

River. This proved a valuable learning experience for all as we became more proficient using live ammunition.

The third week saw the Company involved in adventure training with two activities being conducted. The first was rafting, under Lt Nick Everingham, on the fast-flowing Kemp-Welsh River. This was a true adventure for all involved. The second activity was the more difficult Coastal Survival under Lt's Anton Kuruc and Brad Horn. The locals along the coast to the South of Port Moresby displayed magnificent hospitality so that in the end it was not really a survival exercise after all.

The final few days overseas saw the Company play IRPR and Murray Barracks, headquarters of the PNG DF, in Rugby and Australian Rules. Although the latter were beaten convincingly by more fleet footed opponents, the Rugby Team, playing a virtual PNG DF side continued their unbeaten international record with a nail biting and extremely hard fought 9-7 victory.

The next memorable event on the Company's agenda from a military perspective was the Battalion Exercise "Maad Beagle" from the 9th to the 22nd August. It began with the company being inserted by air into Cloncurry then making its way North to the thriving metropolis of Gunpowder. Furthermore, who will forget Pte "Sly" Smith's attempt to emulate Peter Wherret in a Prentie 110. From Gunpowder we travelled north and eventually captured Bourketown, where we spent a few days of the last week. This certainly provided invaluable experience for the company in coming to grips with living with the indigenous local population, none more so than Pte "Ruddy" Rudeforth who proved a real hit.

September saw duties again and Brigade Stand-down. A welcome break for all after an arduous eight months. On

return however, it was back to the grindstone with a week at the High Range on a live firing exercise. From this it was obvious how far we, as a company, had progressed professionally since January. One memorable event was Pte "Vinny" Keough's confrontation with the back blast of the 84mm SRAAW.

October will see us embark on the Brigade Exercise "Swift Eagle" at Shoalwater Bay Training Area. For the rest of the year the majority of the Company will be involved on courses.

Turning to sport this year the Company acquitted itself well with the highlights being a first in the inter-company touch, for the third year in a row. Thanks to the efforts of LCpl Colin Dixon and Cpl Chuck Walker. Seconds were gained in the Swimming, Cricket and Athletics with special mention of LCpl "Maca" McCarthy who won the shot putt and javelin and was named the Battalion's champion athlete. Thirds were gained in the Australian Rules, Hockey and the Rugby. In regard to the latter who will forget the game against Charlie Company where, in the second half, we ran in try after try to flog the opposition to note. On this occasion SSgt Gary Jear, who whilst playing in the centres had an absolute "blinder" of a game.

In conclusion, one could say 1988 was a successful year indeed both militarily and sportingly. Bravo Company can always hold its head high that we gave our best. If this year is any indication of what is to come, next year should be bigger than Ben Hur's surprise 21st birthday party. One parting comment: "He who fights one more round is never beaten."

Nominal Roll - B Coy

COB

Maj Standen
 Capt Griffin
 WO2 Sebenik
 SSgt Jear
 Cpl Ryan
 LCpl McCarthy
 Pte Holmes
 Pte Young
 Cpl Dalton
 Pte Boxall
 Pte Frost
 Pte Lloyd
 Pte McLean
 Pte O'Connor

4 Platoon

Lt Smith
 Sgt Price
 Cpl Lampard
 Cpl Thomas
 Cpl Walker
 LCpl Bowen
 LCpl Dixon
 LCpl Lewis
 Pte Bennett
 Pte Bielleman
 Pte Bolton
 Pte Collingwood
 Pte Ely
 Pte Jackson
 Pte Johnson
 Pte Keely
 Pte Krough
 Pte Kruger
 Pte Lawson
 Pte Marthick
 Pte Nelson
 Pte Ramos
 Pte Rewell
 Pte Robertson
 Pte Sheffield
 Pte Smith
 Pte Snijders
 Pte Taylor
 Pte Thompson
 Pte Walker
 Pte West
 Pte Wharton
 Pte Ziernickl

5 Platoon

Lt Horn
 Sgt Bain
 Cpl Kemp
 Cpl Reichow
 Cpl Schwartz
 LCpl Maxwell
 LCpl Punchard
 Pte Blackhurst
 Pte Bowman
 Pte Brown
 Pte Clark
 Pte Doherty
 Pte Duncan
 Pte Dunn
 Pte Florian
 Pte Giles
 Pte Heaswood
 Pte Johnson
 Pte Keough
 Pte Malone
 Pte McGuffin
 Pte Newman
 Pte Nicholls
 Pte Revell
 Pte Rhodes
 Pte Roach
 Pte Rumble
 Pte Smith
 Pte Squires
 Pte Wilkinson

6 Platoon

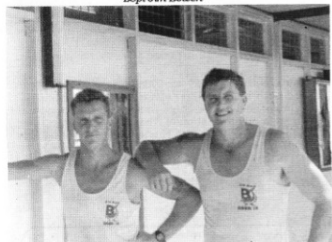
Lt Everingham
 Sgt Eyward
 Cpl Grovener
 Cpl Heron
 Cpl Walker
 LCpl Brown
 LCpl Clark
 LCpl Page
 Pte Ashworth
 Pte Bennett
 Pte Betar
 Pte Buss
 Pte Cogan
 Pte Comerford
 Pte Connal
 Pte Dawson
 Pte Hawken
 Pte Hobson
 Pte Horne
 Pte Howe
 Pte Hungerford
 Pte Ingram
 Pte Lanagan
 Pte Leeflang
 Pte Lyons
 Pte McCarter
 Pte Moran
 Pte Rudeforth
 Pte Warwick
 Pte White
 Pte Williams
 Pte Young



LCpl Jim Bowen



Raincoats on Parade



Staff Jear and LCpl McCarthy



"That's what happens if you hit 2 kangaroos!"



SNAP!



Cpl Schwartz



Pte Hungerford after parachute descent