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Almighty God, give Your blessing to us, the members of the Royal Australian Corps of Military Police, and help us to be both courageous and courteous. May we, who must uphold the law, be enabled to fulfill our tasks without fear or favour, through Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen

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Typing

All articles are to be typed in **double** space on A4 size paper. Handwritten articles should be the exception as they are more difficult to proof read and adjust.

Style

An article logically constructed which is simple and easy to read is always acceptable. Purely military abbreviations should be avoided unless they are in common usage.

Photographs

Sharp black and white photographs will always be prefered, but not polaroid, preferably gloss and not smaller than 100 mm x 150 mm.

Submission

Articles and photographs for the next issue of Pointsman should be with the Editor, DMP, HQ MP Centre, Lamia Lines, Milpo, Ingleburn, NSW, 2174 by 1 October 1990.

EDITOR

EDITOR'S NOTE

For reasons of space it has been necessary to reduce the length of some contributions. Care has been taken to avoid altering the thrust of submissions.

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Front Cover: aerial view of 'Freer Linca' the new home for HQ supply coy and HQ 3PL Army SIB Unit, in Simpson Barracks Watsonia.

MESSAGE FROM-THE DIRECTOR



Photo of LTCOL G.T. Turner Director of Military Police/Provost Marshal-Army.

Welcome to the first edition of the Pointsman for 1990. I hope that the corps members and their families who moved at Christmas time are settled into their new postings. The DMP move went smoothly and we are now open for business at the MP Centre in Ingleburn. We are temporarily located in Lamia Lines pending the completion of the MP complex at Green Hills in early 1992.

The Corps has been very fortunate in its allocation of funds from the shrinking facilities vote. The new accommodation for 3MP Coy at Watsonia, Freer Lines, has been completed. You can see from the photograph on the front page of this magazine that it is a modern well designed building. We must acknowledge the assistance of BRIG. V.A. Morgan and the Chief Engineer's staff of HQ 3MD for the expeditious completion of that building.

My congratulations are offered to the officers who were promoted at the beginning of the year, MAJ Gordon, CAPT Finnsson, CAPT Langdon and CAPT Sweeney. Our Corps is once again to be represented with the United Nations and my congratulations to CAPT Fiddler on his selection for UNIIMOG.

Since the publication of the last edition of the Pointsman we have had a change over of Colonel Commandant. The Corps dined out BRIG Brumfield at the IMD Officers' Mess and presented him with a decanter to thank him for his stirling service and to remind him of his association with our Corps.

A photograph of the presentation is included in this edition. At the same dinner we welcomed our new Colonel Commandant COL G.D.W. Irvine. COL Irvine served in the ARA and retired in 1985. Many of you will recall his time as DMP between 1976 an 1979. He now lives on the Gold Coast and will be visiting units as he gets the opportunity.

We also farewelled a number of stalwarts of the Corps last year. LTCOL John Briscombe has left us for the Public Service, MAJ Allan Mercer has taken up employment with Brambles Security and MAJ Phil Warwick has retired to the warmth of Cairns. They were all dined out of the Corps and we wish them well in their new careers.

I would like to offer my congratulations to two members of the Army SIB Unit, whose achievements were recognized recently. Mrs. Lynn Day the typist with 2 Pl for the last 18 years was awarded an Australia Day Medallion and SSGT Mills of the Singleton Section was awarded a GOC Training Command Commendation for his work in conducting enquiries into the explosion of a grenade on the Singleton Range. Congratulations are also extended to CPC Rajasuriar of IMP Coy for his award of the CDF medal as a result of his efforts during Exercise Kangaroo 89.

G.L. Turner LTCOL



LTCOL Turner (right) presenting BRIG Brumfield a decanter to thank him for his sterling service as RACMP Colonel Commandant.



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As is normal for the start of a new year, the MP School welcomed a number of new staff. These included MAJ R.K. Parkins (CI), CAPT G.L. Gordon (TDO), LT D.A.M. Crowther (AO), WO1 R.A. Pooley (RSM), WO2 C. Claridge (WO1C SIB Trg Sect), WO2 D.A. Cheeseman (instructor MP Trg Sect) (we also said farewell to WO2 Cheeseman on his discharge in Jul 89), SSGTs K. Hunneybell and M. Norton (instructors SIB Trg Sect), SGT C. Bromage (instructor MP Trg Sect), SSGT A. Clark (CQMS), and PTE K.A. Pain (Clerk).

