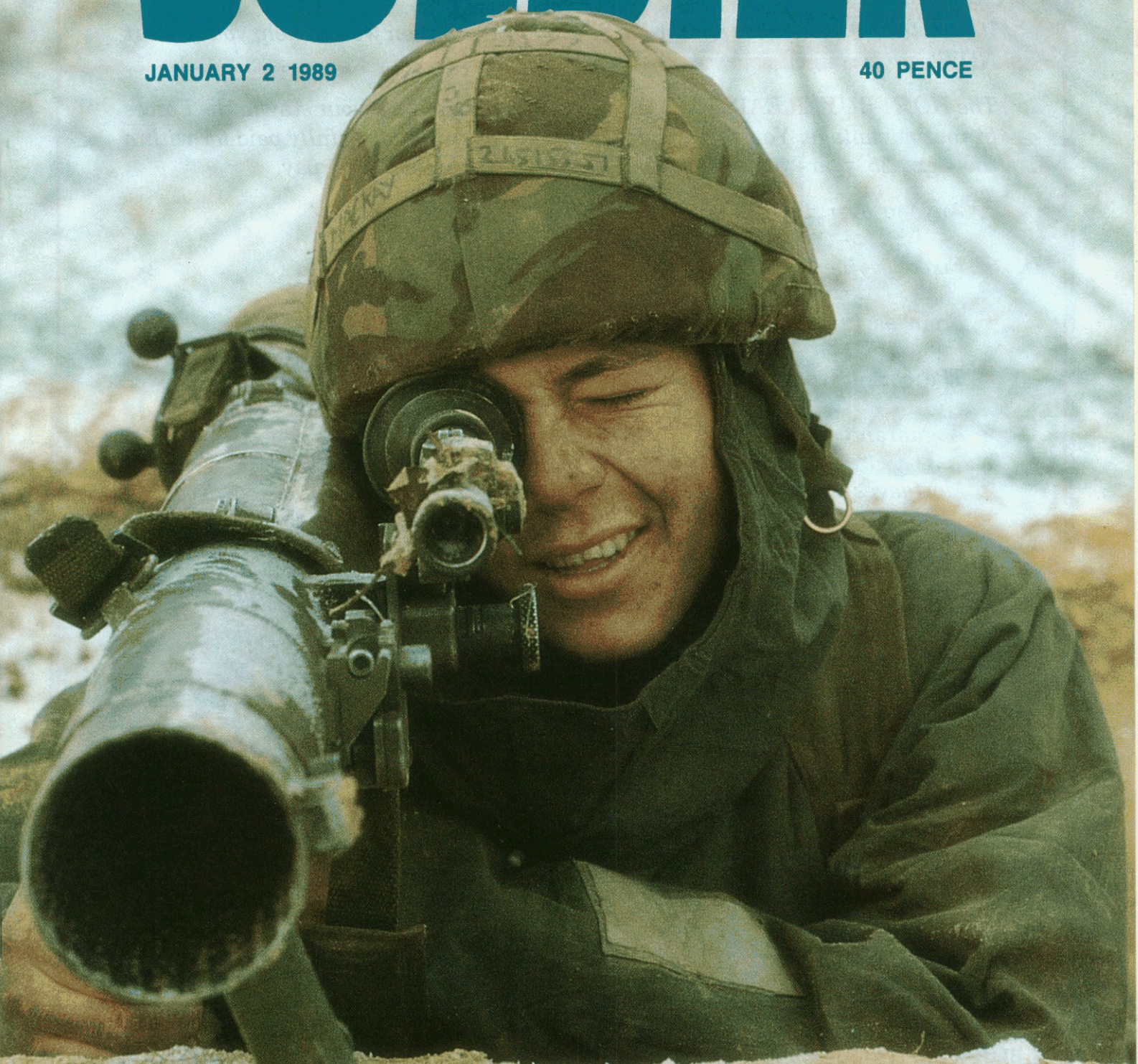


SOLDIER

JANUARY 2 1989

40 PENCE



EXERCISE IRON HAMMER

ARMY'S TOP PHOTOGRAPHS

THE WARRIOR ROAD SHOW

WITH THE UN IN CYPRUS

Introducing the HOMEBUYER SERVICE

If your future need is for a Mansion or a Maisonette then we can help you to start NOW!

*The **HOMEBUYER EARLY STARTER SCHEME** will turn your stay in the Forces to your advantage. You will end up with your very own home, fully paid for within the next 25 years at a fraction of the price a Civilian will pay.*

- ★ *Anyone over 18 can apply*
- ★ *Fixed payments throughout your Service career*
- ★ *From as little as £14 per week*
- ★ *The earlier you start – the more you save*
- ★ *A guaranteed saving of thousands of pounds*
- ★ *Mortgages arranged through all major lending sources should you need one*
- ★ *Low cost Loans available to Scheme Members*

This is your opportunity to have your own home when you leave the Service

For more information please complete and return the section below:–



YOUR KEY TO THE FUTURE TODAY

*Send to: HOMEBUYER SERVICE
25 Wistaria Lane
Yateley, Aldershot
Hants GU17 7HY.*

BLOCK CAPITALS PLEASE

SURNAME _____ INITIALS _____

RANK _____ UNIT _____

ADDRESS _____

_____ POSTCODE _____

TEL NO. (HOME) _____

DATE OF BIRTH _____

ANNUAL GROSS INCOME £ _____

IF MARRIED
AGE OF SPOUSE _____

YEARS TO SERVE _____

TEL NO. (WORK) _____

FRONT COVER: Pte Stewart Mackay of the Queen's Own Highlanders sets his 84mm Carl Gustav on target during Exercise Iron Hammer. More pictures and stories starting on Page 21.

Picture: Mike Weston

SOLDIER

THE MAGAZINE OF THE BRITISH ARMY
incorporating the Territorial Army magazine



Above left – Members of the British community in Naples worked up a good head of steam when they raced to the top of Vesuvius to raise money for local charities. Read about the Army's fund raising activities on Pages 42-43.
Right – Tpr Peter Stocks, 4/7 DG, escorts a Greek Cypriot worker in the Buffer Zone in Nicosia. A feature on the work of the United Nations in Cyprus begins on Page 16. There will be more about Cyprus based units in the next issue.

Managing Editor

Roland Thick Ext 2355

Editor

John Elliott Ext 2356

Assistant Editors

Bill Moore Ext 2361

Laurie Manton Ext 2362

Jennifer Griffiths Ext 2360

Art Editor

Neil Armstrong Ext 2169

Picture Editor

Terry Champion Ext 2357

Photographers

Mike Weston and Mike Perring Ext 2357

Librarian

Bill Stroud Ext 2351

Advertising/Promotions

Lindsey Cleave Ext 2352

Accounts/Distribution

Gillian Alexander Ext 2353

Fax Ext 2358

VOL. 45/1

CONTENTS

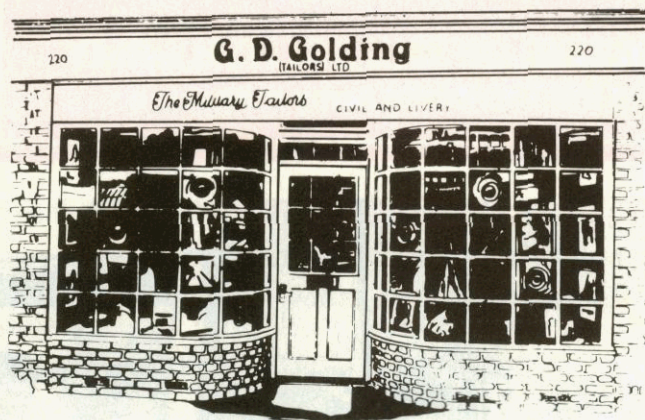
- 4 Letters
- 5 News
- 10 People
- 13 SOLDIER to Soldier
- 14 Observers – East and West
- 16 UN in Cyprus
- 21 Iron Hammer roundup
- 26 Photographic competition

JANUARY 2, 1989

- 33 Warrior road show
- 38 Naafi report
- 39 Return of the Black Hackle
- 40 Book and record reviews
- 42 All in a good cause
- 43 HOAY competition
- 45 Soldiers in saris
- 46 SOLDIER Mart
- 52 Sport

G.D. Golding Tailors Ltd.

Military Livery and Civilian Tailors



We are pleased to be regimental tailors by appointment to:

The Household Cavalry.
The Life Guards
The Blues and Royals.
1st The Queen's Dragoon Guards.
4th/7th Royal Dragoon Guards.
Royal Regiment of Artillery.
Corps of Royal Engineers.
Royal Corps of Signals.
The Royal Regiment of Fusiliers.
Royal Irish Rangers.
The Royal Regiment of Wales.
The Worcestershire and Sherwood Foresters.
The Duke of Edinburgh's Royal Regiment.
The Light Infantry.
7th Duke of Edinburgh's Own Gurkha Rifles.
The Royal Army Chaplain's Department.
Royal Corps of Transport.
Royal Army Medical Corps.
Royal Army Ordnance Corps.
Corps of Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers.
Corps of Royal Military Police.
Royal Army Pay Corps.
Small Arms School Corps.
The Royal Army Educational Corps.
Royal Army Dental Corps.
Royal Pioneer Corps.
Army Physical Training Corps.
Army Catering Corps.
The Inns of Court and City Yeomanry.

Exclusively cut and tailored in our own workrooms by experienced craftsmen, under the personal supervision of Mr. Golding.

We offer top quality service using the finest Barathea and Superfine materials, with competitive prices and credit.

Our special fast service is available at no extra charge.

We can also supply: military ties, blazer badges, badges of rank, Marcella shirts, miniature medals, Sam Browne belts, spurs, George boots, Mess wellingtons and khaki shirts.

Full-sized and miniature medals remounted. Service dress hats, side hats and Blues hats supplied.

Our Representative will call at your request. Ring (0727) 41321 or write for details to: 220 Hatfield Road, St Albans, Herts AL1 4LW.

Name

Address

..... Tel

Please state your particular requirements below:

LETTERS

Write to:
SOLDIER,
Ordnance Road,
Aldershot,
Hants GU11 2DU.

How can we help the Army in Ulster?

Are there any readers of SOLDIER magazine, perhaps with more specialist knowledge or just more imagination than I have, who can suggest ways in which the mainland public might give some practical support to the Army in Ulster?

I know that the GOC's fund directly benefits the regiments in the Six Counties but with the best will in the world, no one can be giving money continual-

ly, and many people would find it easier to offer their time and effort instead.

At present, we feel very helpless whenever there's bad news from the Province, and we'd really welcome the chance of having a more useful and positive contact with the units there. So please don't let this goodwill go to waste. - **Miss Marilyn Mailley, West Mids** (full address supplied).

Corps did this ex soldier proud

May I pass on to serving and retired soldiers the good fortune that has come my way through the excellent services of the Corps of Commissioners in London.

In response to an advertisement for an appointment as building manager in a prestigious development company in London, I found I had to write to the Corps in London, enclosing my CV.

I was invited for an interview with Maj Tony Northey (Retd). I was not sure what this job was going to entail, as like so many of us, I was not fully aware of the full range of appointments

that come from time to time to the Corps.

Eventually I was appointed - with a salary well over that which I received as an ex ranking captain - to a challenging new career with a really good company. I soon discovered that the estate security manager is an ex Marine warrant officer.

The security of this estate is also done on contract by the Corps of Commissioners, and I will shortly be asking Maj Northey to find me 11 more men for my building.

I am honoured to be a member of the Corps and am so very grateful for the work done on my behalf by the London branch. If only I had known this when I left the Regulars I would not have wasted a year on low paid and boring jobs. I fully recommend that anyone about to leave should contact the Corps at 3 Crane Court, Fleet St, London EC4A 2EJ - **Denis Bate, 9 Firlie Walk, Colchester, Essex CO2 8QN.**

Calling . . .

● Miss Barbara Stenbridge and Miss Vivian Seaborne, of 4 Coy WRAC, GHQ FARELF, Singapore, who were bridesmaids at the wedding in Singapore in 1965 of Mr F C Aldrich to a WRAC girl. Mr and Mrs Aldrich, of 26 The Hollies, Brackla, Bridgend, Mid-Glam CF31 2PP, are hoping to trace them.

● Any members of the 50B intake (September 9, 1950) from the **Army Apprentices School**, Arborfield, Reading. Mr C Ayre of 146 Wentworth Road, Wheatley, Doncaster, South Yorkshire DN2 4BT wants to know if any reunions are planned.

● Servicemen who were in Greece in 1945-46. Mr W P Taylder, 24 Woodside Gardens, Ravenshead, Notts NG15 99F, was attached to the **British Military Mission to Greece** and was in charge of the MT Section in Athens.

BACK TO FRONT?

EAGLE eyed readers quickly spotted that our back cover picture (December 12) was of a 2 R Irish FV 432 fording a river during Exercise Rhine Ranger. Our caption had heavily disguised the vehicle as a Milan-carrying Spartan! In fact the caption was correct - we had just used the wrong picture.

Danish monarch visits 1 Queens at Tidworth

QUEEN Margrethe II of Denmark who is an Allied Colonel-in-Chief of The Queen's Regiment visited the 1st Battalion at their barracks in Tidworth. This year sees the 300th anniversary of the regiment's links with the Royal House of Denmark.

These were inherited through The Buffs who in 1689 were officially named Prince George of Denmark's Regiment after their Honorary Colonel, the husband of Queen Anne. During the Second World War many Danes served in the regiment, including Maj

A F Lassen who won a Victoria Cross. They are remembered daily at the Turning of the Page ceremony in the Buffs Chapel in Canterbury Cathedral and there is still a thriving branch of the Regimental Association in Copenhagen.

Services join forces to beat the pirates

SEVEN marksmen from the British Garrison in Hong Kong were on board the 4,300-tonne Royal Fleet Auxiliary Sir Bedivere to mount a round-the-clock guard against piracy in the infamous Strait of Malacca, northwest of Singapore, when the vessel was making her journey home to the UK after visiting Hong Kong.

The seven marksmen – three sailors, three soldiers and one airman – were all equipped with self-loading rifles. They were PO David Green, ABs Sandy Saunders and Nick Hyde, Cpls Steve Bennett, Mike Gibson and Andy Rome and SAC Steve Mann.

Officer killed by grenade

A BRITISH officer serving in Hong Kong with the 1st Battalion, 2nd King Edward VII's Own Gurkha Rifles has been killed in an explosion at an Army base. A Gurkha officer of the same battalion was seriously wounded.

The dead officer was named as Maj James Richford, aged 34 and single. The injured officer, Lt Lal Bahadur Pun, was treated for his wounds at BMH Hong Kong.

An MoD spokesman confirmed the explosion was caused by a British issue grenade and said a full investigation into the incident was being carried out by the Hong Kong Police with the full support of the Army's Special Investigation Branch.

Director in Colony

THE Director of the Women's Royal Army Corps, Brig Shirley Nield has visited Hong Kong to see WRAC personnel stationed in the territory. She undertook a tour of the Sino-Hong Kong border to see members of the Royal Hong Kong Regiment (The Volunteers) at work.



PO David Green and Cpl Stephen Bennett, LI, who were members of the squad of seven marksmen from Hong Kong who guarded the RFA Sir Bedivere against pirate attack

Thar she blows!

IT's not every day that an Assault Pioneer platoon sporting 15 different cap badges gets the chance to blow up a bridge. When Maj Derek Webb, RE, from the School of Infantry, Warminster came up with the offer, it was accepted with enthusiasm by the school's Assault Pioneers.

The masonry arch bridge, over a disused railway south of Shepton Mallet, was reduced to a pile of rubble.

Happy hogmanay

SOLDIER's first £50 competition winner of the New Year is Mr J J Nicolson of Scalloway Road, Lerwick, Shetland. Runners-up prizes of books go to Col P S Newton of Aldershot and Cpl Eagle of ASD Ballykinkler.

Next chance to win £50 in the HOAY competition is on Page 43.

"BFG Registration"
Now it makes even more sense
to buy a right hand drive car - new or used

NATOCARS GUIDE TO TAX FREE CAR BUYING

THE HOTTEST DEALS AROUND... HOT OFF THE PRESS

NATOCARS
OF BRIDGWATER

It's NEW. It's FREE and it's the best ever.

If you're thinking about a new car - *tax free, tax paid or used*, you've just got to get a copy of the latest Natocars buying guide. It answers all your questions, helps you avoid the possible pitfalls and it's packed with everything you need to know.

So get the best deal possible including our latest savings scheme, a unique loan plan, part exchange and tremendous discounts on over 500 models.

Phone Natocars, or just clip the coupon to get your hands on a copy.

FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION DIAL FREEPHONE TO UK
Germany/Berlin - 01 30 9806 (for local call cost - 20 pfennigs)
Holland - 06022 9806 | Belgium - 114310

Other areas 0278 455555



NATOCARS
OF BRIDGWATER

*No one
looks after you
better*

WYLDs ROAD, BRIDGWATER, SOMERSET TA6 4DG
Tel: Bridgwater (0278) 455555. Telex: 46285

Please send the Natocars' guide to car buying

RANK SURNAME INITIALS

PRESENT ADDRESS

TEL:
WORK

TEL:
HOME

CAR FOR USE IN (COUNTRY)

DELIVERY DATE (REQUIRED)

I am interested in (please write model names)

Ford		Mercedes-Benz	
Peugeot		Austin	
Audi		Rover	
Volkswagen		Vauxhall/Opel	
Volvo		Land/Range Rover	

I would like to consider (please tick boxes)

☐ Tax Free ☐ Tax Paid ☐ Used Cars ☐ Part Exchange ☐ Nato-Save ☐ Nato-Loan ☐ Car Insurance

NATOCARS LTD, WYLDs ROAD, BRIDGWATER, SOMERSET TA6 4DG
TELEPHONE BRIDGWATER (0278) 455555

S/PK/01



Picture: Mike Weston

PAY CORPS PARADES IN WINCHESTER

MEN of the Royal Army Pay Corps march with bayonets fixed through the streets of Winchester, Hants to exercise their right as Freemen of the city. They paraded from Peninsula Barracks to the Guildhall where they were inspected by the Mayor, Councillor Brian Hall. He took the salute at a march past under the command of Lt Col Mike Llewellyn, RAPC.

In addition to three detachments of RAPC there was a detachment of members of the RAPC Regimental Association led by Brig (Retd) Harry Thompson. After the parade the corps marched to Winchester Cathedral for a thanksgiving service to mark the opening the previous day of the new RAPC Computer Centre at Worthy Down.

Nato airmobile division mooted

NATO defence ministers at the biannual Defence Planning Committee meeting in Brussels have agreed to investigate the feasibility of creating a new multi-national airmobile division in Europe including troops from Britain, Belgium, West Germany and the Netherlands.

The study will be led by Gen John Galvin, Supreme Allied Commander Europe (SACEUR). The possible inclusion of the British Army's newly formed 24th

Airmobile Brigade is one option that will be studied by SACEUR. The defence ministers also agreed to make a study of training and exercises taking place in West Germany.

A Ministry of Defence spokesman said: "We will be glad to participate fully in the study into training with the Federal Republic of Germany and recognise the impact of exercises on the population. We must also recognise the need to maintain operationally essential means of training."

Cemetery haven wins Hohne the ENCON prize

MONTHS of hard work by personnel at Hohne Station, West Germany have been rewarded by first prize in the prestigious ENCON (Environmental Conservation) 88 competition.

Personnel created a peaceful haven for visitors to the Jewish Cemetery where 30,494 internees of Belsen concentration camp are buried, encouraged wildlife to settle in the area and provided wildlife education for children at Hohne.

First prize was a new car, the keys of which were presented to Lt Col Nick Bird, RA, Hohne Station Commander, by Mr John Malone of Naafi. In addition, as corps and regional winner, Station Staff Officer Lt Col (Retd) Norman Wilkins received a trophy and cheque. Special mention was made of the contributions to the project by 256 Mobile Civilian Plant Group RE, 212 Mobile Civilian Labour Group RPC as well as Service clubs, Brownies and Scouts from Hohne.

Regular Forces strength down

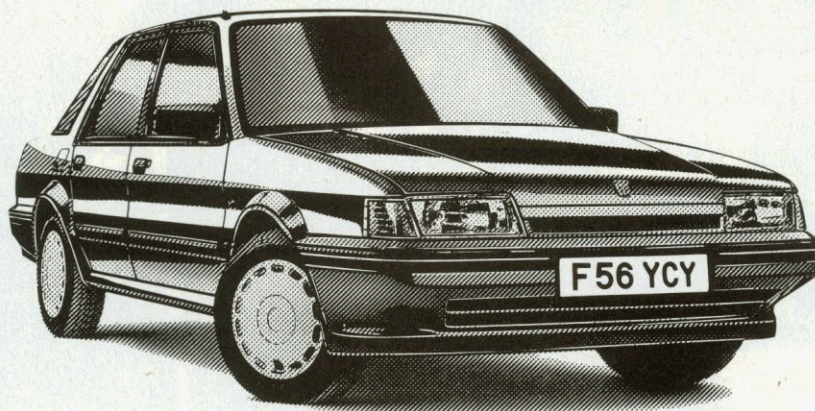
TOTAL strength of the Regular Forces at the end of September was about 4,000 lower than a year earlier according to the latest figures published by the Ministry of Defence.

But there was some good news for the Army. While the Royal Navy (95 fewer) and the Royal Air Force (down 35) were

reporting decreases in officer strength, the Army and the Royal Marines boasted small increases. There was a fall in the number of Servicewomen in the Army.

The latest figures reveal a total Army strength of 157,550, of which 16,307 are officers, 134,987 are Servicemen 998 are female officers and 5,258 are Servicewomen.

The action starts here



The gift stops with you

For sampling any Austin Rover car or estate we'll give to you this useful multi-function unit – absolutely free!

Its rigid, compact body houses a 200 psi air compressor – complete with adaptors for inflating dinghies, airbeds and footballs, a tyre pressure gauge, and a work-torch with 'flashing' control and removable red warning cover. And it works off a 12 volt car battery.



This free gift will be handed to any person currently entitled to tax-free car purchase simply for appraising one of the superb models in the Austin Rover range. You'll find the time spent well worth your while.

This offer is open to service personnel both at home and abroad – but time is of the essence, so act now by completing the coupon or calling us on 0367 21225. It's as simple as that!

Quite simply, there is no easier, faster or more efficient way of buying a tax-free car than by dealing with the experts. And the experts are Services Car Exports, the only Austin Rover tax-free specialist in the UK exclusively appointed to meet the needs of Service personnel.

No matter how distant your posting, you need look no further for advice on every aspect of buying one of today's fine Austin Rover cars.

We'll arrange a finance package to suit your pocket, iron out the paperwork, and ensure delivery wherever you want it. We'll simply take care of everything – even a part exchange deal on your old car.

All Austin Rover cars are backed by Supercare and Supercover, the most comprehensive warranties available.

Please rush me details on: (tick box)

☐ Montego ☐ Maestro ☐ Metro
☐ Mini ☐ Rover 200 ☐ Rover 800

For use in (country)

Date req'd

Name

Rank

Address

Tel No (Day) (Eve)

AUSTIN ROVER
SERVICES
CAR EXPORTS LTD

Post to: Services Car Exports Ltd., FREEPOST, Faringdon, Oxon SN7 5BR. (No stamp required, if mailed in UK or BFPO) OR phone the Hotline (0367) 21225.

Battery holds final Colenso parade before move

THE last Colenso Day parade at Thorney Island, Hants for a decade was held by 159 Colenso Field Battery, Royal Artillery at Baker Barracks. The 100 man battery is due to move to Germany soon and it could be 12

years before it returns to Thorney Island.

On parade was LBdr Stuart Nurse, great grandson of Cpl George Nurse VC, whose Victoria Cross, won at the battle of Colenso in 1899 during the Boer War, was paraded

through the ranks. LBdr Nurse has the battle honour as his middle name.

Cpl Nurse's VC was one of four awarded following attempts to rescue 12 guns after their crews had been killed or wounded.

QDG soldier commended for rescue

A WELSH soldier has been commended by his commanding officer for rescuing a German girl from her crashed car. The incident happened while LCpl Chris Teesdale of 1st The Queen's Dragoon Guards was taking part in Exercise Iron Hammer in West Germany.

Weather conditions deteriorated rapidly during the exercise and LCpl Teesdale saw the girl's car overturn. He sped to the scene, pulled the crash victim out of her vehicle and treated her injuries which included shock, bruises and a broken hand.

The QDG, an armoured reconnaissance regiment, recruits from Wales. It is stationed at Wolfenbittel, near Hanover.



Picture: Terry Champion

Mr Leon Brittan MP lent a hand to launch the Sibun Splash expedition which will involve a six-man team from the 14th/20th Kings Hussars who are to attempt an 80 mile descent by canoe of the rapid strewn Sibun river in Belize. He agreed to become patron of the expedition after a chance meeting on a train with team leader Capt Jonny Beardsall.

Pictured (left to right) at the launching on the Serpentine in London's Hyde Park are Tpr Steve Branick, Tpr James Bretherton, Lt Andrew Harman, Capt Beardsall, Tpr Robert Colling, Sgt Steve Garner and the Rt. Hon Leon Brittan

Duke on private visit to 1 DERR

DURING a four-day visit to Hong Kong, The Duke of Edinburgh paid a private visit to his own regiment, the 1st Battalion The Duke of Edinburgh's Royal Regiment, who are half-way through a two-and-a-half year tour in the territory. At the Sino-Hong

Kong border he was met by the Commander British Forces Hong Kong, Maj Gen Garry Johnson, before being briefed on the life of the battalion and anti-illegal immigration operations by the Commanding Officer of 1 DERR, Lt Col Stephen Saunders.

Scottish medics let the train take the strain

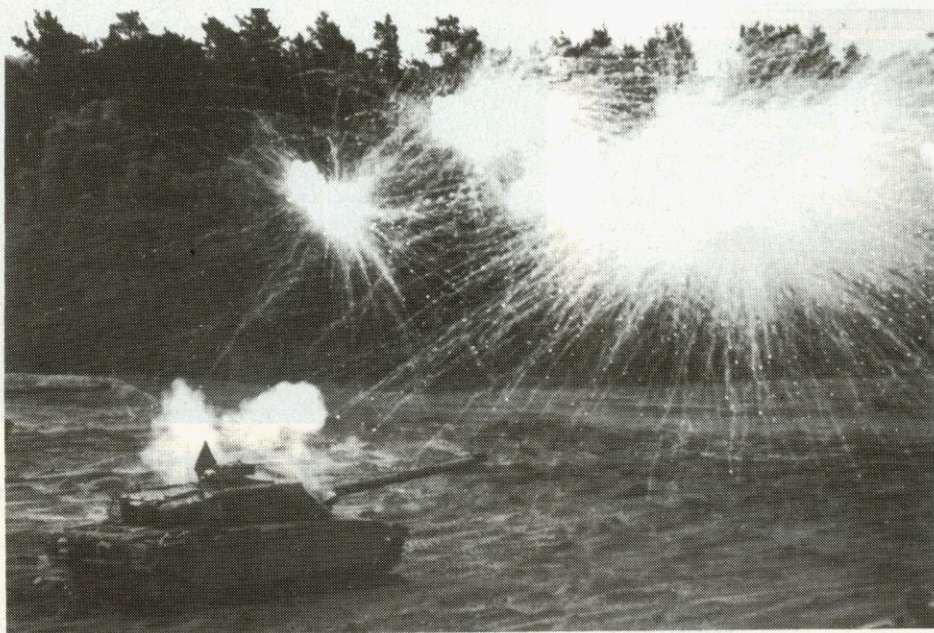
EXERCISE Tartan Octopus provided an opportunity for all three Army medical units in Scotland (225 and 252 Field Ambulances and 205 (Scottish) General Hospital) to practise their role for war including the use of an ambulance train.

