Delta Company Responds to Cyclone "Aivu"

Cyclone "Atvu" vented its fury on the Burdekin District on the morning of Tuesday 4 April 1989. The devastation was so great that both the Federal and State Government declared the area a "State of Emergency". Responding to this, Delta Company and its attachments were reacted as the Defence Aid to the Civil Community (DACC) Force to Avr that same afternoon.

The Company established Headquarters at the Ayr Race Course, established communications with both the Ayr Police and the local State Emergency Service Branch, and commenced assisting with clean up operations in both Home Hill and Ayr. Most of our work concentrated on providing assistance with erecting tarpaulins over damaged roofs, while Engineer support was provided to assist in restoring electricity and route clearance.

All emergency tasks were completed by early Friday morning 7 April 1989 and the Company was redeployed to Lavarack Barracks.



D Coy taking the spoils of war



Cpl Ostler's section cover a damaged roof



The lads at work