**

- 1) Marshall Mathers
- 2) Doris Day

**The Silent Era**

- 1) Douglas Fairbanks and Mary Pickford
- 2) D W Griffith

**Disney Films**

- 1) The Little Mermaid
- 2) John Mills

**Ireland**

- 1) Gardai
- 2) A Black Pool

**Holiday Destinations**

- 1) Tunisia
- 2) Rome

**Connections**

- 1) Both born with the surname Webb
- 2) Both inspired stage musicals

**Disco**

- 1) The Sex-O-Lettes
- 2) Gloria Gaynor

**The Middle Ages**

- 1) Charlemagne
- 2) Queen Matilda

**Military History**

- 1) Malta
- 2) Little Big Horn 1876

**Water Sports**

- 1) 1900
- 2) 1936



How did you do?



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Calling all dogs for a fun day out

# Fun Dog Show!

## Sunday 1st April

### Roots Bar, Kuçuk Erenkoy

Registration 1:30pm - just turn up

Show starts 2pm

Small Dogs

Medium Dogs

Large Dogs

Golden Oldie

Musical Sit

Waggiest Tail



### Sausage Catching Competition!!

Will your dog catch the most sausages?

In aid of Hope 4 Pets and EFRAR

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## A look at the BRS Monthly Newsletter

By Chris Elliott ....

Every month the British Residents' Society sends out a very informative newsletter to their members covering a wide range of issues so this week we are looking at their March issue which contained very good information relating to health and welfare and much more.

For many years the BRS have maintained close contacts with the British High Commission and we are highlighting the following news from the March newsletter:

### "Government Liaison.

The British High Commissioner, Mr. Matthew Kidd, invited the BRS Committee to Shakespeare House on Thursday, 15th February. It was planned as a general meeting and for the High Commissioner to speak to the committee about the last public meeting, Brexit issues and other matters of concern to our members. There was open and frank discussion on issues such as security at Ercan airport and inconvenience to

passengers, the consequences of Brexit, access to Wayne's Keep cemetery from the North and health insurance for British citizens living in TRNC.

Mr. Kidd assured the Committee that he was doing all he could to get clarification on these matters and that he would certainly pass on our concerns to his successor, Mr. Stephen Lillie, who will take up his appointment in Spring 2018."



**Left to right: Back row: Danny Dugan, Chairman: Christina Smith, Vice Consul BHC: Michelle Martin, Health & Welfare: Mike Diplock, Government Liaison: Peter Wilkins, Deputy Chairman & Government Liaison Front row: Sandie Mansell, Events: Tina Sone, Honorary Secretary: Mr. Matthew Kidd, British High Commissioner to Cyprus: Diana Bujold, Publicity and Information**

### "Meetings with Government Departments.

On 12th February, our Government Liaison representatives met with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. We were informed that questions raised by members at the meeting with the Foreign Minister in December were being followed up but response has been delayed as a result of the number of changes in ministerial positions since the election.

We have been promised a meeting with the new Foreign Minister once he has settled into his position. The same applies to contact with Senior Civil Servants.

Requests by BRS and the Royal British Legion to access Wayne's Keep Cemetery from TRNC rather than having to enter via the South, have been submitted to the Turkish Military Forces for consideration. The initial response is encouraging.

The Foreign Ministry is considering the relocation of the existing memorial, currently at the British Cemetery in Kyrenia, to Wayne's Keep Cemetery where it was originally intended to rest.

The proposed new regulation on a Government Health Insurance Policy is still under review."

This newsletter also gave some interesting information about the delivery of international mail to the TRNC, Mobile phone registration and much more:

## Trevor's Tips for March 2018

### Driving Licence Renewal

Some people are reporting that when renewing their driving licence, they are being asked to hand over their homeland driving licence. I have checked this out and it is not true and not a requirement. However, if you are asked to surrender your homeland driving licence tell the person whom is making the request that you are no longer an owner of such a licence.

### Cataracts

I had my two cataracts completed last month and what a difference it has made. Everything is much brighter and the colours are now vivid.

No more glasses for me and I can walk in the rain without the lenses having rain spots on them and I can walk into places I wish to visit

without them steaming up. I can also see what time it is on my bedside clock without fumbling for my glasses.