It was a considerable bonus for the volunteers to have the ambulance train made available in Scotland for the exercise, for normally such training is only possible when they deploy to West Germany for BAOR training every three years.

It comprises three Inter-City 125 carriages: one adapted to take 20 stretcher cases, one for walking wounded and the third for access and administrative needs.

Top arrentices

SIMON Williamson (Royal Signals and Radar Establishment, Malvern) and Anthony Hayes (18 Base Wksp REME, Bovington) were winner and runner-up respectively in the Mechanical class of the MoD Apprentices of the Year Award. Peter Hubbard (also of 18 Base Wksp) took the Fabrication prize.



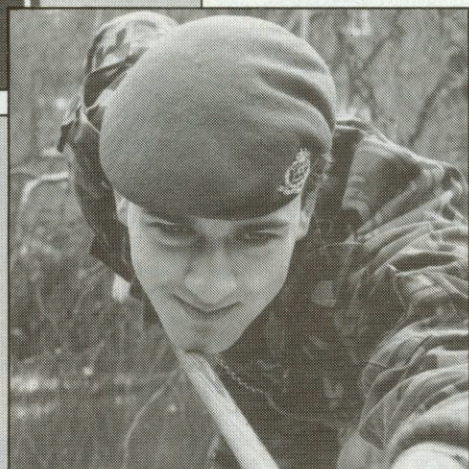
Picture: Capt TA Bedford, RAMC

A Challenger main battle tank grows into action as 17 Troop, D Squadron, 3rd Royal Tank Regiment fires smoke grenades during the regiment's annual field firing at Hohne, West Germany



Last Post in Paris

Drummer **Stephen Morris** of the 1st Battalion, Welsh Guards sounds the Last Post at the Arc de Triomphe in Paris in the presence of the Prince and Princess of Wales and the President of France. Two hundred members of the battalion and the regiment band spent four days in Paris to take part in a parade to commemorate the 70th anniversary of the Armistice.



Right on cue

MILITARY policeman Cpl Simon Scott (21) has been selected to play snooker for West Germany. A member of the Deutscher Snooker Kontroll Verband, Simon believes he may be the first Englishman to be chosen to play for Germany at any sport. He has been

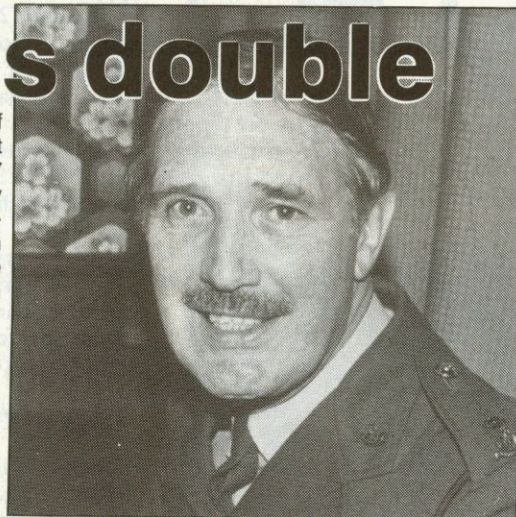
selected for matches against Belgium and Holland. Simon is serving with 110 Provost Company, RMP at Sennelager but reckons he is a bit short of practice at the moment because of the demands of Exercise Iron Hammer.

Tom's double

Maj **Tom Matthews**, of the 5th Battalion, The Light Infantry, has completed 37 years' Territorial Army service – and this remarkable record has been highlighted by a rare double medal presentation at Hereford TA Centre.

A former CSM of 5 LI's Hereford based C Company, and later RQMS, he was commissioned in 1975 as Quartermaster, a post he still holds.

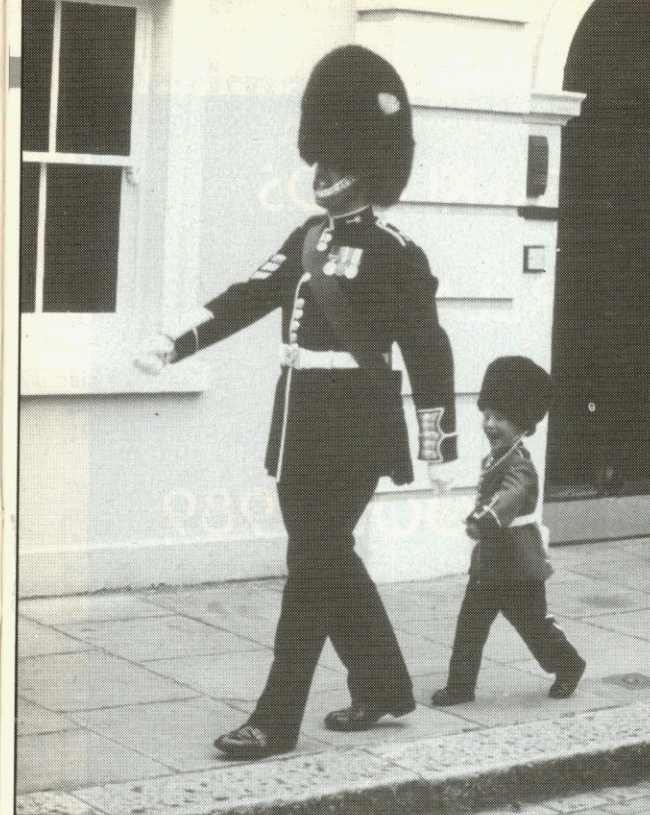
He already has the TA Efficiency Medal, and at the latest presentation – by Maj Gen **David Pank**, the Colonel of the Regiment – he received the TAVR Efficiency Medal for a further 12 years' other rank service and the Territorial Decoration for 12 years' commissioned service.



LITTLE AND LARGE: Timmy on parade with

The little-est Welsh Guard

Timmy Armstrong (4) achieved a lifelong ambition when he was given the chance to parade outside St James's Palace with the 1st Battalion, Welsh Guards. Timmy has leukaemia but this did not dampen his enthusiasm or the standard of his



CSgt Alan Bennett and in his very own sentry box

personal drill as he marched behind CSgt Alan Bennett, the Senior Sergeant on guard that day. And plucky little Timmy was very keen to do it again. "I think next time I'll come without my mum and I'll have to grow a bit bigger," he said.

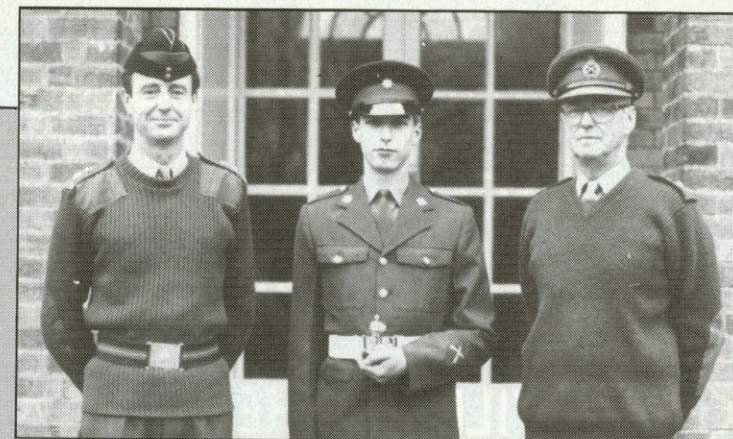
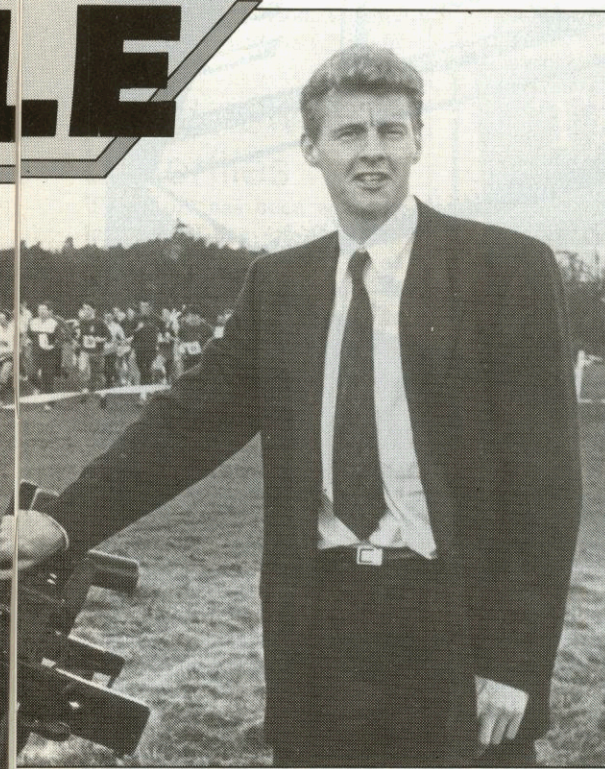
PEOPLE



Steve makes a cracking start!

World record middle distance runner **Steve Cram** is usually first away when the gun goes off.

But he was left with ringing ears when he turned starter to see off 4,000 soldiers in the annual Aldershot Garrison charity fun run.



A proud moment for Pte Timothy Newton, best R Anglian shot in Falaise Platoon at Depot, The Queen's Division, Royston, Herts as he poses with his trophy after receiving it from Gen Sir John Akehurst, Colonel of The Royal Anglian Regiment. On the left is Lt Col Michael Goldschmidt, R Anglian, Commanding Officer of the Depot, who has now handed over to Lt Col Michael Boocock, R Anglian. Gen Akehurst was visiting Basingbourn Barracks to open the new accommodation block named in his honour.

Good shooting



BIGHEAD: Derek becomes a laughing Grenadier

Derek's on duty

What's Radio 2 favourite **Derek Jameson** doing in an 'airy' at? He borrowed the bearskin when he arrived at Caterham Barracks, Surrey to open the Naafi's new £60,000 Waterloo Club which will be used by soldiers of the 2nd Battalion, Grenadier Guards stationed there.

Derek was invited to cut the opening ribbon by the Commanding Officer, Lt Col **Andrew Joscelyne**.

A fanfare by trumpeters of 2 Gren Gds heralded the opening. And the new facility quickly won praise from RQMS **Denis Bradley** who, with QM **Peter Dunkerley** and Col Joscelyne, was instrumental in bringing about the improvements.

WHETHER YOU'LL BE IN THE FALKLANDS,
ASCENSION, NORTHERN IRELAND,
BELIZE OR BENBECULA
C.S.E. WILL BE THERE MAKING A GOOD 1989

GREAT!



HAPPY NEW YEAR
FROM
COMBINED SERVICES ENTERTAINMENT

THE LIVE ENTERTAINMENT
DIVISION OF



Pilgrimage planners look ahead

Twenty pilgrimages to overseas war graves are outlined in the Royal British Legion's programme for 1989. And already the Legion is taking bookings for its pilgrimages in 1990 and beyond.

The Legion runs the visits to war graves under the Government's War Widows Grant-in-Aid Scheme which provides seven eighths of the cost of a trip for a widow to see a husband's grave or memorial.

Most pilgrimages are arranged in groups of 30 or more. They are escorted and some have a medical presence.

For those planning well ahead, the 1990 schedule includes pilgrimages to mark a series of anniversaries at Gallipoli (April, 75th), Dunkirk (May, 50th), North Germany (May, 45th anniversary of end of war in Europe), Far East (August, 45th anniversary of end of war in Far East), and Korea (September, 40th anniversary of start of war).

Details are available from The Pilgrimage Department, Royal British Legion Village, Aylesford, Maidstone, Kent ME20 7NX.

Good news for butterflies . . .

The MoD has been acknowledged as one of the best conservators, at least as far as butterflies are concerned, in John Feltwell's new book *The Natural History of Butterflies*.

The latest issue of the MoD conservation magazine *Sanctuary* reveals that much of Feltwell's material for his book was gathered on the Defence Estate.

The issue also alerts anglers and amateur naturalists in the Service and MoD community to look out for a rare freshwater cod known as the Burbot (or Eel-pout), which was last seen ten years ago. It is feared the "shy, solitary" Burbot has disappeared altogether from British waters.

51st Division commemorated

A stained glass window now has pride of place in the Church of Saint Samson in Ouistreham, Normandy.

It commemorates the part the 51st Highland Division

SOLDIER to Soldier



Cdr Tony Clark RN (right) gives the ship's bell of HMS Sandhurst a quick shine before it was accepted on behalf of the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst by the Commandant, Maj Gen Simon Cooper. The destroyer depot ship was sold for scrap after the Second World War and broken up at Dalmuir in 1946

played in consolidating bridge-heads established after the beach and airborne landings and during the bitter fighting around Caen after D-Day.

The window depicts at its base the badges of 16 regiments and corps of the Division and the tartans of the Highland infantry battalions.

Imbalance of tanks

As the British Government announces the identity of the Army's main battle tank of the 1990s, so Nato has released its latest figures on the relative strengths of conventional forces in East and West.

In every department the West is heavily outnumbered, not least in the number of main battle tanks, in which the East has a three-to-one advantage.

Nato has a combined total of nearly 16,500 tanks compared to about 51,500 available to the Warsaw Pact. The Soviet Union alone has 37,000.

In armoured infantry fighting vehicles the imbalance is nearly five to one in favour of the East, although Mr Gorbachev's historic speech to the United Nations holds out hope that the gaps in conventional weaponry will be reduced.

Views expressed in SOLDIER are not necessarily those of the Army or the Ministry of Defence.

TRAIN TODAY FOR A BETTER FUTURE

CHOOSE FROM OVER 60 CAREER OPPORTUNITIES!

General Interest

Catering & Gourmet Cooking
Creative Art
Master Class
Commercial Art
Cartooning
Interior Design
Dressmaking
Pattern Cutting & Design
Beauty Care and Personality
Short Storywriting
Freelance Journalism
Practical Photography
Beginners Guitar
Enjoy Your Retirement
Fashion Merchandising
Embroidery
Religious Studies
Good English
Astronomy
Soft Furnishings & Textiles

Electronics/Electrical

City & Guilds Basic Electronic Engineering
City & Guilds Radio Amateurs'
Radio, Audio & TV Servicing
Electrical Engineering
Electrical Contracting/Installations

Technical

Motorcycle Maintenance
Automobile Engineering
City & Guilds Basic Mech. Engineering
Comprehensive Building
Refrigeration & Air Conditioning
Ice Cream Technology
Firearms Repair
Carpentry & Joinery

Computer Programming

Introduction to Computer Programming
BASIC Programming
COBOL Programming

Emergency Services

Ambulance Service
Fire Service
Police & Prison
Service Entrance

Horticulture/Agriculture

Royal Horticultural Soc. Exam.
Intensive Market Gardening
Complete Gardening
General Agriculture

Business

Business Management
Book-keeping & Accountancy
Priv. Secretarial Practice
Speedhand
Running Your Own Business
Institute of Marketing
ICS Certificate in Marketing
Institute of Personnel Management
Public Relations
Salesmanship
Storekeeping
Supervision
Advertising
Commerce

Course of Interest
NAME:
ADDRESS:

P. Code



International Correspondence Schools,
Department PYSC8, 312/314 High Street,
Sutton, Surrey SM1 1PR, UK.



Choose from over 40 'O' & 'A' Level Courses
TUITON GUARANTEED

ACT NOW!

CDE

Conference on Disarmament in Europe

View from the West...

SEVENTEEN of the CDE signatory countries sent representatives to observe Iron Hammer and SOLDIER took the opportunity to speak to two of the observers, who represented a neutral country (Switzerland) and a member of the Eastern Bloc (East Germany), writes Laurie Manton.

Surprisingly, although there were some areas of CDE about which the two men agreed, there were some aspects about which opinions differed!

Maj Gen Gerard de Loos of the Swiss Army explained that the duty of an observer was to control and ensure that everything laid down in the programme was really there and on show to the observers.

Responding to the thought that some countries might use the observations for spying, Gen de Loos said: "It is not the task of an observer to ask questions about tactical or operational problems. You cannot do it but of course if the host country is good enough to tell you then that is all right."

"I think there are some people who are going to fall in that direction and spy but I won't name them," he warned. "It is a very important question for we are here to control something and not be a spy!"

The general expressed his opinion that the United Kingdom and West Germany



LCpl Nigel Hastings (33 Ord Coy RAOC) found himself next to Soviet Col Austow one lunchtime. Said LCpl Hastings: "It was different! We couldn't understand each other but he seemed a nice man, no different to our officers"



Maj Gen Gerard de Loos

perfectly respected the document of the Stockholm agreement putting great emphasis on the openness and honesty shown by the host countries.

"We saw a lot of the exercise, much more perhaps than in other observations," he said.

The troops taking part in the exercise were praised by Gen de Loos who said: "We always had the opportunity to speak with the officers, NCOs and soldiers. They were working in a very calm atmosphere which

indicates professionalism.

"Conscious of their tasks and mission, I think British soldiers are among the best in the world."

With the CDE just ending its second year, the general felt it could go much further forward with its confidence building measures, suggesting that current observations do not go far enough.

"We must go much further forward and introduce more measures and some solution for verification. Why? - because you cannot speak about disarmament issues without confidence.

"If you have more confidence you can talk about disarming but I don't think we will have great results very soon because we don't have this confidence... but we have to be optimists."

Gen de Loos said the observations were a good start but warned that the member countries had to go further. They should not think that they had reached the goal.

"We must be careful that the observations won't become a waste of time and just a promenade for military specialists!" he said.

"In the West we are very open... showing many things, every commanding

officer, his mission, his duty, how many tanks, how many men. You cannot be more open than that but it's not the same everywhere. I won't say where but it's not correct!"

Gen de Loos felt that the Stockholm and Vienna agreements should be amalgamated because "it's a nonsense to discuss the same programme in two countries." He hopes that after some talks the BFR countries involved in Vienna will come back in the group of 35.

"I believe it is necessary to have a Stockholm 2 agreement to discuss the problems of confidence," he said.

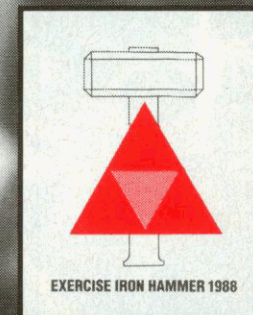
A matter of Agreement

THE Conference on Disarmament in Europe (CDE) observers are provided by the 33 European countries who together with USA and Canada were signatories to the Stockholm Document.

The document was the result of two and a half years of negotiation at the conference which ended on September 19, 1986 with agreement on a package of confidence and security building measures designed to create a greater degree of openness and predictability about military



Above - Col Helmut Wörfel (East Germany) takes a look at the Grenadier Guards. Left - "Get it fortnightly, comrade!" Soviet observer Col Avdejev displays his SOLDIER sticker



...and the view from the East

COLONEL Helmut Wörfel observed the exercise on behalf of East Germany. He told SOLDIER he was very pleased to have been chosen for the task and emphasised he was really keen to do the job.

It was the fourth time he had been chosen as an observer and Iron Hammer was the second British Forces exercise he had seen.

"It is a very pleasant and encouraging fact to see how all the 35 signatory countries fulfil their roles and obligations and

how seriously they all take it.

"We were made very, very welcome and it was a very open atmosphere that was created. I have seen that the British Forces stuck exactly to the CDE agreement and fulfilled everything that was laid down in the document," said Col Wörfel.

CDE has been in progress for two years now and during that time there have been some 30 notified exercises, 13 of which were held in BAOR, so SOLDIER asked how Col Wörfel saw the Stockholm agreement developing.

"Every country that has participated has fulfilled its obligations exactly to the letter. This is a very important and encouraging sign for the future," he said.

"Five years ago nobody would have imagined such things to be possible and that they would be carried out according to the agreement in Stockholm - it really works," he said.

Perhaps just as important,

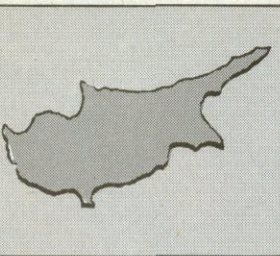
during all the exercises some 1,200 observers have been used. They all would have had the opportunity to meet each other and exchange views and opinions as well as being able to speak to large numbers of troops wherever they went.

Explained Col Wörfel: "In my opinion, no one will keep these positive impressions to themselves. They will speak to others about it and this is very important for building up confidence."

"This was not written down in the Stockholm agreement and was something nobody thought about when the document was signed, but it definitely is effective."

The colonel feels it is very important that the links being forged at a human level should be made known to the people, and that the media has an important part to play in the success of CDE.

"It is the duty of the editors of newspapers to publicise just exactly what is happening during the observations so that the ordinary person can be made aware of just what is going on and feel encouraged by the progress being made."



SEGMENTS OF PEACE

Words by Jennifer Griffiths



Ready for patrol are (from the left): Tpr Gareth Terry, LCpl Anthony Tulett, Tpr Jonathan Carroll, Sgt Bobby Dove, Tpr Paul Allan, LCpl Martin Nunn and Tpr Daryl Linwood. In the commander's seat are Cpl Everard Patterson (left) and Cpl David Joyce

FOR United Nations purposes, Cyprus is divided into four sectors – the British contingent is in an area known as BRITCON, the Danes in DANCON, the Canadians in CANCON and the Austrians in AUSCON.

BRITCON strength comprises 23 in HQ United Forces in Cyprus (UNFICYP), six in HQ BRITCON, 110 from D Sqn 9th/12th Royal Lancers (Prince of Wales's) in the Force Scout Car Squadron, 320 from the 4th/7th Royal Dragoon Guards in the Cyprus Emergency Reinforcement Regiment, nine RMPs, and 306 in Support Regiment, which includes RAMC, RCT, REME, R Signals, RAOC and AAC – a total of 774.

Lt Col Ian Talbot, CO 4/7 DG, explained that the British probably had the easiest area "because it is more clearly defined and was principally Greek Cypriot before partition".

The Buffer Zone (BZ) formed just a small part of the sector but took up most of their concentration, stretching 34km from the edge of Nicosia and their junction with the Canadians in Sector Three to the junction with the Danes in Sector One.

The BZ in the eastern end is only about 30 metres wide, running to 4.5 kilometres at its widest. In the Austrian area it widens to 7km.

One area in the British controlled BZ has been settled by Turks demobbed in 1974. Another village is a former EOKA stronghold abandoned by the Greek Cypriots and now completely Turkish Cypriot. Its former residents have been demonstrating to get their village back.

The Guards look after two Greek Cypriot villages inside the BZ. Col Talbot said: "There are various rules about the things they can do, such as the number of flags they can fly, the number of Cypriot police in uniform, and what the police can do."

Sector 2 has the support of the Australian civil police, who are the link with the Greek Cypriot and Turkish Cypriot police.

Col Talbot said: "The Australian police are very helpful, many have served here several times and have great experience."



Lt Col Ian Talbot

Sector 2 has 12 permanently manned observation posts (OPs), and a further 15 temporarily manned and 15 unmanned OPs.

Col Talbot said patrols were very low key. "Weapons are pointed down, the radio operator has a flag which is lit at night, and we are completely overt on our patrolling."

Another task is escort duties – anywhere in the BZ when the Greek Cypriots (and, in theory the Turkish Cypriots, though it has never happened) ask for the service. Recently there was a major fire in the area and 250 Turkish soldiers helped soldiers wearing the blue UN badge to fight it.

Col Talbot said: "Two Greek Cypriot fire crews arrived, but they wouldn't go into the BZ until they had a soldier with a blue beret on their vehicle."

"An important aspect of our work is being able to show both the Greek Cypriots and the Turkish Cypriots that we are supporting and helping them. It also means we are exercising our authority by

Talks heighten hopes on divided island

TALKS between the leader of the Turkish Cypriot community in Cyprus, Rauf Denktaş, and the Greek Cypriot president of the Republic of Cyprus, George Vassiliou has heightened optimism that the island's partition can be resolved.

It dates back to August 16, 1974 when a ceasefire was declared between the Greek National Guard and Turkish invasion forces on the war-torn island.

The Turks had landed in the north a month earlier and, after heavy fighting, had captured 40 per cent of the island including half its capital, Nicosia. A buffer zone, known as the Green Line, was established by the United Nations to keep the two sides apart and remains to



The UN cap badge worn by LCpl Andrew Robinson, 4/7 DG shines in the sun as he checks minefield fences

this day to prevent minor incidents escalating into full-blown conflict.

News that the 1988 Nobel Peace Prize had been awarded to the UN Peace Keeping Forces in general was, in the words

of Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar, "a tribute to the idealism and commitment of those who, over the years, have served and, in some cases, died in the cause of peace".

Gen Gunther Greindl, Commander of the UN Force in Cyprus (UNFICYP) said the award gave international recognition to the role that UNFICYP plays in maintaining the peace in Cyprus.

allowing them in under our authority."

Sector 2 also fulfils an unusual but vital role through a sector humanitarian officer (a captain) and two farming NCOs, who are sergeants. They are a bridge between the local population and moves to restore normal conditions in the BZ.

One way to achieve this is to open up fields for farming. Having decided which areas are suitable, the team will attend village meetings.

Eventually, a farming pass will be issued for access. While a number of Greek Cypriots have taken up the option, there is only one area of Turkish Cypriot farming, but moves are being made to open up more farmland to the Turkish Cypriots.

Sector 2 has two special patrols – North Wind to look after the interest of pockets of Greek Cypriots living in the north and South Wind for Turkish Cypriots living in the south.

There are also three villages in the north inhabited by the neutral Maronite Catholics. They are supported by the Greek Cypriot government, which supplies them through BRITCON with goods such as clothes, blankets and gas.



Tpr Don Welling, 15/19 H with a local farmer in Sector 2

The United Nations in Cyprus

AG looks back at his time in office

THE YEARS OF CHANGE

NEARLY two years ago I interviewed Gen Sir David Mostyn when he took up the appointment of Adjutant General and wrote: "He cannot wave a magic wand but I am sure he will have a damn good try and before his two years are over we may well see some changes for the better."

Well, his two years are over and as he promised he has written to me with a review of events which give us all plenty of food for thought.

On PAY he makes four points: firstly that in the last two years we have had increases in line with the average national pay rises and way above that of national inflation.

Secondly the pay of those officers commissioned from the ranks has been rationalized to their benefit, thirdly that the X factor for women has been raised considerably and finally he points out the debt we owe to the Armed Forces Pay Review Body.

It is easy to quote examples of enormous salaries that can be had outside but that is not what comparability is all about. The Joint Service Job Evaluation Team in conjunction with the civilian man-

agement consultants are continuously evaluating our jobs and those of our comparators.

"Trust the AFPRB and its system," writes Gen Mostyn, "because, I promise you, you'd be worse off without it and it is the envy of the Civil and many other services."



Gen Sir David Mostyn

In dealing with ALLOCANCES, Gen Mostyn felt that the biggest cribs before the Review were with Baggage Scales and Disturbance Allowances both of which went up considerably on October 1, 1988 and we hope that 'pantechon moves' to NW Europe will soon be introduced. Watch this space!

