

# MILITARY SKILLS COMPETITION — 1982

## THE COMPETITION 22 - 26 NOVEMBER, 1982

*'Blood, Sweat and Tears'*

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Trophies for the champion company, champion platoon and champion section at military skills were competed for from 22 November to 26 November. Changes to the competition from 1981 were the deletion of the military quiz and the addition of a platoon from Admin Coy to the groups competing. Stricter laws regarding selection and makeup of section were introduced to 'regularize' alleged darts interpretation of laws which had permitted Support Coy to maintain a winning streak through 1980 and 1981. The Support Coy platoon which did not take part in the competition was SFMG platoon which was absent supporting the OCS Field Exercise. Trophies were presented at the Battalion Parade on 3 December, 1982.

### THE RESULT

#### 'END OF AN ERA?'

As the competition had not commenced prior to the preparation of this article for printing, the result was not known. Disclosed form of previous years would indicate that a 'two-horse' race between Support Coy and C Coy was the most likely result. However Support Coy's grip is certainly threatened by the absence of SFMG platoon and the stricter requirement for section organisation. C Coy has been at the top for a couple of years and maybe the time has come for another challenge to emerge. The amount of time the 'bush babies' of B Coy have spent away from camp this year has obviously effected the judgement of those who should know! Of a poll conducted on 3 November each tipster included B Coy in their first three choices.

### TIPSTERS POLL

TIPSTER	'Barra'	'Off-side'	'Centurion'	'Blaze'	'Bern-borough'	'Foreman'	'Impartial'
FIRST	SPT	B	B	A	D	C	SPT
SECOND	C	A	SPT	B	C	SPT	A
THIRD	B	SPT	C	SPT	B	B	B



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