Mid year we welcomed WO2 F. Nawrocki (instructor MP Trg Sect) and farewelled LCPL A. Watkins (RASvy)

Ever wondered why the School staff continually tell you how busy they are? Just ask any of our new converts. Busy yes, but we all agree a posting to our Corps School is physically and mentally demanding and professionally rewarding.

We were told that 1989 would be a quiet year for Training Command because of Ex K89 and we believed it (some people never learn). In conjunction with DMP we reviewed all MP courses, the result has been a very heavy workload but more importantly some new look courses that better meet our aim of providing you with OFFRs and NCOs trained to the highest possible standard. The following is a brief summary of the major changes.

Subject 4 SGT MP. This course is now a combined ARA/Ares course. It includes a new terminal on supervising MCI. The field phase has been revised to more accurately reflect what our SGTs do on operations (yes, no more appreciations.)

Subject 4 WO MP. This course is also a combined ARA/ARes course. A new terminal has been included on the responsibilities and tasks of a training WO in an MP company.

ROBC ARA. This course has been reduced to concentrate on MP platoon tasks; these changes reflect the introduction of the ROIC.

ROBC ARes. This course now includes two parts. Part A is the formal two week MP School course concentrating on operational duties. Part B is unit OJT involving 35 hrs of training on police duties. Part B must be completed within one year of completing Part A. Course material will be forwarded to companies in 1990.

ROIC. This ARA/ARes course has been revised following the validation of the first course in 1989. Crime prevention and detention facilities has been reduced, as has the number of examinations in the operational phase.

ROAC. This course has been redeveloped and should be completed by mid 1990.

SIB Qualifying Course. With the introduction of MCI, the course is now the first course in the SIB stream. The section commander terminal has been removed from this course and is now included in the Sect Comd's Course.

Sect Comd's Course. The SOCE course has been renamed the Sect Comd's Course. Two new terminals have been included, the sect comd's terminal and an operational terminal. Following instructor training by the RAAF this course now includes training on the Linhoff and Mamna cameras.

Security Guard. With the introduction of ECN 160 Security Guard into RACMP, the School has written courses for the Security Guard Basic (as external course to be conducted by 9 MP Coy) and the Subject 4 SGT Security Guard.

MP Basic ARes. Following comments from most company training WO's the School was directed to review the MP Basic ARes Course. The package has been rewritten to incorporate the updating of its ARA counterpart. Units can expect to receive the new course by the end of Feb 1990.

All good things must end, CAPT TAff Williams received his marching orders back to the mother country. Not to be outdone he decided to stay with us and change uniform. If you happen to see a rather distinguished officer in shorts in the Ingleburn area, he is not the oldest boy scout in Australia its CAPT Williams, MM, RACMP (welcome digger). The new exchange officer is CAPT

Philip Baillie, RMP. He joins us from the Junior Leaders Regt, Bovington. We welcome Phil, his wife Margaret and daughter Sarah. We understand that it is now standard procedure that all British exchange officers are briefed that they should deny following cricket and that when the subject is discussed they should either politely leave or fake a heart atack. Do you really expect us to believe that neither of the two officers in question have any interest in cricket. If the poms ever win again (an unlikely proposition) no doubt the briefing will change.

It hasn't been all hard work here at Ingleburn, the staff have yet to find a course that has a decent volleyball team' we won't mention the Lamia Shield competition because we didn't win, well done DFCE. The School conducted a weeks adventure training at Walgett, NSW. The aim being to practice foot and vehicle navigation, watermanship and hunting. Unfortunately, someone forgot to order the wild life. However, not all was lost we were given a very able demonstration by our new RMP exchange office on how not to catch Australian fish. After much hard work CAPT Baillie ended up in the river and the fish ended up on the bank. They soon exhanged positions, we are still not sure who was more confused, the fish or the pom.

The School congratulates the following staff on being awarded the DFSM, MAJ R.K. Parkins, CAPT G.L. Gordon, WO2 F.M. Nawrocki, SSGT A.E. Clark and DFSM 1st Clasp, SGT J.L. Symes.

Finally we thank the following for their efforts during their time at the School and wish them well in their new postings. CAPT Gordon, CAPT Williams, LT Crowther, SSGT Norton, SGT Ive, CPL Parsons (RACT), PTE Leddy (RAAOC) PTE Pain (RAAOC)



The new RMP exchange officer CAPT P. Baillie, representing the British Army, 'handing over' CAPT C. Williams, MM RACMP to the CI.

