TRNC GOVERNMENT CRITICISE THE DECISION TO CANCEL AND NOT RENEW PASSPORTS BY THE RoC

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The decision of the Greek Cypriot Administration to cancel passports and not to renew them is an injustice!

The Greek Cypriot Administration has tried to rule the 1960 Republic, which it usurped with an occupying mentality, and unilaterally for half a century with the same occupying mentality, and the world has been only a spectator to this.

The Greek Cypriot Administration, which is literally the spoiled child of the EU, and its so-called political officials, have increased this spoiledness even more, making human rights and freedoms their toys with which they think they can play.

Restricting the freedom of travel, which is the most basic freedom of people, is an injustice that only this and similar mentalities can resort to.

Once again, I invite this mentality, which has made such unlawful acts and bigoted decisions that would restrict such human rights and freedoms, to start thinking humanely and peacefully.

Source: Fikri Ataoğlu Facebook
The world's acceptance of the so-called RoC is the Cyprus problem

TRNC Foreign Ministry Statement

Established upon the signing of international treaties, the 1960 Republic of Cyprus could only exist for 3 years due to the Greek Cypriot-Greek duo's aspiration to annex the Island into Greece. Today there are two separate States on the Island, namely the TRNC and the Greek Cypriot Administration of Southern Cyprus.

Since 1964, the Greek Cypriot Administration has been violating the fundamental human rights and freedoms of the Turkish Cypriot people in every field using the title of the now-defunct 1960 Partnership Republic. With the decision it has taken to revoke the passports of the Turkish Cypriots and to ban the applications for the issue of passports, the Greek Cypriot Administration has dared to demonstrate once again that it uses this so-called title as an instrument of pressure against the Turkish Cypriot people. The said decision is without legal merit.

The international community’s granting of the so-called “government” title to the Greek Cypriot Administration is the main source of its constant violation of the human rights of the Turkish Cypriot people. The isolation imposed on the Turkish Cypriot people by the Greek Cypriot Administration, with the support of the international community, negatively affects the life of all the Turkish Cypriots in all areas, including the freedom of movement.

The necessity brought about by the isolation inflicted pushes the Turkish Cypriot people to use the passports of the 1960 Republic of Cyprus, of which they were partners. The Greek Cypriot side is using this necessity as a threat. These actions of the Greek side prove that the 1960 Republic of Cyprus has turned into a Greek Cypriot State. These facts prove that a cooperation model based on the sovereign equality of the two States is the only and best solution on the Island.

The new policies recently adopted by the Turkish Cypriot side regarding both the Cyprus issue and the closed area of Maras/Varosha are pushing the Greek side, which unilaterally benefits from the status quo, to desperation which pushes it to take illegal and irrational decisions and steps.

In this regard, the claim in the local press that our Minister is among the Turkish Cypriots whose passports have been revoked does not reflect the truth. Our Minister did not apply for and does not possess any identity card or passport obtained from the Greek Cypriot authorities after 1974. Therefore, we hope that this fact will be taken into consideration in the possible news items on the matter.

Source (Turkish): Ministry of Foreign Affairs

BRS News: Vaccinations and ADAPass update at 24 August

LATEST UPDATE 24.8.2021

CURFEW EXTENDED

According to the order published in the Official Gazette, it is forbidden to go out from 00.00 to 05.00 every night until September 1st, in accordance with the partial curfew imposed to prevent the spread of coronavirus.

Under the resolution of the Supreme Committee on Infectious Diseases, private sector employees working to meet basic needs and employees such as police, firefighters, municipalities, civil defence, health workers and the like will be exempt from the partial curfew.

Although we believe it will be confined to the town centre.

PCR Tests will be priced at 100 TL and antigen tests are 40 TL.

FUEL DISCOUNTED

A 10 cents discount on the litre price of both Petrol and Euro Diesel, which is valid from today, this is due to oil prices in the world's oil market.

ADAPASS

As per our last update we are now aware that the ‘Pilot’ trial for the Adapass scheme will begin on 27th August within the Lefkosa District. Although we believe it will be confined to the town centre.

We still HAVE NOT had any clarity from the Government in respect of how to apply for exemptions for those members who, for whatever reasons, have not been vaccinated or had their vaccinations in the UK and need to have them added to the ADAPASS scheme.

The advice that we are giving is for all vaccinated individuals to carry your UK, EU or TRNC vaccination certificates AND passports should you be questioned.

For those of you who are unvaccinated and consider the ‘risks’ too high due to medical conditions we expect that you will soon have to be in possession of a medical certificate/letter confirming this, it will NOT be sufficient to apply for an exemption as you will be required to provide medical evidence.

Editor's Note: To learn more of the British Residents' Society or to register as a member, the links are shown below:

https://brstrnc.com
https://brstrnc.com/regform.asp
Republic of Cyprus has turned into Greek Cypriot state

The Presidency noted that the Greek Cypriot side's decision to cancel the passports of some Turkish Cypriots is new striking proof that the so-called 'Republic of Cyprus' has completely transformed into a Greek Cypriot state and the legitimate rights of the Turkish Cypriot sides are not respected at all.

The Presidency stated that this implementation and the underlying dominance mentality clearly reveal the cause of the Cyprus conflict and why a federal partnership based on equality cannot be established and be sustainable in Cyprus.

The Presidency made a written statement and evaluated the Greek Cypriot side's decision to cancel the passports of some Turkish Cypriots.

In the statement, it was stated that "passports, which do not go beyond being used as a travel document by many Turkish Cypriots for reasons arising from necessity have become a threat to Turkish Cypriots in order to serve the political aims of the Greek Cypriot Administration, contrary to basic human rights and freedoms." 

In the statement it was noted that the Turkish Cypriots used the passport of the state they founded out of necessity, not because they preferred the so-called "Republic of Cyprus" passports, but because they were excluded from the partnership state they established together and their freedom to travel, which is considered one of the most basic human rights and freedoms, is restricted until the passport of the state they have established is accepted in the international arena as necessary.