Boarding School Allowances for those in secondary education have been raised and entitlement to three warrants per child per year for those with over 50 miles to travel was

introduced.

Sir David accepted that those starting primary school might feel aggrieved but emphasised that BSA "is seen in Whitehall and Westminster as a most generous condition of service compared with our comparators which, of course, it is."

"And we run virtually free boarding schools in BAOR, not to mention the superb Duke of York's School, Dover, and Queen Victoria School, Dunblane, Scotland. What other organisation does that?"

He feared too that "the reduction of leave warrants for married personnel in the UK and for those over 25, the decision to phase out the Residence Place of Duty Allowance and the ending of 'bean stealing' would all hurt someone" but savings had to be made in some areas in order to improve allowances elsewhere.

However, he believed that the lasting value of the review had been to bring allowances into line "with what has always been the Army Board's policy - which is that it is in the best interests of the Army, for operational, training, welfare and social



Delegates to the Army Federation of Army Wives seminar at Bagshot Park with the Adjutant General, Gen Sir David Mostyn (second from back row, third from left)

reasons, to encourage accompanied service and discourage unaccompanied service."

After pay and allowances, Gen Mostyn believed the next most important step in the past two years had been the implementation of the Gaffney Report as far as was possible.

"The Federation of Army Wives is now universally recognised by the Army as a most valuable organisation and has been given a measure of funding," he said.

Various other organisations such as HIVES and HOMES-TARTs, CASTs, FOCUS

and FRED had been helped and encouraged.

Ten more doctors were being recruited to increase continuity in family health care in BAOR and about 50 extra midwives (some of whom had been re-trained) had been taken on worldwide from among dependants.

The policy of employing dependants wherever possible had been introduced and furthered and Ministers are still fighting the DHSS to get full social security benefits paid overseas.

The Forces Railcard had been successfully defended so far against moves to end it (your

education after GCSE and A levels, the new list of colleges for which Boarding School Allowance can be claimed should now be available at unit pay offices everywhere.

It lists 41 establishments, covering secretarial and further education colleges, and gives guidance on the rules that need to be followed if a claim for BSA is to be made.

There are specific rules, so make sure you read the small print!

For example, to qualify

for BSA at Birmingham College of Food, Tourism and Creative Studies, female students are required to live in a hall of residence.

And the Kirkcaldy College of Technology is available provided the course leads to a nationally recognised qualification and the student resides in a hall of residence.

At Connaught College, Bath, BSA is only available for two-year A level courses.

Do seek advice.



WITH FAMILIES IN MIND

Anne Armstrong

Home telephone: Camberley 29653

Crunch year on housing?

I HAD an example of what the housing problem really means to Service personnel when the 'phone rang at 10.30 the other night.

There was a hint of desperation in the caller's voice.

A wife said her husband had just come back off exercise to find that they were 59th yet again on the list applying for a discounted house after many tries.

The local council had taken them off the waiting list as the husband will have a gratuity when he leaves the Army next year.

This after 21 years' service. She then mentioned the police, firemen, and other schemes.

"We just don't have anything to match them. Why? We'll be homeless next year. What have we done or not done," she wanted to know.

Her call summed up the growing worry that civilian housing availability is fast disappearing out of sight of serving soldiers unless they are prepared to go to areas of low employment.

This situation has to be faced today by all ranks of all ages. Unless they get on the housing ladder on the day they wed (and many in civilian circles start well before that), they will miss out.

I see this year as a crunch year unless a realistic policy of help is found.

A roof over his head will have a compelling claim on the Serviceman's interest.

Maj Gen Patrick Stone

did assure me that housing was on his shopping list for 1989.

We await the launch of another Buy, Let and Settle scheme put together by the Army Agents, but however good the schemes are, one just has to face the facts.

In my view...

I have drawn up a list of questions which may be helpful when looking at the various Buy, Let and Settle

Schemes on the market. Remember it's a salesman's job to sell.

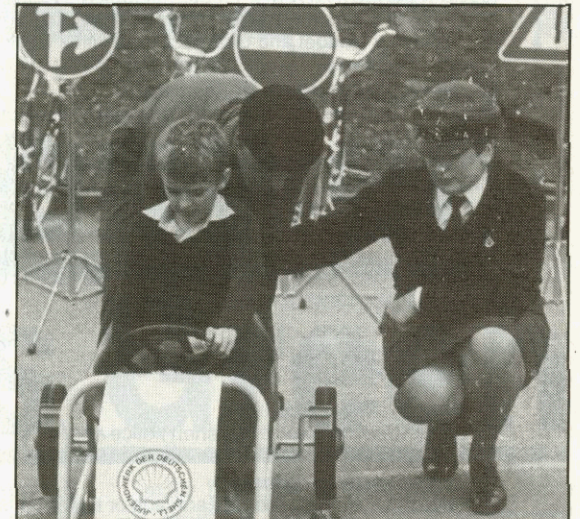
Many schemes will be launched and called for and they may alleviate the immediate housing needs of the Serviceman.

Julian Brazier calls for long term changes.

That realistically is the answer.

It is too much to hope that by 1990 the Army will at last have a housing policy.

If not, I do not want to suggest what the alternatives might be.



Cpl Mal Pearce, WRAC Provost, is the road safety NCO for the 114 Pro Coy RMP area in BAOR. Based in Detmold, Mal (pictured kneeling as Tpr Nix adjusts a go kart for young Stephen Toiton) asked Deutsche Shell AG to help with her road safety campaign. They supplied her with a complete youth traffic school, including 20 bicycles, two go karts, traffic signs and a plan for a circuit which will be painted on the playground of Hakedahl School, Detmold. Mal's initiative means children in the area should get an excellent grounding in road safety.

Marriage lines...

ABOUT to get married? If you are about to take the plunge - or have done so recently - you might consider attending the excellent marriage courses run by the Royal Army Chaplains' Department at Bagshot Park, Surrey GU19 5PL.

Three four-day courses are being held next year in

March, July and October. In BAOR, the Young Couples Living in Harmony courses have been arranged for February, April, June, July, September and November. They also last for four days.

You can get more details from your chaplain, or by writing direct to Bagshot Park and Church House, Lubbecke, BFPO 22.

Support and Management of Service Families' courses at Bristol University are sometimes oversubscribed so an early applica-

tion is advisable. There are three a year and bids can be made through your Families, Housing and Welfare Office or the Federation of Army Wives headquarters at Old Sarum.

BSA list available

ATTENTION all students! If you are looking at the possibilities of further

current card is now valid until December 31, 1989) and a Ferry Card had been introduced for Sealink giving large fare discounts both to and from the Continent.

Gen Mostyn said the Army would never have an assisted house purchase scheme which involved public money but added that a "Buy, Let and Settle" schemes was being publicised by the Army Agents, Naafi and Gardner Mountain plc which would not only help you to buy a house but also run it and let it.

This would help to satisfy the understandable urge to get into the

housing market while serving, while not discouraging accompanied service.

Furthermore the rules for "wharfing" furniture had been very much eased, making removal in the UK less of a problem.

Gen Mostyn predicted that if 1988 was remembered in the Army as the Year of the Allowances Review, 1989 would be the Year of the Poll Tax.

Conditions of Services are like painting the Forth Bridge and in our case there will undoubtedly be something to fight for or defend in 1990, of that we can be sure.

CLAIMS for Child Benefit must now be made within six months of the birth of the baby. Service parents who are about to be posted overseas - or back to the UK - should be aware that the new rules bring claims for Child Benefit arrears into line with other benefits, limiting the back-payment period to six months.

HEADS BRIEFED ON ROLE OF SCEA

SOME 120 delegates representing local education authorities, head teachers and the Services attended a conference at Bulford Camp, Wilts.

The delegates, from all over the South West, were

briefed on the role of the Services Children's Education Authority (SCEA) and discussed the difficulties facing the children of Service families who move school and change friends every two or three years.

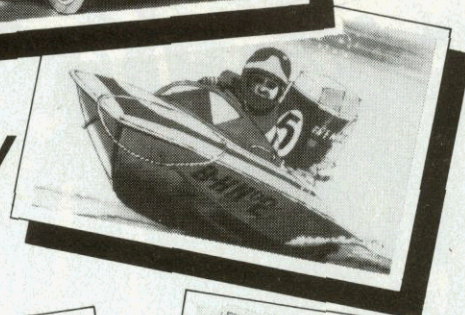
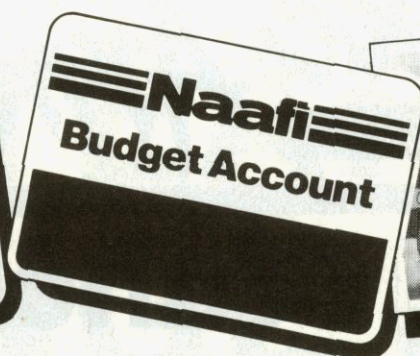
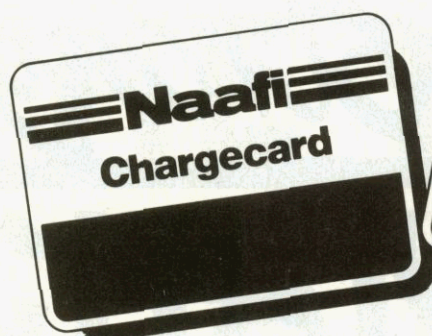
GOC South West District, Maj Gen Tony Jeapes, said in his welcoming statement: "Many of the 30,000 pupils who in any one year transfer between local education authority schools and Service Chil-

dren's Education Authority schools overseas come from this District. These children are our concern today.

"As they move, they face inevitable discontinuity in the school routines, subject

areas, methods, and assessment procedures with which they have become familiar.

"Co-operation between each LEA and SCEA can only help to minimise this discontinuity."



Making the most of your money

In addition to the day to day advantages of shopping at Naafi with Budget Account and Chargecard facilities, there are many other services available.

Finance services

★ New Cars – Finance

Naafi Finance is available for new cars in the UK, in Europe and, subject to certain conditions, in other parts of the world, e.g. Cyprus, Gibraltar.

★ New Cars – Sales

Naafi sells a wide range of new cars, 'tax-paid' for use in the UK and 'tax-free' for use outside the UK. Our 'Approved Dealer Scheme' in Germany offers valuable safeguards to customers already serving in BAOR wishing to buy a make not available direct from Naafi.

★ Used Cars – Finance

Naafi Finance is available for the purchase of used cars up to 5 years old sold by a person entitled to deal with Naafi and, in the UK only, sold by a dealer.

★ Loans

Naafi Loans are available in certain circumstances to finance the purchase of major items which cannot be bought through Naafi (for which our Budget and Chargecard facilities would be available).

★ Boats and marine equipment

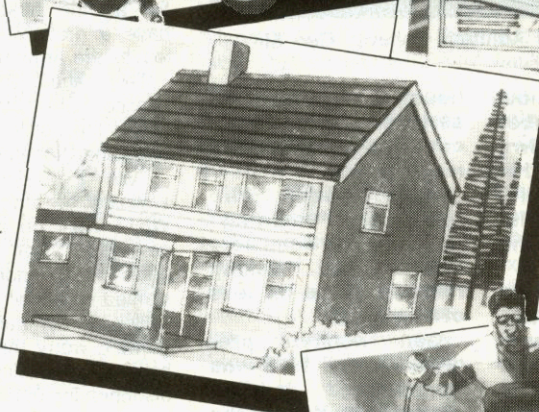
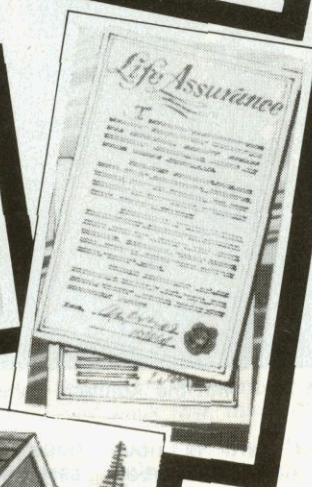
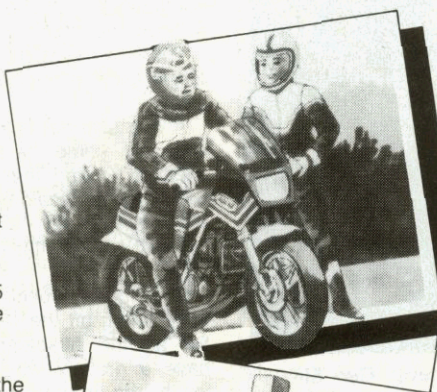
Naafi will consider financing boats and major items of marine equipment.

★ New touring caravans and horse trailers

Finance is available for new touring caravans and horse trailers for use in the UK or overseas.

★ Motorcycles and mopeds for use in the UK

Naafi will consider financing new motorcycles and mopeds for use in the UK. (Please note that motorcycles over 500cc can only be financed to purchasers over 25 years of age.)



Insurance services

★ Motor insurance

Cover can be arranged at very short notice and follow-up service is available from our insurance offices in the UK and Germany.

★ Caravan insurance

Worldwide cover provided for caravans or trailer tents with the optional addition of caravan contents and loss of use.

★ Life assurance

We offer impartial advice and personal service.

★ House purchase

Naafi can help you save for a home of your own.

★ Instant worldwide all-risks insurances

This is for your kit and possessions as well as protection for services' accommodation plus personal liability.

★ Holiday/Travel/Winter sports insurance

With cover for cancellation of holidays for service reasons.

Naafi is a member of the Financial Intermediaries' Managers and Brokers Regulatory Association.

Please note: Some services not available in all areas served by Naafi. The manager of your local Naafi shop will be able to advise in respect of services applicable to your location. Comprehensive leaflets on most services can be obtained from your local Naafi shop. A visit is well worthwhile.

Naafi
Serving the Services

Please complete and post to:

Naafi, Home Service Marketing, FREEPOST, Kennington Lane, London. SE11 4BR

Please tick box where appropriate. I am interested in:

FINANCE SERVICES:

New cars Finance ☐ New cars Sales ☐ Used cars Finance ☐ Loans ☐
Boats and marine equipment ☐ New touring caravans and horse trailers ☐
Motorcycles and mopeds for use in the UK ☐

INSURANCE SERVICES:

Motor Insurance ☐ Caravan Insurance ☐ Life assurance ☐ House purchase ☐
Instant worldwide all-risks insurances ☐ Holiday/Travel/Winter sports insurance ☐

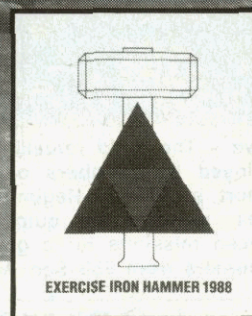
Rank _____

Name (Block letters) _____

Address (Block letters) _____



Time off in loo? Troops queue to use the portable toilets provided under the British Army's new policy



Balance of power turns Green

EXTREME weather conditions, the clamouring of environmentalists and the effects of glasnost combined to reduce the effectiveness of Iron Hammer, the 3rd Armoured Division's major field training exercise and all but stopped the massive project in its tracks. Green power in West Germany is placing increasing limitations on major military exercises.

But despite restrictions placed on the exercise, the Commander of the 3rd Armoured Division, Maj Gen Mike Wilkes, proclaimed Iron Hammer a success and said: "I was very pleased with the way the exercise has gone. In spite of the sudden onset of winter the Division has managed to achieve all its aims."

Some 25,000 troops together with 275 main battle tanks, 2,000 other tracked vehicles including Warrior, and 4,500 wheeled vehicles were engaged in the exercise.

In addition to British troops taking part (including 1,600 Territorial Army personnel) a German panzer brigade, a Belgian reconnaissance battalion and a Canadian field ambulance platoon were involved.

The first part of Iron Hammer was

devoted to individual brigade exercises within the Division designed to test the troops of 4, 6 and 33 Brigades.

In compliance with German laws, all heavy and tracked vehicle movement at weekends was prohibited and participating forces spent both days in static locations in a rest and replenishment mode preparing for the battles ahead.

So seriously is the Army taking the political and public objections to their manoeuvres, several months of planning and negotiations took place with the authorities in the area before an exercise map was produced.

There were so many objections and requests for no-go areas that the eventual map of operations was heavily marked with prohibited locations. The order went out from Gen Wilkes that as far as possible there was to be no "off the road" operations by tracked vehicles to prevent damage to the countryside.

That order included the British Army's

main battle tank, the massive 62 tonne Challenger, which if driven off the road would have caused millions of deutschmarks worth of damage to recently sown fields in the area.

Part of the problem has been caused by the lessening of tensions between East and West since Mr Gorbachev offered the West an olive branch.

As a result the support of West German people for massive military exercises has faded dramatically and there appears to be an ever-growing belief among the populace that such large scale manoeuvres are no longer necessary.

One unusual aspect of the exercise was the proliferation of blue and orange portable toilets wherever there was a concentration of troops.

It has long been a tradition that the British squaddy caught short would grab a spade and toilet roll, find a quiet spot in a wood and dig a small hole!

● Turn to Page 23

**Words by
Laurie Manton
Pictures by
Mike Weston**



Above - The rapid refuelling techniques employed by members of the ground-support staff of 3 Regiment, Army Air Corps provided a quick turnaround between missions for a gaggle of Lynx helicopters from 653 Sqn AAC



Above - "They're here!" The look of astonishment on the faces of the defending 3rd Division troops as they realise 2 LI (the enemy) is landing nearby. Inset left - Sgt Paul Jouny, of the Blues and Royals, a winter warrior under NBC conditions

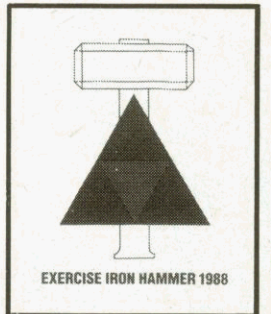
Army praised for sensitivity over damage

THE Army has been thanked by West German civil authorities for being so considerate in trying to avoid damage during exercise Iron Hammer.

Herr Ingo Myer, Regierungs Direktor from Hanover said: "We have been dealing with very sensitive military leaders and we have had good communication with them."

"Exercising in Germany is becoming more and more difficult and each exercise which is not running reasonably smoothly will encourage opposition. When an exercise runs like this one it will definitely not do the situation any harm. Military commanders in general are becoming more sensitive to environmental problems."

Herr Myer said he greatly appreciated orders from 3 Division's commander that vehicles were to stick to roads to minimise damage that might take years to remedy.



"Because there is an increasing number of protected areas more and more of the remaining parts have to carry the burden. Germany is probably the worst place in the world for exercises because of the lovely forests and spa towns, to say nothing of agricultural interests."

"It is important to praise the umpires who stopped action which might have upset local people. It demonstrates good leadership and teamwork."

TAX FREE EXPORT

CARS

Buy from CARFORCE for a superb saving, RHD and UK specification, type approved cars, delivery UK or overseas, part exchange facilities, finance, insurance and all documentation expertly taken care of.

With over 10 years experience in supplying most makes of Tax Free cars to HM Forces this adds up to a GREAT DEAL.

YOU WILL SAVE MORE THAN JUST THE TAX

CAR FORCE
INTERNATIONAL Military Overseas Diplomatic Sales

CARFORCE International
82 Newland Road, Worthing,
Sussex BN11 1LB England
Tel: (0903) 821188 Telex: 877529 SLIPAY G



Above - West German infantrymen make a quick exit from an RAF Chinook helicopter during a heli-assault against the 3rd Division

Action curtailed by early winter

● From Page 21

Now the environment conscious British Army has adopted a policy of hiring portable toilets to eliminate little holes being dug all over the countryside.

The policy plainly prevented a lot of damage. Under the old regime 25,000 troops performing once a day for two weeks would have meant some 350,000 holes!

There were advantages and disadvantages to the system for although the enterprising soldier soon discovered the toilets made a more than satisfactory sentry box when it was raining, someone realised that aerial reconnaissance photographs showing portable toilets would indicate the presence of British troops. The order quickly went out to camouflage the loos.

As Iron Hammer began proper, a helicopter assault by the Orange (enemy) forces (provided by 2 LI - the battalion that seems to have taken on the permanent role of opposing forces) took place behind the British front line.

After the usual confusion and consolidation, friendly Blue forces were deployed into defensive positions along the expected area of attack. They did not have long to wait for the very next day saw leading elements of the Division engaged by Leopard 2 MBTs of the Orange forces.

The day had started badly for Iron

Hammer at Lauenberg where an airborne assault by Orange forces had to be called off in its early stages.

German infantrymen were landed by British Chinook and Puma helicopters close to the village and were supposed to attack the Queen's Own Highlanders. They found villagers had placed diversion signs at the entrance roads and it was evident that to continue with the attack could lead to angry confrontation with local people. The attack was stopped by an exercise umpire.

Elsewhere progress was equally patchy. There was a slightly unreal situation as Green power dramatically restricted movement of Orange forces provided by German troops.

Under even greater confines than British troops, the Orange attack forces were permitted to move only on road or track, creating an unrealistic battleground. Indeed when tanks made to move off a farm track, the lead tank broke down and the following crews had much discussion before deciding to drive on to the edge of a field so they could squeeze past.

With the gathered CDE Observers looking on, the first contact was made and the normally neutral weather decided to mount a concerted attack on both Blue and Orange forces.

Within minutes the battleground was obliterated as snow driven by fresh winds

swirled into a white-out and the temperature plummeted.

It quickly became apparent that the normal Army routine of fixing rubber pads to the tracks of armoured vehicles to minimise damage to roads merely converted the tracks to skis thus making vehicles like Challenger uncontrollable.

Faced with the consequences of 62 tonne tanks sliding down snow and ice-covered streets, and with the vehicles rapidly becoming a danger to both crew and civilians, action had to be taken. The Commander called off the action and ordered that there should be no vehicular movement in the exercise area.

A wise decision in the circumstances as although three soldiers died during the exercise (one TA soldier in a road traffic accident and two from unrelated causes), the casualty toll was unexpectedly low considering the huge number of troops and vehicles taking part.

Following a 24 hour postponement, there was a final day of reconsolidation and replenishment before the planned Divisional counterstroke on the final day of Iron Hammer.

But owing to the weather conditions and to minimise damage to the environment, the final part of the exercise was curtailed and the cross-country movement of tanks and the battles which had been planned for the Warburg Boerde area were cancelled.

PICK OF THE PICS



Worzel Gummidge lookalikes? Two waterborne sentries at the river crossing. Perhaps they drew straws to see who steered!

DURING an exercise of the scale of Iron Hammer, there is intense world-wide media interest in the proceedings.

The task of catering for the heavy demand for photographs of the exercise fell to the BAOR based Public Information photographers who spent their days making a photographic record of all that went on.

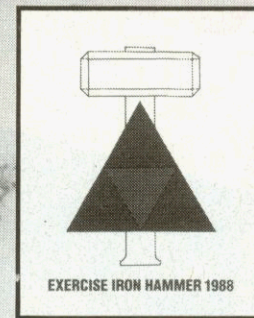
Under the leadership of WO1 Jim Gallagher, RAOC, the team endured snow, ice and sub-zero temperatures to pro-

duce almost 11,000 photographs.

There was little time for relaxation for when the men came back from their chilly assignments, their film had to be developed and printed and suitable captions recorded.

Two female civilian dark-room technicians, Chris Barr and Sue Howe, backed up the happy band of snappers.

SOLDIER is happy to share just a few of their images with its readers. Well done, lads!



PIC "snappers" pictured: WO1 Jim Gallagher, Cpl Dave Miles, SSgt Chris Young, Cpl Dave Snow, Mr Roger Cpl Colin Osborne, RAF



gher, Cpl Dave Miles, SSgt Chris Young, Cpl Dave Snow, Mr Roger Cpl Colin Osborne, RAF



When life is looking miserable, a hot cup of char does wonders!



"Who loves ya Baby!" An RMP on traffic duty waves his lollipop of authority



Left - Always the enemy. 2 LI raise a smile before taking part in a heliborne landing



Above - The Queen's Own Highlanders marching out of Schönenberg where they attended a Remembrance Day ceremony



Right - "It makes a change from the tank park." Conservation minded troops clear up the mud left by their vehicles

FOCUS

on the Army Photographic Competition

A HUSBAND and wife team have achieved a unique double in the 13th annual Army Photographic Competition. While Col Roger Thompson, Cdr 4 Signal Group Germany, was winning the Army Photographer of the Year title with his portfolio of colour prints, his wife Aureole was taking the £150 prize for the best photograph submitted by a dependant.

"She's a better photographer than I am," Col Thompson gallantly told SOLDIER.

In fact, Mrs Thompson's winning picture of a Service mother and child checking for bombs under their car in a Rheindahlen, West Germany car park was a spur of the moment snap.

The photographic opportunity so impressed her that she raced across to the mother and child and persuaded them to re-enact their search while she took her pictures. That instant judgement resulted in Mrs Thompson winning Naafi's £150 voucher for the dependants' category when the awards were made by Brig Sam Cowan, Director of Public Relations (Army), at the National Army Museum in London.

Husband Roger, late R Signals and serving at Rheindahlen, received a Nikon camera for his varied selection of training, adventurous training and general military photographs. He was also highly commended in the colour section.

He is no stranger to competitions, having won the Army sports section photographic prize in 1986 and appearing in a number of exhibitions over the years. But staff appointments have meant he has had little time for his hobby in the past three years.

What about a career in photography when he leaves the Service?

"I'd love to, but the standards of the top professionals are so consistently high, and



Col Roger and Mrs Aureole Thompson, who both won prizes in the Army Photographic Competition

I just don't think I'm that good," said Col Thompson.

But when he returns to his home in the UK he does intend to convert an outhouse into a photographic darkroom and studio.

The £75 SOLDIER prize for the best photograph submitted by a unit photographer went to Sgt Andy Knight of The King's Troop, Royal Horse Artillery. Andy (30) is a full time photographer based at Headquarters London District, Horse Guards.

His winning entry, taken last summer as The King's Troop fired a 41 gun salute in Green Park for the Queen's Birthday Parade, was his first ever in the prestigious annual Army competition.

The 1988 competition attracted a record

500 entries from all over the world, reflecting operations in Northern Ireland, state occasions, sport, overseas training and moments of military humour.

The £100 *Jane's Defence Weekly* prize for the best illustration of military training went to Sgt Ian Stagg for his shot of a mortar firing at Sennybridge Training Area. Ian's picture first appeared as the back cover of SOLDIER's June 27, 1988 issue, and also won him the best TA photographer title.

