Welcome to the Defence Forces Internal Communication Digest (ICD). The Defence Forces Internal Communications Team, will deliver accurate and timely information of interest to our members in order to increase awareness of current and future developments across the organisation.

This month’s ICD along with all DF social media platforms and our online ‘Member’s Area’ will allow information of interest to be distributed across the DF. Our Member’s Area on www.military.ie, has been launched to allow personnel to access information whilst off-duty.

For further information on matters which directly affect you, or if you wish to feature in next months ‘Issue’ please e-mail internal.communication@df.mil.ie.

Defence Forces Values Awards 2019 – Nominations Now Open

All serving military personnel can be considered for an award without regard to experience, rank, age or gender.

The nomination form, when completed, should be forwarded to your Unit Commander who will forward ALL nominations, through the Brigade/Formations Sgts Majors.

Nomination forms can be downloaded from ION – All nominations to be submitted before 31 October 2019.

Army News

The ‘Corp of Engineers is about to take delivery of a new High Mobility Engineer Excavator (HMEE). The Defence Forces placed the contract to purchase the HMEE from JCB mid-2018 and the vehicle is currently in final assembly with delivery due in October. The Corps of Engineers already has one HMEE in operational deployment with the Engineer Section, 59 Brigade, UNDOF.

DF Sports Events Calendar

In preparation for the GISM Championships, O COS (SP) details for training camps for competing teams have been signed to allow best possible preparations for their respective event. All teams have now departed for China and are back at full strength very much.


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History In The Making

Brig Gen Maureen O’ Brien recently became the first female promoted to General rank.

Brig Gen O’ Brien then inspected an Honour Guard, drawn from the 59th Inf Gp Irish Corps. She is deployed to UNDOF HQ, where she holds the position of Deputy Force Commander.

Brig Gen O’ Brien was greeted on her arrival by the Chief of Staff Col Luis E Coitino. Brig Gen Maureen O’ Brien recently became the first female promoted to General rank.

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Director of Transport

Ceremonial Calendar

Operations

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