The following is also added in the statement:

“The Greek Cypriot side uses the Maraş/Varosha issue as an excuse in this hostile action, while revealing its status quo mentality and despair, on the other hand, it tries to cover up the fact that the point reached in both Maraş/Varosha and Cyprus is a product of its dominance and uncompromising attitude.”

“In forcing the Turkish Cypriots to do this, not only the Greek Cypriot Administration, but also the international community, which treated the usurper Greek Cypriot Administration as the ‘Government of Cyprus’ with resolution 186 of the UN Security Council on March 4, 1964, also has a responsibility. The 1960 Partnership Republic is under the occupation of the Greek Cypriot partner and the Turkish Cypriot people, who are equal partners of this republic, have been deprived of all their rights and kept under inhumane restrictions and isolation for 58 years. The Turkish Cypriot people struggle to ensure that their right to sovereign equality and equal international status, stemming from history and international agreements, is respected.

On 24th August 2021 a new issue has been added to the violence and injustice that the Turkish Cypriots have been subjected to for years because they pursue this rightful struggle.

Turkish Cypriots, who are the equal owners of the island of Cyprus, have been exposed to many persecution, oppression, threats and intimidation policies during their struggle for existence, but they have never given up on their struggle. We will continue to walk with great determination on this road that we have set out with great courage to exist with our fundamental rights and freedoms on the island of Cyprus and to protect our sovereign equality.

On this occasion, we would like to emphasise that our motherland Turkey is with us in exercising our freedom of travel, as it does in all matters.

The step taken to open the closed Maraş/Varosha, which has been a prisoner of the Cyprus conflict like the Turkish Cypriots for 47 years as a result of the hegemonic mentality of the Greek Cypriot side, from this captivity by respecting the rights of the right holders is a step towards breaking the status quo in accordance with the law. The Greek Cypriot side was dissatisfied with this step, which respects human rights, and is desperately trying to deter the taking of this step.

We will continue to plan our future and move forward with firm steps and our own will, under the roof of our State, with all our determination, within the framework of respect for fundamental human rights and freedoms ".

Source : TRNC Public Information Office
Turkish swimmers clinch top spots in Bosphorus Cross-Continental Swimming Race.

Turkish Cypriot swimmers also took part in the 33rd Bosphorus Cross-Continental Swimming Race and participated in the Turkish Championship. I once again called to the whole world to understand how important it is to see what Turkish Cypriots can achieve in a universal sense when they find the necessary opportunities.

In the meeting held with the Northern Cyprus Water Sports Federation management and our swimmers, I once again repeated that the TRNC has a clear path in various sports branches, as in every field.

Exercising is the most basic human right. The outdated mentality that hinders the Turkish Cypriot athletes with all kinds of injustices, embargoes and pressures is doomed sooner or later. The TRNC state will continue to protect its athletes today as it did yesterday.

I heartily congratulate our athletes who work in all branches, and their families, coaches and managers who support them.

Source: Ersin Tatar Facebook

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TRNC Prime Minister Ersan Saner received Kemal Özekmekçi at the Prime Ministry, who is one of the successful bodybuilding and fitness athletes of the TRNC, and became the world champion in the "Transformation" category at the "WBFF 2021" World Tour Championship held in Las Vegas, USA.

Prime Minister Saner congratulated Özekmekçi due to his success, and expressed that Özekmekçi achieved the championship with his outstanding effort, perseverance and determination in the international competition.

Stating that his achievements in the field of sports opened new doors to young people and encouraged them to achieve more success by motivating them, the Prime Minister emphasised that such achievements are very important for our country's youth and sports.

Source: TRNC Public Information Office
President Ersin Tatar stated that the dominance mentality of the Greek Cypriot Administration, which attacked the UN Peacekeeping Force Commander Major General Ingrid Gjerde, who visited the Security Forces Command, is unacceptable.

Stating that the Greek Cypriot Administration continues its lynchings attacks against Dutch Parliamentarian Liane den Haan, who visited the TRNC, Tatar emphasised that this time the UN Peacekeeping Force Commander, Major General Ingrid Gjerde, who visited the Security Forces Command, was targeted.

“The Greek Cypriot administration, which cannot accept Major General Gjerde’s meeting with Security Forces Commander Major General Zorlu Topaloğlu and the presence of Turkish and TRNC flags in this meeting, is launching vicious attacks against Major General Gjerde, and is making attempts to have her dismissed. The dominance mentality of the Greek Cypriot administration is unacceptable. The attacks show that the racist, outdated and inhumane mentality of the Greek Cypriot administration has not changed.

While the Greek Cypriot administration continues its attempts to silence the TRNC and destroy its international relations, it leads the inhumane isolation and implementation of embargoes against the Turkish Cypriot people, while the EU and others who talk about human rights remain spectators. This attitude of the Greek Cypriot administration is unacceptable and is against human rights.”

Stating that the Greek Cypriot side sees itself as the sole owner of Cyprus and the Turkish Cypriot people as a minority, Tatar emphasised that they do not accept the ignoring of the TRNC.

Pointing out that there are two separate states in Cyprus and that the state of the Turkish Cypriot people is the TRNC, President Tatar said: “The TRNC, which stems from its sovereignty with the will of the Turkish Cypriot people, will, of course, continue its international relations, no power will be able to prevent this, and our flags will continue to flutter. It should not be forgotten that the Turkish Cypriot people have all kinds of rights on this Island, at least as much as the Greek Cypriots, and will never give up on their rights.”

Source : TRNC Public Information Office

The pilot implementation of the Adapass system, which was created to inquire electronically the test and vaccination status of people who will enter the enterprises determined by the Communicable Diseases High Committee, starts on Friday 27th August in the borders of Lefkoşa district.

According to the decisions of the Communicable Diseases High Committee published in the Official Gazette, the criteria determined by the Committee are integrated into the Adapass system.

