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Tidworth & Bulford Garrison Radio

and



BFBS Middle East
link up
LIVE ON AIR



to provide us with a two-way music and news programme linking our Units in Iraq with friends and family back here at home.

**Tune in to 1287 am medium wave
Every Friday 10:00 - 10:30
Call Baz Reilly on 01980 - 602424**

... and don't forget !

The Drumbeat Garrison website has news from the Gulf and links to the websites of Garrison Units

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1 CHESHIRE to the rescue !



Staff and children from the Noah's Ark Under 5s Group in Bulford proudly show off their new playhouse. It was purchased with funds raised by parents, but nobody felt confident enough to tackle the job of assembling the huge DIY project until Ptes Gary Wilding and Danny Ellsworth from Rear Party 1Bn 22nd (Cheshire) Regiment came to the rescue !



New Accommodation Block at Perham Down

Work has started in Swinton Barracks on a prototype Junior Ranks Single Living Accommodation Block, the first new building under the multi-billion pound Project Allenby.



Photograph : Nigel Gillies

The new block will have six-man flats comprising individual bedrooms with en-suite bathrooms and communal sitting rooms, kitchens and utility facilities.

The construction of this prototype will enable the Ministry of Defence and Aspire Defence Ltd, the Provisional Preferred Bidder for Project Allenby/Connaught, to check the new design and its durability. The building is expected to be finished by the Autumn.

Pictured above, (from L to R), are Mr Paul Smith, Project Manager for Aspire Defence Ltd; Garrison Commander Col Carron Snagge and Maj Nev Bagley, Quartermaster 22 Engineer Regiment.

Below, under the watchful eye of plant operator Richard Ayres, Garrison Commander Col Carron Snagge begins the digging the first trench for the new building.



22 Engineer Regiment, based in Swinton Barracks, is currently on operational tour in Iraq.



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It's a Knock Out !

Children from local Primary Schools in the Garrison enjoyed taking part in the "It's a Knock Out" competition in Bulford last month, competing in games such as the Bungee Run, Gladiator Joust, the Telephone Exchange and Human Football !

Medals were presented to the participants by Deputy Garrison Commander Lt Col Stuart Norman and the winning teams were : the "A" team from Kiwi Primary School and the "B" team from Bulford CofE Primary School.

Many thanks to Rear Party, 1Bn 22nd (Cheshire) Regiment for organising such a popular event on behalf of the Garrison.

Keep in touch ...

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For requests on TNB Garrison Radio :
Call Baz Reilly on 01980 - 602424

For requests overseas & Northern Ireland on BFBS :
Call BFBS on 08701 - 20 21 21 (charged at national rate)
Email : gulfrequests@bfbs.com - or go to www.bfbs.com and go to the "Dedications" page

Listen Live on the Radio

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Online Radio

Log on to www.bfbs.com and listen live to what our troops are listening to on the radio in Iraq.

Follow the links from the Drumbeat website
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AWS Summer Activities

Boarding School Activities in July :

- 6 July Planning & Enrolment, Bulford Youth Club
- 7 July Sports at the TLC
- 9 July Day out at Braeside (all ages £30)
- 13-15 July 3-Day trip to Alton Towers (10-16s £60)
- 21 July Sports at the TLC
- 22 July Day trip to Snow Dome (10-16s £35)

Residential Activities in August :

- Avon Tyrell Activity Centre in the New Forest (£80)**
 - 2-6 Aug (Girls, ages 10-16)
 - 9-13 Aug (Boys & Girls, ages 9-12)
- Activities will include Mountain Biking, Rock climbing, Canoeing, Sailing, Orienteering, BBQ and visits.
- Overnight Camp to Henley-on-Thames**
 - 3-4 August (Girls & Boys ages 9-10 £30)
 - Sleepover at The Beeches Families Centre, Bulford**
 - 25-26 August (Girls & Boys ages 10-14) £35)

Day Time Activities in August :

- 17 Aug Sports at the TLC (10:00-12:00 ages 5-8) £5
 - 18 Aug Sports at the TLC (14:00-16:00 ages 9-13) £5
 - 19 Aug Sports at the TLC :
(10:00-12:00 ages 5-8, 14:00-16:00 ages 9-13) £5
 - Tues 24 Aug Day trip to Thorpe Park (£35)
- For more information and to book a place, call the Army Welfare Service : 01980 - 602105**

BFBS : Live to the World !

at the Royal International Air Tattoo (RIAT) 2004
RAF Fairford 16 - 18 July 2004

Anyone visiting the show this year will be able to send messages and dedications live on air to friends and family in the Forces' world - all over the world - from the BFBS mobile studio at the show.

