

BATTALION BIRTHDAY WEEK

And what a week it was!

The Battalion undertook a boxing night, a games night, a Battalion parade, a Freedom of the City parade and a Church parade followed by the Battalion Ball. And it only took four days!

The boxing night once again proved to be a most successful event with pugilists of varying degrees of skill practising the sweat out for the benefit of the Battalion. The Scopio Lodge Boxing Club was induced in the night as onlookers witnessed some very skillful boxing.

The three messes once again fought out the games night at the Edgar Towner VC Club without money. The overall winners were the soldiers of the ETVC Club.

The Battalion parade was conducted as the sun set. A very impressive display of drill and firing volleys culminated in a fireworks display as night fell. Those on parade were heartily congratulated for their efforts by the Colonel Commandant MAJGEN A.L. MORRISON, AO, DSO, MBE who also took the opportunity of presenting WO2 'Jock' Gall his warrant.

On the final day the Battalion exercised the right to the Freedom of the City of Townsville followed by the Church parade at the St. James Anglican Cathedral.

The close of celebrations was the annual Battalion Ball where everyone involved found time to relax and enjoy.



CSM D on the ball



Colour Party Church Parade



(Left) The Colonel Commandant MAJ GEN A.L. Morrison, AO, DSO, MBE opens the Historical Collection.



Padre Curnow on patrol

(Below) CPL Drayton discussing Recon techniques with PTE "Blue" Oldham

