

# Assault Pioneer Platoon - 1992

Thank you for stopping on this page to smell the roses and indulge yourself in the Pioneer article. We commend you on your good choice of subject matter.

1992 was a busy year for PNR PL, the highlights being the LFX and watermanship. While many people think it is an easy life in PNR PL in fact quite the reverse is true.

On watermanship week we had to endure 40 degree heat with only the cool waters at Cowley Beach to ease our pain. On K92 we had to eat ration packs for 1 out of 5 meals. On the LFX we didn't have good reception on our TV during the shooting. We didn't get to go on the first phase of Maxi-Beagle, and to cap off a hard year only 2 of us went on Swift Eagle. Now try to look us in the eye and say we have it easy.

Of the many jobs we did around the Bn two rate special mention. Firstly the Bn dark room for the indomitable PTE Boczan. This was achieved with very little fuss, and at very little cost to the Bn. Secondly the Bn Obs Cse which we had at 100% for Mil-Skills. Creating those couple of extra obstacles was the least we could do.

Leaving the PL this year are (excusing rank): McCarter, Sievers, Shirt, and Haines. Of special note to leave us are Harro, Barry Pickering, Lenny Logan, and Paul Nemme. SGT Lenny Logan will be leaving us for the last time as he heads for the delights and bright lights of Pucka.

Married this year were Strongy, Rosey and Spike Carlin - congratulations to them and their wives Kylie, Lisa, and Tracey.

Mention should also be made of our guests in Pioneers this year; Herbert Burdekin, Ross River (MIA), and Mount Elliot. These welcome members of the PL brought joy and sustenance to us all.

Thank you also to P&D for their melodic strings throughout the year.

Finally the 1992 awards went to ....

- Best Player - PTE Patterson for service to PNR PL both on and off the field.
- Runner-Up - PTE Ellerton for just being NIGE.
- Most Consistent - PTE Rosier the Bogan.
- Services to the tobacco industry - CPL Hicks, PTE Squires, and PTE 'Spike' Carlin.
- The Joint Absence Award - CPLs Nemme, Hicks and Pickering, LCPLs Murphy and Harris. We survived.

**" We're Pioneers, we drink more beers!..."**



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