The ophthalmic surgeon I used is Dr Guvenir in Lefkosa tel 0392 223 66 40/1, well worth a visit. My lenses are the very latest bi-focal and anti-glare versions which cost slightly more, but well worth the extra spend!!

### Money Exchange

A number of you are telling me that you are experiencing difficulty paying damaged/ de-faced sterling notes into banks. The directive is from the Central Bank and not the high street banks being awkward with you.

The best way forward is to go to a "money exchange" and change your sterling there.

If you are drawing sterling please make sure the notes are not defaced in any way if you are intending to make a transaction with a high street bank, here.

If you are exchanging large sums of money, please make sure that you get a receipt from the exchange outlet BEFORE you leave to make sure everything is in order. There has been one case recently where a person undertaking his exchange, was visited by the police authorities due to an allegation from the exchange outlet that he handed over less than was made.

The police took the claim seriously resulting in him being arrested prior to the police conducting their investigation.

### Eye Drops

Since the last News Round an alternative eye drop medication for glaucoma sufferers is now on the market and is readily available from all chemists. The name of this product is Britosopt. Check with your eye specialist before you purchase.

### Child Car Seats

If you are having visitors with young children this year, the car seat Law for minors is the same as in the U K.

We have already received several enquiries for the hire of these seats, so book early to avoid disappointment. Our seats are fully sanitised and checked for safety after every use, unlike the seats offered by some taxi cabs which can be unsafe and absolutely filthy. For reservation call 0533 844 3403. Or 0533 886 2503.

## Sports Quiz : 5 questions and this weeks "Stinker"



By Richard Beale.

Here are the 5 Sports Questions and this week's "Stinker Question".

The answers for the 5 Sports Questions appear on page 30 in this Enewspaper and the answer to the "Stinker" question will appear in next week's Enewspaper.

**Good luck and no cheating!**

Question 1. Which football club does Prince William support?

Question 2. In poker which hand is the more valuable flush or full house ?

Question 3. Which country invented Volleyball ?

Question 4 Where did Usain Bolt finish in his final race of his career ?

Question 5.If a cricket Umpire holds both arms straight up in the air, what is he indicating ?



Cyprus Scene Sports Quiz

**This weeks STINKER:**

The answer will be in next weeks Enewspaper

**Question:** Who is the only player to score in four different FA Cup Finals ?.

**Last weeks STINKER:**

**The question was,** which 2 grounds in England have hosted an England Football International, an FA Cup Final and a cricket Test Match ?.

**Answer: :** Bramall Lane, Sheffield and The Oval, London

## Football Roundup Results for 3/4/5 March

By Richard Beale

Yenicami now are clear leaders of the Supa League winning in injury time 3-2 against Merit Alsancak. Their leading goalscorer John Ebuka Okoye scoring a hat trick.

In what was an eventful match for Ex Newcastle and Colchester star Lua Lua he scored Alsancak's opening goal but sent off 2 minutes from time

### K-PET SUPER LEAGUE GOALSCORERS.

26 UĞUR NACİ GÖK (Küçük Kaymaklı) .....2 more goals this weekend

25 John Ebuka Okoye (Yenicami) hat trick this week

In the K-Pet League 1 the only winners were Esentepe who beat then 6th place Gocmenkoy 2-0, then saw all of their main rivals Gönyeli, Maraş, Dumlupinar and Hamitköy all lose, to maintain a strong grip at the top.



### K-PET SUPER LEAGUE RESULTS

BAF ÜLKÜ YURDU	4	MAĞUSA TÜRK GÜCÜ	1
DOĞAN TÜRK BİRLİĞİ	0	BİNATLI	2
GAÜ ÇETİNKAYA	2	CİHANGİR	2
KÜÇÜK KAYMAKLI	3	YALOVA	0
LEFKE	5	TÜRK OCAĞI	1
L. GENÇLER BİRLİĞİ	3	GENÇLİK GÜCÜ	2
MERIT ALSANCAK YEŞ	2	YENİCAMI	3
OZANKÖY	0	YENİ BOĞAZIÇI	1



UGÜR NACİ GÖK.