UK listeners can hear BFBS radio online at www.bfbs.com

Summer Holidays at the TLC



Summer Active Zone starts Thurs 22nd July

Climbing - Mountain Bike Course - Badminton
Arts & Crafts - Girls' Football - Soccer Skills
Tag Rugby - Junior Circuit Sessions - Groove FX
Call the TLC for more information

Who's for a game of tennis ?

Book one of the new tennis courts at the Tidworth Leisure Centre ! The cost to use the courts is £3.70 per match, which includes use of the TLC's extensive changing rooms, shower facilities and the Oasis Café.

Tidworth Leisure Centre : 01980 - 847140

Welcome to Tidworth ...



Sergeant Mick Wood is the new Section Commander in charge of Tidworth Police Station. Since joining Wiltshire Police in 1980, he has worked in Swindon, Salisbury, Warminster

and Wilton.

"It is extremely important that officers are highly visible in the community," Sergeant Wood told Drumbeat.

"Often the fear of crime is greater than the reality of the crime itself and the reassuring presence of a Police Officer on the beat cannot be underestimated. Taking over the successful tenure of Sergeant Oatway here in Tidworth is a real challenge and I intend to dedicate every effort towards it. Having worked as a Sergeant in Warminster, I am looking forward to working with Tidworth, Netheravon and Bulford Garrison, alongside the Ministry of Defence Police and the Royal Military Police."

On a personal level, Sgt Wood is a family man who enjoys distance learning in his spare time. He has completed Open University Diplomas in Government and Politics, and when he has completed his final year of a BSc in Politics, he intends to begin a second Degree in French !

Local Transport Survey ...

Do you think the transport around the Tidworth Area is good enough ? Do you have any ideas how it could be improved ? If so, we need to hear from you !

In the Tidworth Community Area Plan for 2003-13, there is a commitment to investigate transport in and around the area and to make improvements where it is possible. Soon we will be sending out a questionnaire to establish the transport needs of the people who live here. Armed with the results of this survey, we will look at what changes could be made to existing services and what gaps need to be filled.

The more questionnaires we get back, the stronger our case will be when applying for funding.

The other good reason to send it back is that all completed questionnaires will go into a draw for a £100 bicycle voucher !

**Tidworth Community Area Partnership
Transport Committee**

Tidworth Primary Schools Sports Competition



Over 300 children from 11 local primary schools took part in a new sports competition which took place at the Tidworth Leisure Centre, the Tidworth Oval and the All-Weather Sports Pitch. This was the first event of its kind, organised jointly by Kennet District Council and Test Valley Borough Council.

Throughout the day, children took part in six sports : girls' football, boys' football, athletics, hockey, netball and basketball.

Kennet District Councillor, Peter Richardson, said that he was delighted to see so many children enjoying sport and hoped that they would continue to take part in physical activities in the future. He also thanked the Ministry of Defence for agreeing for the event to take place on their first class facilities.

The competition was a huge success with all the children and teachers and it is hoped that it will develop into a major calendar fixture over the coming years.

Final Results :	1st	2nd	3rd
Basketball	Clarendon C	Clarendon A	
Hockey	Grateley	Castle	
Girls' football	Zouch		
Boys' football	Clarendon		
Netball	Clarendon Red	Kimpton	Zouch
Athletics	Clarendon	Woodborough	Upavon
Fairplay Award :	Kimpton		

Well done everyone !

Rundle Cup 2004

**Saturday 10 July 2004
Tidworth Polo Ground**



12:00 National Hunt Jockeys v 3-day Eventers in aid of the charity "Inspire"

14:30 Army v Navy for the Rundle Cup

16:00 Indian Cavalry Officers' Association Trophy

Other attractions include :
Trade stands
Refreshments

Everyone welcome : Entry is free for Pedestrians

All the way from Canada !

Greetings to Phillip Morgan from Whitehorse, Yukon in the North of Canada who is, so far, the person who lives the furthest away from here who has contacted Drumbeat via the website !

Philip, who is a Ranger Sergeant in the Canadian Ranger Patrol Group, commented about the website :

"Some interesting articles - I will be back to read more !"