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At long last it would appear that Commanding Officers and Officers Commanding are coming to grips with and are no longer afraid of the DFDA.

The term 'Detention' is no longer a dirty word and 1989 has seen a marked increase in the number of detainees admitted to DFCE. To date there have been 200 admissions of servicemen and women of all three services serving periods of detention of between 5 and 180 days. This figure is an increase of 19% on 1988 and 35% on 1987. The nature of offences for which detention is awarded are many and varied, however stealing, assault and AWOL appear to be the most numerous.

The annual 'Lamia Shield' Corps Week competition was again an evenly and keenly contested event this June. For those of you who have not already heard and without appearing to rub salt into wounds, the staff of DFCE emerged victorious and are now

the proud holders of the Lamia Shield.

Other unit activities included instructional, familiarisation and liaison visits to Long Bay and Parramatta gaols. The major factor noticed by all DFCE staff members was the lack of discipline among inmates at both establishments. The general conduct and attitudes observed during the visits made all staff members realise the importance of the firm but fair discipline enjoyed in the Defence Force. The Long Bay gaol visit also impressed some members of DFCE staff in another way. During the visit Corrective Services officers not only discussed conditions for prisoners within the system but also freely volunteered information relating to pay and working conditions in the NSW Corrective Services. The general pay and overall conditions package proved too attractive for some and at the time of writing ex CPLs Barlow and Hewes have almost completed their initial training at the NSW Corrective Services Academy. Although the Corps can ill afford such losses we wish them both success in their new careers.

On 20th October'89 a Staff parade was held in the Corrective Compound to mark the change in unit title and recognition of its Tri-Service function by flying the Joint Services Flag. A plaque commemorating the event was unveiled by COMD 2 MD, BRIG A.J. McLachlan AM. During the parade BRIG McLachlan formally presentd SGT Harry Swindells with his DFSM. Well done Harry and best wishes in your new appointment as an Instructor at the

MP School.

Postings over the period have been too numerous to mention individually however to those who have left many thanks and good luck for the future. To those who have joined us - welcome, we hope that your time at DFCE will be both satisfying and rewarding.

In closing mention must be made of the Handover/Takeover of Commandants between CAPT D.W. Dean and CAPT C.G. Williams MM. The event was marked by the handing over of the 'Ceremonial' Keys to DFCE in the presence of COMD 2 MD.

As many Corps members will already know CAPT Williams is 'the Pommie who came in from the cold' and joined the Corps at the end of his tour as RMP Exchange Officer as SI at the MP School. Welcome to both the Australian Army and DFCE, Sir.

CAPT Dean leaves us after three years of devoted service to take up his new appointment as SI LWC DET Watsonia. For all you have done for the unit with pen, typewriter and carpenter's tool kit we sincerely thank you, Sir. All ranks at DFCE wish you bon voyage and success in the future.

Finally to all past and present Corps members, we wish you all

well in the new decade.



Handing over the 'Ceremonial' keys of DFCE L-R CAPT D.W. Dean, BRIG A.J. McLachlan AM, CAPT C.G. Williams MM.

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OC - MAJ G.E. Harland SM - WO1 G. Lazenby

HQ

Members of the branch though last year was busy, with the increase in job numbers, but who would have forecast an even busier year in 1989, with detachments and exercise commitments.

HQ are still confident that the project SIBNET (computer equipment procurement) will go ahead in 1990. The planning stage has now been completed and at the time of writing these notes a steering committee is being appointed and is to hold a meeting. Once the options have been looked at, hopefully, it won't be to long before we see some of the equipment. We sure need it, and quickly.

Comings and goings have been too numerous to mention and look like continuing in 1990. To those who joined us 'welcome', to those that left 'Bon Voyage' - may your pastures be green and

fruitful.

As 1989 draws to a close, staff at HQ and MPCRO look forward to 1990 with some apprehension - it's annual report time, there are some 25000 plus case files (1960 to 1984) to be logged (individually) and packed in small boxes to be sent to Australian Archives; where they will be kept for 50 years before being destroyed. MPCRO will hold the previous five years case files, premises at Ingleburn NSW by 28 Mar 90. It is good here.

The staff at MPCRO (whoever that may be in 1990) have the commencement of MCI to look forward to - hope we get that

computer.

Enough from HQ, lets look out to see what has been happening around the Pls.

