



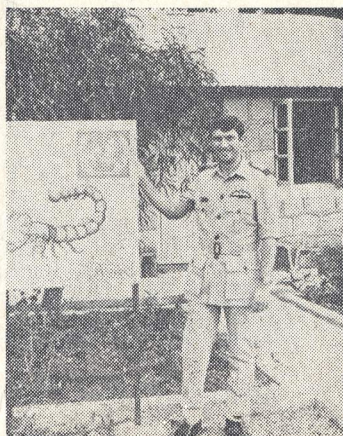
COMMONWEALTH MISSION VISITS UNFICYP



RAF FLIGHT COMMANDER LEAVING

The Commander of the UNFICYP Royal Air Force Helicopter Detachment, Flight Lieutenant John Meehan, is shortly to leave the Force to become a helicopter flying instructor in England.

Flight Lieutenant Meehan arrived in Cyprus just after the military operations in 1947, and since then has flown many hours in support of UN operations. This year he was the pilot who flew the Secretary General Dr Waldheim from Larnaca to Nicosia.



Last week the Commonwealth Mission to Cyprus visited the Force as part of their tour of the Island. The members of the Mission, under their chairman Ambassador Ng'ethe Njoroge of Kenya, were received by Ambassador Perez de Cuellar and General Quinn and were then briefed on the Force. They were later taken for an aerial tour of Sectors Two, Three and Four.

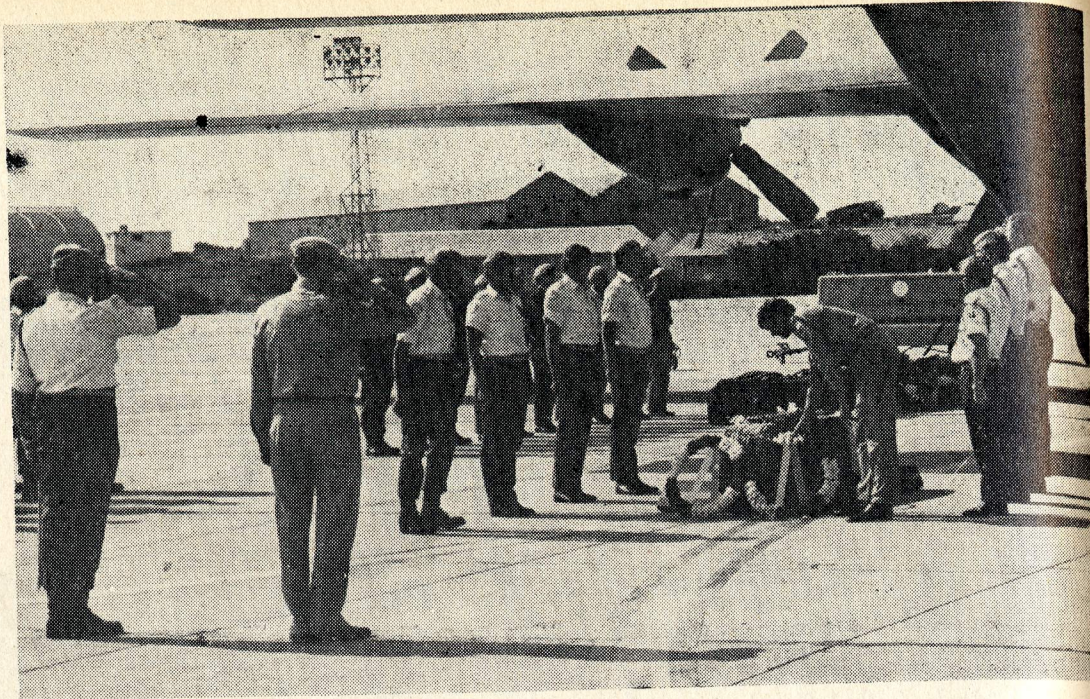
New Transport Squadron

"Welcome Sailor" said the sign board in Jubilee Camp two weeks ago when the men of 51 Port Squadron RCT arrived to take over the tasks of the Force Transport Squadron. This is the first time a squadron of the Port and Maritime Regiment has served in Cyprus. The Squadron's normal role is to travel all over the world to organise the loading and unloading of ships either in docks or over beaches in support of exercises or military operations.

