Lakeland Forum Bomb 18th May 1984

SEFF remembers Thomas Henry Agar, 35-years-old, married to Sheila with 1 child (Craig) and a soldier with the Royal Regiment of Fusiliers holding the rank of Corporal, whose Anniversary falls today. Cpl Agar was murdered by PIRA terrorists 33 years ago on 18th May 1984.

Thomas Agar is depicted on SEFF's Quilt and the family are members of the organisation.

SEFF also remembers Robert Huggins, 29-years-old, married with 3 children and a soldier with the Royal Regiment of Fusiliers holding the rank of Lance-Corporal.

Both soldiers were murdered as a consequence of an IRA device that had been left under their car near the Enniskillen Leisure Centre. LCPL.

Peter Gallimore died of his injuries exactly 5 months to the day later, on 18th October 1984. There was a 4th soldier, Clive Aldridge who was also injured in the incident, Clive suffered live changing wounds and only died in recent years.

The soldiers were all based at Ballykelly and were taking part in an annual Sealink Classic angling competition. They had finished their fishing and returned to their car at 5:30PM and as the car moved, the bomb exploded.

The roof of the car was blown some 50 yards by the explosion. A Sun newspaper angling correspondent was about 100 yards from the explosion and saw the explosion. He said: "when I reached the car park I could only stand there stunned. One man was sprawling on the ground with his clothes on fire and another was lying motionless in a pool of blood. People were screaming and running in all directions".

CPL. Agar was from Jarrow in the north east of England, LCPL. Huggins was from Gorton near Manchester and LCPL Gallimore was from Farnworth in Bolton.

SEFF continues to provide Advocacy-based support to the families.

SEFF's thoughts and prayers are with the Agar, Gallimore and Huggins families this day and everyday.