Before entering the designated places/activities/sectors/events, the QR code on the person’s vaccination certificate will be queried through the Adapass system. If the required vaccination certificate and PCR tests are sufficient for entering the venues/activities/sectors according to the rule determined and uploaded to Adapass, the person will be granted entry approval.

After the venue/sector/activity/events register at adapass.gov.ct.tr/company/register the application will be opened with a password to be sent to the e-mail address of the enterprise and to the operators via SMS.

The sectors that are required to register for the Adapass system are as follows:

“Bars and clubs, taverns, cafes, restaurants, supermarkets, internet cafes, betting shops, night clubs, barber shops, hairdressers, beauty parlours, massage parlours, tattoo shops, sectors that will hold collective events, stores-boutiques, cinema-theatre halls, concerts-exhibitions, indoor sports halls, indoor swimming pools, hotels, casinos, youth camps, wedding-engagement-circumcision ceremonies, bingo, indoor children’s play areas, places of worship.”

It was reiterated that venues/sectors/activity/events that have not registered for the Adapass system yet should register at the link shown below. In addition, it was announced that businesses that are not among the specified sectors can optionally register at adapass.gov.ct.tr.

Source : TRNC Public Information Office

adapass.gov.ct.tr/company/register
Vaccinations 1 and 2 completed and then comes a 3rd dose

By Ahmet Abdulaziz....

I know that I always avoid shortcuts and go for long routes. But I had never thought of experiencing the same in the case of vaccination for Covid 19. The first, the second and now the third dose. Just today my wife and I were vaccinated for the third time.

We both were vaccinated for the first time in the month of February 2021. That was the first dose, and it was Sinovac (Chinese). At that time we were told that we would have to return back for the second dose, a month later. So we got the second dose in March 2021. That was also the same Sinovac vaccine. At that time I had thought that we had become immune in respect of Covid 19.

But it was not the case. Later on we came to learn that we also needed a third dose after six months, to give a further boost to our immune system. I remember I had become uneasy when I was aware of that. But there seemed no other option available.

Repeatedly I had joked about the Chinese vaccine, that I would probably be starting speaking Chinese due to the first two dose of the Sinovac vaccine, and they would call everybody after six months to check if they had started speaking Chinese or not. Those vaccinated is much better than not getting vaccinated at all. These vaccines are just like any other medicines, with lots of plus and minus aspects. So right now there is no other way for me but to accept things as they are.

Apart from all this confusion going on in my mind about Chinese, German and American vaccines, I still wonder about a large number of people who are still not serious about being vaccinated. Why?

That's a big question.
Amcaoğlu: Face-to-face education starts in the TRNC in the Fall

TRNC Education and Culture Minister Olgun Amcaoğlu announced that the face-to-face education model will be implemented in TRNC universities in the Fall Semester of the Academic Year 2021-2022.

In a written statement made by the press office of the Ministry, Minister Amcaoğlu stated that the face-to-face (reduced) education model will be implemented in order to ensure social distance and hygiene conditions effectively within the scope of existing physical facilities and that students should be in the TRNC and complete their student immigration permits.

It was noted in the statement that with the decision of the Council of Ministers taken due to the Covid-19 epidemic on a global scale, it was decided to implement the face-to-face (reduced) education model in line with the regulations made regarding registration, education and attendance conditions in the TRNC Higher Education Institutions. The students should be in the TRNC for the aforementioned Academic Year and complete their student immigration permits.

It was added that the decision for the education model that the TRNC Universities will implement in the Fall semester of the 2021-2022 Academic year will be within the framework determined by the Council of Ministers Decision.

Source : TRNC Public Information Office

Preparations starting in Girne for opening of Schools

Cleaning and spraying works carried out every year in Schools by Girne Municipality Teams continues.

Girne Municipality cleaning teams have started to work on spraying, weed cleaning and garden zone cleaning, together with the general cleaning work in all schools in the Girne region. The cleaning teams of the Municipality continue cleaning works at Bellapais Kindergarten, Osman Türkay Kindergarten, Mustafa Çağatay Primary School, 19 Mayıs TMK, Hasan Cafer Primary School, Karakum Kindergarten, and Anafartalar High School. In the coming days, the teams will continue their work at 23 Nisan Primary School, Maarif Kindergarten, Oğuz Veli Secondary School and Karaoğlanoğlu Primary School. Girne Municipality health teams have also made a spraying program in the schools.

Girne Mayor Nidai Güngördü said in a statement, “With the opening of schools while the Covid-19 pandemic continues, our teams carry out the cleaning works carried out every year in order to create a hygienic and clean environment for our students. We are doing our duty, and ask our community not to neglect being vaccinated for the health of you and your family.”

Source (Turkish): Girne Municipality
We posted this video of Ivy back in the cold wintry days of February. Unfortunately Ivy didn't receive any offers of a home so we are trying again!

She was found in the mountains back in December 2020, we can only assume she was unwanted and therefore dumped. Ivy is about 1½ years old, a lively girl and as you can see, she has a fine set of floppy ears! She would love a garden to run around in and explore to her heart's content.

All our centre dogs are vaccinated, microchipped and neutered (when they are old enough). If you would like to give Ivy a home, please come up to the centre and meet her - we are open every day between 9am and 1pm.

Or you can sponsor Ivy for £10 per month - our sponsorship scheme provides us with a much needed regular income. Please share for Ivy and let's find her a forever home!

An update about Karamel who left our center recently to be with her "furever" family in the UK.

"Good morning all!

Well, gorgeous Karamel or Karrie as she’s becoming known now, has been with us just over a week and what an absolute delight she is. She’s the most sweet natured girl and just such a happy dog. We cannot thank you enough for taking such fantastic care of her, she really is in amazing condition - such a beautiful soft coat bless her.

So we are having lots of fun introducing her to our area and she’s already met lots of friends and of course the rest of our family who adore her as much as we do. Our other 2 spaniels - both boys are learning to live with her and it’s interesting watching them sort out their pecking order!! Karrie loves to play and very often has a mad zooming moment when she runs around the garden like a crazy thing!! It’s just so lovely to see.

