BHQ ORDERLY ROOM



It's been a busy year, in the Battalion's second year of operation for the staff of the BHQ Orderly Room, our cups runneth over in the first half of 1996 with plenty of March Ins to build Charlie and Admin Companies up in strength. Of course there was also the preparation for Bravo Company's deployment to Malaysia.

Many people within the Battalion have asked "Does the Chief have a home, or does he sleep, in his office?". We put this to the Chief one night when we saw that one lonely light was on in BHQ (the Duty Officer was asleep) and he simply replied "I really have to get my watch fixed, I was wondering where everyone was!".

It has also come to our attention that when anyone wants to use the photocopier or (heaven forbid!) lean on the counter, that **Sergeant Cust** really does turn a lovely shade of red, and trembles so violently that Sydney University have, on numerous occasions, called to inform us that this area hit a 3 on the Richter Scale, and we were registered as the epicentre.

We sometimes question our judgement in regard to the mental stability of our OJT clerks. For example, Private Lilly had a motorbike accident on a 250cc motorcycle, when he recovered he went out and got a 1100cc motorcycle, he has since been swiped by a car, and hit a Big Red kangaroo whilst returning from standdown (he lost!) a true 'Temporary Australian'. Private Lindgren who we have affectionately nicknamed 'J.R.' (after the series Dallas) because if anything can go wrong, it will go wrong for him. Just ask him, he will tell you all about it. Private Medlyn, well, we occasionally see him, now and then, when he's not taking time off for something or other. When he is here you will find him stressing over the ration returns, Good Ol' Meds! Private Scott now ensures that he has at least 8 hours sleep before driving to work of a morning, and he has also recently taken over the Administration Company Orderly Room job. Corporal Lear is best known for his unique statements such as "How are we today, Stormtroopers of Death?" and other colourful phrases, and he is now the administrator of the mighty Alpha Company.

The following personnel have departed, or are departing 4RAR this year, they are, WO2 Quigg - Housing (what a job), CPL Phillips - discharged, LCPL Lattey - discharged, CPL Blake - posted GS Div AHQ, PTE Medlyn - discharge early 1997, and CPL Clayton - discharged.

COMMON PHRASES HEARD IN BHQ

WO2 Quigg: "What do you want the keys for?"

SGT 'Rusty Kusty' Cust: "What are you doing here?" (to anyone at the counter)

CPL 'Jaffa' Phillips: "Not my problem, I can only do 6 hours!"

CPL 'Monkey Man' Clayton: "I hate.....(insert topic here)

CPL "Liros' Lear: a. "Insqueedly Deedly!"

b. "Good morning, you Dogs of War!"

CPL 'Lik, Lik' Bosnjak: "Yes sir! and do you take sugar with your brew?"

CPL 'Joe' Blake: "Can you please talk up I am taping this conversation!"

PTE (FB) Scott: "When do I go to Admin Company??????"

PTE Lilly: "Sarge....I had another accident!"

PTE Medlyn: "I just need a few hours off."

PTE 'J.R.' Lindgren: "Everyone's against me!!"

