

Intelligence Section

Nestled deep in the dungeons of the museum, amidst dusty training pamphlets, grubby old maps and miles of tangled fup marking tape, the Battalion Intelligence Section remains the Unit "seed of knowledge" in 1991.

Our first mission in 1991 was the trialling of the computer designed, all weather, bullet proof macho, section "Int is Edge" T-shirt. Some original members of the section found the T-shirt distasteful. Hence, we were forced to farewell:

CPL Smith
PTE Barrit-Eyles
PTE Nitschke

Meanwhile, other Battalion members clamoured to wear the shirt, in much the same way as other people urge to wear para wings or the SAS hat badge. Soon we gained several new section members:

CPL Palmer
LCPL Twomey
PTE Hogben
PTE Monty
PTE Boczan

Full manned, the section sailed through AAAdj Battle Pt, Command Post Exercises and the Battalion Live Fire. Then, whilst lurking through the frosty jungles of Mount Spec, each man came to understand why he had the edge:

CAPT "Sleepy" Smith searched for the longest nightly intsum.

SGT "Grumpy" Lewis had nightmares about a monster made of hutchie cord that tried to trap him in a fup.

CPL "Telecom" Palmer was concerned about the lack of phone home telephone booths in the jungle.

LCPL "General" Twomey exposed himself to enemy fire in an attempt to relay the CO's orders.

PTE "Bubbles" Rogers searched for a paddock large enough to make his next Cecil B. Demille mud map.

PTE "Bashful" Boczan actually smiled when the trucks arrived at Exercise end.



The "Boys"

PTE "Harry Belefonte" Monty wondered why he had joined Int Section to do gun picquet with SGT Chester.

PTE "Timex" Hogben actually arrived on time for the exercise start.

"EXERCISE MAXI-BEAGLE" behind them, Int Section went on to "EXERCISE FAULTY TOWERS" to rehearse air and foot movement.

At least our GP boots took off and landed on time.

The road ahead looks good with the Int Dutyman's Course and K92 on the Agenda. The Section appreciates all support from Unit members received during 1991.

Watch out for the Fup cylume stick and new T-shirt in 1992.