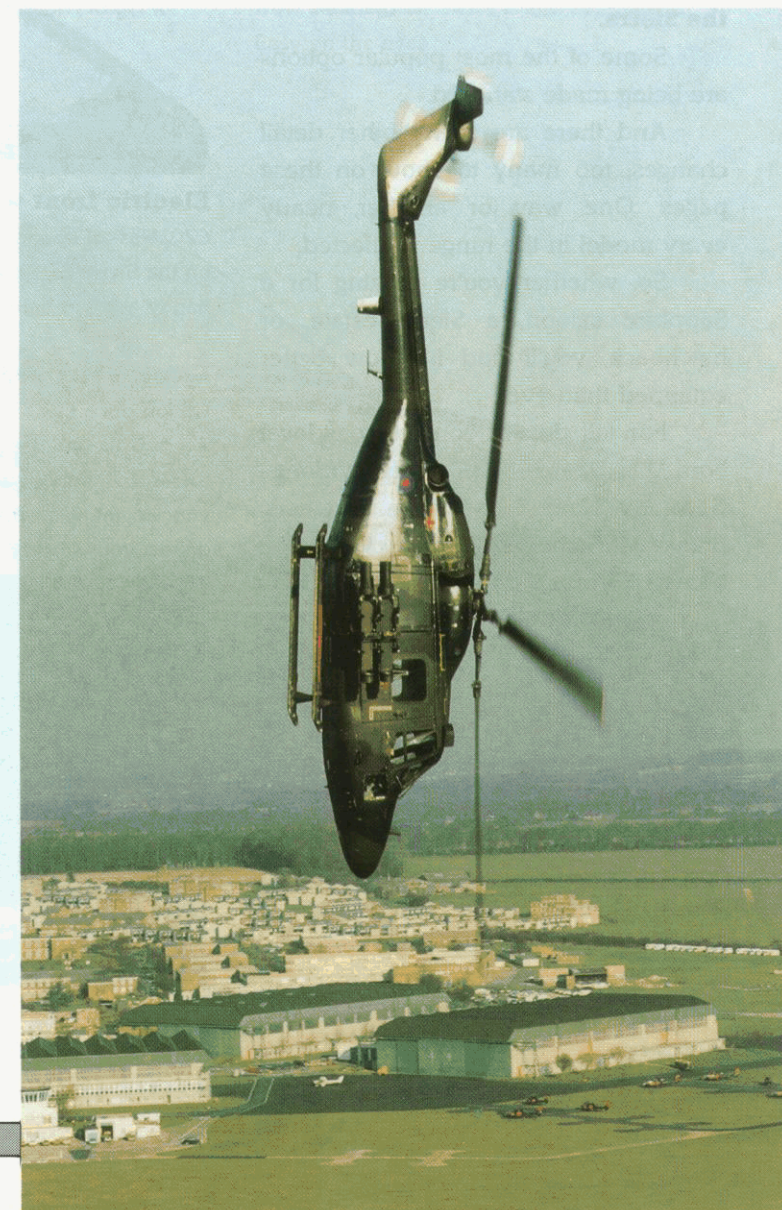
Best colour photograph was a highly polished still life scene by Cpl Leslie Scott, 17/21 L, and the Photograph of the Year was a Lynx in a 90 degree dive, taken by WO2 Stuart Andrew at Middle Wallop, the AAC centre.



Splash Over-Splash Out: from Col Roger Thompson's winning portfolio



Above - Stay Alert, Stay Alive: car park drama from Mrs Aureole Thompson. Below - Nose Dive: Photograph of the Year by WO2 Stuart Andrew of the RAOC



THE WINNERS

THE full list of winners in the 1988 Army Photographic Competition is:

Army Photographer of the Year, sponsored by Nikon (UK) Ltd - Col Roger Thompson, late R Signals, silver trophy and Nikon camera.

Best monochrome photograph, sponsored by Ilford Ltd - SSgt Arthur Thomson, RAOC, £150; highly commended, Sgt Dennis March, QRIH, £50.

Best colour photograph, sponsored by Kodak Ltd - Cpl Leslie Scott, 17/21 L, £150; highly commended, Col Roger Thompson, £50.

Best photograph illustrating military training or operations, sponsored by *Jane's Defence Weekly* - Sgt Ian Stagg, 5 (V) R Anglian, £100; highly commended, Lt Nick Dann, AAC, £50.

Best photograph illustrating adventurous training or sport, sponsored by Paterson Products Ltd - SSgt

Christopher Young, RAOC, £500 voucher; highly commended, Sgt Howard Boylan, RAOC, £100 voucher.

Best photograph submitted by a unit photographer, sponsored by SOLDIER - Sgt Andy Knight, King's Troop RHA, £75; highly commended, Pte Mark Gunnell, 1 LI, £25.

Best photograph submitted by an Army dependant illustrating Service family life, sponsored by Naafi - Mrs Aureole Thompson, £150; highly commended, Mrs Peggy Ames, £50.

Army Photograph of the Year, sponsored by GPT (GEC Plessey Telecommunications) - WO2 Stuart Andrew, RAOC, £150; highly commended, Mr Roger Lortie, P Info, £50.

Best TA photograph, sponsored by Lucas Group Services - Sgt Ian Stagg 5 (V) R Anglian, silver trophy and £100; highly commended, 2nd Lt Anita Newcourt, HQ London District, £50.

• More winning photographs on Pages 30 and 31

Sierra standards raised again.

Once again Ford are improving the Sierra.

Some of the most popular options are being made standard.

And there are many other detail changes; too many to show on these pages. One way or another, nearly every model in the range is affected.

So, whether you're looking for a Sapphire saloon, a Sierra estate, or hatchback, you'll find it's now better equipped than ever.

For full details, contact your local Ford U.K. Dealer, Naafi car showrooms, Germany, Naafi, Nottingham, Natocars, Bridgwater, Somerset or S & G Colocassides, Nicosia, Cyprus.



Headlight wash/wipe.

Option price £121* But now it's standard on Sierra GLS and Sapphire GLS and on both Ghias. And on the XR4x4. So your headlights will stay bright on the dirtiest night.



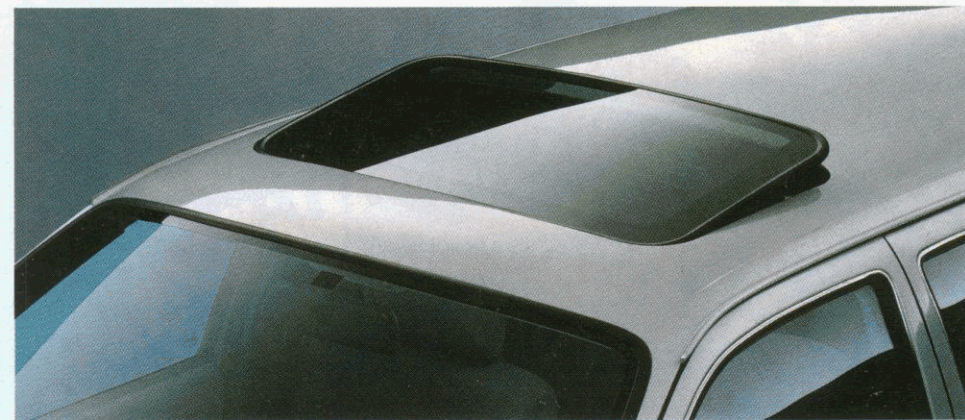
Electric front windows. Previously £201* as an option. Now they're standard on the Sierra GL and Sapphire GL. Especially handy at ticket barriers and toll gates.

Electrically heated windscreen.

Option price £97* Now it's standard on Sierra Ghia and Sapphire Ghia and on the Sierra 4x4. So you won't have to wait for your engine to warm up before you can defrost your screen.



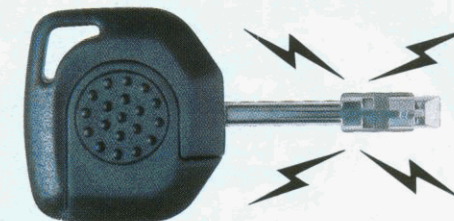
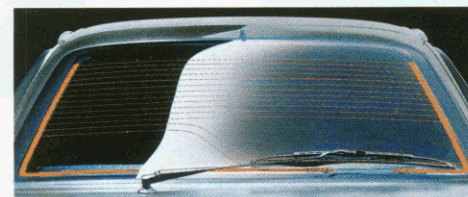
New wheels. 185/65x14 wheels and tyres now standard on Sierra LX and Sapphire LX. The new wheel trims look good, too.



Sunroof. Previously £314* as an option. Now it's standard all the way down to Sierra L and Sapphire L. So all we need is some sun.

Radio aerial in rear window.

Previously £53* as an option. Now it costs nothing on Sierra and Sapphire L, LX and GL. Your aerial will never be snapped off by vandals again.



Central locking. Previously £221* as an option. Now it's standard on the Sierra LX and Sapphire LX. So now when you lock your doors, you won't forget to lock your boot.



Power steering. Option price £442* Now standard on Sierra Ghia and Sapphire Ghia. So steering's light when parking's tight.



Tinted glass. Previously a £53* option. Now standard on Sierra L and Sapphire L. Easy on the eyes.



The latest 2.0 litre Sierra Sapphire GL, now with new wheels, electric front windows and its radio aerial in the rear window, and many other detail improvements.

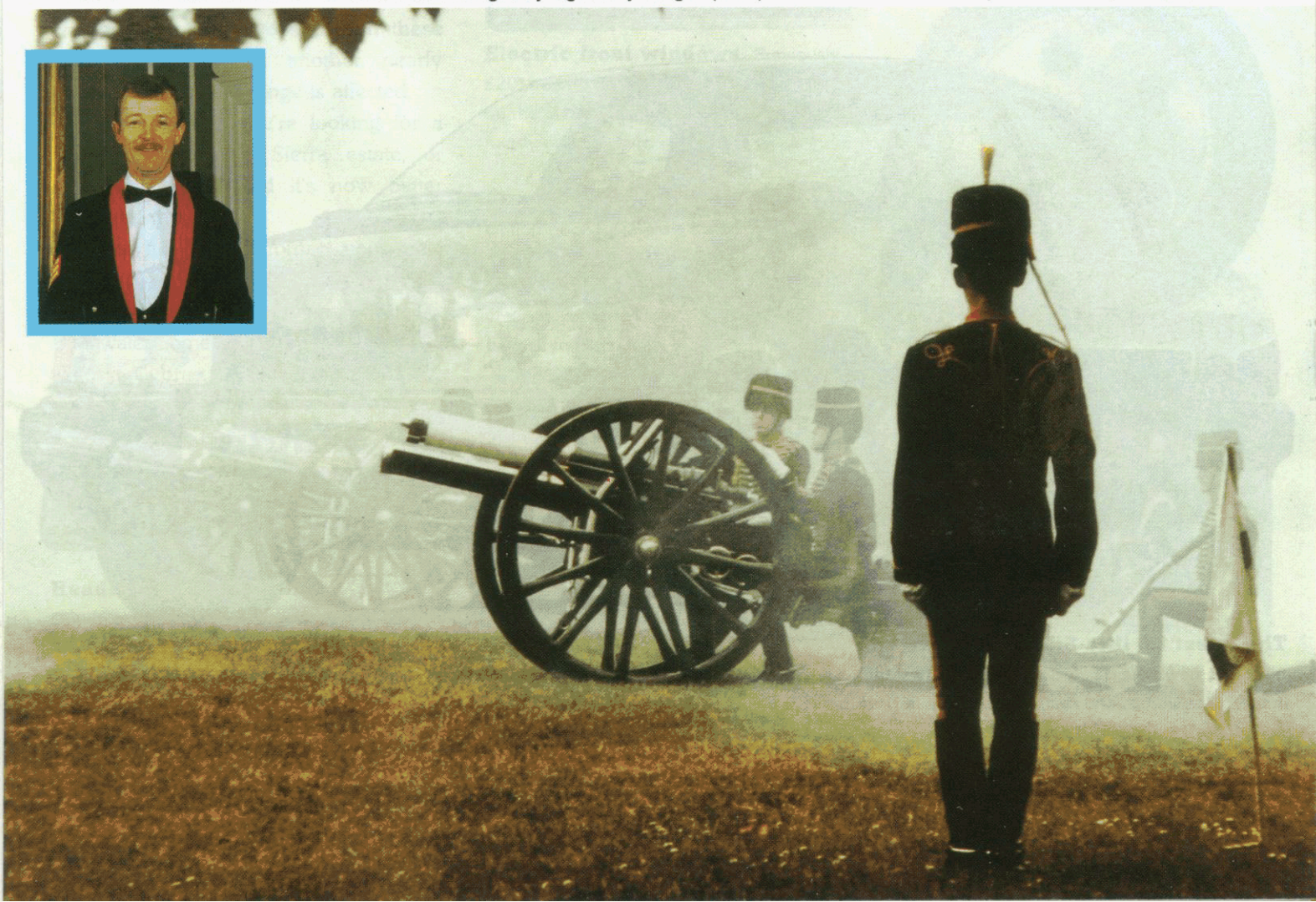
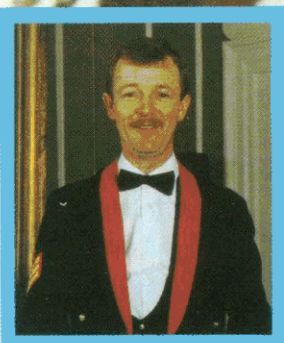
*Maximum tax-free retail price at 15th August 1988.

Ford Personal Import Export Ltd.





Above – *Parade Gloss*: the best colour photograph from Cpl Leslie Scott, taken while on duty with all the props to hand in the guard room.
Below – *41 Gun Salute*: Green Park action caught by Sgt Andy Knight (inset) who won the SOLDIER prize for unit photographers



FOCUS

on the Army Photographic Competition



Above – *Bed In – Charge 4*: A mortar being bedded in at Sennybridge. This photograph by Sgt Ian Staggs appeared in colour on SOLDIER's back cover. Right – *Somebody Up There Must Love Me*: SSgt Arthur Thomson's photograph of a 2 LI soldier on exercise in West Germany won the best black and white category. Below – *Splash*: British Army motor cycle championship action which gave SSgt Christopher Young the best sport or adventurous training photograph



FROM
£5.95
A 24 HR DAY
FOR A CAR
+ 5p per mile + VAT

CAR & VAN HIRE NEARLY NEW FOR MUCH LESS

Practically new vehicles at PRACTICAL
prices that beat new car hire hands down.

For your Holiday – for your move – or if
you're just without wheels
by the hour – the day – the week

85 Locations Nationwide – Look us up in Yellow pages
or ring 021-772 8599



THE THOMAS PEACOCKE SCHOOL



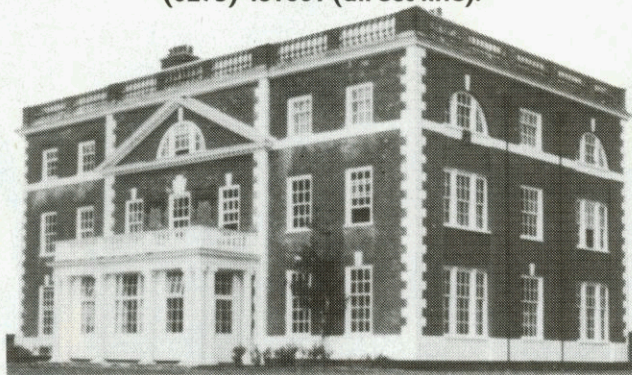
RYE EAST SUSSEX

The school is a local education authority maintained comprehensive for boys and girls aged 11-18 years living in the wide rural area of Rye with facilities for 68 boarders at Leasam House. Channel Ports and mainline station at Hastings are within easy reach.

Details from:

County Education Officer,
PO Box 4, County Hall, Lewes
East Sussex BN7 1SG.

Telephone Mrs Burford on
(0273) 481661 (direct line).



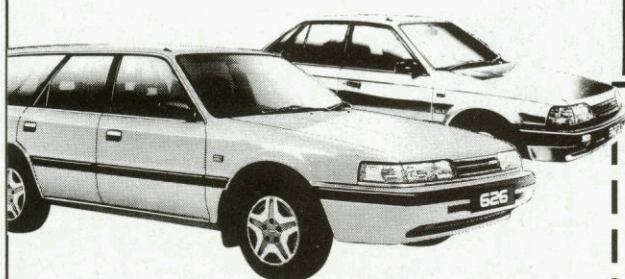
Leasam House

719

MAZDA TAX FREE SALES MADE EASY at Richard Knight Cars

MILITARY SPECIALIST

- Special Prices for H.M. Forces
- Quick Delivery
- Finance & Insurance Arranged
- Part Exchange
- Minimum Paperwork
- Low Deposits



RICHARD KNIGHT CARS. 35a/37 FAIRFAX ROAD
SWISS COTTAGE, LONDON NW6 4EL. TELEPHONE: 01-625 5176

Mazda

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CUT-OUT AND POST TODAY.

NAME _____ RANK _____

ADDRESS _____

WORK TEL. NO. _____ EXT. _____ HOME NO. _____

POSTING DATE _____ COUNTRY _____

MODEL _____

S

The Armoured Infantry Training and Advisory Team (AITAT) set up shop in Sennelager, West Germany a year ago and immediately became deeply involved in the conversion of the 1st Battalion, Grenadier Guards from mechanised to armoured infantry with Warrior. SOLDIER has been to see this small but vital team at work.

Words:
Bill Moore
Pictures:
Mike Perring



TUNE IN TO THE WARRIOR ROAD SHOW!

KAISER BILL's bedroom is not what it used to be. A Black Watch sergeant major sits at a desk just about where the dressing table stood, a Royal Irish Rangers captain and an Irish Guards officer occupy what was probably the bed space and a couple of sergeants are painting models of Warsaw Pact APCs where the wardrobe must have been.

Such was the case when SOLDIER visited a fine old house in Normandy Barracks, Sennelager, West Germany, in which the Emperor always stayed when visiting the training area in the days of pickelhaube and jackboots.

Building 87 has taken on a new lease of life. It had become rather shabby over the years but has been completely refurbished, its large rooms partitioned, and now houses the Armoured Infantry Training and Advisory Team.

AITAT is the essential element in the

new age dawning with the introduction of Warrior to BAOR.

Never before has the infantry been given the potential to move about the battlefield so fast and lay down such a torrent of fire. A lot of hard thinking went on at the School of Infantry, Warminster before the initial tactical doctrine was worked out.

It then became a question of how best to spread the gospel. Surprisingly, the Army had managed to get by for years without an organisation dedicated to mechanised infantry training.

The handling of 432s was virtually a DIY job in battalions. There was always someone with the necessary experience around, someone who had "done the course".

Not until 1984 was the Infantry Tactical Training Wing set up and with this as a basis AITAT, under Maj Mike Jelf, Queens, was born a year ago . . . seven

officers and 24 ORs, mostly senior ranks with considerable experience of mechanised battalions.

As a first step certain new skills were learned or in some cases acquired techniques sharpened, particularly in the gunnery instructional field via the RAC at Lulworth.

A wealth of recce experience was tapped and men such as WO2 Billy Whytock, BW, and CSgt Tony Bohan, RGJ, found themselves posted to Kaiser Bill's bedroom.

There wasn't space for everyone however and CSM Albert Hinchey and his ever growing mass of video equipment and tapes has been housed in a cellar – a strange place to find a Para.

The job of converting the first unit to be fully equipped with Warrior – the 1st Battalion Grenadier Guards – began early

● Turn to next page



Mech Inf waiting for Warrior? AITAT personnel outside the compound which will hold the Platoon Simulator

Next stop is with The Royal Scots

● From Page 33

in 1988. A lot was learned by the time they were declared Warrior operational in the summer.

The benefit of this experience was reaped by 1 Staffords, second in the chain.

While the Guards were training much of the instruction was given in a motley collection of Portakabins. Today AITAT has its own road show.

Twenty-one low loaders took custom-built classrooms to the Fallingbostal barracks of the Staffords – in half sections which were quickly assembled and equipped with gunnery training aids for all the world like computer games. (Yes, they can play “Worms”!) When the next battalion starts converting this month the AITAT Road Show will be off again to set up its mobile cabins and computers on the spot for three months intensive training with the 1st Battalion, The Royal Scots.

When they move on they will leave behind permanent mementoes in the shape of a gunnery training wing containing three desk top trainers and three turret simulators almost identical to the real thing.

At Fallingbostal these are housed in a refurbished stable block where rusting iron tethering rings outside wait for Uhlan chargers which will never return.

The simulators are among the most sophisticated gunnery training equipment in the world.

“This is where the quantum leap has taken place,” said Capt Mike Simpkins, who runs AITAT’s Gunnery Wing and is by chance a Stafford.

There is little doubt that the Royal Armoured Corps has been stirred if not

They’re teachers – and diplomats

TWO battalions a year are converting to Warrior.

So far 1 Gren Gds and 1 Staffords have gone through the process and 1 RS will start it in January with 3 RRF to follow in the autumn.

AITAT’s role is almost as diplomatic as it is military. Its driving and maintenance and gunnery instructors visit units essentially in an advisory and supervisory capacity.

Some old soldiers are likely to be touchy at being taught new tactics . . .

And some don’t even like Warrior.

“We ought to be out with Bergens on our backs,” said a strapping corporal in the Staffords. But he was an exception.

Fortunately AITAT’s personnel are drawn from 19 different regiments.

There are red, green, red and white hackles,

red and green berets, tartan stable belts, the rare Small Arms School Corps badge, and Admin Officer, Capt Alison Forster-Knight comes from the WRAC.

However, the mix is living proof that tribalism, British Army style, is not fatal.

Maybe it is the very variety of cap badges involved that inspires the

enthusiasm for the job at AITAT – and the chance to pull the legs of someone in another regiment.

One thing they all have in common in Building

87 is a strong sense of humour. With the immediate work load and the inevitable continuation training ahead it looks as though they are going to need it.



Road show and audience. The Gunnery Wing Portakabins (pictured above with the Staffords) move in a convoy of low loaders



Tactics Wing with props. They tour BAOR with model village and tank miniatures holding “clotmodel exercises”



“D and M” – in the person of Capt Danny McMeechin RS



Pegasus in a Warrior – Pte Scouser Miley, Para

Brig Inf’s wild about Warrior (and rugby!)

AITAT at Sennelager works directly to Brigadier Infantry, currently Brig Dick Mundell, who advises 1 (BR) Corps on infantry matters.

He paid tribute to Maj Gen Sir David Thorne, Director of Infantry until his retirement a few months ago, who is regarded as the father of the Warrior concept.

In the past, new weapons have sometimes arrived without the requisite training aids which were “cobbled up” later. In the case of Warrior the package arrived complete, greatly contributing to its successful introduction.

Brig Mundell is as enthusiastic about Warrior as he is about rugby – an obsession in his old regiment, the Duke of Wellington’s.

“Warrior means that the infantry can play a more positive part in the armoured battle,” he told SOLDIER.

“At the moment AITAT’s primary concern is with the converting battalions but it is not their only concern.

“I see it developing into a team which can advise on all armoured infantry matters, to assist battalions which come into theatre from the UK and assist them once they’re in . . . to keep them up to speed if you like.”



Brig Dick Mundell

set by technological developments.

AITAT is now awaiting the delivery of a Platoon Trainer consisting of four containerised turret simulators with linked radio communications.

The graphics will no longer be of computer game simplicity but project pictures of real countryside and be capable of presenting a number of targets simultaneously.

Though they are intended to become part of the Road Show, the first of them will be set up on concrete bases just opposite Building 87. Kaiser Bill’s bedroom is going to be busier than ever.

Warrior. Its Tactics Wing, under Capt Nigel Jones, Royal Irish, is also part of the road show and regularly piles into a Dodge van loaded with models of Challenger, Chieftain, Warrior, T56s, BMPs and houses like outsize Monopoly pieces.

Packed in polythene in a box file goes a company/squadron group in miniature, lead models of 14 main battle tanks, 15 Warriors, five 432 APCs, four Scimitars, various repair and recovery vehicles, RE bridge and minelayers . . .

“Soldiers rarely see the whole show,” said Sgt Joe Jordan, RRF. “When you lay this out and they realise that they are part

of and what a punch a group packs, it gives them confidence.”

Recently in a war game exercise a company/group of Challenger and Warrior “took out” a complete Soviet motor-rifle regiment commanded by Capt Robert Boyle, Irish Guards, promoted “Colonel” for the day.

“I hardly knew what hit me,” he said.

Fast company/squadron groups are going to require fast thinking and expert drills if they are going to realise their potential in the All Arms battle of the future.

Training has to keep up with the pace

SOLDIER MAGAZINE - MAKE SURE YOU GET YOUR COPY REGULARLY - ONLY £14.55 FOR A YEAR'S SUBSCRIPTION UK, £10.00 BFPO, ELSEWHERE £18.55 OVERSEAS (SURFACE MAIL). SOLDIER MAGAZINE, SUBSCRIPTIONS DEPT, ORDNANCE ROAD, ALDERSHOT, HANTS GU11 2DU. (Cheques to Command Cashier UKLF).

For Sale

Torches. Heavy duty black rubber all weather torches. Small £1.99, medium £2.99 and large £3.99. Prices include p&p. Discount for bulk PRI purchases. Send orders to MPP Distributors, Windrush, Woodgreen, Fordingbridge, Hants SP6 2BQ. 19 89

Norwegian Style Arctic Combat Shirts, 100% cotton fleece lined, colour khaki, size small, medium, large £14.80, VAT and p&p incl. Cheques payable to J Devereux, 22 Cheyne Walk, Westbury, Wilts. 9 89

Plastic airfix and other aeroplane kits, books, magazines, British Army cap badges. SAE for list/s. S. Warrilow, 77 Whittern Way, Tupsley, Hereford HR1 1PF. 5 89

'Soldiers Do It Better' rubber stamp. Ideal for stamping envelopes, letters etc. only £3.50 each from S A Survival, 5 Gayfield, Arbroath, Angus, Scotland DD11 1QJ. 51 88

Genuine British and foreign military badges, collar badges and shoulder titles for sale and wanted. Large SAE for lists. PO Box 615, Middleton, Tamworth, Staffs B78 2AZ. 21 89

BIVVI Bags now in! £32.50 incl p&p (£28.27 VAT free) for a DPM or olive Hydro Ram Bivvi. Breathable, fully waterproof, 8ft long and open face hood. Hot taped seams. These were a sell-out in spring. Covered by our full satisfaction guarantee. See main Ad! Tradewinds, 36 Victoria Road, Welldborough, Northants NN8 1HH. 0933 76632. 7 89

Large stocks of genuine cap badges, shoulder titles etc. always available. SAE for listings. Shotton, 7 Peak Road, Clanfield, Hants. 25 89

Military Books: German WW II, 1400 books, Uniforms, Waffen SS, Photo Histories. American Military 1350 books, Vietnam, Korea, Civil War, WW II, send 50p each (stamps acceptable) to Historybooks, Broadway, London N11 3DU (JC2). 7 89

Posted overseas? Don't miss out on your copy of SOLDIER - all BFPO SUBSCRIPTIONS POSTAGE FREE - so take out a subscription now - send your cheque for £10.00 payable to 'Command Cashier UKLF' to Soldier Magazine, Subscription Dept, Parsons House, Ordnance Road, Aldershot, Hants GU11 2DU. 15 89

War and transport secondhand and remainder books. Specialist stock at Hearts of Oak Bookshop, 63 High Street, Rochester. Personal callers only. 15 89

Silverman's now have in stock for immediate despatch or collection the latest issue Combat Hi Boot in all sizes that is now on trial with the British Army and has proved very successful, at the very reasonable price of £39.99. We are the largest suppliers of Military Footwear and Clothing in the UK. You can write or telephone for our free Catalogue - see our main advertisement in the magazine. Silverman's, Mile End, London E1 4PS. Tel: 01-790 5257. T.C.