So life is wonderful and we have our beautiful girl now here sharing everything with us. She sends you her love and of course we all do too. Our very best wishes to you all.” Happy Days Karrie!

Handan's Tale - Episode 2

Opening scene – Handan is sashaying along the red carpet, gently flicking her blonde locks over her shoulders whilst giving doe eye looks to the throngs of her admirers. Reality check – she is running around like a loon, barking constantly and tail wagging like crazy.

“Hey you will never guess what, I mean really who’d a thought it, the “Crew” have told me that I have only gone and bagged myself a family – a family just for me. They explained that is why I had been down to get those nasty jabs from the vet (and there was me worrying that I had caught that blummin virus, we keep hearing about that the humans keep getting). Mind you it is nice to get out of the mayhem every now and then, but for JABS!! and it is quite scary on the Outside.

So I have had 2 jabs and then they tell me that I will soon have to give blood – umm I’m not so sure about that! Will I get it back? I hope it is going to be alright – 2 of my friends left last week to go to “families” – they left and we haven’t seen them since – I do hope it’s going to be alright. The Crew keep telling me how lucky I am, jabbed twice and then having to give away some of my home-made blood - not sure if I call that “lucky”. The Crew tell me that my family live in somewhere called Hertfordshire – it is nice and green they tell me and they don’t have those dammed Cicadas who are enough to give a gal a headache. So it can’t be too bad can it?

I must admit to feeling an itsy bit excited – not too much you understand – just an itsy bit…..for now “

Closing scene …….. Handan mooches up and down for a little while, sniffing the searing hot air, turns around and suddenly jumps onto her kennel, she looks all around her with an inquisitive look in her big eyes. Can she see Hertfordshire from up there?
We have received information from Laurence Floyd giving the following updates regarding the Supper Club event at the Colony Garden, Girne on 15th September 2021.

1) "Hi everyone

Tickets will be available from Wednesday 25th August at Best Seller Karakum and Deli Cafe Alsancak (Deli Cafe closes at 1pm). Please bring the correct money £50 per ticket - no change available.

I will send email tomorrow with details pertaining to current Covid legislation, but I can assure you it will not impact on the Colony's efforts to ensure we have a fantastic time.

Cheers, Laurence "

2) "Hi everyone

Further to my recent meeting with the Colony Hotel management, I can now advise as follows:

No doubt you will all have seen the recent announcements from the health ministry. The rules and guidance for outside events are less onerous than for inside Hotel activities.

When arriving at the Colony Garden, we will be asked to show either:

A full vaccination certificate, or an Adapass, or an Antigen Flow test/CPR test result.

I am sure all attendees arriving from the UK will have been vaccinated, due to the quarantine issue.

On entering the Garden, please check where you are sitting/table number etc. Delia, myself, and Sue Tilt of Tulips and her team will be on hand to assist, as you need to go direct to your table, rather than congregate in the entrance area as we normally do. Welcome cocktails will be served to your table, as will all drinks post 7.30pm. Wine and water will already be on the tables.

Really looking forward to all getting together for a super night after 2 years!

Best regards

Laurence "

ARUCAD University Students' Exhibition

The creations produced by students of Arkin Creative Arts and Design University (ARUCAD) in the 2020-2021 Academic Year Spring Semester courses continue to be exhibited at the ARUCAD Workshops Building in Girne.

Sharing his thoughts on the student exhibition, ARUCAD Rector Prof. Dr. Asım Vehbi said, "For the artists of the future, it is important that another eye sees their works, that their works are interpreted, that they benefit from their reviews. At the end of each semester, we organise exhibitions featuring the projects of our students. Our university's spring semester student exhibition will continue to host its visitors in small groups throughout the summer (under pandemic rules). I congratulate our artist teachers, our students who showed their works, and their families. I invite everyone to come to our exhibition".

Visitors can view the students' works in the ARUCAD Workshops Building, where all the courses of the University are represented, including painting, sculpture, glass, ceramics, photography, graphic design, illustration, architecture, industrial design, interior architecture and environmental design.

Source (Turkish) : Arkin Creative Arts and Design University (ARUCAD)
Passports, the Cyprob Through the Looking Glass

Readers mail .... from Nuheh Talitta ....

Cyprus is a fountain of baffling contradictions. In 1974 the Turkish Cypriots, having escaped, by just a few hours, being liquidated by their fellow Greek speaking countrymen withdrew to their northern safe haven. In November 1983 their elected representatives expressed the legitimate and irrepressible will of the Turkish Cypriot People... and declared before the world and before history the establishment of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus as an independent state. The declaration also contained hopes for a happier future with their Greek Cypriot neighbours. A hope not shared by the Greeks who endeavour, on a daily basis, to create maximum unhappiness.

It is quite within international law for a people to make such a declaration of independence (see Bosnia) but only Turkey has recognised the TRNC. The remainder of the world meanwhile supports an illegal regime that has systematically murdered, raped and displaced its religious minorities and has helped other dictatorships to do the same (Bosnia inter alia). The lack of recognition, however, does not prevent the TRNC declaration from being 100% legally effective.

From that long winded introduction comes the question. Why do so many political and business leaders have a passport of the so-called *Republic of Cyprus? The RoC is a different country and one which is exceedingly hostile to the TRNC. Of course, there are practical reasons, a TRNC passport may be of restricted use as it is not recognised by the majority of countries. So, use a Turkish one, or a British one but never a RoC one. This is a matter of principle of the highest possible order. The TRNC is an independent country. All its political and business leaders should act and talk accordingly despite the difficulties.

It seems to me, complaining that your obnoxious neighbour has taken away your passport, because it regards you as its enemy makes the situation more absurd. The leaders of the country should get together and toss all their RoC passports onto a bonfire. Why not televise that as a message to the world. The TRNC is a separate and independent country.

* President Tatar as a citizen of the 1960 Republic would be entitled and may have received a RoC passport/identity card in the past but has not used it.