1PL

PLCOMD - CAPT G.E. Walker PLSPV - WO1 R. Clarke

1 Pl thought last year was hectic, this was worse. However all staff continued to 'produce the goods' in times of stress and hardship, and all with the added responsibility of providing members for duty in Malaysia and Namibia with the UNTAG force.

The event that does stand out is the despatch of CPL Jock Lang, Townsville Sect, to UNTAG, Namibia. CPL Lang's maturity and tact were tested to their utmost as he attempted to establish at least one very important aspect in respect to military police involvement in a military group such as this; very firm guidelines on the correct utilization of RACMP personnel must be established before the force departs. CPL Lang's persistance and hard work proved worthwhile with an increase in the RACMP personnel for the first UNTAG rotational force.

The UN holds great potential as an incentive for continued service; we can only hope it continues.

2PL

PLCOMD - CAPT B. Ross PL SPV - WO1 C.R. Tilley

2 PL have also had a busy year with the highlight being their participation in Exercise K89. A report on that follows:

On 8 Jul 89 members of 2 PL Army SIB Unit, who make up the LSF SIB Pl endurance driving team, left Ingleburn, NSW, for Darwin, NT, in our new 110 Landrovers (two months old and the bugs not yet ironed out). A few days later, the boss, CAPT Barry Ross (later nominated as the soldier with the best suntan) and two unnamed offsiders who, not trusting us or our vehicles, flew to Darwin. The driving party, led by WO2 Mick (ARes) Wellington, call sign F/B whatever that is, arrived at Darwin after seven hard days on the road. We were greeted by the boss who was obviously overjoyed that the Landrovers were in one piece.

The PI was divided into four teams of two, three operating from Darwin, and one team from Katherine. These teams were rotated on what turned out to be an irregular basis. As the living conditions at Katherine were atrocious WO2 Wellington, DET-COMD Katherine, decided it was his duty to remain for the duration, so that others would not suffer, as he did.

The LSF SIB Pl were deployed and tasked to carry out investigations in the field, during conflict with another nation. From the outset of the exercise, the PI encountered a lack of stores, accommodation and transport. We were able to overcome this temporarily because of intiative shown by all members. Investigations commenced almost immediately after our arrival. These tasks were commenced and completed because of prior preparation and planning, thanks to our SECTCOMD, WO2 Tony (lovely legs) Longson, showing that we were operational even under adverse conditions.

The exercise proved to ourselves, and others, that we are still capable of carrying out our duties in a professional manner, even where resources are extremely limited. STATS IF YOU WISH.

One of our members was requested to leave us for a course and CPL Lindel Buckley joined us during the last two weeks of the exercise. She was able to provide us with a patients (inmates) view of how a field hospital operated. She did, however, gain valuable experience driving a Landrover back to Sydney after the war. Each of the vehicles completed over 10000 km and returned to Ingleburn without having to be recovered or requiring other assistance previously thought essential for any trip involving a Landrover

Those members who participated in the exercise performed exceptionally well and gained invaluable experience. They will look back on their deployment as an important aspect of their development and training and should now have confidence to perform SIB duties in the field.

3 P

PLCOMD - CAPT M.C.Y. Wong PLSPV - WO 1 M.G.

In 3 Pl 1989 has been a year of tremendous change and impact, as copious amounts of submissions have shown. The focus for PLHQ has been towards streamling the paper war on cases while still retaining a high quality product. Progress was made in research and development with trials conducted by Melb Sect on Video Recording and Tape Recording in an effort to provide comprehensive data. Adelaide Sect led the way with the acquisition of a Read Out Pager. Bandiana Sect instituted and arranged for three facsimile machines to link the 3 MD sections to PLHQ. Creativity and initiative have abounded with all members actively accepting the challenge to find improved productivity.

The inaugural PI conference succeeded in establishing our subunit priorities into the 1990's. Better personnel management, using all available technology, reducing paperwork and increasing surveillance operations were noted as key points. Feedback from the conference has been positive, and an emphasis has been placed upon user trials and self-help to expedite section initiatives. A 'back to the basics' formula of catching more criminals and job satisfaction was necessary with goalsetting, motivation and leadership the essential ingredients for success.

It doesn't seem a year since we were writing the last 'Pointmsman article' - and looking ahead to 1989. Now it has almost gone. The OC wishes to thank all unit members for their hard work, loyalty and support during his second year in the 'hot seat'. The branch is still strong although bending a little from all the pressures placed upon it.