Miniature and replacement medals supplied, mounted for wear, write or phone for quotation, Raymond Holdich, Trafalgar Square Collectors Centre, 7 Whitcomb Street, London WC2. 01-930 1979. 9 89

Officer's Full Dress scarlet tunic, The Leinster regt. complete buttons etc. but minus shoulder cords. Nice cond. £250 ono. Details tel Ipswich (0473) 682559 evenings. 7 89

Military History Books for sale. Send stamped envelope for catalogue. Phillip Austen, 50 Main Street, Ewerby, Sleaford, Lincs. 11 89

Regimental Wall Shields & Plaques. Leaders in manufacture & design. Traditional & New Design minimum order (50) @ £7.50. Regimental Coasters, Place Mats, Clocks, Gold & Silver engraved giftware and tableware. Military Marketing, 37 Avonside, Stratford upon Avon CV37 6BJ. Tel: 0789 293048/0533 774038. Send for full colour brochure and receive the service of a manufacturer. 3 89

Military books and histories. Please send for my current comprehensive catalogue of rare and out of print books on most military subjects. Also advise any specific interests or wants. Andrew Burroughs, 34 St Martins, Stamford, Lincs PE9 2LJ. 3 89

Army green penholder brazzards, with flap for rank £3.40, DPM style £3.60. V. Henderson, 6 Thames Crescent, Melksham, Wilts SN12 8BH. 27 89

French Foreign Legion insignia, equipment and uniform items. French Army insignia, kepis, uniforms, swords, bayonets and medals. Para wings and Airborne insignia of the world. Large stock of various militaria of WW1, WW2 and current issues. Military vehicles including WW2 US Army Harley-Davidson and Indian motorcycles. SAE lists. Andre, 10 Cordery Road, St Thomas, Exeter, Devon EX2 9DH. 3 89

Military insignia for sale or exchange. Send stamped addressed envelope for list. My wants are Staffordshire units and RAPC APD. Smith, 4 Hillside Close, Brereton, Rugeley, Staffs WS15 1JF. 5 89

Cap badges, shoulder titles, collar badges, all genuine, December list. M. Spencer, Spennings, 5 Huggill St., Thornton, Bradford, West Yorkshire BD13 3JW. 9 89

Cap badges, regimental ties, blazer badges, medals, insignia. SAE for free list, Cairncross (Dept S), 31 Bellevue Street, Filey, North Yorks. 39 89

War Medals bought and sold, SAE for sample sales list. Efficient friendly service. Mark Carter, PO Box 470, Slough SL3 6RR. 0753 34777. 17 89

Task Force Special Ale - one bottle for sale. Sponsored by Sunday Mirror and Newcastle Breweries for The Falklands Task Force, any reasonable offers considered. LCpl Hudson, 1 RHA LAD, REME, BFPO 30. 5 89

Your regiment as painted by R. Simkin c1900, photographically reproduced in full colour, size 10" x 14". Choose from 179 subjects. Special prices for Regimental museums and Associations. Send large SAE for full details to: D.P. & G., PO Box 186, Doncaster, South Yorkshire DN4 0HN. 3 89

Military Postcards: Foot Guards Drummers (6 pc) £2.20, Irish Guards (6 pc) £2.20. Alternatively SAE for sample and catalogue. Geoff White, 19 Rushmoor Lane, Backwell BS19 3JA. 9 89

French Foreign Legion badges, militaria, new catalogue available 75p. Contains the new issue Z rep badges. Legionnaires, Olde Timbers, High Street, Newchurch, Isle of Wight PO36 0NJ. 13 89

Collector metal badges, 200 different, £40.00 delivered by air to UK. Please write to Geoffrey Enterprises, Railway Road, Sialkot-51310 (Pakistan) with remittance. 3 89

Collectors Armoury offers vast selections of militaria. Caps, helmets, badges, medals - WWI and WWII. Send SAE for details - 116 Cavendish Place, Eastbourne, Sussex. Telephone: 0323 37292. 5 89

Free Lists: Genuine militaria (list 2) largest in UK; Medals and World Ribbons (list 1); Military Photographs and Books (list 4); Mess dress badges, new miniature medals, presentation glassware with regt. badge (list 3). Money back guarantee. Send 22p SAE, Sunset Militaria, Dinedor Cross, Herefordshire HR2 6PF. 5 89

Direct Military Supplies (UK). Offer even more choice with our NEW only products. Lightweight Para Boots, ONLY half the weight of the High Leg combat boot, worn by the British CIOR team at Sandhurst this year! price held at £35 per pair, sizes 6 to 12. Current Issue High Leg Combat Boots sizes 3 to 10 (genuine new) £32 per pair. Boot zips, with nylon zips to prevent rusting, £5.50 per pair. Berghaus ROC Bergens, £69.50. Centurian, £95.00, Crusader £119.50. Original pattern new Denison smocks, £69.50. SAS windproofs £64.00, Lightweight trousers (MoD spec) at only £14.25. NI Combat gloves £14.25, OG issue pullovers at £14.50, Trekka tents from £28.00. Cam cream remover, £2.75 per pack of 50. Brown/green Cam sticks £2.75. Prices include VAT postage and packing. Ceremonial service including white belts with mounted Regimental badges on chrome or brass plates, £12.50. White gloves, Pace sticks, Sashes, Stable Belts, Slings, Frogs, and much much more. Despatch within 3 days subject to stock availability. Compare our prices and our service, real value for money... Write today for our brochure enclosing £1.00 (deductable from first order) or order direct from the above list. Direct Military Supplies (UK), PO Box 94, Chippenham, Wilts SN15 3HR. 7 89

The Soldier Calendar 1989 is still available. The Calendar is printed in full colour, and contains twelve different Chas Stadden prints - depicting British military uniforms from the 18th, 19th and 20th centuries. The cost of the calendar is just £3.50 plus 72p p&p - cheques/PO's should be made payable to Command Cashier UKLF, and sent together with the address of the recipient to: Soldier Magazine Calendar, Parsons House, Ordnance Road, Aldershot, Hants GU11 2DU. 5 89

Genuine metal, cloth badges, sale or swap. SAE for lists. Badges bought. Kelk, Sweechgate Cottages, Broadoak, Canterbury, Kent CT2 0RA. 3 89

Rhodesian and South African militaria, badges and videos. SAE for lists to GWW, BCM 8191, London WC1N 3XX. 11 89

Books to plan your next career or earn extra cash. Business, education, interest or pleasure. Send SAE for comprehensive list to CAM Services, 38 Francis Street, Blackburn BB2 4DP. 3 89

Israeli Forces new dubon cold weather parkas. Colours olive or navy. Sizes, small, medium, large and extra large. £27.95 including p&p, or 19p stamp for our new 88/89 50 page illustrated catalogue. To Dept. S, Surplus International, 6 King Street, Weymouth, Dorset DT4 7BH. Tel 0305 788892. 33 89

Winter Special!!! Whilst stocks last - threequarter length Wax Cotton Jackets. Heavyweight material, with handwarmer pockets, hood, and poacher pockets inside. Only £39.95 incl. post, packing and insurance. Sizes S/M/L and XL. Send cheque/PO to: Combat & Country, Ladyshore Shopping Centre, Little Lever, Bolton BL3 1JZ or telephone 0204 862287 for Access/Visa. 5 89

World War Two, Aviation. Send SAE for lists. The Collector (Military Bookshop), 36 The Colonnade, Piece Hall, Halifax HX1 1RS. 3 89

Mail order government surplus, camping and survival equipment, protective clothing. For free brochure send SAE to 16 Tedder Avenue, Chatham, Kent ME5 0HB. 15 89

Save on your heating bills, collect prepacked, palletised coal and smokeless fuels and save pounds, housecoal from £1.95, smokeless from £2.70 per 25 kg, generous discount for bulk. Adjacent M63/M62/M6. Reid Fuels, Station Approach, Urmston, Manchester. 061-747 8548. 9 89

Volunteers Pocket Books help make efficient soldiers - ideal for the TA & HSF, 190 pages packed with useful training information & illustrations. Space for Personal Info & Training Records. Skill at Arms, SLR, LMG, GPMG & all Training Tests. Action in Emergency First Aid. Map Reading and Orienteering. NBC. Fieldcraft - all aspects. Arduous Training. Health & Hygiene. Military Law. Pay & Allowances. Method of Instruction. Signals Procedure. AFV & Aircraft Recognition. Supplied with plastic wallet. Available from your PSAO or send name, regimental number, unit and address with £3.25 to Military Pocket Books, PO Box 28, Leven, Beverley, N Humberside HU17 5LA. 17 89

British Collar badges. SAE for 300 item list. Collars and other badges bought, including anodised. Peter Fuller, 50 Isis Street, London SW18 3QN. 5 89

Don't be outclassed in the field! Combat & Country gives you the edge: Hooped Bivvies, over 8ft long yet weighs only 1 kilo. Easily strapped to Bergen, £42.50. Hydroram DPM Bivvi Bags, breathable and windproof, yet half the price of Goretex, at only £31.95. US issue Lightweight Basha's. Woodland Pattern, £19.95. Five Season DPM Sleeping Mats, MoD Spec UK/SC/3767B, £7.95. Mk7 Combat Knife/Bayonet, US issue, self sharpening, £19.95. Used ALICE packs, excellent, complete with straps, only £21.95. Camo Bergen, 72 litre with side pouches, chest strap, internal frame and adjustable harness, £39.95. All prices include post, packing and insurance. Send order with cheque or P/O to: Combat & Country, Ladyshore Shopping Centre, Little Lever, Bolton BL3 1JZ for 21 day delivery or for Quick Service Access/Visa orders telephone Mark on 0204 862287. 5 89

PRI Shops. Join the growing force of shops which are selling this new and very profitable product. Write to Task Elastics, 12 Bryn Road, Llanfach, Abercarn, Gwent. 3 89

Why not start collecting coronation jubilee, school, sports, masonic, buffs, religious, Red Cross, hospital, nurses and miscellaneous medals, lapel badges, etc. Send first class stamp for free list and free gift offer to: 18 Hollybank Road, Birkenhead L41 2SY. 17 89

Army Dog Tags with chain. Punched with name, D.O.B., blood group, allergies, organisation, rank, number, as applicable. State requirements. Up to forty letters. Send now only £3.50 plus p&p 20p. Cheques/PO to Saracen Surplus, 153 Forres Drive, Glenrothes, Fife, Scotland KY6 2JY. 5 89

Medal Frame/Cases handmade, deluxe hardwood style, 3-6 medals on bar £12.50, 1-2 £11.50 inc p&p UK/EEC. Details and payment to J. Cannon, 49 Dunmere Road, Torquay TQ1 1LR. 5 89

Lifelike Soldiers, reproduced in Bronze/resin on attractive wooden plinths. Send large SAE for brochure - Classic Sculptures, 12 Mayfly Close, Fordingbridge, Hants SP6 1QL. (0425) 52360. T.C.

CLASSIFIED

US Elite Insignia, compare these prices: cloth patches - 101st Airborne col/sbd £1.95, 101st Airborne Vietnam col £2.25, Special Forces col £2.25, Air Cav Vietnam col/sbd £3.50, Air Cav Sniper col/sbd £3.50, 82nd Airborne col/sbd £2.25, SOCOM col/sbd £2.75, 1st Inf Vietnam £3.50, Son Tay Raider £3.50, MACV-SOG £3.50, 5th SF Gr beret flash £2.00, Airborne Command £1.75. Metal items: SF crest £3.50, basic para wings £3.00, helicopter gunship wings £4.95, unit crests 82nd Abn, 101st Abn £2.95, Special Warfare Centre crest £3.50, SOCOM crest £3.75. All US insignia prices definitely lowest in UK. Fully illustrated 22 page catalogue costs £1 (refundable) and contains many relevant facts concerning insignia. ONLY catalogue around that does this - a welcome change from just lists of for sale items I think you will agree. Mike Lapworth, 109 Reedley Road, Bristol BS9 1BE. A/T/C

Easibinders - collect your copies of Soldier Magazine in an easy reference, attractive Easibinder. Price £7.15 UK, £6.20 BFPO, £6.80 Europe (outside Europe please apply for postal rates). Send your cheque/PO payable to 'Command Cashier UKLF' to: Soldier Magazine Easibinders, Parsons House, Ordnance Road, Aldershot, Hants GU11 2DU. 5/89

Aldershot Medal/Militaria Fair, Royal Aldershot Officers' Club, Farnborough Road (A325 between Farnborough/Farnham) Sunday 22/1/89, 10.30am-4.30pm. Many leading dealers attending. Superb selection. Enquiries 0753-34777. 5/89

General

Crown Imperial Society for military history enthusiasts and badge collectors. Journal delivered quarterly. Invites applications for membership. Apply 34 Ridgeway Crescent, Tonbridge, Kent TN10 4NR. 5/89

Holidays

French Riviera, Frejus, fully equipped 4/5 berth mobile home, prime position, 4 star holiday green campsite. For rental contact WO1 Kerr, ACIO, 83 Queens Road, Brighton BN1 3XE. 0273 28305 (evenings, weekends 0273 300663). 5/89

Cyprus. Unbeatable bargain from CY£95.00 p.p.p. week (excluding flights). 3 star family owned hotel. Half board. Air conditioning. Large children's discounts. Includes unlimited mileage hirecar. For information ring David 051-722 3708 (anytime) or write Sunworld Travel, 65 Dudlow Lane, Liverpool L8. 17/89

Group Sports Tours. Wing your way abroad with 'Winged Chariot Travel'. Sports tours abroad are our business! No frills, no false promises, no gimmicks, no "prices from", no effort spared. We are honest, forthright, hardworking and responsible. Contact: Andrea - Winged Chariot Travel, 'Wing House', Cranwell Close, Derriads Park, Chippenham, Wiltshire SN14 0QG. Telephone (0249) 660607. 17/89

South France, Agde. Privately owned luxury mobile homes to let. Excellent amenities, 4 star site, close to superb beaches, reasonable rates £90-£120 per week. Write or phone Mrs G Lane, 30 Wessex Close, Blackfield, Southampton, 0703 894323 or Mrs D Burgoyne, 44 Church Lane, Fawley, Southampton 0703 891070. 9/89

Frejus/St Aygulf. South of France. 6 berth mobile homes fully equipped on first class site with restaurant, bar, supermarket, swimming pool, tennis etc. For details tel Mrs L B Edney, 0376 519878 daytime, 0245 381339 evenings/weekends. Write PO Box 833, Witham, Essex CM8 3YP. 19/89

Plymouth. Comfortable guest home close to Hoe and all amenities. H & C. Families welcome. T.V.s in all rooms. Open all year. Deva House, 16 Radford Road, West Hoe, Plymouth PL1 3BY. Tel: 0752 662999. 5/89

St Ives, Cornwall. The Toby Jug Guest House, B&B from £7.50 EM opt., all rooms have sea views and colour TV's, all amenities, run by qualified chef and wife, open all the year. Phone Bill or Margaret for brochure, 0736 794250. 5/89

Cyprus Pissouri apartment, o'looks beach, magnificent views. 051-342 1283 evenings/weekends. 3/89

SOLDIER accepts no liability or responsibility for the contents of advertisements. 4/85

Richmond. Luxury Guest House, licensed, colour TV, H&C, teas/mades, all rooms. (Send SAE for brochure), Pottergate Guest House, 4 Pottergate, Richmond, North Yorks DL10 4AB. (0748) 3826. 33/89

Hong Kong 1989. Ex-service visit late August, details from: Capt Patrick Pielou, 2 Emperors Gate, London SW2. 01-244 8056. 3/89

Houselets

Surrey, Sussex, East Hampshire and London for landlord/tenant enquiries: Christopher St James Rentals PLC, 12 The Broadway, Wimbledon, London SW19 1RF. 01-879 7622. 27/89

Houselets offer a complete letting and management service for residential properties, throughout Devon and most of Somerset. Details from Houselets, 98 Topsham Road, Exeter EX2 4RR. Telephone (0392) 34403. 9/89

ARUN PROPERTY LETTING AND MANAGEMENT for the Serviceman's complete residential letting service with special rates for servicemen. Covering an area from Worcester to Wiltshire. Contact 0452 308763 or 108 Eastgate Street, Gloucester GL1 1QT. 24 hour service. T/C

The Servicemen's House Letting and Caretaking Agency provides a property management service which is second to none. Designed by servicemen specifically for house-owning servicemen in the Surrey/Berkshire/Hampshire/Wiltshire/Oxfordshire/Dorset areas. For brochure write or 'phone: SLCA, "Wild Woods", 12 Lime Ave, Camberley, Surrey. Tel: (0276) 21847. Also SLCA, "Brae House", Marlborough, Wilts. Tel: (0672) 54380. Also SLCA, 65 Dorchester Road, Oakdale, Poole, Dorset. Tel: (0202) 680073. 39/89

Dorset area, including Bournemouth, Poole, Blandford, Bovington, New Forest. Long established letting agents now with Rental Guarantee Insurance. Brochure from Michael Scott & Castles, 745 Christchurch Road, Boscombe, Bournemouth. Phone (0202) 37321 - or 5a New Orchard, Poole, Dorset. Phone (0202) 682299. T/C

Worried about letting your home - don't be. We can let and manage it as if it was our own. The rent nearly pays the mortgage. We also buy houses as homes or investments completely trouble free for you. Contact Sarum Properties, Broadchalke, Salisbury, Wilts SP5 5DJ. Tel: 0722 780783. 15/89

Being posted, thinking of letting your home - Abacus guarantee no rent or rate arrears. Contact the experienced, established property management agents covering North Yorkshire to Cambridgeshire, just listen 24 hours. Tel: (0472) 241055 or direct line (0472) 358537. T/C

Scotlet Ltd. We provide a complete property factoring and management service for members of HM Forces in Scotland. So relax about the posting, profit from your property, and let Scotlet look after your property. For details write to Scotlet Ltd., 60a Constitution Street, Edinburgh EH6 4RR or phone us 031-553 6027. 3/89

Profit from your property with Belvedere Property Management Specialists for HM Forces worldwide. Homeowner? Posted and worried? Let good tenants pay your mortgage while you are away! We provide a complete, comprehensive, reliable and guaranteed Property Rental and Management Service tailored for the special needs of our HM Forces clients from the longest established fully professional specialist Agency. Full coverage all areas England and Wales. Most of the staff are ex-service themselves and understand your problems completely, including the special Rent Act provisions to protect you as Homeowners abroad. *Find out about our full range of services* Send now for full details and brochure to: Belvedere Property Management, Sundown House, Rectory Lane, Woodmansterne, Surrey SM7 3PP. Tel Downland (07375) 51273 Telex 8956867 SUNGRP G. 25/89

North Yorkshire. Let Property Management Services take care of your letting and your property. Family firm offers complete package tailored to your requirements. Free advice. No obligation. Moderate fees. PMS, 25 Falcon Close, Scotton, Catterick Garrison, N. Yorks. Phone Richmond (0748) 834147. 51/88

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

NAME
ADDRESS
HEADING

1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25

If you need more space, please use a sheet of plain paper and attach firmly to this form

COST: 10p PER WORD, MINIMUM CHARGE £2.00. VAT AT 15% MUST BE ADDED.
ALL CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS MUST BE PREPAID AND WILL BE INSERTED IN THE FIRST AVAILABLE ISSUE.

WORDS AT 10p £.....
TOTAL COST PER INSERTION £.....
X NUMBER OF INSERTIONS £..... AMOUNT
VAT @ 15% £..... ENCLOSED £.....
BOX NUMBER IF REQUIRED £2.00 PER THREE INSERTIONS

Send to: **CLASSIFIED ADS, SOLDIER, ORDNANCE ROAD, ALDERSHOT, HANTS GU11 2DU**
CHEQUE/PO No
(Made payable to Command Cashier UKLF) A/25

Information Wanted

Combat and Survival magazine will pay for personal stories of military action, extra for photographs. We also need cartoonists and some stories on the lighter side of army life. Contact Ian Drury, Aerospace Publishing, 179 Dalling Road, London W6 0ES. Tel: 01-749 2425. 00 00

Military Photo Library requires colour and B/W photographs/transparencies of the British, NATO, and Foreign Armies. Good commission paid. Submissions or further details to MGW Picture Library, 3 Pyrford Drive, Eaton, Norwich NR4 6HB. 15 89

Services

Your CV, job application and interview technique prepared by an experienced consultant who has recently left the services. Full details 99 Town Street, Old Malton YO17 0HD. Tel 0653 69670. 5 89

Printing draw tickets 3000 £35.00 add 1,000's £7.00. "At home" cards, raised ink, all mess and personal stationery. List from Servisprint, Freeport, Basingstoke RG22 4BR. 0256 475078. 3 89

'Harco' traditional Officer's shoe, finest leather, veldtschoen style upper steel toecap, lightweight moulded polyurethane sole, water and oil resistant £29.50 incl. p&p. Harco Ltd, Ashton-sub-Edge, Chipping Campden, Glos GL55 6QA. Tel. 0386 840776. 3 89

Filofax binders and refill packs, posted UK, worldwide, VAT free export. Mail order dept., Thanet Business Supplies, 2/3 Orange Street, Canterbury CT1 2JA. Fax 0227 60548. 15 89

Loans £1000-£5000. Clear up to date loans, HP, credit cards. One lower repayment, cash spare; cars, furniture, holidays, Christmas. No deposit, no arrangement fees or charges. Confidential service. All ranks age 21+. Tel: 0929 423925. Forces Finance, Brittan House, Streche Road, Swanage, Dorset BH19 1NF. 3 89

CVs, theses, reports etc. professionally wordprocessed by a qualified secretary. Shorthand also available. Phone Wordwise Secretarial Services on 021-378 0281 anytime. 5 89

Stamp collectors join Dusstamps. Your club which operates worldwide from BFPO 1 to BFPO 666 and Australia to Zimbabwe. Monthly newsletter and postal auction. For details contact Jim Morris, 56 Moss Lane, Sale, Cheshire M33 5AR. 061-973 3458. 02 89

Film to tape, Super 8mm, Std 8mm, 35mm slides. Transferred to Beta or VHS tape. SAE P. Harding, 11 Hare Crescent, Watford, Herts WD2 7EE. 5 89

Bumblebee Ballgowns - exclusive and exquisite evening wear created to order. For details please write to Box 018, Soldier Magazine, Ordnance Road, Aldershot, Hants GU11 2DU. 2 89

Wanted

Militaria wanted: Medals, Badges, Insignia, Books, etc. Major D A Tresham CD, Box 7150 Vanier, Ontario, Canada K1L 8E3. 11 89

No 32 Mk II Mk III scopes. Also any other 1914-45 scope fittings. Taylor, 257 Capworth St., Leyton, London E10 1AJ. 5 89

It's business as usual for the Naafi in Hong Kong

NAAFI is to continue business as usual in Hong Kong until the Chinese take over the colony in 1977, writes **Bill Moore**.

"We might even consider staying if we were asked," said Managing Director James Rucker who took over his present job a year ago after retiring from the Army as a brigadier.

He said that locally recruited staff were very loyal to the organisation but some drift away must be expected in the run up to the arrival of the new regime.

Curiously, despite Hong Kong's massive population, there was a shortage of labour and wages were high!

The MD was giving a briefing before the release of the Naafi's annual report which showed sales up by nearly £19 million

Total sales were just under £390m.

Despite the increase, the strength of sterling against the Deutschmark had led to losses of £1,600,000 when converted, though actual sales in Germany had increased by ten per cent.

The balance sheet was nevertheless very healthy and the trading surplus totalled £3,500,000.

Discount and rebates had totalled more than £10m which was £627,000 up on the previous financial year.

The MD was confident that the Naafi's Five Year Plan to modernise and become completely competitive with High Street stores was going well.

Staff were being trained in all aspects of their jobs including the importance of customer relationships.

Naafi was branching out and a pilot insurance scheme for the United Kingdom was being trialled at Catterick and Plymouth (with a kiosk in the MoD). As the agents were employees of Naafi they would



Brig Rucker

not be charging commission.

High tech was also being introduced and another trial scheme was centred on advanced computers to speed check out operations and reduce paper work so managers would have more time for supervision.

One reflection of the times is the growth of the use of the Naafi charge card.

Another is the formation of a central debt recovery office at Nottingham, Naafi having abrogated the terms of reference by which they relied on commanding officers to recover money owed.

"I am sure that we are reaping the benefit of our decision to refurbish clubs so they are no longer draughty beer halls," said Brig Rucker.

"It's a case of small being comfortable."

In Germany it had been noticed that there had been a change in the trading pattern away from tobacco and spirits to durable goods at lower margins.

Other notable figures in the report included gaming machine revenue returned to units of £5m and amusement machines repaying £938,000.

SOLDIER

THE BRITISH ARMY MAGAZINE

BE SURE OF YOUR COPY EVERY FORTNIGHT - DELIVERED TO YOUR DOOR -

TAKE OUT A SUBSCRIPTION NOW!

SUBSCRIPTION RATES: UK £14.55, OVERSEAS £18.55 BFPO £10.00

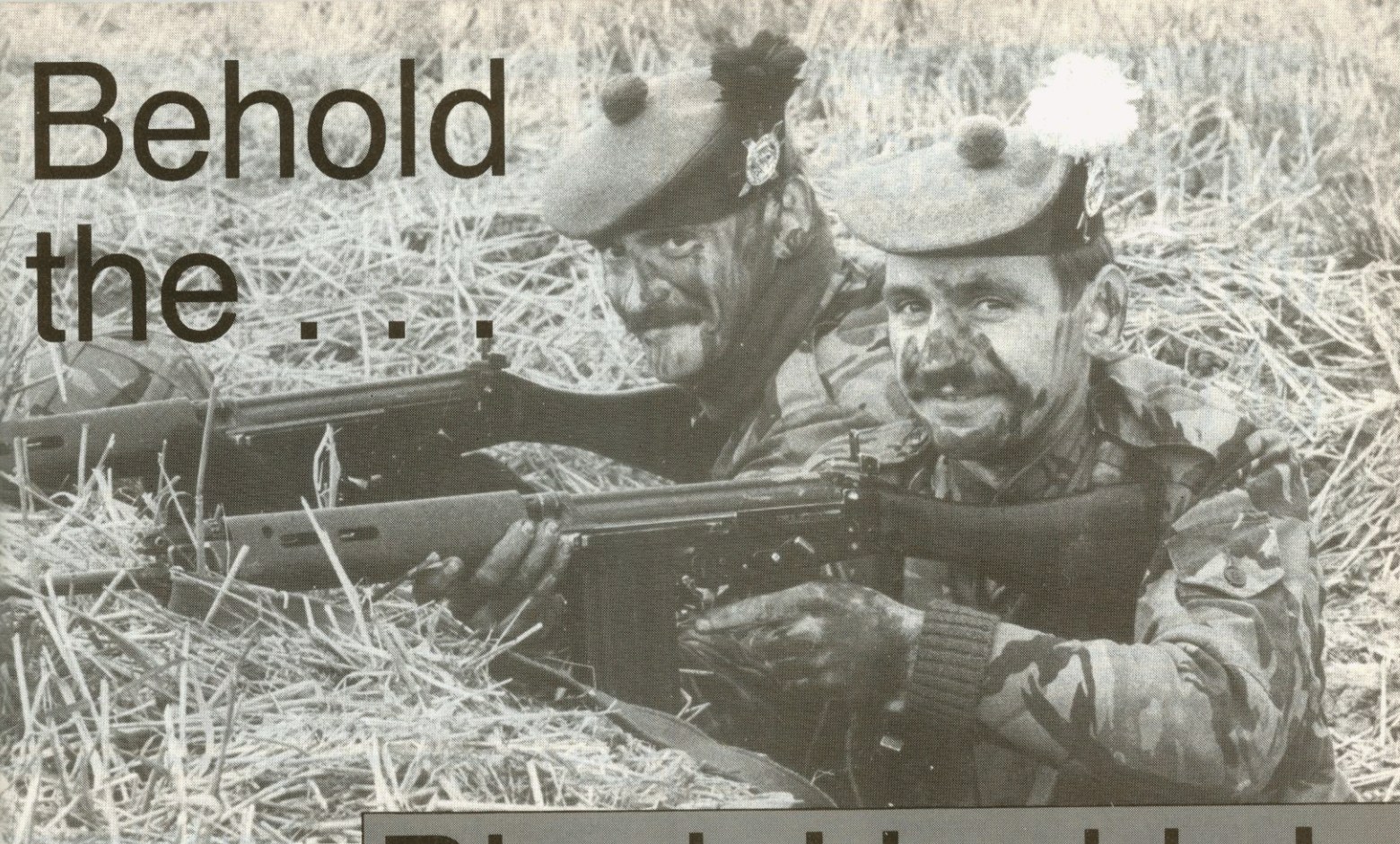
Name

Address

I enclose my cheque/PO, payable to "Command Cashier UKLF," please commence my subscription immediately.