PCR and Antigen tests to be paid, except certain conditions

TRNC Prime Minister Ersan Saner held a press conference and gave information on the decisions taken by the Council of Ministers in the light of the recommendations of the Communicable Diseases High Committee regarding the fees for PCR and Antigen tests to be performed by vaccinated and unvaccinated persons, and by whom and how often they should be done.

Prime Minister Saner stated that as of 1st September, regardless of whether the person is vaccinated or unvaccinated, all Antigen and PCR tests to be carried out in the country (excluding Covid 19 patients or their contacts, students studying in all primary and secondary schools and citizens receiving social assistance) will be made for a chargeable fee.

Source :TRNC Public Information Office
Susie’s Big Quiz results for 26th August at The Balti House

Readers mail .... from Susie L Ford .... Quiz Master ....

It was a packed house for Susie's quiz at The Balti House in Esentepe on Thursday 26th August.

The rounds were: A table top, Music round, Easy 5. Multiple choice, Danger zone, Letter round. Brainiacs and the Impossible

The results were:

1st  Dunne N Dusted
2nd  Tyke That
3rd  The Shebells
4th  Just The 3 1/2 Of Us
5th  Norfolk Enchanters
Zesty Seth went to The Socialites

Sophia was awarded a certificate and a T shirt for all her achievements while on holiday with her dad James, safe journey guys, we will miss you!

Thank you to you all for joining us and thank you also to The Balti house for hosting us.

See you all next week. Keep safe as always.

Susie xxxx

First OTEM Graduates received training after many years

The Hotel Management & Tourism Training Centre (OTEM), affiliated to the Ministry of Tourism and Environment, which re-started training after many years, completed the Barista Training Course and made awards to its new graduates.

The 3-week Barista Training Course, was initiated by the Minister of Tourism and Environment, Fikri Ataoğlu, in cooperation with the Ministry of National Education and Culture and OTEM, and has now been completed. The trainees who successfully completed the written, oral and practical examinations are entitled to receive their Barista certificate which will help with their employment.

Some of the trainees, seeking employment, have started the necessary studies in Famagusta and Nicosia regions. Some of them have been provided with part-time training to improve their skills. These employment-supported training projects will be provided for “the front office” service, Barista, housekeeping, and the other areas needed by the hospitality industry.

The Ministry of Tourism and Environment will continue to accept applications for those who want to participate in the training projects that were initiated with the slogan "Our Country is Worth it". The projects will help young people to obtain employment in the tourism sector and help to eliminate the shortage of intermediate staff, which has become the sector's biggest problem.

Source (Turkish): TRNC Ministry of Tourism and Environment
**“Young Writers Encouragement Award” : Girne Municipality**

Demet Mannaş Kervan received the Detective Novel Encouragement Award and Kemal Caymaz received the Fantasy Novel Award at the "Ali Nesim Literature Awards" ceremony held annually by the Cyprus Turkish Writers Union in memory of Ali Nesim.

The "Ali Nesim Encouragement Award" has been presented by the Cyprus Turkish Writers Union since 2016 in order to keep alive the thoughts, works and Turkish Cypriot culture of Ali Nesim, who was one of the important names of Turkish Cypriot Literature. Ali Nesim held the Presidency of the Cyprus Turkish Writers Union for many years. He died on May 9, 2014.

The award ceremony held as part of the “Literary Awards” was postponed last year due to the pandemic. The postponed award ceremony was held this year at the same time as the 2021 awards ceremony.

Demet Mannaş Kervan and Kemal Caymaz, who received awards from Girne Municipality, were presented with plaques and financial awards by Girne Mayor Nidai Güngördü.

*Source (Turkish) : Girne Municipality*

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**13th Ozanköy Pekmez Festival begins on 27th August**

The 13th Ozanköy Pekmez Festival, organised by the Municipality of Girne and Ozanköy Muhtarlığı, starts on Friday 27th August 2021. It will be held entirely online due to Covid restrictions.

The Pekmez Festival is organised by Girne Municipality and Ozanköy Muhtarlığı to contribute to the promotion of tourism in the Ozanköy region and the continuity of carob and molasses production. During the festival various videos will be broadcast digitally on the Girne Municipality Facebook account. These will include a folk dance video, another about the importance of carob and molasses in our health, a video of applied wine making, and spoken and musical concerts.

The complete program of the 13th Ozanköy Pekmez Festival is as follows :

**Friday 27th August 2021**

- 19:00 Festival Opening Speeches: Nidai GÜNGÖRDU Mayor Mustafa UZUN Ozanköy Muhtar (video)
- 19:30 Folk Dance Show Orak Culture, Art and Education Center Teachers Group (archive video)
- 20:00 The Importance of Carob and Molasses in Our Health Applied Wine Making (video) Presentation: Naile SOYEL Food Engineer How to make wine: Sevgül YANAROĞLU (Molasses Producer)
- 20:30 Poetry Concert Girne Municipality Youth Platform (video)
- 21:00 Importance of Carob Tree and How to Germinate Its Seed.

**Saturday 28th August 2021**

- 19:00 Importance of Carob Tree and How to Germinate Its Seed.

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*Source (Turkish) : Girne Municipality*
Hope 4 Pets - News Update

Post by Nemika Islezkade - 22nd August
Angel is still looking for a loving home... she had been adopted when she was a baby and then left in the streets. She has suffered a lot, beaten, tortured, hit by a car, she was in very bad situation when I found her. She couldn’t walk properly as her both paws were injured (one was a lot worse than the other). I took her to the vet and thanks to Graham Smith and his dearest wife Sonya offered fostering her until she got well. Now she is in a kennel waiting for her angels to give her a chance. She is great with kids and other dogs. She is so well-mannered. She is about 1-2 years old. Spayed. If you look at her eyes once, you will see how much love she is willing to give you... please don’t let her go back to streets.

Contact: 0542 851 2029

Pet Travel North Cyprus - H4P - 24th August
What a hot day here in The Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus at the airport but with thanks to Hope4Pets 4 more dogs are now on their way to their new homes in the UK.