### K-PET SUPER LEAGUE TABLE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 <u>Yenicami</u>	21	14	4	3	50	25	46
2 <u>GAÜ Çetinkaya</u>	21	13	2	6	42	31	41
3 <u>Doğan Türk Birliği</u>	21	12	4	5	46	29	40
4 <u>Binatlı</u>	21	10	7	4	42	31	37
5 <u>Küçük Kaymaklı</u>	21	12	1	8	43	34	37
6 <u>Merit Alsancak Yeşilova</u>	21	7	9	5	27	25	30
7 <u>Baf Ülkü Yurdu</u>	21	7	8	6	41	29	29
8 <u>L. Gençler Birliği</u>	21	7	7	7	35	35	28
9 <u>Lefke</u>	21	8	3	10	37	36	27
10 <u>Cihangir</u>	21	7	6	8	35	37	27
11 <u>Mağusa Türk Gücü</u>	21	7	5	9	35	36	26
12 <u>Türk Ocağı</u>	21	8	1	12	30	34	25
13 <u>Gençlik Gücü</u>	21	7	2	12	23	44	23
14 <u>Yalova</u>	21	5	6	10	35	43	21
15 <u>Yeni Boğazıcı</u>	21	4	6	11	15	34	18
16 <u>Ozanköy</u>	21	2	5	14	17	50	11



### Top Goal scorers

21 ÖZGÜR ONGUR (Hamitköy)  
15 Şenol Hızlıoğlu ( Girne Halk Evi)  
14 Mustafa Arnavut (Görneç)  
- Süleyman Bayır (Methmetçik)



### K-PET LEAGUE 1 RESULTS

BOSTANCI BAĞCIL	4	MARAŞ	2
DEĞİRMENLİK	2	HAMITKÖY	1
DOĞANCI	4	GÖRNEÇ	0
ESENTEPE	2	GÖÇMENKÖY	0
GİRNE HALK EVİ	4	AKOVA VURDU	0
KAYAMEHMETÇİK	1	DUMLUPINAR	0
LAPTA	4	ÇANAKKALE	2
MORMENEŞKE	5	GÖNYELİ	3

### K-PET LEAGUE 1 TABLE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 <u>Esentepe</u>	21	13	6	2	40	18	45
2 <u>Gönyeli</u>	21	12	5	4	37	24	41
3 <u>Hamitköy</u>	21	11	2	8	40	29	35
4 <u>Maraş</u>	21	10	5	6	40	30	35
5 <u>Mormeneske</u>	21	11	2	8	41	32	35
6 <u>Dumlupınar</u>	21	10	4	7	39	25	34
7 <u>Girne Halk Evi</u>	21	10	4	7	38	33	34
8 <u>Göçmenköy</u>	21	9	5	7	23	22	32
9 <u>Bostancı Bağcıl</u>	21	8	4	9	23	24	28
10 <u>Değirmenlik</u>	21	8	4	9	30	35	28
11 <u>Lapta</u>	21	7	6	8	32	34	27
12 <u>Akova Vurdu</u>	21	6	4	11	32	50	22
13 <u>Görneç</u>	21	5	6	10	20	38	21
14 <u>Çanakkale</u>	21	5	4	12	19	35	19
15 <u>Kaya Mehmetçik</u>	21	4	5	12	13	30	17
16 <u>Doğancı</u>	21	4	4	13	22	30	16

### Fixtures for this Weekend March 10/11/12

#### By Richard Beale...

A much reduced fixture list, the rest of the venues we usually figure have no matches being played at them this coming weekend.

The pick of the fixtures is in Lefkoşa on Sunday at the Atatürk Stadium featuring League leaders Yenicami against 4th place Küçük Kaymaklı.

ABBREVIATIONS : SL (Super League), L 1 (League 1), BTM W (BTM League White Group), BTM R (BTM Red Group).

FAMAGUSTA Sat Mar 10  
Supa League  
Sun Mar 11  
League 1  
Sun Mar 11  
League 1  
GIRNE Sat Mar 10  
League 1  
Mon Mar 12  
Supa League  
ISKELE Sun March 11  
Supa League  
LEFKOŞA Sat Mar 10  
Supa League  
Sun Mar 11  
Supa League