SEND TO: **SOLDIER SUBSCRIPTIONS, PARSONS HOUSE, ORDNANCE ROAD, ALDERSHOT, HANTS GU11 2DU.**

Behold the . . .



Black Hackle!

BLACK HACKLES have been seen on the South Coast! To veterans who hanker after "the good old days" it was like bird watchers spotting a rare warbler, writes **Bill Moore**.

"I thought the Cameronians were long gone," said a straight-backed old gentleman in a Hythe pub.

The truth is that one company at least is alive and well and thriving at Hamilton, near Glasgow.

It forms part of the 1st Battalion, 52nd Lowland Volunteers and it spent its annual camp in bleak conditions on the Hythe-Lydd training area in Kent.

The battalion evokes memories of the 52nd Lowland Division which distinguished itself at Gallipoli and in Flanders in the First World War and in the Low Countries (it had been trained for mountain warfare!) and Germany in the Second.

Some companies bear, in parenthesis, the descriptions *Highland Light Infantry*, *Royal Scots Fusiliers* and *King's Own Scottish Borderers* as well as *Cameronians*. The RSF and HLI are now merged into The Royal Highland Fusiliers. The KOSB celebrate their tercentenary this year.

The 1st Battalion, The Cameronians (Scottish Rifles), was disbanded in the 1968 defence cuts and the regiment went into "suspended animation".

It was thought in certain quarters it would simply fade



Pictures: Terry Champion

Digging in, Cameronian style. Recruiting many soldiers from mining areas, Cameronians were quickly spotted by their style of entrenching which they did on their knees as if working in a cramped coal seam. **Above** Sgt Mat Hall, an electrician from Hamilton, shows how it is still done

away but some regiments die hard and this year Cameronians will hold what may be their last Conventicle.

Conventicles were religious services held by devout Presbyterians in the days of Charles II. As they had been barred from their churches, Covenanters and a sect which followed a preacher called Richard Cameron held services in the open air, musket and sword ready in case of attacks by Government dragoons.

Above – A tale of two hackles – Pte James Nelson (ex KOSB) sports the black of the Cameronians, LCpl James McIntyre the white of the HLI. **Right** – Old Cameronian – Pay Sgt John McKay who wears his RAPC badge on a tartan patch

Below – The QM – with the finest black hackle of them all. Capt Tom McElhiney joined the 6th/7th Cameronians in 1967



13 at Chatelerault the old hunting lodge of the Dukes of Hamilton.

There are still a number of original Cameronians serving in the 1st/52nd (CO Lt Col James Finlay, The Royal Scots).

One of them, Sgt John McKay, is the pay sergeant and wears his RAPC badge on a patch of Douglas tartan. He was with the 1st Cameronians in Malaya and, as a Regular and Territorial, can look back on 31 years unbroken service.

Capt (QM) Tom McElhiney joined the 6th/7th Cameronians in 1967.

The old firm is loathe to close and there is a company of Cameronian cadets at Hamilton and a school unit at Kelvinside.

"As long as the serving TA elements wish to continue as Cameronians they are likely to do so," said Maj Joseph d'Inverno, company commander.

Many old soldiers will wish them well.

Services with four pickets on guard became a tradition after the regiment was raised for service under William III in 1689 by James Earl of Angus.

Later numbered the 26th Foot, the regiment became The Cameronians in 1881, the 2nd Battalion being formed by the 90th Light Infantry – hence the black hackle, the black rifle buttons and Rifle-green officers' pips.

This year's tercentenary Conventicle is planned for May

BOOK REVIEWS

Eyewitness to three battles of the ages

WHEN in 1976 a landmark military history appeared in the book lists, it was hailed as a classic. In retrospect, the idea was simple: to tell of battle as it affected the men engaged in combat, the loads they had to carry, their health and morale, how they fought, their fears, treatment of the wounded, and what caused and motivated them to be there anyway.

The author was John Keegan, a lecturer at the Royal Military Academy, and it was his first book. *The Face of Battle* has now been republished in a bound edition.

Three battles were selected for this in depth study: Agincourt, Waterloo and The Somme; three historically im-

portant events with only one superficially apparent common denominator – that they took place in the second decade of their respective centuries.

The sources had, of course, to be eye-witnesses.

The biggest challenge within Keegan's terms of reference was Agincourt. He had to decide "what sustained men in combat . . . when the penalty of defeat, or one's own lack of skill was so final and unpleasant."

He leaves us with several unanswered questions but provides fascinating speculation on logistics of 15th century battle and its aftermath, telling us a great deal of the manners of warfare in that era.



Men of the 15th (Highland) Division retire to rest after attacking Martinuich in September 1916 during the Battle of the Somme, a battle examined in detail by author John Keegan

Waterloo, with its extensive archive of the Siborne Letters, was a different sort of challenge, the author's task being to prune down the volume of available material.

Keegan has inevitably had to present the battle from personal viewpoints, a limitation that reflects the smoke and confusion of the field that day.

It was not until the First World War that the voice of the common man is heard. Describing the Battle of The Somme, the author draws a quotation from another historian, Robert Kee, who writing 50 years later, called the trenches "the concentration camps of the First World War."

The horror and futility of The Somme can well be appreciated from Keegan's narrative.

John Keegan draws conclusions from his selected studies, progressing in the final part of the book to sub-chapters with headings such as 'The Moving Battlefield', 'The Nature of Battle' and 'The Trend of Battle'.

This is a work that should be on every shelf of military books. It is possibly summed up best in one short and poignant sentence: "The late 20th century soldier does not expect to be left to die of his wounds on the battlefield." – BJ

The Face of Battle: A study of Agincourt, Waterloo and The Somme by John Keegan. Published by Barrie and Jenkins. Price £14.95.

Exceptional soldier

THE Foreign, Home and Defence Secretaries, the Chiefs of Staff and the appropriate Permanent Under Secretaries sat around the oblong brown baize covered table with the Prime Minister.

The year was 1979, the PM was Margaret Thatcher, and the reason for the gathering was to play a Britain versus Russia war game. An actor – it has been suggested it was Mike Yarwood – was in another room, linked by telephone, impersonating the voices of Jimmy Carter, Helmut

Schmidt and other Nato leaders.

This scene appears in *A Fortunate Soldier*, an autobiography by Maj Gen Ken Perkins, recently retired from the Army after an outstanding career that began as an under-aged recruit in the Home Guard in the Second World War. It was but a small episode in an action packed military career. – BJ

A Fortunate Soldier by Ken Perkins. Published by Brassey's. Price £15.95.

Mishap at Cambrai

WILLIAM Moore's study of the secret inquiries which were held into the collapse of the British defences south of Cambrai on November 30, 1917 shows soldiers at their best, generals at their worst and politicians at their most devious.

Coming ten days after massed tanks had crashed through the Hindenburg Line and the bells had been rung throughout Britain to celebrate a victory, the event stunned the government. More than 100 guns and 7,000 men fell into German hands.

Gen Sir Julian Byng, commanding the Third Army which was responsible for the front attacked, blamed some divisions for a "lack of staunchness" and was particularly critical of the Machine Gun Corps.

In fact, Moore argues, what the Brass hats tried to brush off as a "mishap" was due to Byng's faulty dispositions and his obsession with the struggle for Bournon Wood which dominated the area. A book to make all generals feel slightly uncomfortable.

A Wood Called Bournon by William Moore. Published by Leo Cooper. Price £12.95.

Books in brief

Massacre on the Road to Dunkirk by Leslie Aitken. The facts behind the massacre of some 80 soldiers of the Royal Warwickshires and other regiments at Wormhout as the Germans advanced towards Dunkirk in 1940. Published by Patrick Stephens. Price £10.95.

Colonel Baker's Dozen by Gordon Nimse. Novel set in war-torn Burma as a military police captain hunts down a party of marauding army deserters. Published by Robert Hale. Price £11.50.

The Letters of T E Lawrence edited by Malcolm Brown. Includes many letters previously unpublished. Published by J M Dent. Price £18.

Cetshwayo's Dutchman by Cornelius Vijn. Re-publication of the author's adventures during the Zulu War, which he spent with King Cetshwayo after being arrested by the Zulus at the outbreak of war. Published by Greenhill Books. Price £13.95.

Monty, the Man Behind the Legend by Nigel Hamilton. Shorter version in paperback of the three-volume biography by official biographer Hamilton. Published by Sphere. Price £3.99.

Vietnam Helicopter Handbook by Barry Gregory. Descriptions and illustrations of the helicopters used in Vietnam. Published by Patrick Stephens in paperback. Price £6.99.

RECORDS RODNEY BASHFORD

To Americans – with love!

NEW WORLD SALUTE

Band of the Grenadier Guards
Conductor: Major R J Parker
Drums and Pipes of the Gordon Highlanders
BND 61052

THIS programme represents music played during a recent tour of the USA by the Grenadiers and Gordons, hence the title of the record and of the opening fanfare.

Most of the music is either composed or arranged by past Directors of Music of the regiment, even myself, though those by Rodney Bashford seem to have been credited to Rodney Parker.

An American tour involves, for the most part, arena displays with plenty of slow marching and counter-marching, so apart from a static

programme at the end there is always a surfeit of marches on such occasions.

Here they have been kept to a minimum, with *General Mitchell* by R B Hall, a slow march from Rossini's *Stabat Mater*, A E Kelly's *Arromanches*, and two sets of tunes from the Gordons pipers.

American tourists often complain that when they come to Britain the Guards bands are always playing American music. What they want is what they are given here.

As a whole the programme comes across very well, mostly unhackneyed, and a suitable present for American friends!

● **From Bandleader, 7 Garrick St, London WC2E 9AR or dealers, £5.99 LP or cassette inc.**

Zing of zider from the West

MEN OF THE WEST COUNTRY

Band of the Devonshire and Dorset Regiment
Conductor: Bandmaster P Judson
BND 61055

IT should have said the "bands" of the regiment, for the Regular Army band is joined by that of the Volunteer Band under Bandmaster G Dyer, and together they make a fine sound in a well presented and played programme. Not un-naturally there's a fair amount of zider in the offing, musically anyway.

Side one has four or so rather over-recorded marches in *Semper Fidelis*, *The Mad Major*, *Army of the Nile*, and another *Arromanches*, but Terence Brien's *Brass Accolade*, Mansfield's *The Red Cloak*, and considering its quality the much neglected *Steadfast and True* by Carl Teike are very welcome. After which a medley of Devonshire songs places you well and truly in the West Country.

Sousa again to open side two, though fragmented and put

together again in a most attractive arrangement by Warren Barker, an American who is making a great name for himself in recent years. One of Sousa's marches is even given hymn-like treatment and just shows how a lively tune can be metamorphosed.

Then two famous songs, *Glorious Devon* as a euphonium solo, and a sensitive version of *Linden Lea* by Vaughan Williams arranged by John Stout.

A *Frolic for Trombones* precedes the serious business of a first performance of a little known work by Gustav Holst, and a wonderful newcomer it is. *Songs of the West* has lain idle for too many years, and in James Curnow's arrangement for wind band it should receive many a future performance, worthy of joining his other great works for band.

The regimental march completes what I found to be a most rewarding hour's listening.

● **From Bandleader, as above.**

BOOK OFFER
ESSENTIAL READING FOR ALL
CAMPAIGN ENTHUSIASTS!

SAVE £3.00
ON THE RETAIL
PRICE OF
John Keegan's

THE FACE OF BATTLE

An exciting illustrated study of three battles, Agincourt, Waterloo, and the Somme, tracing the development of warfare from the fifteenth to the twentieth century.

Available to SOLDIER readers at a special price of £11.95* including p&p (RRP £14.95).

Simply complete the coupon and return it with your cheque/PO payable to 'Command Cashier UKLF' to:

Soldier Book Offer
Parsons House, Ordnance Road
Aldershot, Hants GU11 2DU.

* UK and BFPO only – elsewhere please apply for postal rate.

Name

Address

Please send me copies of 'The Face of Battle'.

I enclose my cheque/PO for £ (£11.95 per copy).



Mrs Cherry Milne, wife of Col John Milne, CO of 2 Fd Regt, waves the cyclists on their way to Stockholm. Team leader Lt Nick Greaves is on the right

On yer bikes, lads!

WHEN the 2nd Field Regiment, Royal Artillery based at Munster, West Germany was wondering how to mark the 175th anniversary of the Battle of Leipzig, one bright suggestion was for the gunners to "get on yer bikes..."

The result of that was that ten members of O Battery cycled in relays all the way to Stockholm in Sweden. In doing so they celebrated the fact that Rocket Troop was under the command of Crown Prince Charles Jean Bernadotte of Sweden at Leipzig (1813). And they also used the occasion to raise money for charity.

So far the cyclists have raised £1,000 for Bristol Eye Hospital and nearly £1,500 for Leukemia Research.

★ ★ ★
Clerks of The Royal Scots Dragoon Guards took on stars from the television soap opera Brookside in a charity football match at Tidworth and, despite losing 4-0, ensured that Erskine Hospital for Ex Servicemen near Glasgow was a winner. The event raised more than £1,300 for the hospital.

The regiment, which has now moved to Fallingbommel, West Germany, gathered more

than £5,500 for charity during its last year in the UK.

★ ★ ★
Sixteen men from 23 (Gibraltar 1779-83) Field Battery, 27 Fd Regt RA based at Topcliffe, North Yorkshire ran all the way to Dover and back (a distance of 640 miles) and raised £2,500 for the family of a former colleague, Gnr Shaun Prosser who has been in a coma since February 1987.

And just to prove they had completed their mission, they took a stick of rock back for their commanding officer.

A Shaun Prosser Fund has



been established by his former battery, 127 (Dragon) Fd Bty, in Lippstadt, West Germany.

★ ★ ★
The Royal Star and Garter Home at Richmond was the main recipient of a grand SEME draw organised in place of the annual Bordon Garrison fete. The home received £1,000 of the £3,274 raised by the

HOW OBSERVANT ARE YOU?

COMPETITION
454

The pictures below differ in ten details. Find them and you could be £50 richer or win a new book. Just circle the differences in the right hand picture, cut out the whole panel, add your name and address and send to HOAY 454, SOLDIER, Ordnance Road, Aldershot GU11 2DU by Jan 27. Do not include anything else in your envelope.

More than one entry can be submitted but photocopies cannot be accepted.

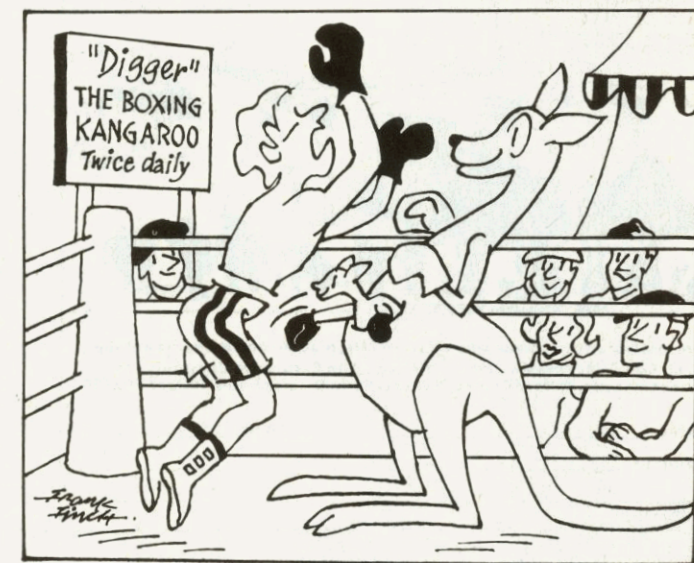
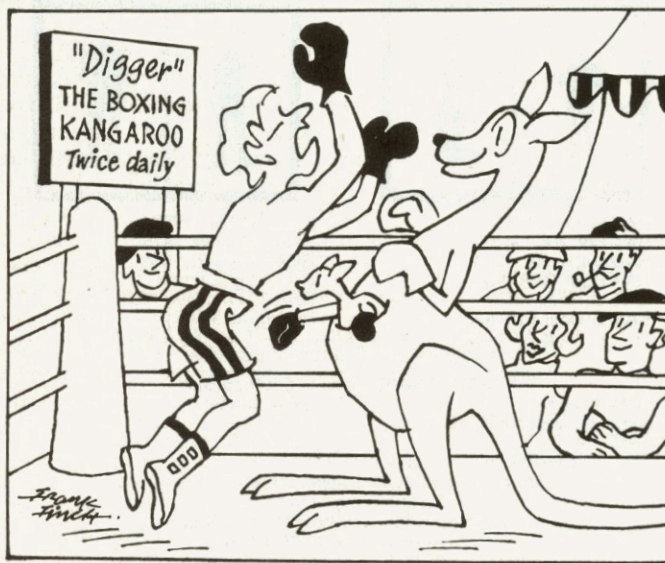
The first correct entries drawn will be the winners. No correspondence can be entered into.

The names of the winner of the £50 first prize and two runners-up will be announced in the February 20 issue.

Name: (Give rank or title)

Address:

WIN
£50



draw. It was handed over by draw organiser Maj Norman Gould and three young SEME craftsmen who visited the Star and Garter to wish a happy 42nd birthday to former REME officer Maj Mike Coldwell now crippled with multiple sclerosis and resident in the home.

★ ★ ★

British Forces based in Naples organised their third annual Vesuvius fun run to raise money for local charities including the British Forces School, Cubs and Brownies.

Fifty members of the British community ran 6½ miles from the base of Vesuvius to the top, with SSgt Dick Lands, RE, first to the summit in a course

record of 53 minutes 37 seconds.

★ ★ ★
It was pretty spectacular promotion for Spr Darrell Masson, of 11 Field Squadron, RE. He went straight from site construction worker to commander of one of the RAF's air defence radar stations in the Falkland Islands.

But Darrell was only king for a day. And he paid £35 for the privilege!

At a charity auction, during which the 60 or so men of the Mount Kent radar station raised over £1,000, the OC's job went under the hammer and Darrell outbid the rest of the field. Darrell's unit is the current Falklands Resident Field Squadron, RE.

★ ★ ★
The British Forces Marathon Trailwalk organised by the Queen's Gurkha Signals and Oxfam in Hong Kong attracted more than 200 four-man teams from military units, disciplinary services and members of the public.

Among them were a party of 12 Gurkha wives who completed the 100km walk from Pak Tam Chung near High Island Reservoir in Sai Kung to

Perowne Barracks in Tuen Mun, New Territories.

The serious part of it was won by 31 Sqn GTR in a record time of 13hrs 48min, and at least £57,000 was raised for underprivileged children in Hong Kong, Nepal earthquake victims and an agricultural education programme for children in Bhutan.

★ ★ ★
Members of C Company 4th (Volunteer) Battalion, The Parachute Regiment based at Gateshead had a crack at breaking the world speed marching record over 26 miles 365 yards carrying 40lbs of equipment. They failed by ten minutes to beat the record of 4hrs 35min, but had the pleasure of setting a record for a TA unit and raising at least £1,500 for the Queen Elizabeth Hospital Ontology Unit at Gateshead.

They were supported in their attempt by former world middle distance record holder Brendan Foster.

★ ★ ★
Our running total of Good Causes money raised by units and individuals now stands at
£226,491



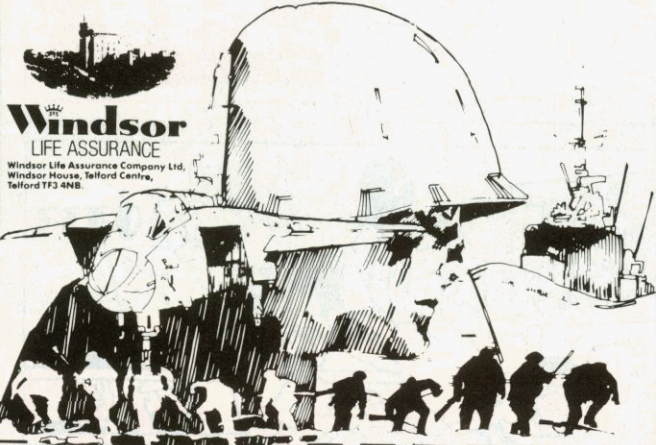
Brendan Foster (centre) helps men of C Coy, 4 Para (V) in training for their world speed marching attempt



Gurkha wives check their Trailwalker route. Pointing the way is Mrs Janaki Devi Gurung

"EVERYONE SAYS THAT A SERVICEMAN HAS SOME SPECIAL QUALITIES"

We agree! As a company we like to employ staff with the broad experience gained from Service life. If you are planning to leave the Service and would like to discuss the opportunities of a fresh career with a modern Life Assurance Company – then please complete the coupon (Minimum Age 25):



I am interested in a career with Windsor Life, please send me some details:
To: Lt. Col. C. M. Bateson (Retd.), Windsor Life Assurance Company Ltd,
Windsor House, Telford Centre, Telford TF3 4NB. Telephone: Telford 292929

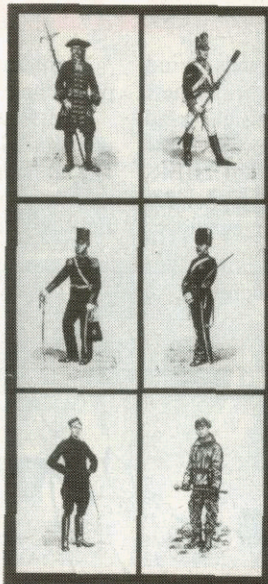
NAME _____ RANK _____

ADDRESS _____

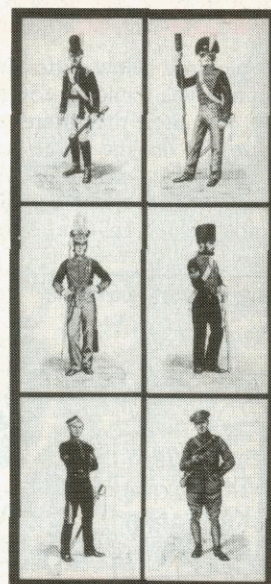
S/1/89

ROYAL ARTILLERY and ROYAL HORSE ARTILLERY

Signed prints by Alix Baker



RA/1 Gunner, 1710
RA/2 Bdr, RA, 1813
RA/3 Major, RA, 1854
RA/4 BSM, RFA, 1865
RA/5 Lt, RFA, 1897
RA/6 Gunner, Falklands



RHA/1 Officer, 1793
RHA/2 Gunner, 1815
RHA/3 Captain, 1832
RHA/4 Sgt, Crimea
RHA/5 Trumpeter, 1895
RHA/6 Cpl, WW I

Prints A4, full colour. £4.75 each or £19.50 set of 6 (inc. p&p).
Overseas add £1 airmail, 70p surface.

POSTCARDS: sets of 6 full colour

Set 1: Mixed
Set 2: 1st Queen's Dgn Gds
Set 3: RA
Set 4: Glosters
Set 5: RHA
Set 6: R. Scots Dgn Gds
SAF/1: Sultan's Armed Forces, Oman (4 cards)

£1.60 inc. p&p. Add 20p Europe, 50p elsewhere per set.
Sterling payment only:

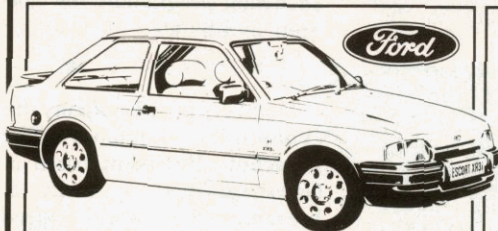
**A C Bremridge, c/o Post House, Stoke,
Andover, Hants SP11 0ND**

Send SAE (3 IRC overseas) for full list of prints & postcards

715

A SERVICE FOR THE SERVICES

Now there's more choice than ever from Bristol Street Export Sales!

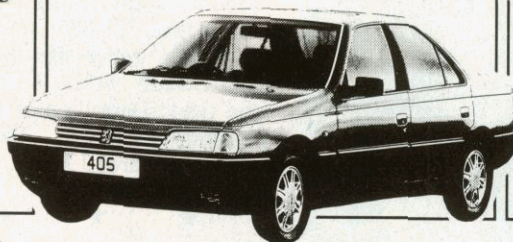


Bristol Street Motors give you more with Ford's exciting new model range, offering greater specifications than ever before.

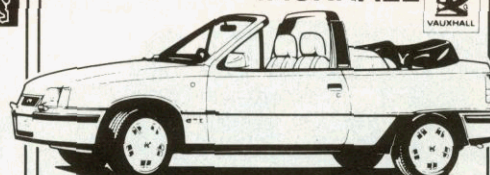
PEUGEOT



We'll take your breath away with the Peugeot range, including the British-built Peugeot 405, 'Car of the Year 1988'. Other models available.



VAUXHALL



Let Bristol Street Motors give you the Vauxhall driving experience with a range of cars including the fuel-conscious Nova and the sporty SRi models.

On all makes we offer:

- Full range of overseas finance at keen rates
 - Overseas insurance? No problem
 - UK Delivery or we will ship to you direct
 - Two minutes from main line railway station with direct line from Dover
- Phone me, Bob Bright, on 01-460 9101 or cut out the coupon for your free Information Pack

Bristol Street Motors EXPORT SALES DEPARTMENT

BRISTOL STREET MOTORS (BROMLEY) LTD – EXPORT SALES
Masons Hill, Bromley, Kent BR2 9HS

Name _____

Address _____

Tel. No. (work) _____ (home) _____

I am interested in (models): _____

I am interested in part exchange ☐ (tick box)

Soldiers in saris

by Sanjiva Wijesinha

NINE YEARS ago, three members of the Women's Royal Army Corps flew from RAF Brize Norton on a rather unusual assignment. Their task: to assist in the establishment and training of the Sri Lanka Army Women's Corps.

The nation, a small island located off the southern tip of the Asian continent, has a population little larger than that of London, and was a British colony until 1948. Then called Ceylon, it became famous as the home of Ceylon tea. It has a reputation as an exotic tourist destination and is advertised in the tourist brochures as Paradise Island.

It was not, however, the expected taste of paradise that greeted Maj Janet Lawson, Capt Jackie Whitehead and SSgt Phil Phillips when their RAF flight landed in Colombo in the early hours of the morning, but a heavy tropical rainstorm.

The request for British Army assistance in setting up the new unit was based partly on Sri Lanka's long association with the UK. Until 1966 almost all officers were trained in Britain, and the Sri Lanka Army is very much modelled on the British Army.

