

guided shoot around corners 66mm SRAAW's dandy by jove? Hope Staff can get those in the Q store.

Highlights:

- ❖ The "Splat Cat" SGT being told a few home truths by Mick Craig and Jim Petrie which sank him on the spot.
- ❖ Hawk's advising a D.S. with a burst of automatic fire at point blank range. Now who's dead?@#*(&%
What's going on?
When do we go home?
Where the XXXX is the enemy?
Where the XXXX are the choppers?
Where the XXXX are 3RAR?

As a finale to the year, adventure training will be conducted on the Cape York Peninsula. The theme is "survival", and with it being run by the Boss and ex "Sneaky Peak" JJ Newton anything can and probably will happen. The photos should be quite interesting come next year, only the names will be changed to protect the innocent.

Goodbyes:

- ❖ Boss heading for the greener pastures of Pioneers.
- ❖ Jim going to the factory to chew up and spit out new recruits.
- ❖ Chev to DFSW to practice the fine art of enfilade fire from a defilade position.
- ❖ To all the above best of luck in their new

endeavours.

Things we'd like to see:

- ❖ Shonk - Do something by the book or at least legal.
- ❖ Nico - Listen to Jeremy Jordan.
- ❖ Rowie - Marry Tas.
- ❖ Tas - Marry Rowie.
- ❖ Keepey - Track.
- ❖ Cav - Wear aftershave.
- ❖ Litchi - With a woman, any woman.
- ❖ Ready - Go fishing.
- ❖ Beno - Speak.
- ❖ Pedler - Wear a muzzle.
- ❖ Dusty - Chill out.
- ❖ JJ - White.
- ❖ Mac, C. - Fed.
- ❖ Mac, J. - Spend money on something other than his car.
- ❖ Mac, K. - Lose his ridiculous bush hat.
- ❖ Parra - Spend some money, his own.
- ❖ Dave - With one girlfriend.
- ❖ Aardvark - Lose his invisibility ring.
- ❖ Tyrrell - Stop talking about subject courses.
- ❖ Merc - Play a whole game of football.
- ❖ Johnno - In the platoon.
- ❖ Hawks - Become a snag.
- ❖ Chev - Sell the truck.
- ❖ Pa - Without a brew.
- ❖ Boss - After PT.

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weapon and pit filling in specialist, he uses his SRAAW to fill in his pit.

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CPL BooBoo Reilly - started his career as the goat handler in another Bn. Recently he has been training to become a mountain warfare expert with little success. LCPL NBC Norton, a weapon dreaded by all. His garlic salt eating habits keep everything a safe distance from the PL position. PTE Toe Cutter Timmins - this is the modern version of an action man, what he can't do isn't worth doing. A master of disguise and intrigue PTE Crash Dummy Vanderhee - Malvern Star's best customer and rumoured to have been in top secret tests with the Volvo Company. PTE Emilio Fildes - an ex mercenary who got his nickname while training the Sandanistas. An expert in all things St Kilda and VB. PTE Yetti Brown - a warrior cut off at the knees at birth so he wouldn't rival Arnie. PTE Spangles Prangell - a man of many secrets and a shady past, rumoured to have escaped from the Foreign Legion. PTE Jim O'Hanlon - came to us

after a secret undercover posting with the IRA. PTE Ben Pullin - a computer genius and the PL's L and D champion. Recently tried to change his identity (card).

CPL Jordy Armstrong - a git sent to us to observe and instruct us on the ways of the RRF for three months. He taught us how to navigate without a map and compass, move around a harbour at night and that silence in a harbour isn't practised in the British Army.

3 Platoon Quotable Quotes:

- ❖ Get your s--- in one sock - CPL Burton.
- ❖ Now, now lets not be sarcastic - the Boss.
- ❖ You may all jest - the AASAM Guru.
- ❖ I thought I'd get in trouble - PTE Pullin.
- ❖ I didn't think you had to be quiet on Low Level Ops - CPL Armstrong.
- ❖ Ah Ha Haaa - PTE Brown imitating the 2IC.
- ❖ Isn't your car registered in NSW? - the Boss and CPL Burton to PTE Boevink.
- ❖ The RSM wants me at rugby training - CPL Harris.