MAĞUSA TÜRK GÜCÜ v LEFKE  
Gazamağusa Canbulat Stadı – ko 3-00pm  
DUMLUPINAR v DOĞANCI  
Gazamağusa Dr Fazıl Küçük Stadium – ko 3-00pm  
MARAŞ v KAYA MEHMETÇİK  
Maraş Stadı – ko 3-00pm  
GIRNE HALK EVİ v DEĞİRMENLİK  
Girne 20 Temmuz Mete Adanır Stadı – ko 3-00pm  
TÜRK OCAĞI v GAÜ ÇETINKAYA  
Girne 20 Temmuz Mete Adanır Stadı – ko 6-15pm  
L. GENÇLER BİRLİĞİ v BAF ÜLKÜ YURDU  
Iskele Cumhuriyet Stadı – ko 3-00pm  
GENÇLİK GÜCÜ v YENİ BOĞAZIÇI  
Lefkoşa Atatürk Stadium – ko 3-00pm  
YENİCAMI v KÜÇÜK KAYMAKLI  
Lefkoşa Atatürk Stadium – ko 3-00pm



### Sports Quiz Answers

#### Questions on Page 29

Answer 1 Aston Villa believe it or not !.

Answer 2 Full house

Answer 3 USA

Answer 4 He didn't, Bolt pulled up injured in the 4x100m relay at the London World Championship.

Answer 5 6 runs scored.



## Another defeat but an improvement for Tatlısu

**TATLISU SERACILLAR SK 1 GAZIKÖY SK 3**

By Richard Beale...

**Sunday March 4th : BTM League Red Group . Tatlısu Rauf Raif Denktas Stadium.**

It was a familiar story, another defeat in this nightmare of the season for Tatlısu, but they can at least take some positives from this match.

Firstly they scored a goal, only their second of the season, and turned in their best performance of the season.

There were plenty of cars making their way to Tatlısu but they were not turning off to the Football Stadium, they were carrying on and heading for the Tatlısu Festival. So on a sultry warm Sunday morning the crowd was around 70 evenly split between both sets of supporters.

The match after a quiet opening came to life in the 27th minute when Ceren cracked in a ferocious shot that rebounded back into play off the Tatlısu crossbar. Gazıköy quickly retrieved the ball and a minute later crossed across the Tatlısu goal where the unmarked DOGAN GÖZUTÖK swept the ball home. **0-1**

Tatlısu after a shaky opening were beginning to string some passes together and should have equalised on the half hour when Ekrem sent over a low cross from the right, where waiting on the far post was left midfielder Asil only a couple of yards out, but unfortunately the Ex Esentepe player miss hit his shot which was pushed away for a corner by goalkeeper Recep.

The same player again had a great opportunity when again he met a cross on the far post, and his shot had no power in it and the ball was scrambled away by Recep.



This was much better from Tatlısu, and they were unlucky not to go into the break on level terms. **HALF TIME SCORE : 0-1**

At the beginning of the second half it was quite open with both teams creating some half chances.

Then the goal that Tatlısu have been waiting for came in the 55th minute. An Ekrem corner was cleared only for the ball to be returned by Önder, goalkeeper Recep came out for the ball fumbled it and substitute CEMAL prodded it home. Gazıköy were appealing for an offside but the goal stood, it was no more than Tatlısu deserved. **1-1**

Tatlısu were now playing with some confidence a vital ingredient that has been missing all season.

However they were cruelly exposed when they got caught by a lightning Gazıköy break in the 67th minute. Before that Tatlısu had a chance but Önder took too long when presented with a shooting chance. The ball was immediately transferred up field where Mehmet on the right squared the ball across to ALI SAYALAN with the Tatlısu defence split wide open he scored easily. **1-2.**

Tatlısu hit back themselves with Talaha forcing goalkeeper Recep to push his shot over the bar for a corner.

Tatlısu should have been awarded a penalty in the 75th minute when Ekrem put Reşat through he appeared to be tackled from behind and was brought down in the box, but despite Tatlısu strong appeals no penalty was awarded.

Gazıköy finally made the game safe in the 85th minute when Tatlısu lost possession just outside their box DOGAN GÖZUTÖK latched onto the ball and sent an unstoppable shot past Serkan.

It was only then that Tatlısu heads began to drop. **FULL TIME SCORE : 1-3.**

**SUMMING UP :** Tatlısu were unlucky not to come away with a point, they had valid claims for a penalty, but when your luck is out you don't get the rub of the green. They had no luck all season it must change soon, there are green shoots appearing not just on the trees.

This was a more of a team performance by Tatlısu, but of

course there were individuals that stood out, namely Asif and Talha. I thought Tatlısu EKREM ÇAKIRAL was the "Man of the Match", who produced an energetic performance in midfield prompting and probing. Gazıköy were a useful team having some good individuals with experienced defender AHMET DUYAR being their best player. Calm under pressure always in the right place at the right time.

