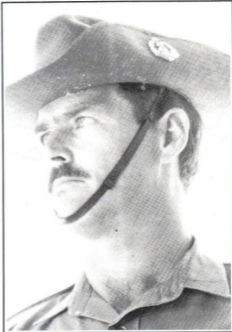




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 Pte R.N. Wadforth

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 Pte N.S. Biacci
 LCpl M.R. Turnbull

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 Pte D.J. Bennett
 Pte S.J. Edwards
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Cpl P.J. Williams
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 Pte M.S. Bowman
 Pte A.J. Fitzgerald
 Pte C.E. Jackson
 Pte D.P. Keough
 Pte A.M. Lowes
 Pte D.J. Rose

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 Pte W.F. Voegler

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Cpl R.P. Holmes
 LCpl P.G. Lee
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 Pte I.A. MacGregor
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 Pte R.C. Scanlon

9 Platoon

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 Pte D.S. Trill

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 Pte N.J. Scoggins
 Pte B.J. Thun

Charlie Company

Charlie Company started 1987 with a bang. A two week introduction to the Field Force Battle School at Tully. Some members of the company were not experienced in the jungle and found themselves living in an environment very different from those they were familiar with at Kapooka and Singleton. Tully lived up to its reputation, and we found ourselves continually wet. Although the flora and weather were not to everybody's liking we performed the basic infantry skills as required.

Some minor injuries occurred. The usual quota of twisted ankles and knees and a few cases of "gymple". One soldier was stung in the genital region and his pit mate, strangely enough, had been stung by the same plant on the mouth.

After a few E.T.S., Charlie found themselves on Battalion bush week, at Bluewater. The "walk-in" was a particular success for, although hot weather, Charlie Company had no casualties. Part of the exercise proved to be embarrassing for a certain recently arrived platoon commander, who found himself (along with his platoon) in the wrong grid square and somewhat "geographically embarrassed" for a short time.

Next on the agenda was a week long navigational exercise at Dotswood. The Company split into three man groups and, although the majority of the company were successful, two groups decided to "use their initiative" and wait by the side of the road for the safety vehicle to pick them up early on the last day.

"Big Ralph" was the next exercise. It involved live firing attacks and the company was excited to once again experience rounds whizzing in all directions (hoping none would miss the intended target). We then said goodbye to the OC and CSM who were off "down south" on courses. The jovial Capt. Paterson took charge of the company for the next six weeks.

The CSM's last words before he left were, "I want that rifle on my desk when I get back man". It was a pity that he was not there to see the excellent performance of the company during Mil Skills week. Particularly good efforts were put in by the men of Cpl Lewis, Cpl Mills, Cpl Harrison and Cpl Stanton. Charlie once again came first in the battalion as a company (Hal hal Delta).

Due to unforeseen circumstances, Charlie did not do as well as expected in the Battalion Cross Country (wait till next year Delta).

The Company had a great time during N.B.C. week putting our lungs with copious quantities of CS gas. A splendid time was had by all.

We were all astounded to hear the Company would have a chance to throw white phos grenades but, due to financial cut-backs, not all could share the excitement of Anti-Armour week.

The Battalion Birthday Parade was enjoyable for all. Afterwards, at the Battalion Ball, all members of the company had the opportunity to indulge in a favourite pastime, drinking. Overall, the celebrations were a great success.

Back to work and "Pythic Victory" was the next exercise. The Company was pleased to patrol their AO's in over sized "weimer bins".

This was followed by "Eager Eagle", an exercise with a difference. There we had the chance to experience both open and closed country warfare in the one exercise. During the exercise, the intrepid Cpl Mills came to a creek near the Burdekin River. After reconnaissance he decided on a tactical water crossing. Because of the distance that had to be swam, and the steep, sharp banks on either side, his gear, wrapped in a hutchie, unwrapped during the crossing and sank. Cpl Mills, experienced soldier that he is, grabbed his rifle, but the rest of his gear sunk to the bottom, including his boots. The "immortals" found it hard to restrain from laughing, and the exercise stopped while a new pair of boots were delivered by helicopter next morning.

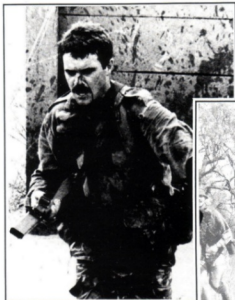
Exercise "Swift Eagle" was notable for the live firing company attack on Picaninny Airstrip, during which 7 Pl assaulted through a "wall of flame". The exercise was also remarkable for the fact that 8 Pl went bush and returned with a full platoon. Amazingly, they lost no one through illness, injury, personal problem or sporting commitments.

A well deserved break during standown, and Charlie were all eager to become marksmen on range week at Mt Vinca. Congratulations to all 21 members that earned the crossed rifles.

In the second annual "King of the Mountain" Competition, Pte Weir and Pte W.L. Smith proved to be the fittest and best "Mountain Men" in the Company. Other "different" training involved a game of "Skirmish". The day was for those who were quick and accurate, and many were not so quick. Red food dye was the most common stain on our greens and much bruised skin was evident by the end of the day. The competition was won by Pte Mackie's section, the section with most kills.

All in all Charlie company's performance during the year was characterized by great company spirit. Watch out for "the Greenies" next year.





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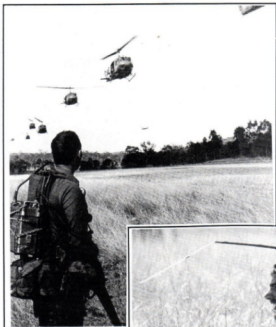
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