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Much was expected of the Company and hopefully, we lived up to most expectations during the year. We did things in a quiet, unobtrusive way and provided the best within our abilities. It has been at times, difficult, as we have provided much of the support to "experts" who of course, knew just a little too much more than we did. However, through it all we had fun, smiled a lot and soldiered professionally.

In April, the Company enjoyed a weeks sojourn to Atherton and Cairns to fire the RUR Shoot and catch up on some outstanding Route Marching requirements. We participated fully in all the Battalion Exercises throughout the year either as Exercise Support or enemy combatants.

We have had considerable success on the sporting fields throughout the year. This success has been in a large part achieved by our habit of "Peaking" at the right moment and of course understanding the weaknesses of our opponents.

Naturally, in a Company with such diverse talents as ours many faces have come and gone. We were sorry to see our CSM, Darryl Jenkin leave us and the

Army. We are both poorer for it and our thanks to Darryl for his truly professional performance in the Company. We will all miss his sense of humour and his presence. Captains Hawke and Schurmann left for other pastures as did Lieutenants Brough, Harper and Matthews. We thank you all for your efforts and wish you well for the future.

To the fine bunch of NCO's and soldiers of the Company — you have had a good year and worked professionally and well. Your efforts are appreciated lads. We were accused of being the old and bold and indeed if the OC and CQMS are any indication indeed we are. However, we did win the Cross Country and the Swimming, a photo finish with B Company in the Athletics and of course the Touch Football team (Geriatrics on Parade) is undefeated. Perhaps we might win the Schlyder Shield, however, the chances of peaking to win the Military Skills Competition are remote.

To you all — have a great Festive Season and the Best of Luck.



The OC Major KB with a friend during K83



Lcpl Mick Sheepers sells Goffas during K83



The RSO smiling on K83



Lcpl Knapp, Pte Harris and Cpl D Z — K83