I anledning af OS F. Lorentzens død afholdtes højtidelighed i Akrotiri i forbindelse med bårens hjemførsel.

Her nedlægges Force Commanders krans ved båren.

A short ceremony took place at RAF Akrotiri before the body of the late Pte F. Lorentzen was put on the Skacyp aircraft for its journey back to Denmark. The Force Commanders wreath is seen being laid on the flag draped coffin at the end of the ceremony.



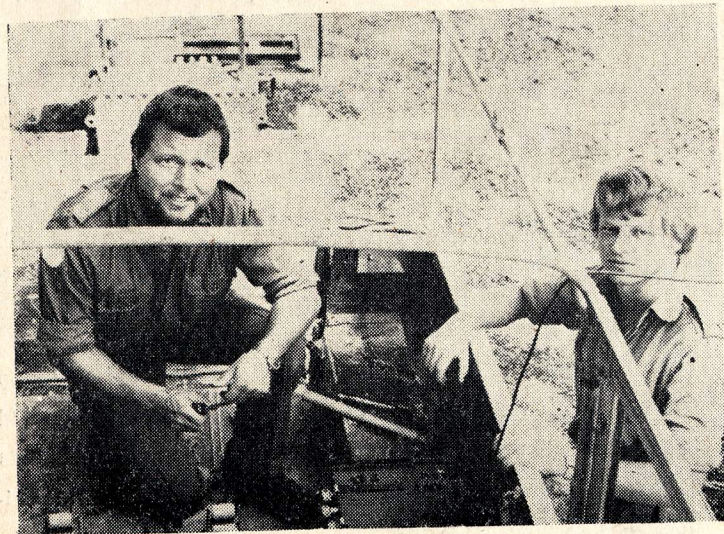
DANCON



NEWS

Op til den nær forestående rotation afsendes gods ved Kontingentets foranstaltning. Her læsses stereoanlæg i Viking Camp.

Close on the rotation goods are sent from Viking Camp. Radio sets are seen being loaded.



SSGt. Larsen og Sg. Christiansen under indbygning af nye radioer i DANCON køretøjer.

SSgt. Larsen and Sg. Christiansen are installing new radio sets in DANCON vehicles.



Sprøjtemaling af Land-Rover på DANCON's værksted.

Painting of Land-Rover in DANCON workshop.

FROM SNOWY SWEDEN TO SUNNY CYPRUS

The new Swedish Battalion, 65 C, left Sweden for Cyprus after one of the coldest winters for several years. The Battalion arrived just in time for the summer season in Cyprus.

The 425 new men settled down quickly into the Carl Gustaf and Goldfish camps, near Famagusta. A large part of them, however, went directly out to the different OP's in the Swedish sector. Lt Col Ambjörn Baarnhielm, commander of the previous Battalion 63 C who is staying on to command 65 C did his first inspection and was apparently satisfied with what he saw of his new soldiers.

One of the first activities that greeted some of the members of the Battalion, was the 14 mile cross country march along the coastline of Cape Greco. One platoon carrying combat field-packs, started early in the morning and eventually reached Figtree Bay. The soldiers then spent the rest of the day swimming and relaxing after the 4 hour march. Though it was a hard walk everyone was pleased with the day and their achievement.

The Cape Greco-march is an old tradition with all the Swedish battalions, and most of the members of Swedcon are due to participate in the march during their 6 month tour.



There was snow and it was still winter when the members of the new Swedish Battalion 65 C got their gear in mid April before leaving for Cyprus.

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The commander of Swedcon Lt Col Bäärnhielm seen during his inspection of the new soldiers at one of the Swedish OP's.



Members of the new Swedish Battalion doing the Cape Greco-march.

Longest Serving Member of BRITCON Leaves



After 34 years in the Force Flight Lieutenant Brian Tomlins has at last handed his light Blue Beret in at the end of his tour. He has left Cyprus to join the Mobile Air Operations Team of Number 38 Group (RAF) in England.

His tour covered the period of the coup and of the subsequent operations, indeed he was the RAF standby pilot at Nicosia airport when it was bombed. During the period of fighting he flew many sorties carrying injured people, and on one occasion flew nine injured people from Xeros to Akrotiri — the largest number of people he has ever flown at one time!

He is a keen sportsman who, among other activities, has represented the Force on the rugby field.

