

## CHAPTER 1

### Introducing B Company 4 RAR

B Company 4 RAR was formed on 1 February 1954 at Woodside, South Australia. It saw service during confrontation in Borneo from 25 April 1966 to 4 September 1966. Service in South Vietnam has included two tours of duty:—

May 1968 to May 1969.

Our tour, 1 May 1971 to 16 December 1971.

On completion of its first tour in South Vietnam 4 RAR was stationed at Enoggera until December 1969 when it moved to Townsville.

Our spell in Townsville was taken up with a fairly intensive training programme in which B Company excelled in going short of water at High Range and living off the land at Mt. Spec. The Company also suffered the rigours of the Jungle Training Centre at Canungra, emerging as the best company in 4 RAR.

At the moment of writing, the company has 3 days and a wakey to go before embarking on HMAS Sydney. We arrive Townsville about 17 December 1971, and finally Sydney 20 December 1971.

Our last troops in country will be the CQMS (rear party due to depart 16 December 1971) and Pte J. R. Hawke, who because of leave arrangements, departs 21 December 1971.

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