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OC - MAJ B.J. Kingsbury RSM - WO1 P. Clowry

Hello and greetings from the Divisional MP Coy the 'Fighting First.' 1989 was an extremely hectic year for the Coy, not only with the advent of Ex K89 but also included Coy training prior to and after the exercise.

Ex NEW CENTURIANS saw all the experienced hands of the previous year passing on their knowledge to the new members of the Coy through such training stands as navigation, driver training, roles and tasks of field force military police and communications (RATEL). This exercise allowed the Coy to start on even ground. This years NEW CENTURIANS will involve specialist training in the Fitting and Operation of the new communications system VINSON.

EX FORCEFUL FORGER gave the pl comds a chance to shake out their platoons and expand on the basic MP training received in Ex NEW CENTURIANS. The exercise proved successful enough for it to be lengthened to nearly two weeks this year.

Ex BRAVE BAGHERA is designed primarily to validate current RACMP doctrine and 1 MP Coy SOPs for the preparation, deployment and employment of field force MP platoons in conventional warfare. Again lessons were learnt in employment of MPs and for the first time an ARes element deployed with an ARA platoon. This provided valuable experience for their subsequent deployment on Ex K89.

Ex GOLDED WARRIOR ensured that all members were aware of their dual role as MP NCOs and infantrymen. The exercise provided an interesting blend of patrolling and tracking and section attacks and ambushes. The exercise culminated in a platoon live fire attack. All the participants were in agreeance that a very attractive part of Field Force MPs was the 110 Land Rover.

The Coy had a visit from the CDF and the CGS. The CDF was primarily interested in the preparation training of the Division for Ex K89. 13 MP Pl set up and operated a vehicle check point as the culmination of the CDF visit to the Coy.

The CGS visit occurred after Ex K89. He was given a brief on the tasks performed by the Coy during the exercise and the lessons learnt. Several displays were set up for his inspection the most notable being the PW Cage which was conducted by SGT R. Nell.

1 MP Coy, as 1 Div direct command unit, participated in the 6 Bde Competition for Non Infantry Military Skilled Sections. 1 MP Coy was the highest scoring Div Direct Command Unit and won the Div Direct Command Unit Trophy.

1 MP Coy represented the Div Direct Command Units in the final competition held at Canungra between Bdes.' The Coy team was victorious and the two trophies are now proudly displayed in the Entrance Foyer of the Coy.

The deployment of 1 MP Coy on Exercise KANGAROO 89 was primarily by road, 11 MP Pl being allocated to support HQ 1 Div and the DMA, 13 MP Pl to spt 3 Bde at Pine Creek and then at MATARANKA, 15 MP Pl to support 7 Bde at WILLEROO NT and finally 16 MP Pl spt 6 Bde at KUNNUNARRA WA.

In all the locations that the company was deployed, the platoons provided the necessary support by being employed in all possible facets of MP expertise. Due to the emphasis on low level operations during the exercise this has placed particular emphasis on several MP tasks, the Coy SOPs are again being rewritten to reflect this.

One of the tasks that has gained increased support is Close Protection. Both HQ 1 Div and 3 Bde had dedicated CP Teams during Ex K89. On one occasion the 11 Pl CP Team was tasked to provide protection for the CDF General Gration. The task was performed with such dedication and professionalism that the CP Team received a commendation and his personal body-guard, CPL Rajasuriar, was presented with the CDF Medal for his outstanding performance.

The battle for the 'Cock of the Corps' during Corps week proved to be a two horse race between 13 and 16 Pl's. This year the trophy was able to be competed for by all the platoons in 1

The competition was fierce with and the champion platoon

was not decided until the result of the final event in the eight event competition. 13 Pl won the last event making them the champion platoon for 1989, second was 16 Pl and third 11 Pl. The highlight of the competition was the excellent sportsmanship shown by winners and losers of each event. The ARes entered a platoon in the last event Exercise Trained Soldier, and although they did not win it they put in a credible effort.

As you can see 1 MP Coy had an exciting and rewarding year

As you can see 1 MP Coy had an exciting and rewarding year and this year will prove to be even more so as we concentrate on Bde size deployments, Coy training, TEWTs and a CP Course.



CPL Rajasuriar displaying his CDF Medal.

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2nd MILITARY POLICE COMPANY

OC - MAJ M. Luscombe RSM - WO1 T.E. Lund

1989 has been a busy and rewarding one for 2 MP coy with a wide variety of tasks performed, both great and small, which is in keeping with our reputation as the busiest unit in the Corps.

