

# AUSTRALIAN ARMY SKILL ARMS MEETING - THE DREAM TEAM

1994 has been a superb year for the Battalion Shooting Team with a convincing win at AASAM, and the subsequent selection of a number of team members into the Australian Army Shooting Team to compete at International competitions.

In early May a team of 12 firers were chosen, after trials, to travel to Brisbane and represent the Battalion at AASAM. The team performed beyond all expectations, winning AASAM with our closest competitors 1RAR, trailing by about 400 points. The team excelled both as individuals and as a whole. LCPL Davey, PTE Marchment, PTE Munn and CFN Campey also competed as part of the Australian Army Team in the International shoots.

Results from AASAM for the Dream Team were:

- Obstacle Course Teams - 1st and 2nd
- Falling Plate - 1st and 2nd
- Close Quarter Battle - 1st
- Gurkha Machine Gun Shoot - 2nd
- Applied Marksmanship Shoot - 1st
- Snap Practice - 1st
- 3.2km run and shoot - 1st
- Sniper Pairs - 2nd and 4th
- Pistol Teams - 3rd
- Service Rifle Aggregate (day 1) - 1st
- CGS Trophy Aggregate (day 1 and 2) - 1st
- Champion Infantry Battalion RUR Trophy - 1st
- King George Whiskey Shield Major Unit Trophy for Champion Shooting Unit - 1st
- Pistol Falling Plate - 2nd

Individual results were equally impressive at both AASAM and the subsequent Champion Shot of the Army. Out of 500 firers at AASAM and 100 firers at the Champion competition our team members achieved the following results:

- PTE Munn Support Company - 2nd
- LCPL Davey B Company - 11th
- CFN Campey Administration Company - 9th
- PTE Bonnell C Company - 26th
- CPL Regan D Company - 15th
- LCPL Carmichael D Company - 24th
- PTE Marchment Support Company - 86th

Since AASAM a number of members of the team have been selected to represent the Australian Army at an international shooting competition in Little Rock, Colorado, United States. Unfortunately only LCPL Davey and PTE Marchment are still eligible to attend this competition.

To those remaining next year have a safe holiday and be prepared for 1995 to take AASAM 3 in a row.

P.S. To the Battalion Shooting is an excellent way to maintain important soldier skills. The Battalion Team is chosen from scratch every year. There are always vacancies and the possibility of trips both nationally and internationally. Keep trying.

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