Pirate, Jessie, Lucky & Calypso your families await you with anticipation. We wish you all happy, healthy and long lives running free on green meadows.

Thank you to Bill as always and to ALG Logistics Hasan, Ahmet and team.
Hope 4 Pets - News Update

Post by Debbie Jen - 27th August

In January I saw this little babe on H4P. I just knew I needed to give her a home. I contacted Lara Bulli who happily advised me on how to go about this (she's been an angel throughout). We’ve had so much help from H4Ps and all the members who donated to top our own money up to help Jessie travel to the UK. We really couldn’t have brought her here without all the generous members and the lovely Lara and Steph. I’m eternally grateful and will be setting a standing order up each pay day to help other pets. She’s only been here two days but me and my family are besotted as is she. Here’s a few pics of our pretty girl.

Post by Contessa Natalia - 28th August

5 weeks ago tonight, Sunshine arrived. Thank you Michelle Martin and Mairead Sweeney Malone for taking her into your homes. You've done a fabulous job of encouraging her loving and cheeky personality. Big thanks to Stephanie Harrison-Croft for saving her and all the dogs and cats you save. Sunshine is perfect!! Thank you (it's hard to get a photo of her awake as she doesn't stop moving!).
ATA members: through keyhole into Girne house of many surprises

What did ATA Members and Guests find when they went through the keyhole at a special house in Girne? A tardis full of mystery and intrigue around every corner and housing beautiful objects with a story behind every one of them.

On a balmy Saturday evening ATA members and guests were mesmerised by the contents of this special house in Girne owned by ATA members Nigel and Lynn Holman. From the moment the key turned and they entered this tardis like home all were spellbound.

Previously described by Girne Mayor Nidai Güngördü as never having seen anything like it in his lifetime, ATA member Piers Oakey, who for once was left speechless, could only describe the house as Fabulous, Fabulous, uniquely beautifully Fabulous!

Whilst member Pam Schofield said “Seeing this house from the street does not prepare you for the amazing sights you experience when you walk through the front door. Room after room full of beautiful artefacts and a swimming pool which was jaw dropping! It’s only by being a member of the ATA that you get the opportunity see something so unique. Tonight I feel privileged to be an ATA member”.

The evening was rounded off with a delicious home cooked Sri Lanka meal eaten under the stars in the garden of the house.

As everyone prepared to head to their own homes, ATA chairman Philip Lloyd, thanked Nigel and Lynn for their hospitality and generosity in enabling the ATA to share a glimpse into their lifestyle.

MORE PICTURES CAN BE SEEN ON FACING PAGE.

For information on this ATA event including those photo’s able to be printed visit the 2021 Events Page of the ATA website: - www.angloturkishssociation.com
continued ....  ATA members - through the keyhole in Girne

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**Remembering the Cyprus Fallen at National Memorial Arboretum**

Readers mail….

From David Littlemore….

Dear Margaret,

The Cyprus Memorial Service was held on Sunday 15th August, at the Cyprus Rock Memorial in the National Memorial Arboretum.

It was a very successful event and attended by more than 250 veterans and families of those who lost their lives in the Emergency, both military and the 22 UK civilian police officers.

We have booked next years service for Sunday 14th of August.

Kindest regards

David Littlemore

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**Roger Handley - Rest in Peace**

By Margaret Sheard ….

We were sad to learn via a message from the Cyprus Veterans 1955-59 of the death of Roger Handley after a long fight with dementia. CyprusScene send condolences to Roger’s family and friends.

I am giving below some information about Roger when we met him in 2012 at the Royal British Legion, Kyrenia Branch, Remembrance Sunday service. This was probably the first time, and were always pleased to see him during the following years. I found him to be a very modest and quiet man who was always so very smartly dressed.

“Remembrance Sunday - 2012 at Old British Cemetery, Kyrenia

During the afternoon there was a presentation of a banner from Roger Handley, ex Royal Corps of Signals, and he proudly took it around the dining room for a closer look by the members. It was indeed a work of art and must have taken weeks if not months to complete. Brian Thomas had told us when the banner was presented that Roger had come to Cyprus for the last 4 years and each time he brought a banner for the RBL.

I spoke to Roger at the end of the afternoon and he gave me some information about himself. He served in Cyprus in 1955 and 1956 and was based in Famagusta with part of his service also in the Troodos area and since that time he had never returned to Cyprus.

4 years ago he had read about the Memorial which was to be erected in the Old British Cemetery in Kyrenia and his daughter persuaded him to make a trip back, which he did and during this time he met 2 other veterans who he now keeps in touch with and for the last 4 years they have all come back to Cyprus together for the Remembrance event. What a lovely story.

Roger joined a company in Leeds after his demob which he then ran for 50 years and now his son and 3 daughters manage the business.

They produce specialised band uniforms, (Roger has spent more than 50 years visiting bands all over the country and in those years has travelled in excess of 2 million miles), they also make banners, accessories etc. and Roger said one of their major production items is waistcoats which are made in all shapes, sizes and colours. The company did a huge amount of work for the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games when they produced 100’s of items for the opening and closing ceremonies.”
Arkın Creative Arts and Design University (ARUCAD) is holding interviews, on 8th September to award 100% scholarships. Because of the pandemic, the university already grants 50% scholarship to all registered candidates. Candidates who want to increase the scholarship rate up to 100% must attend the interview on 8th September.

ARUCAD grants 50% direct scholarship for all programs within the University to TRNC nationals and/or students who have completed their high school education in the TRNC for 4 consecutive years. Candidates will be able to increase the scholarship rate up to 75%, 90% and 100% by attending the interview on 8th September.

In 2021, undergraduate programs of Digital Game Design, Communication Design and Management, Archaeology and Art History, and Ship and Yacht Design Departments were opened at the university. Prospective students will be able to apply to new undergraduate programs for the 2021-2022 Academic Year, Autumn Semester.