The year started off with a large changeover of personnel amongst the senior ranks in the unit involving the OC, 21C, TRG WO, CP WO, Pl COMDs, PLSMs and a fair proportion of the SGTs. In addition we lost a large number of our experienced CPLs to other units, most of those with motorcycle and driving qualifications moving north.

As everyone is no doubt aware 2 MP Coy formed the nucleus of the LSF MP Coy. This commenced with Exercise Menin Road in Deniliquin in Feb where a Tri-Coy IET course and a TEWT for K89 were conducted. The Tri-Coy IET aspect is to continue with Exercise Menin Road II which is again to be conducted by OC 4

MP Cov.

The lead up to K89 was a hectic period with a considerable amount of work going into co-ordinating stores, equipment and personnel for the exercise. As far as K89 itself went the Coy provided 30 ARA personnel and 21 ARES to the LSF MP Coy.

In addition those left at 2 MP Coy provided personnel for the staging areas within 2 MD and as close to normal support as possible to units and formations within 2 MD. Luckily things were slightly quieter with the large number of troops deployed away from home locations.

Apart from K89 some of the other main tasks/courses undertaken were:

Exercise Far Canopy.

- a 3 RAR exercise supported by a number of the female evacuees.
- · PAMS Conference.

· Support to UNTAG administrative moves in 2 MD.

- Escort of A and C Squadron 2 CAV Regiment to Singleton and back.
- · Queens Birthday and Graduation Parades RMC.

Support to QWG Conferences.

- Provided RACMP representation for Army Memorial in Canberra.
- MCI Course.

• Subj 1 CPL Course (3 x Instructors and 17 x CPL)

 Soon to also support the usual RMC and ADFA Graduation Parades

On a lighter note we received notification that the new complex should be ready to move into in 1992 which will be a relief as RE's have had to do considerable maintenance to our present buildings to prevent them falling down.

All in all the Coy is in a good position and is looking forward to another full and hectic year. As the OC says "no problem we

cannot fix!"

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3rd MILITARY POLICE COMPANY

OC - MAJ J.D. Garrad RSM WO1 J.R. Jackson

The Company has been in Simpson Barracks for twelve months now and the teething problems seem to have been sorted out, however, the RA Sigs units are still in a daze wondering what has happened to the area.

On a happier note, we are all busy packing (again) and preparing for the move into our new working accommodation 'Freer

Lines' which is scheduled to occur in December.

Intergration of the ARA and ARes has been working well with members of 32 MP Ll providing valuable assistance to 33 MP Pl. Although the suntans of EX 'K 89' pers have now faded, all involved agreed it was a good learning exercise and invaluable

experience and knowledge was gained.

Admin Pl ranks are quickly depleting with the posting cycle. TPT SPVR, WO2 Bob Noakes is off to Puckapunyal Log Bn, CPL Mick Crawford moves to Broadmeadows Log Bn and our RAEME Mech, CPL Shane Rutty is enjoying the sunshine of Townsville. The unit CQMS, SSGT Edi Amin (a good lookalike, but no relation) has Corps transferred to RA Sigs and is now at 3 ARRU while the Pay Rep, CPL Leanne Wren is crossing the road to DSU Watsonia. To all and your families, farewell and enjoy your postings.

SGT Ginny Parry has arrived as the new Chief Clerk, while WO2 I. Mitchell and CPL D. Hill are taking over transport. SSGT Peter Tobin (ex Corps member), SGT Mick Peel and CPL STeve Daniels take over the Q store. CPL M. O'Meara is posted as the RAEME Mech but will be located at the Broadmeadows Log Bn,

RAEME Det (Watsonia Det).

Three months ago, the unit was saddened to hear the news of the fire which gutted the residence of our then Chief Clerk, SGT Mick Schulze and his family. We are pleased to report that all the family have now been released from hospital and are well on the road to recovery. The fund which was raised by this unit has collected over \$8,500.00 in cash and an equal amount in household goods, toys and furniture. To all the RACMP units which supported the fund, again thank you for your thoughtfulness and generosity. Mick is still on convalescence leave but early in the new year is looking forward to his new posting to HQ 3 MD.

To all Corps members, best wishes for the new decade and feel free to visit 'Freer Lines' when in the area.