Since practically all officers and NCOs speak English, language would be no problem for the WRAC team. Maj Lawson's team, however, were soon taking drill in the tongue-twisting Sinhalese.

Unlike its predominantly Hindu and Moslem neighbours on the Indian subcontinent, Sri Lanka has a long tradition of equality for women – probably due to the Buddhist influence on the island. In fact, Servicewomen in Sri Lanka earn the same pay as their male counterparts of the same rank.

The initial intake of officers for the newly-raised regiment was sent for training to Camberley, Surrey, sponsored by the UK Military Assistance Training Scheme. Since the initially advertised 12 vacancies drew 300 applicants, those selected had to meet very high standards. All the officers, for example, had four A Levels.

As far as a uniform for the new soldiers was concerned, dresses, skirts and trousers are in the same jungle green colour used by the men. The officers' mess dress, however, proved more difficult to design, since formal wear for the Sri Lankan girl consists of the elegant saree – six yards of soft, silky material draped around the body.

The design finally selected would do an Eastern princess proud: a magnificent midnight blue saree with a silver peacock

feather motif – accompanied by necklace, earrings and brooch for badges of rank, all made of moonstones (one of Sri Lanka's famous gems).

The regiment envisages an unarmed, non-combatant role, the girls having been trained as clerks, radio operators, nurses and dental technicians.

Those telephoning Army institutions in Sri Lanka say the voices answering nowadays sound much more pleasant and feminine. The Servicewomen have all been trained in small arms and weapon handling, and the women's corps now boasts several accomplished markswomen.

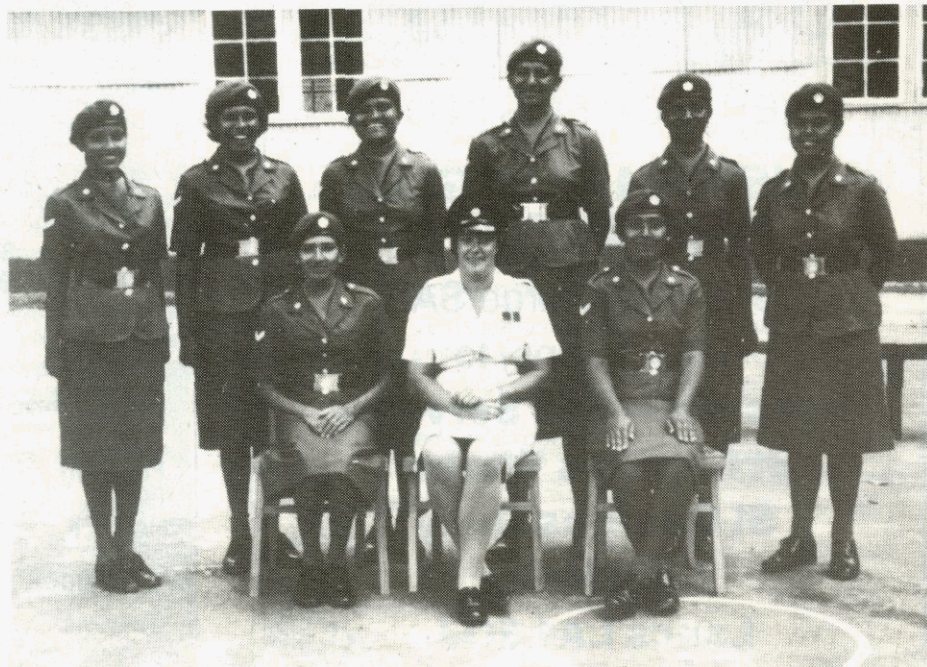
Since the SLAWC was formed, other regiments have also recruited women, and the Sri Lanka Army today has doctors, dental surgeons and lawyers enlisted as captains. Although medical and dental officers belong to the medical corps, the nurses and dental technicians continue to be members of the women's corps.

The regimental crest depicts Vihara Maha Devi, the most revered queen in Sri Lanka's 2,500 year history. She was the mother of King Dutugemunu, under whom the Sinhalese people united in the second century BC to liberate themselves from Indian rule.

The regimental motto is *Savi Bala Sith Avi Bala Deth*, which translates from the Sinhalese as "A powerful mind is the strongest weapon".



Capt Hiranthi Abeygoonesekera in mess dress – a midnight blue sari



SSgt Phil Phillips, WRAC, with the first NCOs of the SLAWC

SOLDIER MART

FORCES CVs

Have your CV professionally laid out in a smart presentation folder. It could make all the difference.

Up to 50% discount for forces personnel.

Write to:

C.D.E. Typescript,
13 St Marys Road, Great Bentley,
Colchester, Essex CO7 8ML.
Phone (0206) 251019

213

LEAVING THE SERVICE?

A PROFESSIONALLY PREPARED
C.V. IMPROVES JOB PROSPECTS
DRAMATICALLY

CV PLUS, (Dept S). The Stores. The Street.
Worth, near Deal, Kent CT14 0DG.
Tel: (0304) 614078

413

image...
CVs

THE PROFESSIONALS CHOICE
FORTYFOOT HOUSE, BRIDLINGTON YO16 5SQ.
TEL: (0262) 400153.

611

TREAT YOURSELF

Leaving the Service? Take the sting out of job hunting. Have your skills and accomplishments translated into civvy language the easy way. Fast service and competitive rates. Applications treated in confidence. Write for free details.

KELVON CV SERVICES
PO BOX 842, Rustington, Littlehampton,
West Sussex BN16 3BN.

611

NEED A CV?

For free details contact the
specialists in CV production.

(Forces Dept.)
PO Box 573
Sutton Coldfield
West Midlands.
B73 6PA
021-355 2187

412

DYNAMIC CVs

"I am pleased to recommend your services",
says Staff Sergeant Neave - another satisfied
customer of **Dynamic CVs** - who are specialists in
the preparation of impressive CVs - which improve
job opportunities.
Discounts for all HM Forces. Free counselling
available (by ex-Servicemen) and Free
updating of CVs, so do contact:

DYNAMIC CVs, 32 Orkney Close, Nuneaton,
Warwickshire CV10 7LB.
(Tel: 0203 326426)

611

LEAVING THE SERVICES?

Let a professionally written and
produced C.V. offer your experience
and skills to a prospective employer.
For details of our C.V. writing, job
hunting and placement services
contact:

14 High Street
Wendover
Bucks HP22 6EA
Tel: 0296 625411

215

PMS

GET TOUGH!

Get fit with the US Special Forces

Jog with these genuine US Army cadence
tapes. Your own drill instructor will push
you to the limit of total fitness while you
listen to these tapes on any walkman type
player. You'll run faster, further and easier
with these powerfully motivating tapes.

Get into Boot Camp shape NOW!

US Army INFANTRY £8.95
US Army RANGERS £8.95
US Army AIRBORNE £8.95
US SPECIAL FORCES GREEN BERETS --
All 4 tapes ordered together /£32.95
£32 inclusive (Prices include P & P etc.)

Dept. S
THE FITNESS GROUP
ORCHARD HOUSE, LLANGORSE, BRECON, POWYS.
Credit Card Orders: Llangorse (087484) 660 L03 7UE

DRIVING COURSES and TEST

Residential driving courses in the
heart of England. Good food and
accommodation. Easy access.
Highly recommended.

Brochure: **The Three Counties
Driving School, Highfield,
3 Highfield Road, Malvern,
Worcs WR14 1HR.**
Tel. 0684 892640/1.

512

ATTENTION ALL OFFICERS

GET YOUR MEN
OUT OF CAMP



Self catering centre West Highlands
OPEN ALL YEAR
Ideal for Adventure and Survival Training
or R & R.

Low cost from only £30 per person per
week, groups of 24 soldiers.

Accommodation, boats, canoes,
surfboards, clay pigeon shooting at no
extra cost.

Brochure: **Tom McLean, Lone Atlantic
Rower, Ardintigh Adventure Centre,
Loch Nevis, Mallaig, Inverness-shire
PH41 4PH.**

Telephone: 0687-2274.

517



HGV
All Classes

RESETTLEMENT COURSES

10-20 DAY
INTENSIVE COURSES



PSV
Class II

INCLUSIVE OF: ACCOMMODATION AND
ROADCRAFT SKILLS

INTERESTED? THEN PHONE

MILES HGV TRAINING

(0702) 541004



6126

WOOLLY PULLY BEAR

£14.50

He is 14" from ear to toe and will arrive wearing a
woolly pully bearing one of the following
messages. Choose from: Navy, Red, Pink, White.
Message will be in a contrasting colour.



Send £14.50
cheque/P.O./
credit card no.
(incl. expiry date),
name of person to
receive & special
message to:



Postal Bears, Dept W.P., 1-2 Barker St., Shrewsbury SY1 1SB.



Telephone order (0743) 241962 (24 hrs)

ANNOUNCEMENT

MANY UNIQUE AND BRAND
NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN
MILITARY CLOTHING/
EQUIPMENT ARE AMONGST
OVER 300 ITEMS IN OUR

**NEW CATALOGUE
No 6 JUST OUT!**

Send now a large SAE
(26p stamps) to:

**Special Air Sea Services
St Georges Works,
St Georges Quay
Lancaster
Lancs LA1 5QJ
Telephone: (0524) 64204**

711



Security Services

**ARE YOU LEAVING THE SERVICES?
ARE YOU FIT AND OF GOOD CHARACTER?
DO YOU WISH TO PUT YOUR SPECIAL SERVICE SKILLS
AND ATTRIBUTES TO GOOD USE IN CIVILIAN LIFE IN
RETURN FOR A DECENT WAGE AND SENSIBLE HOURS?**

RBLA Security is the Security Division of the Royal British Legion
Attendants Company which operates country wide at the 'Blue Chip' end
of the market. Some current Clients include:- BP, CEEB, Central & Local
Government, The Tower of London, British Gas, F. W. Woolworths plc.

The Company is a member of the **BSIA** and **IPSA**.

**RBLA HAS IMMEDIATE UNIFORMED SECURITY VACANCIES IN
THE AREAS SHOWN BELOW FOR THE FOLLOWING DUTIES:-**

- | | | |
|---|-----------------------------------|---|
| ★ | STATIC AND MOBILE SECURITY | ★ |
| ★ | SECURITY COMMISSIONAIRES | ★ |
| ★ | SECURITY COURIERS | ★ |
| ★ | SPECIAL EVENT WORK | ★ |

INTERESTED?

Then ring one of our Area Offices for more information

LONDON	Tel: 01-305-1218	(London and Home Counties)
PRESTON	Tel: 0772-50531	(The North West)
POOLE	Tel: 0202-665527	(Southern Counties)
CARDIFF	Tel: 0222-20731	(Wales and West Country)
LEEDS	Tel: 0532-432458	(The North East)
CAMBRIDGE	Tel: 0223-61676	(East Anglia and S. Midlands)

Or write to:-

**The Royal British Legion Attendants Company Limited
47 Glisson Road, CAMBRIDGE CB1 2HH.**

RBLA is an equal opportunities employer.

5126

Joe's Surplus

"Changing The Face Of Government Surplus"
WE SPECIALISE IN GENUINE ISSUE BRITISH ARMY KIT AND
OTHER ESSENTIAL COMBAT ITEMS.

DIAGONAL ZIP GORE-TEX BIVI BAG



After repeated requests for a Gore-Tex bivi bag we can now offer one, at one of the lowest prices in the country. These are not an issue item, but it is recognised as one of the most essential items for the modern Soldier, offering complete protection from the elements in a breathable bag - keeping the rain out - without condensation inside.

FEATURES

Olive drab colour. All seams hot air sealed. Large hood for clothing and equipment. Double slider zip for ventilation control. Touch fastening flap over zip. Easy access - diagonal zip allows one hand to open bag, from left ear to right hip.

SPECIFICATIONS

Weight 650gms.
Size packed - 28cms x 12cms x 12cms (approx) comes with stuff sack.
Maximum width unpacked 78cms.
Available in two lengths - Normal 220cms - Extra long 250cms.

THESE ARE BRAND NEW AND AT THESE LOW PRICES:-
NORMAL £79.99 - EXTRA LONG £84.99



DPM SAS SMOCKS

Again after much demand we are able to offer the SAS smock - an exact reproduction of the original with every detail included and made especially for JOE'S SURPLUS.

Type A - SAS windproof smock. MoD approved Gaberdine, windproof, breathable and showerproof. Features four bellows pockets (button flaps), left arm shoulder pocket and double lined hood. Tie waist and hem drawcords, double lined shoulders and elbows. Inside breast pocket. Tagged full length front zip with velcro storm flap.

Sizes: S.M.L. and XL. Brand new DPM £67.99

Type B - A thicker and harder wearing smock made in the standard combat jacket material. MoD approved. Identical to the above.

Sizes: S.M.L. and XL. Brand new DPM £49.99

Please note both smocks are made with full spec MoD windproof and standard combat jacket material, and not reproduction material. This makes our windproof smock almost identical to the issue ones.

We also sell 100's of genuine issue combat items, British, US, German and other armies. Just some of the items in our new 1988 free surplus catalogue are... DPM Para smocks, Tropical combats, Waterproof suits, NI gloves and waterproofs, Scrim scarfs, DPM Arctic mitts and Gore-Tex outers, High combat boots, GS Bergens, etc, etc. Send an SAE for your free copy.

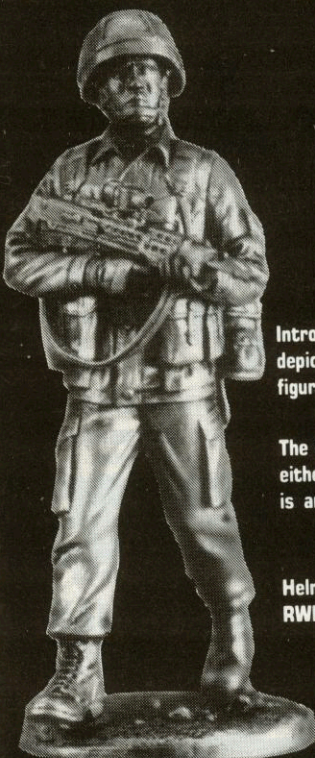
We also have large stocks of 37, 44 and 58 webbing.
Please state your sizes when ordering. Send cheques or PO's payable to "Joe's Surplus". £1.90 p&p per entire order.
Money back guarantee.

DEPT SM, JOE'S SURPLUS, ASHGROVE FARM, ARDLEY,
BICESTER, OXON OX6 9PJ.

WE ARE A MAIL ORDER ONLY COMPANY.

5112

A New Range of Collectors Figures



Cheshire VOLUNTEER MINIATURE MODELS

Introducing a new series of collectors figures depicting the modern British Army. These figures are cast in British Pewter and measure 54mm (approximately 2 1/4" in height).

The first figure (code no. A1) is available in either '58 pattern webbing or latest PLCE, and is armed with SLR or SA80. It comes in a variety of headgear and cap badges.

Currently available:

Helmet, Grenadier Guards, RRF, RIR, QOH, RWF, RGJ, LI, Queens, Royal Anglians, Cheshires, Paras., RM and UDR.

Figure Price. £16.50

Post Free in UK and European BFPO's

Other overseas destinations add £1.50

Payments in £ sterling only please.

Send for detailed Order Form from:
Cheshire Volunteer, Miniature Figures, 2 Brookside Road
Frodsham, Cheshire WA6 7BL. Tel: 0978 861509

PIONEER PARA-GLIDER MOUNTAIN FLYING

'The most exhilarating New Sport'

● NEW ALL-IN-ONE LOW PROFILE DESIGN ●

For the Experienced Pilot

- Long Duration Flights
- 10 Cells for Ridge Soaring
- Fun and Lightweight

For the Novice

- Safe and Reliable
- Quality Construction

For the Trainer

- Versatile and Robust



Ten Cell Para Glider plus full

Sit Harness and Rucksack

Ready To Fly with full
instructions

For further details contact:-

Pioneer Para Glider

Unit 3, Sirhowy Hill Ind Est.,

Tredger, Gwent.

Telephone:

(0495) 717209 ⁷¹⁸

£865.00
Delivery - 2 weeks

POSTED
OVERSEAS?



CAR OF THE YEAR
1988



SPECIAL
OFFER

PEUGEOT 405

'Even in basic GE guise the 405 is an exceptionally pleasant and refined car; the engine is smooth and quiet, and has a good turn of speed. The Peugeot is equally happy in town or on the open road. As an added bonus, the gearchange is one of the best yet on any front-drive Peugeot.' **WHAT CAR?** DECEMBER 1988

**AND RIGHT NOW YOU CAN BUY ANY
PEUGEOT OR FORD
FROM ADVANCED CAR EXPORTS AT
VERY SPECIAL PRICES!!!**

Finance and insurance available

NAAFI ● UK BANK LOANS ● DM LOANS

Now with up to 5 yrs to pay

Post coupon today for full details and FREE colour brochure to:

Advanced Car Exports 15 Clarence Court, The Broadway,
London NW7 4RP. Telephone: 01-906 2978

NAME AND RANK

ADDRESS

TEL:

I am interested in a new (make and model)

For use in (country)

Requested delivery date

Please describe
Part exchange
separately

Cut out coupon
- and post
NOW!

VISTA SPORTS



- English-made sweat shirts
- T-shirts single & multi-coloured designs
- Embroidered V-neck jumpers also many other items

VISTA SPORTS LTD.
Vista House, 28 High Street, Merstham,
Surrey RH1 3EA. Tel: 07374 5113/4/5/6

CAM-QUILTS

NATO PATTERN DPM
CAMOUFLAGE QUILT COVERS
£19-50
P & P, UK & BFPO £2-50
PILLOWSLIPS £3-50
Please enclose cheque payable to:

CAM QUILTS
28 WOODVILLE ROAD
WALTHAMSTOW
LONDON E17 7EP
ALLOW 28 DAYS FOR DELIVERY

BEST PRICES
& DELIVERY
FREE DESIGN
SERVICE

ties

07374
5113/4/5/6

New address:
Vista House,
28 High Street,
Merstham,
Surrey RH1 3EA.

FOR DETAILS
OF DISPLAY
and
CLASSIFIED
ADVERTISING
RING
ALDERSHOT
24431 ext 2352

D.P.S.



ENGRAVING SERVICE AVAILABLE
Manufacturers of
Pewter Tankards, Trophies,
Goblets, Hip Flasks

Pint Tankards Engraved
with Ship's Badge/Crest
FROM £5.50 + VAT

DIRECT PEWTER SUPPLIES
72 PRINCESS STREET
SHEFFIELD S4 7UW
Telephone (0742) 700573

Send for Free Catalogue

WANTED!

LEFT HAND DRIVE CARS

Most Makes and Models required

BEST PRICES PAID

CARYATID MOTORS (OVERSEAS) LIMITED
2-6 DURHAM ROAD - LONDON N7 7DR.
Telephone: 01-281 1234

**GENUINE KIT
NEW AND UNISSUED**

CAMOUFLAGE PARA SMOCK, New	£57.95
(Please Ring)	
COMBAT SMOCK, New	£34.95
ARCTIC WINDPROOF SMOCK, New	£86.00
(Please Ring)	
NORTHERN IRELAND ACTION GLOVES, Padded	
Knuckles, Black Leather, New	£17.99
D.P.M. ARCTIC COMBAT MITTS, D.P.M. Outer,	
Trigger Finger, Polar Olive Fleece Lined,	
Elasticated Wrists	£11.99
D.P.M. BRASSARDS, Fits over jacket, pen pocket	
with velcro flap	£4.99
AQUAGRAPHS, Waterproof note book	£6.99
HEADCOVERS, 100% Wool	£4.99
'58 WEBB BELT	£7.99
'58 WATER BOTTLES, Black	£3.99
THE GREAT GERMAN ARMY ARCTIC SLEEPING	
BAG (Converts into a Parka), Grade I	£23.50
GERMAN PARA BOOTS, Light, easy to wear, black	
New	£21.95
GERMAN PARA BOOTS, Metal lace clips, black	
Grade I	£19.50
BRITISH COMBAT SLEEPING BAG, D.P.M. cover, 3	
season rating, Lining - cotton, Inflation hollow fibre,	
Mummy shape, Innow D.P.M. proofed stuff bag	£36.00
GENUINE US MINI STOVE, Ideal for emergencies	
Two for	£2.50
PARA CORD	£2.50

ALL PRICES INCLUDE P AND P
Satisfaction/Money Back Guarantee

Send Cheque or P.O. to:- **TAYLORS**
(Dept. S), 10 CARR BANK TOP, OTLEY, W. YORKS.
LS21 2AE. Tel. 0943-464122 or 463519 or 465288.

GENUINE GOVT ISSUE KIT

"BRITAIN'S LEADING
SUPPLIERS OF KIT
TO THE PROFESSIONALS"



- Woolly Pulleys
- DPM Jackets
- DPM Trousers
- BRK Dress Trs.
- Lightweight Trs.
- No2 Dress Trs.
- RAF Trs.
- Police Trs.
- SAS Smocks
- PARA Smocks
- USA Ma1 Fly Jkts
- Flying Jackets



- Berets
- Bergans
- '58 Webbing
- '58 S/Bags
- DMS Hi leg w/proof
- DMS Ankle Boots
- Ammo Boots
- Jungle Boots
- NI Boots
- DMS Shoes
- WMNS Shoes
- Parade Gloss



- Laces
- Gore-Tex Bivi bags
- Gore-Tex Smocks
- Parkas
- Face paint
- Face veils
- Denisons
- PLCE Kit
- '58 Sets

Phone 01-790 5257 for free
catalogue
Phone 01-7-900-900 for Credit
Card orders
Phone 01-790 5585 for INFO
Almost anything in genuine
Gov't surplus

SILVERMAN'S
(Dept SMAG)
LONDON E1 4PS

Personal callers
Mon-Fri & Sunday 10-1pm

"Britain's leading
suppliers of Kit
to the Professionals"

5113

T-SHIRTS & SWEATSHIRTS

JOG-SUITS, SPORTS-SHIRTS & BASEBALL CAPS

**SILK SCREEN PRINTED
TO YOUR OWN DESIGN**
(min. order 20 shirts)

- ★ Top Quality Shirts
- ★ Fast, Efficient Service
- ★ Free Proof Garment
- ★ Free Design Service
- ★ UK/Worldwide Delivery

For free full colour brochure and
information pack from the U.K's
leading supplier to H.M. Forces
contact:

**SPRINT
PRINT**

Printers & Manufacturers of Leisure Garments
Printing House, Savernake Street, Swindon
SN1 3LZ, Wiltshire. Telephone: (0793) 695766



SERVICES TRAVEL CENTRE

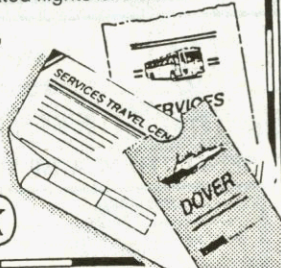
The complete travel service for HM, Commonwealth and NATO Forces and their families

New from November.

Services Travel Centre can now offer concessionary fares on British Airways flights to and from W. Germany e.g. Heathrow-Dusseldorf APEX designated flights £71.00 Heathrow-Dusseldorf military undesignated flights £76.00

What better choice for servicemen, their families, unmins, friends and relations to travel by air?

For full details on ferries and airlines please telephone 0243 267041 0830-1900 Monday-Saturday



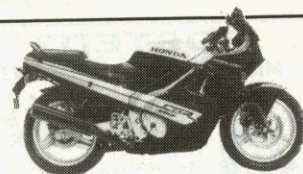
GET PROMOTION!

T-Shirts, Sweatshirts, Hooded Tops, Ties, Embroidered Sweaters and Sew-on Badges, Pennants, Singlets, Hats, Scarves, Sports Bags and Holdalls
For brochure and price list contact:



A S PROMOTIONS

Room 32, 94 Blackhorse Lane
London E17 6AA
Telephone 01-523 3283



TAX FREE MOTOR-CYCLES

All makes supplied. Finance and part exchange arranged. Worldwide export service. **JET-SKI's AND WET BIKES** now available.

INTERNATIONAL MOTOR-CYCLES

24A Lower Road, Chorleywood, Herts WD3 5LH.
Tel: 09278 2338 4117

LOOKING FOR A LOAN?

Ask AVCO TRUST The Forces Favourite

If you're looking for a fast loan, at an attractive rate, contact your local branch of Avco Trust.

We're approachable, helpful, and we can lend up to £5,000 to members of the armed forces.

Call us now for details of how repayments can be spread to suit your needs. We'll send a written quotation if you wish.

Talk to Avco Trust and you could have your cheque within 24 hours.

AVCO TRUST LOANS FOR THE ARMED FORCES

Avco Trust Limited, Avco House, Castle Street, Reading, RG1 7DW Telephone 0734 586123

Our Local Branches to serve you:

Aldershot, Tel: 0252 331676 Maidstone, Tel: 0622 686331

Bournemouth, Tel: 0202 24784 Salisbury, Tel: 0722 330066

Canterbury, Tel: 0227 69468 Woolwich, Tel: 01 854 1128

York, Tel: 0904 52041

Or FIND YOUR LOCAL BRANCH IN THE PHONE BOOK



ELITE MILITARIA

My 22 page 1988

illustrated catalogue contains:

- ★ UK's best selection of Vietnam era insignia
- ★ UK's largest range of US Special Forces badges (over 80 different always in stock)
- ★ over 65 different French Foreign Legion badges
- ★ world-wide airborne wings (metal & cloth)
- ★ all current British insignia, including all Officers

in fact at well over 1300 items probably the best stock of military insignia around today. (See classified ads section.)

Catalogue: £1.00 (refundable) to:

Mike Lapworth, 109 Reedley Road, Bristol BS9 1BE

5115



OLD SWINFORD HOSPITAL SCHOOL STOURBRIDGE

Founded 1667

500 boys 11-18 mainly boarders, 150 in the Sixth Form. Voluntary aided. Interviews will be held in February for

SIXTH FORM ENTRY – SEPTEMBER 1989

Day Places – No Fees Boarding Fees £700 per term

Academic Scholarships and Bursaries.

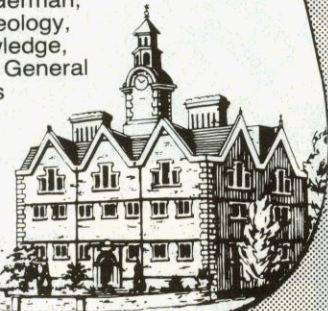
Weekly boarding available.

Study Bedrooms for all Sixth Form boarders.

'A' Level subjects; Maths, Further Maths, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Design, Computer Science, English, Latin, French, German, History, Geography, Geology, Greek, Religious Knowledge, Archaeology, Art, Music, General Studies, Business Studies and Electronics.

Prospectus and further information from the Headmaster's Secretary:-

OLD SWINFORD HOSPITAL SCHOOL,
Stourbridge, West Midlands, DY8 1QX.
Tel: Stourbridge 370025



The Finest Military Sales Service!

Now you can purchase a new tax-free car from Phoenix – and we actually want your old car. We offer competitive prices on most makes and models – we even have a special deal for the "cash" purchaser – A full range of services are available including part exchange, finance, insurance, ferry tickets and delivery services. *Try us now!*



ALFA ROMEO – AUDI-VW – AUSTIN-ROVER – CITROEN – FORD – LANCIA – NISSAN – PEUGEOT – RENAULT – VAUXHALL-OPEL

Write to us at Phoenix, Freepost (BZ456), Hartley Wintney, Basingstoke, Hampshire RG27 8BR.
(You do not need a stamp) or phone Phoenix on (025 126) 4676 (24-hour answering service).