FORCE COMMANDER VISITS SECTOR TWO



The Force Commander, Major General Quinn visited the 1st Battalion The Royal Irish Rangers last week, and toured round the OP's. He is seen left inspecting the section at Dhenia. At the end of his tour he returned to St Davids Camp to listen to the pipes and drums and watch their display.

BRIGADIER VISITS SIGNAL SQUADRON



Brigadier Tillotson visited UNFICYP Support Regiment last week. He began his tour with Signal Squadron, and is seen above as he went into the Line Troops store.

Commonwealth Mission in Sector 2



During their visit to UNFICYP the members of the Commonwealth Mission were given a flying trip to Sector Two to see what the Buffer zone was like.



CO's CHANGE OVER



Die beiden Kommandanten im Rahmen ihrer Offiziere. The two commanding officers seen with their officers outside the officers mess in Camp Duke Leopold at Larnaca.

WEDDING IN LARNACA



Am 6. Mai konnte unser BO, MilObKur GROSZRUCK, die Verantwortung über seinen Assistenten, ObWm SPIEL, in andere, zartere Hände legen. Fri FREISAM übernahm das Kommando mit dem Versprechen in ObWm SPIEL weniger einen Untergebenen, als vielmehr einen tatkräftigen Mitarbeiter sehen zu wollen. On 6th May Sgt SPIEL, the assistant of our Welfare Officer, married Miss FREISAM, his Austrian fiancé in Camp Duke Leopold V. in LARNACA.

NEW PRESS OFFICER



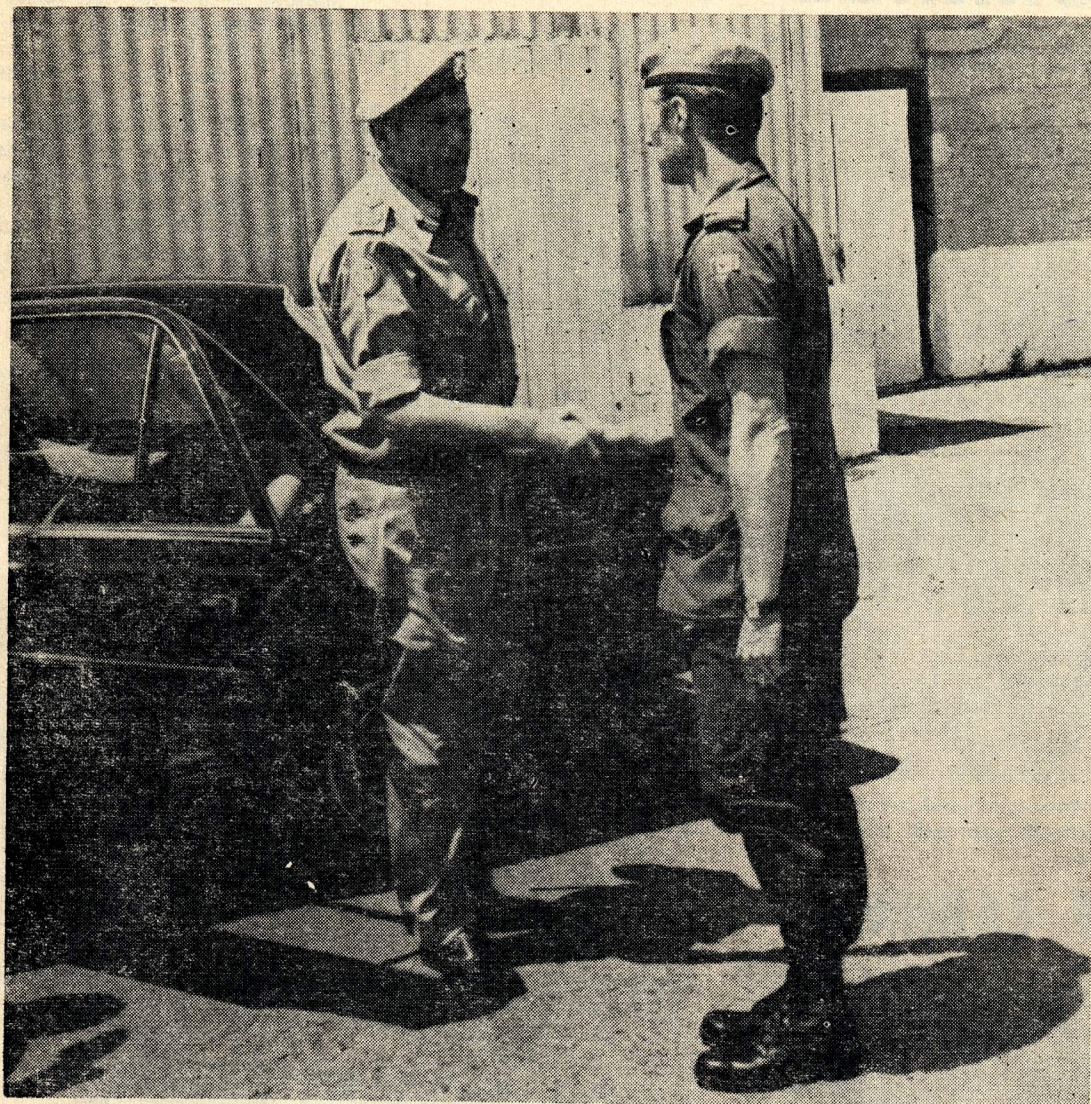
Es bleibt nur zu hoffen, daß auch seine künftigen Produkte so gut verdaulich sein werden wie dieses. Our new Press Ofrr, Capt HITZENBERGER, can be seen here mixing together different news.