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31 MP PL Police

Greetings and salutations from the Poly Pigs of Puckapunyal. A myriad of events have taken place here at the hub of the South, sunny (Ha Ha) Puckapunyal since we last graced these pages back in the 1988 Pointsman.

To begin with, by the time you actually read this we will have had a complete turnover of manning. On that note we would like to say farewell and thanks for the memories to the following personnel and wish them well in their new endeavours:

WO2 Bill (Go ahead, make my day!) Sinclair - Army Apprentice School.

SGT Bob (who was that masked man) Morgan - CPL Ammo Tech, 21 Sup Bn.

SGT Alan (I gotta get outa this place) Barry- 1 Div Int Coy

CPL Peter (Wheelie Bin) Swinfield - 1 Armd Regt

CPL Gordon (The Stud) Kubea - 1 MP Coy

CPL Arthur (Wheelbarrow) Hondrogiannis - Old Civie Street (OCS)

CPL Steve (Sniffles) Cole - OCS

CPL Mick (Iron Man) O'Regan - Vic Pol CPL Mark (Night Stick) Wilkinson - Vic Pol

CPL Phil (Choco) Lyons - Tas Pol

CPL Steve (Roll with the punches) Lowe - 92 MP MP Pl

Also a big welcome to:

CAPT Mark (Flying Mudflap) Foxe - Jan 89

WO2 Barry James - Dec 89

SGT Rudy Valzan (hopefully) - Apr 89

CPL Sid (bolts) Anstee - Apr 89

CPL Leanne (Goody Goody) Smith - Apr 89

CPL Chris (Killer) Hughes - Aug 89

CPL Mick (Henry) Henshaw - Dec 89

CPL Theresa Heyen (hopefully) - Dec 89 CPL Darren Gibson (hopefully) - Dec 89

CPL Benjamin Wadman (hopefully) - Dec 89 and of course

CPL Kathy (Jack of all trades) McGregor (ARes FTD)

Besides all the hails and farewells, we have had quite an eventful year, especially with CAPT Foxe absent for two months on JSC, K89 depleting us of the PLCOMD (absent again!) and CPLs Munro, Kubea, Swinfield and Hondrogiannis, CPL Bruce (now SGT) Napper swanning off on promotion courses and inter Service rifle shoots, SGT (now CPL Bob) Morgan deciding two stripes were better than three, and becoming an Ammo Tech, WO2 Sinclair making future leaders as CSM on a Subj 1 CPL Course, SGT Allan Barry taking the plunge with a move across to Intelligence. With all of this happening, our Jack of all trades Kathy McGregor virtually ran the show and did a commendable job, as did everyone with the added responsibilities and increased hours resulting from the abovementioned events. Even though we have been a bit thin on the ground all year, with a bit of help from local units we pulled through quite nicely and continued to produce the goods.

During the year we have had the usual run of small arms demonstrations for Vic Pol DTS Courses with an additional demo for the Victoria BCI. We have also entertained various organisations at our watering hole, and also hosted the 3 MP Coy CPL's Dining In Night. We have also had our fair share of vehicle accidents (both ours and investigating others), fatalities, trespassers, domestics and the list goes on and on. Once again Ex El Alamein unit parades and freedom of cities to support. Now that we have the 650's it's not so embarrassing doing motor cycle escorts because they don't break down so often.

In parting, the unit would like to congratulate the following members:

CAPT Mark Foxe and his wife Sharon on the birth of their daughter Charlotte, a sister for Benjamin, on 7 Nov 89. SGT Bruce Napper and his wife Janelle on the birth of their twin boys Michael and Andrew, brothers for Benjamin, on 26 Apr 89.

CPL Peter Swinfield for distinguishing himself during a traffic accident on Ex K89

SGT Bruce Napper on his promotion and his Student of Merit award on the 2/89 MCI Course.

All 31 MP Pl members for their efforts during 1989. Well Done.

33 MP PI

Well, we have made it through another turbulant year in the thriving metropolis of Melbourne, and what a busy year it has been!

Tasking for the year has been very hectic, with commitments for FS Skyshow, Melbourne Show, Ex K89 and support to SASR and 66 MP PI Exercises, to name a few.

1989 saw a large number of new faces arrive in the Platoon. A belated welcome goes to LT Jordan, LT Linton-Simpkins, WO2 Madden, SGTs Sutton Corkhill, Corporals Brucia, Church, Feillafe, Lynch, Murtagh, Pinsent, Ray and Kralj.