The Island’s Only Boutique University with 14 Departments

ARUCAD has a total of 14 departments including the 4 new undergraduate programs recently opened. These include, Plastic Arts, Photography, Ceramics, Film Design and Management, Archaeology and Art History Departments under the Faculty of Arts; Under the Faculty of Design; Architecture, Interior Architecture and Environmental Design, Industrial Design, Ship and Yacht Design; Under the Faculty of Communication, there are Digital Game Design, Visual Communication Design, New Media and Communication, Advertising Design and Communication, Communication Design and Management Departments.

Job Placement Guarantee for Top Places

Those who graduate top from the departments of ARUCAD approved by YÖK and YÖDAK have a job placement guarantee. The university offers its students the opportunity to start one step ahead in their careers by providing a job placement guarantee to the top students of their departments.

The Double Degree Advantage with Manchester School of Art

ARUCAD Plastic Arts Department offers its students a double degree opportunity with the Manchester School of Art (MSoA), which is affiliated to Manchester Metropolitan University. Manchester School of Art is the UK’s second most respected art and design school, ranking in the top 10 of British universities according to the UK University Directory 2020.

Applications for the interview day, which will take place on 8th September 2021, at ARUCAD are drawing great interest. Candidates can obtain detailed information about the various scholarship opportunities up to 100%, offered by ARUCAD, and the interview and registration conditions on the website link shown below and on the WhatsApp line at 0533 873 85 85.

Source (Turkish) :
Arkın Creative Arts and Design University (ARUCAD)

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Moses parts the Esentepe defence, but if only....

Result: ESENTEPE KKS 0 YENİCAMI AK 1 (Friendly Match)

Tuesday 24th August - Esentepe Erdal Barut Stadium.

By Richard Beale ....

If only, if only, if only Esentepe could have scored from 3 golden opportunities in the opening 15 minutes then things might have been different, before Moses played his part.

TRNC Super League giants came, they saw, they conquered but they could not finish off a brave battling performance from an Esentepe team that did its supporters and Coach proud.

A very disappointing crowd of around 50 considering the opposition on a stifling August evening saw a very entertaining end to end match.

Lining up for the visitors was midfielder YAKUP ŞEN, who was loaned by Yenigücü to Esentepe as a 17 year old and he had 3 very successful seasons with them and always will receive a warm welcome.

A neutral observer would have been hard pressed to choose who the Super League team was as in the opening 20 minutes, Esentepe tore apart their illustrious opponents and should have been 3-0 up.

In the opening minute a misplaced pass was seized upon by Ege on the right and his low cross found Furkan who could not get any power in his shot and goalkeeper Ercan dived to his left to save the weak shot.

In the 4th minute a quickly taken free kick again found Ege on the right and his low cross found Eser, unmarked with only the goalkeeper to beat but the striker snatched at his opportunity and shot wide.

14th minute Ilyas did well to get to the left hand byline and drill a hard low cross to the near post where it cannoned off Furkan's ankle to a grateful diving Ercan.

There was plenty of hot air with the hot temperature which went up appreciably during the water break where Yenigücü Coach Çağan Çerkez gave the team the full "Fergie hot air blow dryer treatment", after that roasting the team held a "huddle" and a marked transformation took place.

Yenigücü were a different team closing down and penning Esentepe in their own half and they took the lead in the 26th minute. A corner kick from the right was spectacularly finished off with a "scissor kick" from the dangerous MOSES. 0-1

Moses brought Esentepe goalkeeper Tuğrul in action twice first the custodian flicked a shot over the crossbar and the dive to his left to beat away a fierce shot.

Esentepe would not throw in the towel and kept battling right to the end, in the final minutes Şenol broke up a Yenigücü attack with a strong challenge and sent Devram away on the right but the youngster shot just wide of Ercan's goal.

If Yenigücü were expecting an easy ride against League 1 opposition they were in for a shock and certainly knew they had been in a battle.

SUMMING UP : Lots of positives for the Esentepe Coach to take from this match, there have been so many friendly games but in every match somebody always steps up to the mark and ticks the right boxes. I thought Eser slowly coming back to fitness had his best match so far. Salih Karal, hardworking as always, also showed some nice touches. İLYAS NIYAZI was my "Man of the Match" still regaining full fitness, he was very prominent all over the midfield.

ESENTEPE TEAM : Tuğrul (gk); Emre (Devram 75), Gürkan Demir, Nersin (Şenol 70), Emek (Arif 70); Salih (Semih 75), Hüseyin, (Deniz 57), İLYAS (Burak 70); Ege (Tuğra (T) 57), Furkan (T) (Hürkan 70), Eser.

Little was seen of Esentepe as Yenigücü at last showed their real credentials dominating the match up to the break. HALF TIME 0-1

The opening 10 minutes continued in the same pattern, when Esentepe made a number of replacements, normally this disrupts a team but it had the opposite effect and seemed to galvanised the home team.

61 minutes Deniz ran onto a long ball on the left and brought a good diving save from Ercan.

Esentepe had found their "second wind", Eser set up Salih whose shot went straight into Ercan's arms.

The real newspaper For people - By people
Esentepe melt in the hot sun

Result: KÜÇUK KAYMAKLI TSK 2 ESENTEPE KKS\n
SATURDAY AUGUST 21 --- FRIENDLY ---
LEFKOŞA HÜSEYIN RUSO STADIUM.

By Richard Beale….

A Saturday evening trip to central Lefkoşa, where the pitchside temperature was 39 degrees!, saw Esentepe wilt eventually against Super League team küçük Kaymaklî.

Maybe it was the high temperatures that kept people away but a disappointing crowd were present in the large stadium sheltering under cover of the main stand. Full marks to the few hardy souls who made the trip from Esentepe over the mountains to the capital city.

A young Esentepe side lined up for the first half of the match, including two trialists, striker FURKAN ZENGİN who made a big impression at Dörtyol in season 2019-20 and midfielder TUĞRA KILIÇ who I know nothing about. They both took some part in the match but will need more matches to be assessed.