Unser bisheriger Kommandant, Obstlt FRITZ, hat uns nun endgültig verlassen. Am 7. Mai übergab er mit der österreichischen Fahne auch das Kommando über das AUSCON an seinen Nachfolger, Obstlt OBERWINKLER. Wir alle wünschen Herrn Obstlt FRITZ für seine weitere Laufbahn alles Gute. Herrn Obstlt OBERWINKLER wünschen wir eine erfolgreiche Zeit bei UNFICYP, uns aber, daß wir in ihm einen ebenso guten und fürsorglichen Kommandanten finden mögen, wie in seinem Vorgänger.



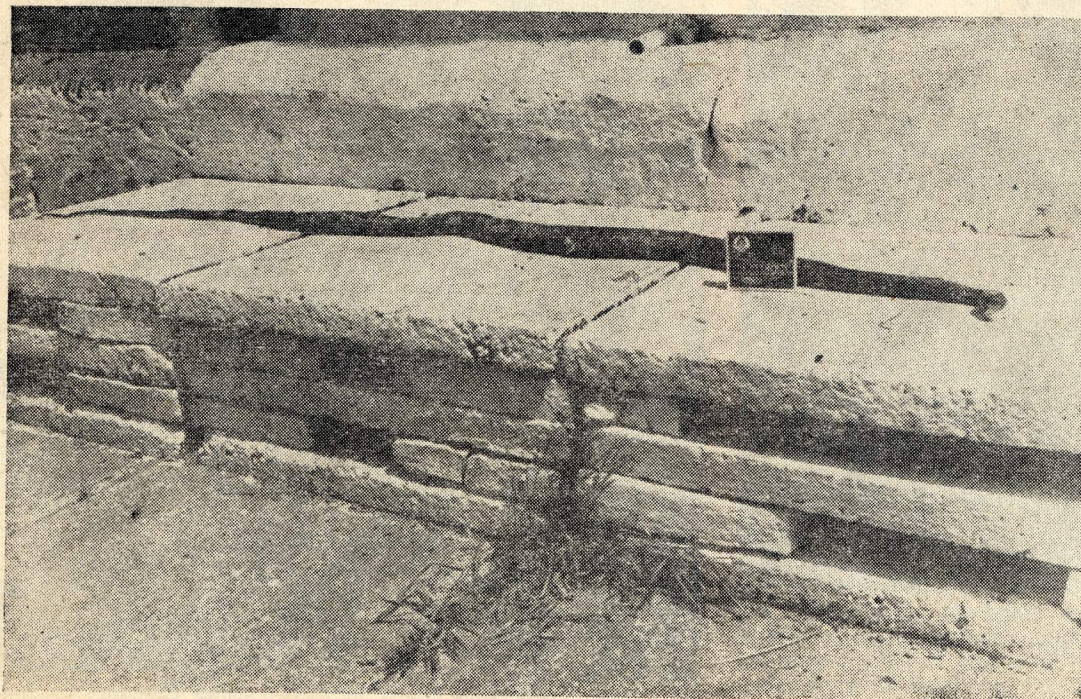
Our last commanding officer, Lt Col W Fritz, has handed over his command and has left Cyprus to return to Austria. On 7th May in a short ceremony he handed the Austrian flag to his successor Lt Col Oberwinkler.

