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CANNON FODDER



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Due to the popularity of last years newsletter and the editor winning the defamation and slander case put to the court's by Gnr "Attila" Power and Lbdr "Diamond Sumo" Shunwah, the bty rag is off and running again to bring you all the latest gossip and stories which arise throughout the year.

As you are now aware of we have had a change of ARA staff. On behalf of the Battery we wish to welcome abroad the following members and hope you enjoy your new posting.

- OPSO/BC** Maj O'Brien
- ADJT** Capt Eyland
- RMO** Capt Izard
- RSM** WO1 Kelly
- TECH SGT** Sgt Wilkenson
- TST** Cpl Maroney

Also joining the Battery are the following members

- Recruit Alvin Salloman
- Recruit Martin Marosszky
- Gnr Gus Elgersma ex ARA cloud puncher
- Pte Donna Hogan ex ARA medic
- Lbdr Dave Collier ex chook bty
- Cpl Sis Morcombe ex 28 bty (who is shortly swapping with Sgt Glen Milham due to travelling difficulties)
- Lt See on temporary loan from 113

Again, we wish you all a happy stay in HQ and Glen a stress free life at 28.
Congratulations from the power group to the below members who successfully completed courses late last year.
Gnrs McClelland & Mills Drivers course
Pte Demoulin Storeman Tech

Bdr Baggerman Sub 1 Sgt

Hopefully by now your Tp Comd /Tp Sgt have spoken to you regarding your Gres future for the next 12 months and course nominations. This year is another individual training year so this is the year to get that subject /promotion course up your sleeve.

🌟🌟 BSM'S REMINDERS 🌟🌟

Compliments to all Offr's and WO's

Watch your 70 ARTD limit (no soldier is to go over 70 days **without prior approval**)

Physical Fitness

Leave apps 2 weeks notice required

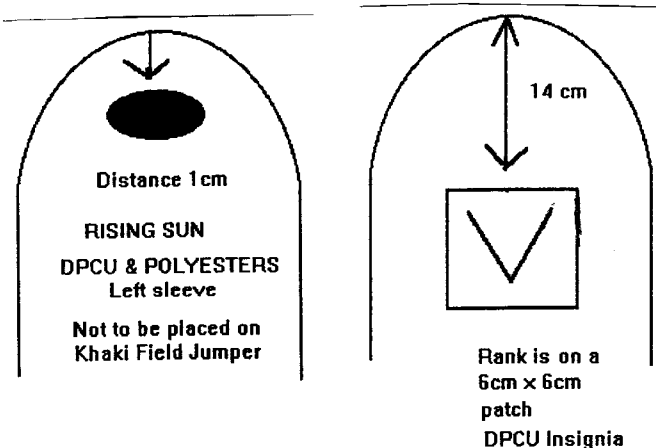
If you can't make a Parade **ring up** on Pymble 488 9311

For the Adjt knock off is 2200 hours

Ensure you have a copy of the latest yearly planner

Read the notice board (or at least look at the pictures)

How to wear Rank & Rising Suns



If you are wearing them incorrectly **FIX THEM**

The ed wishes to congratulate Gnr Stretch Kohlhausen (6 years) and Gnr Ping McClelland (3 years) on their recent presentation of Service certificates. Well done fella's, I hope to see a few more members achieve this milestone in the upcoming years and remember if you do 15 years of **efficient** service you get the Reserve Forces Medal.

UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL

- 2, 16, 23, 30 Tues nights
13 Pymble Depot opening
25 Anzac Day

MAY

- 7, 21, 28 Tues nights
25 & 26 Small Arms & CFA

Plus the usually courses weekends

FOR SALE



1 IPC Notebook computer c/w Bubble Jet printer, Military software and children's games. Last used by recently promoted officer. \$1,500 ONO. Will separate if need be. Member travelling overseas. Contact BK HQ Bty.

ED's HELP LINE

Dear Ed,

I have problems when I try to erect my 292 it just won't stay up. Can you provide some advice on how to keep it erected.
Sgd Gnr Mills

Answer: This sounds to be a personal problem, go see the Padre.

Dear Ed,

I am continuously having nightmares about Gnr Mills making RCP brews what can I do.
Sgd BSM

Answer: Transfer him to 2 Commando Company

Dear Ed,

I am continually referred to as a Cockroach by my work mates. How do I stop them.
Sgd Anom

Answer: Buy a shotgun and waste them

A Soldiers five on Cam Poles.

Secrets of CNSS

For those few warriors who missed the original advice, here it is again.

Things to remember are:

- Use a **minimum of one set of CNSS for each two Camm Nets.**
- Don't make your structure higher than **4.5 metres**, as the CNSS is not designed to build garages or castles, it is designed to hide you from the bad guys.
- The higher you erect the nets the greater the effect of wind on the net sails you have created.
- The higher the structure the greater the chance of creating spears. For the boffins among our readers, remember the inverse square law.
- Tests show that to break the average 1.5 metre pole enough force has been applied to move one end of the pole off its natural axis by about 0.9 of a metre.
- Due to the nature of wood, occasional failures can be expected but an inspection before use should eliminate them.

For your own safety, inspect the Camm Poles before and after use.

Inspections

- ☉ reject any pole that has knots or splits in the grain;
- ☉ ensure poles are made from straight grained wood;
- ☉ check the condition of the paint finish and repaint as required to preserve the pole's integrity; and
- ☉ Destroy any defective poles and replace with new items.

NOTE

- Do not repaint suspect poles.
- Poorly repainted poles will be difficult to inspect.
- Cross grain or spiral grain woods are acceptable as long as the slope of the grain is less than 1 in 15.

Care and Maintenance of CNSS

- The wooden poles will deteriorate when they are water logged or left in the sun for long periods of time. To prevent this, store them off the ground in a dry covered area.
- Use the correct number of CNSS per net and check them before and after use. This should reduce the number of poles scaring soldiers to one or two unplanned changes of underwear per year.
- Remember, Camm Poles are cheap, if in doubt - chuck it out. Wood was chosen for the Camm poles so it would break before any other part of the system and be easy to dispose of and replace.
- It is not a matter of whether they break but **when**. Take care, inspect them and be aware of their limitations ... Happy Camming.