



FOREWORD

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1984 has passed quickly and successfully for the Battalion.

The major training event was undoubtedly Exercise "NORTHERN WARRIOR" in August/September. During this exercise we tackled a number of different activities involving APC training, air mobile operations, live firing, defence and operations in close country. We also participated in a Brigade attack.

The presentation of new 4RAR Colours by the Governor General in October was the ceremonial highlight of the year. On the same weekend we also laid up the old Colours and dedicated our memorial to those soldiers of 2RAR and 4RAR who have died on active service.

During the year we participated in all 3 Bde sports and competitions regaining the Rugby Trophy amongst other successes.

B Coy also enjoyed a month in Hawaii and A Coy will deploy to Butterworth, Malaysia for a three month tour in December.

As I leave the Battalion may I thank all those who have worked so loyally and so hard to retain and improve our reputation in 1984. May I also wish you, and your families and friends, a happy and safe Christmas season.