GENERAL QUINN AT WOLSELEY



Le Commandant de la Force, le MGen Quinn est fait bon accueil par le LCol Geddry.
The Force Commander, MGen Quinn is welcome by LCol Geddry.

SNAKES IN SECTOR 4



Notre visiteur malvenu, cinq pieds de serpent.
Our unwelcome visitor, a five foot snake



Le Major 33 Gallant, Commandant de l'escadron A de 12e RBC et le Colonel Carlson sur la ligne verte.

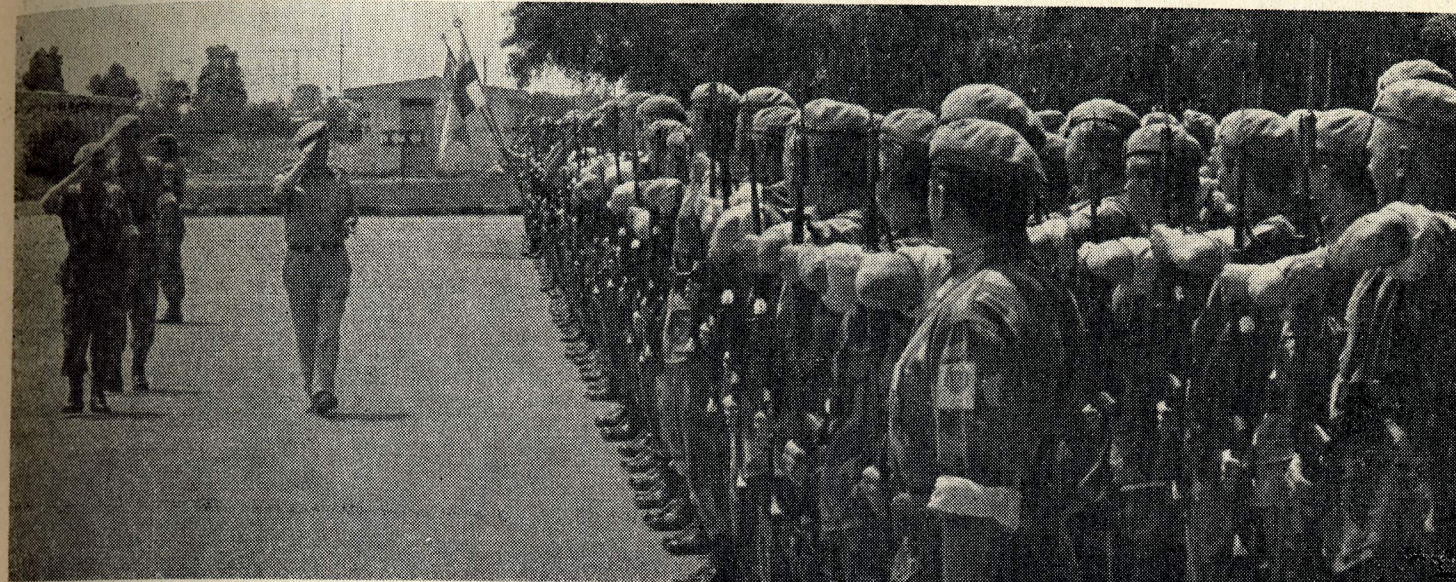
Major 33 Gallant, Officer Commanding A Squadron 12e RBC and Colonel Carlson in the Buffer Zone.

LES NOUVELLES DE CANCON

Durant les deux semaines passées, le 12e Régiment Blindé du Canada a reçu les visiteurs en masse. Commencant avec le Commandant de la Force, qui a passé une journée avec nous le 25 avril, on a reçu aussi le Commandant — désigné du Contingent Canadien, le Colonel Carlson. Le beau temps, un visiteur très bienvenu, est arrivé finalement, mais un visiteur pas invité était un grand serpent trouvé en cherchant une cigarette par le Caporal Fred Comeau. Cette semaine nous serons visités par notre Ambassadeur et après qui peut dire?