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Drumbeat Noticeboard



Tidworth Junior Youth Club AWS Hall at the TLC

18:00 - 20:00 Call Jimi on 602191
Children's Discos 6 July 04
18:10-19:00 5 - 8s, 19:15-20:00 9-12s

Bulford Village Fun Day

Saturday 10 July 12:30 - 17:00
Village Hall Recreation Ground
Starts with a car boot sale at 12:30
Also : Mountain bike stunt show,
Peterkin the Fool, Ringwood Pipe
Band, Bulford dance troupe,
Taekwondo display, stalls, beer tent,
bouncy assault course, BBQ ...
Everyone Welcome

Music in the Air

Saturday 31 July
Gates open 17:00 - Bring a picnic !
Show begins 19:15
Tickets from The Museum of Army
Flying : 01980 674421
and www.musicintheair.co.uk

Tidworth in Bloom

Judging will take place this month
Call 01980 - 846693 for details

Tidworth Link Scheme AGM

Monday 12 July 2004 19:30
Wylve Road Community Centre

Tidworth Residents' Forum

Monday 19 July 2004 19:00
Wylve Road Community Centre
Hear the latest about the
Castledown Business Park site

Ludgershall Residents' Forum

Tuesday 20 July 2004 19:00
Ludgershall Scout Hall

Job Vacancies

at Tidworth Polo Club
Grooms : Full or part time
Free Riding :
help exercise the polo ponies.
Helpers at the Stables
Call Jax 846661 or Muriel 846705

AWS Job Vacancies

Deputy Supervisors :
Perham Down Preschool 603527
St Andrews Preschool, Tidworth
Call 602539
Noah's Ark Under 5s, Bulford
Call 673479
Getaway After School Club,
Bulford Call 673355
Key Workers :
Caterpillars Preschool, Tidworth
Call 602460
Noah's Ark Under 5s, Bulford
Call 673479
Call Chris on 01980 - 673379

Tidworth Leisure Centre

Centre Opening Times

Monday - Friday 09:00 - 21:00
Saturdays 08:00 - 19:00
Sundays 08:00 - 21:00

Telephone : 01980 - 847 140

General Manager : 602030

Outside Pitch Bookings : 603416

Library Opening Times :

Mon 14:00 - 17:00
Tues & Thurs 14:00 - 19:00
Wed & Fri 10:00 - 17:00
Sat 10:00 - 13:00

Call: 01980 - 843460 or 602568

Oasis Café Opening Times :

Mon - Thurs 10:00 - 19:00
Fri - Sun 10:00 - 17:00

HIVE Opening Times :

Mon - Fri 09:00 - 15:00
Call Gillian Hansell on 602224

Busy Bees Crèche : 603160

Caterpillars Pre-School : 602460

JD After School Club : 602019

Purity Beauty Salon :

Mon - Sat 9:00 - 20:00
Call Yvonne on 07958 - 911 928

Physiotherapy & Sports Injuries :

For appointments, call in or phone
Physiotherapy : 07768 - 737646
Sports Therapy : 07811 - 358101

Larkhill Garrison Fête

1 August 2004 11:00 - 17:00
Trade Stands - Arena Events
Falconry Display - Massed Bands
The Black Knights (RA Freefall
Parachute Display Team)
Everyone Welcome

Rundle Cup

10 July Full details inside ...

AWS Summer Activities

July & Aug Full details inside ...

Party in the Park

14 July 15:15 - 18:30
Zouch Primary School, Tidworth

Ordnance House

Fun Factory Crèche

Phone Marie on 602398

Hairdresser

Call Chris or Sharon on 842492
Wednesday Activity Mornings
for accompanied pre-school
children. Start 10:00

Open Days

Salisbury College, Salisbury
20 July 11:00-17:00 & 26 Aug 14:00-19:00

The Haig Centre, Bulford

Day Care Nursery Call 672331
Parents & Toddlers Call 672700
Getaway After School Club
Ages 5-13 15:00-18:00 Call 673355
Thriff Shop Call 673355
Term time Thursdays 9:30 - 13:00
Bulford Youth Club
Tuesdays 17:00 - 18:30 5 - 8s
1845 - 20:45 9 - 13s
Call Paul Wood on 01980 - 672105
Bulford Scout Group Call 633494

The Beeches

Families Centre, Bulford

Call Michelle : 01980 - 672342

JJ's Beauty Salon

Call Jo on 01980 - 597 679
Hairdresser : Curl up and Dye
Tanning Studio now open.
Call Lisa on 01980 - 590 020

Noah's Ark Under 5s

Call Denise on 673479
Little Rascals Parent & Toddler
Tues & Thurs 10:30 - 12:00
Call Denise on 597843

Pilates Courses

Call 595502 (day) or 590374 (pm)
The Bistro
Mon - Fri 10:00 - 14:00

The Beeches is available for hire
for functions & children's parties.

Bulford HIVE

7 Kandy Road, Bulford Camp
Open Mon - Fri 9:30 - 13:30
Call Jackie Bird on 672109

Stay with the beat !

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