POST THIS COUPON TODAY!

Rank/Name

Address

Tel No

I am interested in the following cars:

Make Model

Make Model

Posting Date Country

POSTED?
Missing someone special?
Tell her you love her with
CHAMPAGNE & FRESH ROSES
delivered to anywhere in the
U.K. by Special Delivery.
7 days notice of delivery.
Ask your NAAFI Manager for
details, or contact **Friskney**
Wines on 075 484 455
We now accept Access

Naafi Friskney Wines

SCHOOL CLOTHING
NAMETAPES
Mailed in 28 days after receipt.
3 doz (same name) £5.60
6 doz (same name) £6.15
12 doz (same name) £7.70
Please enclose cheque/PO payable
to Boddingtons.
Write name in block letters stating
red/blue/black lettering.
Boddingtons, Doodles, Cannons
Lane, Hatfield Broad Oak,
Bishop's Stortford, Herts.

Dartmoor Survival
and Safety School
1988 COURSES INCLUDE
● Survival at all levels
● Tracking and Trapping
● Outdoor safety
● Navigation/First Aid
● Equipment trials/bush craft
● Self defence at all levels
● Abseiling/seashore survival
● High moor survival
Send now for **FREE** brochure
Dartmoor Survival and Safety School,
FREEPOST (Dept SR), Plymouth PL3 4BB.
Tel: (0752) 605380/364657/662407. 4122

Able-LABELS
NAME, ADDRESS, TEL. No. or any
words you need up to 6 Lines
1000 Self Adhesive Labels 19 x 40mm
Black on White Send Black on Gold
£3.25 Payment with Order **£4.00**
or Phone-Write for Leaflets & Samples
STATIONERY 200 8" x 6" Printed
Sheets + 50 plain + 100 Envelopes
£14 Phone-Write for full details
Able-WOVEN 72 Black on White
Name Tapes only **£3.50**
One line only up to 30 woven letters/spaces
For School, Uniforms, Workwear etc.
Order in **CLEAR BLOCK CAPITALS**
with payment **TODAY!** Del. 21 Days.
Steepleprint Ltd · Dept 50 · Earls Barton
NORTHAMPTON NN6 0LS · Tel 0604 810781

JOY'S ROSES
A GIFT OF LOVE
Fresh flowers sent daily from the nursery to any address in the U.K. or Ireland.
Include your own special message to show that you have your loved-one in mind.
Someone - somewhere is waiting to hear from you
ORDER EARLY FOR VALENTINE'S DAY

12 ROSES	Red/Pink (large)	* £11.50
24 ROSES	Red/Pink (large)	* £15.75
12 CARNATIONS	Red/Pink/Mixed	£10.50
40 FREESIA	Mixed with fern	£ 9.75

* WEEK FEB 5-14 ADD £5.00 per 12 ROSES, £10.00 per 24

JOY'S SPECIAL BOUQUETS

Bouquet special mixed	£20.00
Bouquets/Pink Carnations/Freesia/Fern	£14.50
Roses/Carnations/Freesia/Fern	£15.50
Iris (blue)/Carnations/Freesia/Fern	£12.00
Spray Carnations/Freesia/Fern	£ 8.50

MUCH REQUESTED CUDDLIES

PENGUIN	Black/White	12" high	£12.75
PENGUIN	Black/White	14" high	£16.85
SAMMY SEAL	White or Silver Beige	27" long	£18.65
PINKY MOTHER PIG			
and three piglets	Pale Pink	10" & 7" long	£18.75
TWIN ELLA ELEPHANTS	Pale Blue	11" long	£12.50
BERTIE BADGER	Black/White	22" long	£18.60
ORVILLE THE TV DUCK	Powder Blue	8" high	£10.00

Prices and order-forms available upon request. Prices include P&P + VAT
VISA and ACCESS CARDS ACCEPTED
Please make cheque or P.O. payable to:
'Joy's Roses and Toys', Flamingo, St Sampsons, Guernsey, C.I.
Telephone: (0481) 46708

"Make someone happy"
SEND THEM A BEAR
Just send us £4 and we will send a smart little
bear to the person of your choice in a bright
yellow package with a card saying:
"SOMEONE, SOMEWHERE, THINKS YOU'RE
RATHER CUDDLY"
Write now to:
POSTAL BEARS, Dept. E. 1-2 Barker St.,
Shrewsbury, SY1 1SB. Tel: (0743) 241962

GORE-TEX SOCKS
BIVI-BAGS, CLOTHING,
RUCKSACKS, COMPASSES, ITS ALL
IN OUR 1988 CATALOGUE.
IF YOU ARE FED UP WITH HIGH
PRICES, POOR QUALITY OR
SURPLUS WHY NOT LOOK AT OUR
PRODUCTS.
ALL OUR PRODUCTS ARE
DESIGNED WITH THE USER IN MIND
AND WILL NOT LET YOU DOWN
WHEN YOU MOST NEED THEM.
FOR OUR FULL COLOUR
CATALOGUE WRITE TO:-
GD SPECIALIST SUPPLIES
UNIT 35, PIER ROAD IND EST,
GILLINGHAM, KENT ME7 1RZ.
TEL: 0634-50491

TRADEWINDS
OUTDOOR AND MILITARY

	UK	BAOR
85 Litre Equador in DPM, Olive or Black	£ 34.69	£ 30.43
65 Litre Equador	£ 29.95	£ 26.32
55 Litre Equador	£ 28.74	£ 25.25
45 Litre Equador	£ 25.99	£ 22.86
35 Litre Equador	£ 15.50	£ 13.74
Karrymor Condor 60-100	£149.95	£129.82
Karrymor Jaguar 585	£113.99	£ 99.12
Buffalo Allweather sleeping bag, 4 Season outer + 3 season inner + Compressor + Stuffsack. Smaller sizes cheaper from catalogue.	£ 75.92	£ 66.28
Norwegian Army Shirts	£ 14.65	£ 12.74
Combat Gloves, Sizes M or L	£ 13.99	£ 12.17
Hydro Ram Blivi, Breathable, 100% waterproof, DPM or Olive	£ 32.50	£ 28.27
Wax cotton jacket XL-XS	£ 36.50	£ 31.84
Two tone cam cream	£ 2.99	£ 2.60
Pertex towel	£ 2.95	£ 2.57
Buffalo Mountain Shirt (Olive)	£ 44.95	£ 39.09
Mini mag light 2AA cell	£ 13.95	£ 12.13
SAS Smock	£ 69.95	£ 60.83
Mighty torch (including batteries)	£ 9.95	£ 8.78

UK SIGNED DELIVERY SERVICE
BFPO NO SIGNED DELIVERY SERVICE
All prices include P&P. Large orders even cheaper from catalogue - send SAE to:
TRADEWINDS, Outdoor Centre,
36 Victoria Road,
Wellingborough,
Northamptonshire.
Telephone orders: 0933 76632 Chris Kemp.

EMBROIDERED SWEATERS
SCOTTISH LAMBSWOOL sweaters;
available in 10 colours and 7 sizes.
Military badges embroidered
directly onto your unit/team
sweater
improves your image and promotes
the unit.
DELIVERY 28 days.
Free brochure and FREE HOLIDAY
with every order of 24 sweaters.
ALSO, ACRYLIC SWEATERS, SPORT SHIRTS,
SWEATSHIRTS, BODYWARMERS, SATIN JACKETS, etc

Ensign
MOTIFS

Portkil Bay, Kilcraggan
Dunbartonshire
Tel: Kilcraggan (0436 84) 2581/2716
Telex: 778251

Security you can count on

TOUCHLOCK HS
Just one of our range of electronic door locks

Keypad Control Unit HS Lock

TOUCHLOCK HS - includes powerful high security electric lock

- Battery & mains systems available
- Links with other security products
- Complete system in one box

Access control at your finger tips
paxton
Paxton Automation Ltd, Unit 1, Shepherd Industrial Estate, Brooks Road,
Lewes, East Sussex BN7 2BY, Tel: Lewes (0273) 474509/480291

T-Shirts Sweatshirts

Complete Design Screen Print
service



For free price list
information etc.
contact

A-ONE DESIGNS

55 Brook Street, Chester
Tel: Chester (0244) 311028

FREE BASQUE, SUSPENDERS & STOCKINGS

WITH EVERY COPY
OF OUR STUNNING
FULL COLOUR
LINGERIE
CATALOGUE
— OVER 200
BREATHTAKING
PHOTOGRAPHS OF
TOP MODELS IN
EROTIC LINGERIE

SEND ONLY £2.95
(P&P) REFUNDABLE

TO: LADY OF PARIS
YAGO LTD.
ROMAN WAY,
COLESHILL
BIRMINGHAM B46 1RL

RETURN AD OR QUOTE DEPT NR X FOR

FREE BASQUE

CALLERS & TRADE ENQUIRIES WELCOME



*Military Parade
Bookshop*



**MILITARY BOOKS
NEW AND SECOND-HAND**

P. and G. Kent

THE PARADE, MARLBOROUGH, WILTS SN8 1NE.
TEL: (0672) 55470 713

FOR DETAILS
OF DISPLAY
and
CLASSIFIED
ADVERTISING
RING **ALDERSHOT**
24431 ext 2352 6f10

BRUNO THE MILITARY BEAR

'Bruno' is a traditional jointed 16" Bear, who
comes dressed in Combat Kit, with face veil,
webbing belt and beret complete with your
miniature cap badge.

'Bruno' is currently available in the following:
Life Guards, Blues & Royals, 14th/20th Hussars, 17th/21st Lancers,
RTR, RA, RE, Grenadier Guards, Coldstream Guards, Scots Guards,
Irish Guards, Welsh Guards, Queens, RRF, Kings, Anglians, Devon &
Dorset, LI, Green Howards, Staffords, PWO, RAPC, RMP, Para, RGJ,
RCT, RRW, REME, RAO, APTC, Cheshires, 16/5th Lancers and
Royal Marines. QARANC, AAC, SIGNALS, ACC, QLR, RAMC,
13/18th Hussars, WFR, INT Corps. WRAC, UDR, Vet Corps, Dental
Corps, RWF, Pioneers, QDG, SAS, Glos, RMAS.

Specify which Regt/Corps you require!

This bear is not intended as a toy.

To order Bruno: Please send cheque/P.O./Credit Card No. (incl.
expiry date) for £25.50 payable to 'POSTAL BEARS', name and
address of person to receive bear and your special message to:
Postal Bears, Dept. D., 1-2 Barker Street, Shrewsbury SY1 1SB.
24 hour telephone order service (0743) 241962.



LOANS

£1,000-£5,000

**CLEAR EXISTING UP TO DATE LOANS, HP,
CREDIT CARDS INTO ONE LOWER REPAYMENT,
CASH SPARE, CARS, FURNITURE, HOLIDAYS.**

- ☆ Confidential service.
- ☆ No fees or hidden charges.
- ☆ Big rebates for early settlement.
- ☆ Larger homeowner secured loans.
- ☆ 100% mortgages available.
- ☆ Call us now or keep this advert for future use.

UK & BFPO loans for all ranks age 21+ with UK Bank
or Building Society current account.

For more written details either write listing current loans, HP, credit cards
or ring 0929-423925 (from Germany 0044-929 423925). 9am-9pm 7 days.

FORCES FINANCE

Britannic House, 18a Streche Road, Swanage, Dorset BH19 1NF.

Licensed by the Office of Fair Trading as Brokers, Lenders
and Debt Counsellors.

6f15

ELFORDS Export

MAZDA

MAZDA

TAX FREE CAR SALES

- Caring for Customers for over 100 years.
- Special NATO Forces prices. ● European Insurance.
- Low Deposits. ● Low Cost Finance. ● U.K./DM Loans.
- No Hidden Charges. ● Part Exchange Allowance.
- Collection U.K. or Germany. ● Personal Service and Advice.

Post coupon to:

ELFORDS TAX FREE SALES

FREEPOST, BOURNEMOUTH BH6 3BR

TEL: 0202 417402

In Germany return the coupon to:
Eickmeyer + Köster,
Boschstrasse 15, 4900 Herford,
Diebrock, West Germany Tel: 05221 3958



I require further information for Tax Free Export Cars

RANK NAME _____

CONTACT ADDRESS _____

WORK TEL. _____ EXT NO. _____ HOME TEL. _____

I am interested in: _____

MAKE _____ MODEL _____

POSTING DATE _____ COUNTRY _____

WHEN YOU'VE GOT WHAT IT TAKES . . .



. . . We've got what you'll take. Wherever you go you can rely on
our kit. Gear to get you there from the Survival Aids' range of
professional military products. Available through our shops in Euston
Station, London and Morland, Cumbria or by Mail Order. Clip the
coupon or 'phone us now for your free copy of our latest Catalogue.

SURVIVAL AIDS

SURVIVAL AIDS LTD, Department 15SL,
Morland, Penrith, Cumbria CA10 3AZ, UK.



For your Survival Aids Catalogue phone:

FREE 0800-262-752

Ask for
Dept 15SL

Please send me the free 1989 Military Catalogue.

15SL

Name _____

Address _____

Postcode _____

Post to: Survival Aids Ltd, Dept 15SL, Freeport,
Morland, Penrith, Cumbria CA10 3AZ, UK.

Engineers set the pace in corps championships

THE UK and BAOR Inter Corps badminton tournaments were held at Worthy Down and Bielefeld respectively, writes Alan Lees.

At Worthy Down the format was an American tournament where the Royal Engineers set the early pace by convincingly beating the RAPC 7-2. R Signals had a good tussle with

the ACC before edging ahead to win 5-4. The sappers continued to show their strength in depth by beating R Signals 7-2, and the depleted RAMC/RADC 8-1, before winning 6-3 against the ACC to take the UK title.

The RAPC fought off the challenge from R Signals and ACC to take second place.

Outstanding for the sappers

were Capt Bill Ferguson and Sgt Jerry Carty who lost only one game throughout to Ptes Tony Black and Shaun Mancrief of the ACC who in turn lost only two games.

Star of the tournament was QPte Karen Siddle who played with Capt Dick Chapman in the RAMC/RADC team.

Karen had just returned

from the Combined Services tour of Canada and performed well in a mixed doubles pairing against the men's pairs, losing only four of 12 matches, and brightening up the tournament in the process.

The BAOR competition was run in two mini leagues and after keenly contested matches the semi finals were equally

hard fought with REME emerging winners 6-3 against the RAOC while the RAMC/RADC also beat the RAPC 6-3.

The final was an extremely good match with a very high standard of badminton throughout. Prominent for the RAMC/RADC was Capt Roger Green, the Combined Services singles and doubles champion.

The overall standard of play was encouragingly high and the players are eagerly looking forward to their match against RAFG on January 28.

Final of the Inter Corps tournament will be at Worthy Down on February 20 where RE (UK) will be trying to prevent REME (BAOR) from taking their third title in a row.

Regulars hold TA in six goal thriller

AN Army XI and a representative side from the Territorial Army fought out a highly entertaining draw during which they shared six goals which ranged in quality from the ridiculous to the superb, writes Pat Massey.

The Army went ahead when LCpl Dave McCauley, RE, shot home from close in. But the TA equalised late in the half after a complete "horlicks" in the home defence. A loose ball running towards the Army goal was met by Gdsmn George Shankland, SG, who had raced off his goal line, and team mate Spr Barry Wostenholme, RE, on the edge of the penalty area.

They ended in a tangle on the ground, leaving TA striker Rgr Jim Clarke, 4 R Irish (V), with the simple task of rolling the ball into the Army goal.

When an Army defender was caught in possession early in the second half Clarke hooked in a volley to put the TA ahead, and worse was to follow for the Regulars when pint-sized Pte

Steven French, 2 Bn Yorks (V), beat Shankland to put the TA 3-1 up.

A minute later Cpl Sean Gilman, RAOC, scored a spectacular goal from 40 yards and with the very next move the score was levelled by Cpl Gary Green, ACC, who converted a chance created by Sgt Gavin Wood, REME, and Gilman.



A brief pause for 2nd Lt Gary Knight (1 DWR and Army Under 21) and SSgt Stevie Peacock (1 RWF and Combined Services) during the Northern Ireland rugby final

1 Div lead the way

ARMY cross country team champions 1 Armoured Division HQ and Signal Regiment from BAOR showed everyone else a clean pair of heels at the Army cross country relay championships staged at the Rushmoor Arena, Aldershot.

They finished nearly a minute ahead of the powerful 1 PWO team who ran them so close last February.

Represented by QMSI Alex Rodgers, Sgt Nick Bailey, Sgt John Martin and LCpl Mark Vile, the 1 Arm'd Div HQ and

Sig Regt squad should be well to the fore at the Army championships at Tweseldown, Fleet on February 1.

At the 1 Div championships in West Germany they took eight of the first nine places.

At Rushmoor 7 RHA were third in the major units' race, with 1 DWR fourth.

In the minor race FOD Dulmen confirmed their strength in depth in winning by half a minute from Depot POW Div, with 5 AB Bde HQ and Sig Sqn third and PCD RE fourth. HQ Hereford Garrison won the veterans' race, followed by 7 Cdo Bty RA and 7 RHA.

The junior race was won by AA Col Chepstow from Gds Depot Jnr Para and JIB Shornccliffe, while the RMAS A and B teams finished first and second in the women's race after QATC had been disqualified from second place.

RAOC in control

AFTER three days of gruelling squash the surprise winners of the Army Inter Corps competition were the RAOC, writes Lance Brett.

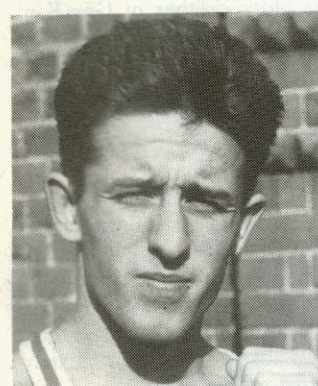
Led by Maj Robbie Robinson, the RAOC team of Lt Col John Woodliffe, Capt David Bradley, Capt John Wallis, SSgt Ian Sharpe and LCpl 'Ginge' Whiteman beat joint favourites RE and APTC into second and third places.

A strong Infantry team easily won Division 2 and will replace

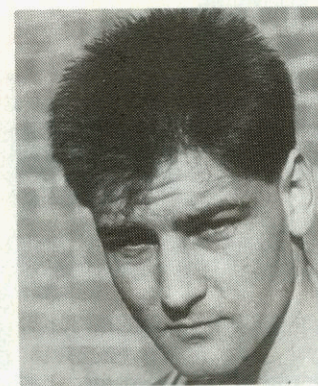
RCT in Division 1 next year. Congratulations to the RMP for winning Division 3 in their first year in the competition.

The event was sponsored by Grattan plc and Brig Mike Perkins (Retd) presented the prizes to the winners of each division.

More than 140 players took part, making this the biggest event in Army squash with players coming from far and wide, including Hong Kong, BAOR and Northern Ireland.



LCpl Neil McCallum



LBdr Frank Miller

SIX OF THE BEST!

AN ARMY select boxing team travelled to Hanley, Stoke-on-Trent to take on a London ABA representative team and emerged as victors by six bouts to two.

Winners for the Army included LCpl Neil McCallum (10 Corps Tpt Regt RCT), Pte Pete Campbell (1 Staffords), LCpl Chris Whittaker (26 Engr Regt), Spr Lee Innes (22 Engr Regt), Lcpl Steve Burford (4

Armd Wksp REME) and LBdr Frank Miller (49 Fd Regt RA).

LCpl Danny Coyle (1 RWF) lost on points and Rfn Andy Lewis (3 RGJ) was stopped in the first round.

There was a special treat for the spectators when ABA finalist LCpl John McLean (39 Engr Regt) and LCpl Joe Rajcoomar (1 D and D), who reached the final 16 for Mauritius at the Seoul Olym-

Injuries still a worry for rugby colts

ALTHOUGH the Army Colts rugby team injury problem has eased, there are still four players out of action and the side has continued to struggle in the Colts County Championship, writes Peter Salisbury.

At one point so many players were unfit that the team took the field with eight reserves.

Nevertheless the standard of the side has continued to improve and their superior fitness has enabled them to hit back well in the second halves of their last two games.

Against Hertfordshire at Harpenden the home team led 12-0 at the interval. Flankers AT SSgt Jason Jeffrey (PMC Arborfield) and Spr Richard Brimacombe (3 Trg Regt RE) scored second half tries, the first of which was converted by Cfn Mick Cotton (SEME Bordon).

Sadly, right on time he missed the second which would have given the Army a share of the spoils.

Against Middlesex at Aldershot an outstanding display by Gordon, the visitors' full back, won them the match. Middlesex led 13-3 at half time, Cotton having kicked a penalty for the Army.

Much of the Army's defensive work was good, with full back Pte Lee Roberts (1 Glosters) and Spr Tim Green (3 Trg Regt RE) particularly sound. It was the latter, making his debut on the right wing,

who broke away in the second half to score an excellent try. Cotton converted to reduce the lead to 13-9.

The Army had much the better of the second half until Gordon scored the second of his two tries to seal Middlesex's victory. Gummer, a very competent fly half, converted.

Dukes defend title

IN AN atmosphere akin to that found at Cardiff Arms Park or Twickenham, defending champions the 1st Battalion, The Duke of Wellington's Regiment beat the 1st Battalion, The Royal Welch Fusiliers by 17 points to nine in the final of the Northern Ireland major units rugby championships.

Within three minutes the Welshmen were a goal up, but it did not take the Dukes long to level the score.

A try by winger 2nd Lt Wheatley gave the Dukes a 10-6 interval lead. LCpl Jeffries (1 RWF) and Cpl Jones (1 DWR) traded penalties in the second half and Cpl Draper finished off a marvellous Dukes movement to complete the scoring with an unconverted try.

Next opponents for the Dukes are The King's Own Royal Border Regiment.

The annual derby between 4 RRW (V) and 3 RRW (V) resulted in a resounding 40 points to seven victory for the 4th Battalion. What made their win all the more enjoyable was the fact that they had never before beaten their sister battalion which recruits largely from Cardiff, Newport and the valleys.

4 RRW has TA centres in Swansea, Llanelli, Neath, Bridgend and Maesteg.

Mahoney to get top sports award

APTC on the ball!

THE Army Physical Training Corps held off strong challenges by both the Army Catering Corps and REME to win the Inter Corps basketball tournament at Aldershot.

Nine corps took part over six days of intense competition during which there were several upsets which kept the final result in some doubt until the last day.

The RCT defied the form book to beat the ACC 84-74 while the Royal Artillery unexpectedly overturned REME 86-85. Then REME put the cat among the pigeons by beating APTC 68-50, quite a wide margin in the circumstances.

This left the match between APTC and ACC as the crucial contest with the physical training instructors running out winners by 86-72.

This premier tournament proved invaluable to Lt Col George Donald, RE, chairman of the Army selectors, who

ARMY modern pentathlon star Lt Dominic Mahoney (pictured right), Life Guards, has been named the Combined Services Sport Board's Man of the Year for 1988.

Mahoney was a vital member of the British modern pentathlon team which won the bronze medal at the Olympic Games in Seoul.

Despite a painful knee injury sustained in a riding accident, Mahoney helped team mates

Richard Phelps and Graham Brookhouse to overhaul the Soviet Union and France in the punishing final discipline, the cross country event, and so clinch their medal.

Combined Services Teams of the Year are the Royal Air Force men's and women's badminton teams, and PO Wren Sue Freeman, WRNS, has won the women's award. The awards will be presented at the Royal Tournament.



Sappers win UK honours

AN ARMY team of three sapper lance corporals has won the senior team event in the British national biathlon championships held at Dunfermline, Scotland.

The victors were LCpls Shawn Morgan (23), Marcus Daly-Ferreira (25), and David Brookfield (26).

Morgan finished second individually behind Roland Lee, a civilian, who was a member of the British Olympic swimming team at Seoul (and is the older brother of Gnr Kim Lee of the Army's pentathlon squad).

Maj Terry Banyard, REME, who is in charge of the Army's pentathletes was delighted with the sapper victory.

"There is a definite threat to the REME's traditional grip on the pentathlon scene," he said. But was quick to point out that two REME stars, Cpls Peter Hart and Steven Dadson, had been absent fencing in Luxembourg at the time.

Army athletes have had a fine year. Of the four senior national championships they have won the biathlon, triathlon and tetraathlon (four events but less riding) and they were runners up in the British pentathlon championships - beaten by Spartan, a club which has two Olympic athletes in its team.

Britain's bronze medal winning Olympic pentathlon team included two soldiers - Lt Dominic Mahoney, Life Guards, and Cpl Hart. Much of the training for the Olympics was done at the Centre of Excellence in the REME garrison at Arborfield.



WO2 Tim Brown (No 11), WO2 David Evans (right) and LCpl Ian Shook (middle) of the ACC defend against SI Phil Hughes (13) of the APTC

remarked that new talent coming through the ranks was quite impressive.

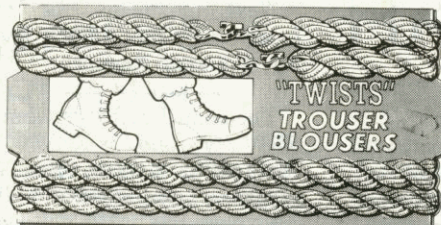
The Army is aiming to regain

the Inter-Services title from the Royal Air Force at HMS Temeraire, Portsmouth on March 10-11.

Rocky turn

AFTER leading at the turn, a Gibraltar Joint Services Golf Society team led by Capt Barry Wilding, RE, played badly on three holes on the easier final nine to finish 18th out of 36 in the Silk Cut Pro Am, tournament at La Duquesa.

The society, which thrives on strong local competition, good weather and a variety of courses, had drawn up-and-coming Englishman Ross McFarlane as their professional in the Pro Am.



2 pairs elastic (= 1 card) for £1.75 incl. p & p.
Reductions on orders of 36+, write for details

Please send me pairs of elastics for which I
enclose £
Name
Address

Stepal Trading,
York House,
22 Frederick
Street,
BIRMINGHAM,
B1 3HE.

Naafi

TURNOVER FOR 1987/88
WAS

£403.4 MILLION

(including VAT £13.6m)

Where the money went –

Payment for goods £264.6M

Operational costs £113.0M

VAT £13.6M

To business reserves £2.0M

To customers £10.2M

Naafi

**CUSTOMERS
AWARDED**

£17,000,000

£0.6M

EXTRA REBATE TO
CENTRAL WELFARE FUNDS

£7M

DISCOUNT/DIVIDEND
TO INDIVIDUAL CUSTOMERS

£3.5M

REBATE TO UNIT FUNDS

PLUS

£5M

TO UNIT FUNDS FROM
GAMING MACHINE REVENUE

AND

£0.9M

TO CLUB IMPROVEMENT
FUNDS FROM AMUSEMENT
MACHINES



It is surprising just how much damage a 62 tonne Challenger main battle tank can do when it crosses farmland. Compensation is paid to the farmer but scenes like this in West Germany could be a thing of the past if Green power wins the day. See Exercise Iron Hammer story and pictures starting on Page 21.

Picture: Mike Weston