### NEXT TATLISU MATCH

**Sunday March 11th  
Ko 11.30pm  
Away match at:**

**Akova Eray Vudalı Stadi**

**Yıldırım SK v Tatlısu  
Seracilar SK**

## A poor match, but 3 priceless points were gained

### ESENTEPE KKSK 2 GÖÇMENKÖY IYSK 0

By Richard Beale...

Saturday March 3rd 2018 : K-Pet League 1: Esentepe Erdal Barut Stadium

Esentepe strengthened their position as Leaders of League 1, when they ground out a result and earned 3 valuable points in a forgettable match against "Play Off" hopefuls Göçmenköy. With fellow promotion rivals Maraş and Dumlupinar losing, it turned out to be a very good day indeed for Esentepe.

Whereas last week's match against Gönyeli will remain in my mind for many a year, Saturday's match will be easy forgotten but for the fact that another 3 points were grounded out to help Esentepe's quest for the Holy Grail of Super League football.

I have still have a stiff neck from watching the ball which resembled a tennis match for long periods as the ball was continuously booted in the air by both defences. The midfield was congested and from a spectator point of view it was poor fare. However Esentepe at this stage of the season are not in the entertainment business it's all about points, points and points.

On a mild spring afternoon a larger than normal crowd were present, which included a number of Expats which was very pleasing.

In a poor opening exchange, both teams were very cagey, obviously Göçmenköy came with a game plan to pack their defence and rely on breakaways. Göçmenköy forced a corner in the 21st minute taken by Kadir. The corner went to the Esentepe far post where it was headed back across goal to Suat who manage to back head the ball goalwards but Esentepe Mahmut managed to clear



the ball on his own goal-line.

Esentepe replied following a great run from Ahmet who got into the box sending over a cross to the far post where Eser volleyed over from an acute angle.

Esentepe were awarded a controversial penalty in the 36th minute when defender Mustafa fell over just inside the box, as he fell he made contact with the ball with his arm. Göçmenköy argued strongly that Mustafa initially fell over outside the box. Başak's powerfully struck penalty was brilliantly saved by Ozan flinging himself to his right to parry the shot.

Esentepe eventually took the lead in the 43rd minute when from an Ismail corner defender ŞAHİN up for the corner managed to bundle the ball in, I think off his ample chest. Göçmenköy protested strongly that Şahin had put the ball in with his hand. The game was held up as players and referee Timur Bodi continued to argue but the goal stood. **1-0.**

A minute later following a foul near the touchline both sets of players were involved in scuffles and heated

arguments as the referee blew to end a bad tempered half. **HALF TIME SCORE : 1-0.**

Göçmenköy now forced to come out of their defensive strategy had a half chance in the 52nd minute when Barkin broke into the box only to be denied by a superb blocking tackle by Şahin.

Esentepe increased their lead in the 54th minute with an another fortuitous goal from ISMAIL ASLAN. The midfielder tried a shot from just outside the box which should have been gathered easily by goalkeeper Ozan. However whether the goalkeeper took his eyes off the ball at the last minute, the ball somehow went through his arms and into the net. **2-0.**

With Göçmenköy now pushing men upfield this left open spaces which Esentepe began to exploit. Striker Iltay had a volley deflected wide off Beytullah in the 62nd minute and then shortly afterwards following a Mahmut free kick, Esentepe defender Hasan side footed wide.

After that action the match seemed to peter out as Göçmenköy were unable to raise their game and

Esentepe were content to play time out. **FULL TIME SCORE ; 2-0.**

**SUMMING UP :** This is what managers would call an "ugly win" and it was. A game dominated by two strong defences, with very few chances on offer for the strikers. A valuable win for Esentepe putting more distance between themselves and the chasing pack. It's hard not to mention the "P" word but with 9 matches left, Esentepe's destiny is in their own hands.

A hardworking team performance with good contributions from Onur, Mahmut and Ismail. I thought Esentepe's best player was defender ŞAHİN SEKER who was strong, dependable in defence and a scorer of Esentepe's first goal.

#### NEXT ESENTEPE MATCH

Saturday March 10th  
Ko 3-00pm  
Away match at:

Görneç Üç Şehitler Stadı

Görneç SK v Esentepe  
KKSK