During the past two weeks the Regiment has been visited several times. The Force Commander spent a day with us on the 25th of April, and we also received the Commander designate of the Canadian Contingent, Colonel Carlson. The good weather finally visited us, but a large snake, definitely not invited, was an unwelcome guest found by Corporal Fred Comeau. This week, our Ambassador comes to call, and after that, who knows?

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YK:n Kyproksen joukkojen komentaja kenrm. J. Quinn seurasi ev. O. Lopmeriä sekä evl P. Saarikoskiä suorittamassa joukkojen katselmusta Kom:n vaihtuessa.

30.04.1977 vaihtui YKSP:n komentaja. Ev O. Lopmeri luovutti tehtävät evl P. Saarikoskelle. Samalla patiljoona muuttui YKSP 27:ksi. Organisaationuutoksen myötä 1. ja 2. JK yhdistyivät Valvontakompaniaksi.



"Lanamiehet lähdössä"

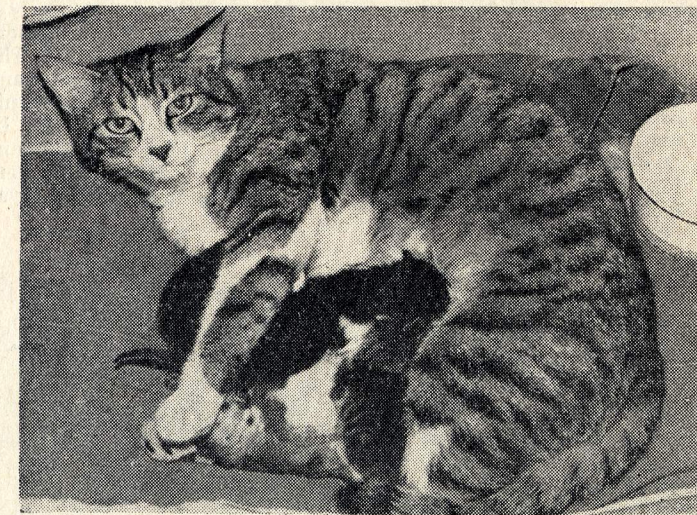
ENGLISH SUMMARY

FC, Major Gen Quinn, is seen reviewing the Finnish Battalion in the parade during which Col O Lopmeri handed over the contingent to Lt Col P Saarikoski on 30.4.77. Rotation of Finn-Battalion took place on 28.4.77 and this is the 27th Finn-battalion. In the middle picture the veterans are seen waiting transport to Akrotiri. In the bottom picture is the "Sergeant Cat" which gave birth to four kittens to strengthen the defence against the mice in Kykko Camp.

Ihonväri vaihtui jälleen vaaleampaan Finconin huhtirotaation toteutuessa.

Lanamiehet suuntasivat matkansa kohti pohjoista Suomea.

Lähtötunnelmista huolimatta moni kaveri jo mietti, että milloinkahan sitä tullaan takaisin saarelle.



Kykkon "kersantti" kunnostautui!

UNCIVPOL NEWS



Colonel Herbert Fuchs the CO of the Austrian Civilian Police Contingent for the past three years has left Cyprus with five of his officers and returned to Austria. Shortly before he left he handed over to Major Gottlieb Latschenberger, with whom he is seen above.

RUGGER UNFICYP v UNTSO



Two weeks ago a rugby team from UNTSO in Jerusalem came to the Island to challenge a team from UNFICYP. The game was played on the pitch near Fineagles Camp, and proved to be a very exciting struggle between two very evenly matched teams. UNFICYP opened the scoring with a try by Dunbar, but the UNTSO team soon came back. At the end the result was a draw — seven points each — which was a very fair result. The referee on this occasion was Colonel Ryan from the Eastern Sovereign Base Area.



A handover also took place at Kokkinotrimithia two weeks ago when Chief Superintendent John Kelly took over responsibility for the UNCIVPOL tasks in Sectors One and Two. He is seen being given the forecast of events file by his predecessor Superintendent Fred Luther.



While their Contingent Commanders were completing their handover the two seconds in command of the Australian Civilian Police Contingents Superintendent Dick Allatson and Chief Inspector John Roach were pictured together.

TRAFFIC STATISTICS

2 Weeks ending 14 May	7	Total for the same period	
Same period last year	16	last year	98
Total for the year	87		

LESSON OF THE MONTH

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