My match reports for these friendly matches are becoming repetitive as once again Esentepe had the upper hand in the first half, spraying the ball around on the large playing area. They failed to capitalise however on the scoring chances they had and were penalised in the second half as the home side wrestled control and made the most of their scoring opportunities.

Esentepe's best chance of the match came as early in the 8th minute. Salih did well to win a tackle in midfield sending Ege away down the right who crossed to the far post where Eser in a good scoring position fired wildly over the bar.

Two minutes later another chance was created, a header was headed off the line and in the melee that followed Kaymakli eventually scrambled the ball away. That was it for Esentepe's chances until the final 10 minutes of the match.

Esentepe goalkeeper Tuğrul had very little to do but he was soundly beaten in the 31st minute when I think it was Muhamet who cut inside and let fly with a ferocious shot that struck Tuğrul's right hand post.

In the first half, I thought Gürkan Demir was outstanding, Hürkan in midfield also was impressive as well youngster Devram at right back who for being so young and inexperienced was very strong. Up front Ege Can held the ball up well and was always willing to run with the ball.

HALF TIME SCORE: 0-0.

When I saw that in the K. Kaymakli line up there was a certain Özgür Ongun, a nomad of many clubs, a player that always has a liking for Esentepe defence I just knew that he would be on the goal sheet today.

As so it proved to be in the 49th minute when K.Kaymakli was awarded a free kick to the left just outside the Esentepe box. ÖZGÜR ONGUN took the kick himself his shot hit the defensive wall bounced down behind it where Esentepe replacement goalkeeper Gürkan raised his hand to claim the ball but hesitated as he saw the 35 year old veteran ÖZGÜR who carried on running retrieved the ball and slotted it into the net scoring once again against Esentepe. 1-0.

The prolific striker almost scored again minutes later just beating Gürkan to a through ball he shot just wide of the net.

Both sides continued to make numerous changes in the second half. No doubt about it the hot weather of the first half had taken effect with the tempo and the intensity dropping.

72 minutes Gürkan did well to parry a fierce shot from the right and reclaim the rebound as K. Kaymakli were in complete control with Esentepe offering zero goal threat.

A second Kaymakli goal came in the 79th minute that killed the game off was scored by MUHAMMET NAZIK who scored a simple goal with Esentepe defence not putting in a challenge he lobbed the ball over Gürkan's head and into the net. 2-0.

Esentepe did threaten in the final 10 minutes when Semih burst through the middle only to finish disappointingly shooting high over the bar.

DENİZ KIBAR came on for the final 15 minutes, his first appearance in an Esentepe shirt for 7 seasons, the 25 year old gave a glimpse of his old magic cutting inside and shooting just over the bar.

FULL TIME SCORE: 2-0.

SUMMING UP: A good work out for the entire squad, all were given a run out. Coach Kılıç Ali must have been pleased with the first half performance, results don't matter but it would be nice to win the odd friendly game.

ESENTEPE MAN OF THE MATCH: EGE CAN AÇIKPORTALI - never stopped running, always wanting the ball, and so difficult to knock off the ball.

KÜÇUK KAYMAKLI - MAN OF THE MATCH: BARKIN ÖZAŞIK - very skillful midfield player.

ESENTEPE TEAM: Tuğrul (Görkem 45 GK) : Devram (Açıl 75), Gürkan (Nersin 45), Şenol (Burack 75), Asif (Mustafa 60); Salih (Semih 70), tugra (T) (Emre 60), Hürkan (Hüseyin 55) : EGE CAN AÇIK PORTALI, Furkan (T) (Emrah 75), Eser (Deniz 70).

ESENTEPE NEXT FRIENDLY MATCH ---- Tuesday 24th August ----HOME ----

ESENTEPE v YENİCAMİ SK kick off 5-45pm
Forthcoming Events

- **33 @ TIM’S**
  - Pop
  - Rock
  - Ballads
  - Swing
  - Jazz
  - Sunday 29th Aug
  - From 7.00pm
  - Tim’s Cafe Ozankoy
  - Kyrenia 0548 844 9256

- **Susies Fortunes**
  - And the survey said XXX
  - Winning Team takes all, maximum 4 to a Team, 5tl per person entry fee.....
  - Mon 30th Aug
  - From 8.00pm
  - COVID RULES APPLY
  - Please book with Ali: 0533 885 2908 or see Susie

- **Rafters**
  - Restaurant & Bar Ozankoy 0533 846 3030
  - A Special Night with Chosen with special guest Ivan The Sax
  - Wed 1st Sept

- **Dance-A-Thon**
  - DJ Martin
  - 60’s 70’s 80’s DISCO
  - 3 Course Special Meal 80TL
  - Saturday 4th Sept
  - From 7.00pm
  - All Welcome
  - Book with Susie or Mahmood 0548 847 1221
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Emergencies 155
General 228 3411
Girne 815 2125
Lefkosa 228 3311
Gazi Mağusa 366 5310
Güzelyurt 714 2140
Lapta 821 8512

FIRE
Emergencies 199
Forest Fire 177
Girne 815 2111
Lefkoşa 227 1259
Gazi Mağusa 366 5389
Güzelyurt 714 2200

AMBULANCE
Emergencies 112

HOSPITAL
Girne 815 2266/815 2254
Lefkoşa 228 5441;
Gazi Mağusa 366 2876/366 5328
Güzelyurt 714 2125

ELECTRICITY
Electrical faults 188
Lefkoşa 225 3436
Girne 815 2223
Gazi Mağusa 366 5514
Güzelyurt 714 2122

WATER
Water problems:
Lefkoşa 228 3315
Girne 815 2118
Gazi Mağusa 366 4483
Güzelyurt 714 3516

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8-day Weather Forecast

Forthcoming Events

Woodstock Saturday 11th Sept
Fancy Dress (WoodStock Theme) 1st & 2nd prize for best dressed.
Food provided by TASTE OF ASIA. 50/50 Tombola stall & Raffle prizes available.
DJ Martin providing the entertainment

Balti House Big Fat Music Quiz
Mon 13th Sept
8.00pm

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