On the departure scene LT Jordan is off to 1 MP Coy, WO2 Madden to HQ 3 MP Coy, Sergeants Sutton and Corkhill with Corporals Coleiro and Buna all electing discharge.

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Instead of the usual 'winding down' for the Christmas block leave, the Platoon is busy and anxiously awaiting the move into 'Freer Lines.' The new Detention Centre with CCTV is proving very popular with most Platoon members volunteering as Cell NCO. More reports next Newsletter.

To all corps members, good soldiering and if in Melbourne feel welcome to visit 'Freer Lines' and enjoy the hospitality of the Corporals Club.

34 MP PL

Greetings to all, from the Border Bandits. Where has this year gone? How time flies when you are steadily working.

The end of 1988 saw a couple of the old faces leave the Albury/Wodonga area, SGT Bill Harnimam, 2 MP Coy and CPLs Les Smith, Karl Fehlauer, 1 MP Coy. All the best to those members in their new postings. At the beginning of the year we saw an early retirement of one of the Corps characters, WO2 Neville Clow. Nev grabbed at an opportunity in Wodonga to become the Regional Co-ordinator at the State Emergency Service. Although no longer a serving member, Nev is still a regular at the Club, and unit activities. (Rumour has it that he is thinking of joining the ARes). Nev, from the members of 34 MP Pl, we wish you and your family all the best for the future.

At the start of 1989, we saw a number of new faces, being SGT Mick Avery who came from 55 MP Pl on promotion. CPLs Lee Roberts, Daryl Hodges and Amanda Kiker from the MP Basic Course. Welcome to all new members, I hope you enjoy your stay at Bandiana.

On 18 Nov 89, the Pl was involved in the Latchford Bks Open Day, which the Pl contributed to a Static display, Tent Pegging Comp against 8/13 VMR Mounted branch. This display was conducted on the 650 Police Special Motorcycle and as usual the MPs were victorious. This was the first time the 650's were used and were found to be very adequate for the task.

The following members are posted or taking discharge; CPLs Perry Jokinen and Alan Harmer are posted to 1 MP Coy, all the best in your new unit. CPL Peter Fitzpatrick has decided to take the big step into civilian live, Peter to you and your family, we wish you all the best for the future.

Also the weather is fine, that's to say that the Snow season was excellent and the Water Skiing season is just about to start, (only if the work load permits.)

4th MILITARY POLICE COMPANY

OC - MAJ W.J. Avenell RSM - WO1 A.E. Porter

1989 was a very active year for all members of the unit with the introduction of MCI, Radar and the new 650 cc motor cycles. The early part of the year saw the unit preparing for its participation in Ex K89 by attending Exercise Menin Road which was conducted in March 1989 in the Deniliquin area of NSW with 1,2,3 and 4 MP Coy ARes members participating. The exercise was conducted in three parts. Part One was an IET Field Phase course, Part Two was an IET Static Phase Course and Part Three was a TEWT to orientate ARes Military Police Persons into the Roles and Tasks of the LSF MP Coy for Ex K89.

Unfortunately the deployment phase of the IET Field Phase was cancelled due to heavy rain just prior to the deployment closing all the training areas to vehicle movement. The Static Phase course was completed with all participants passing the required

terminals.

The TEWT incorporated such problems as communications over long distances, rail heads (Terminal Ops) with visiting lecturers giving presentations from legal implications to vehicle searches and various subjects in relation to LSF MP Coy and K89. Presentations were given by CLO 2 MD, SO2 PERS HQ LSF, PM Land Comd, SI MP School, OC 1 MP Coy and OC LSF MP Coy (OC 2 MP Cov).

The TEWT was very useful to those who participated in the Exercise. Deployment began on 1 Jul 89 with the RSM, TPT NCO and three ARes members on FTS being attached to the LSF MP Coy for the duration of the exercise. They were soon followed by the OC 4 MP Coy who managed to secure a job as Chief Umpire HO LSF and located himself with the LSF MP Coy in Darwin. Whilst all this was in progress the ARA members of the Cov were busy preparing/manning the 4 MD staging areas and signing the route. As we are all aware industrial disputes became a problem for deploying/re-deploying units to and from Darwin. Never fear 26 Aug 89 saw the 4 MP Cov PL deploy to Darwin in an Army bus (thanks to the support of 4 MD). Then 40 hours later a tired but smiling and enthusiatic group were met by the RSM LSF MP Coy (WO1 A. Porter). After a short rest/orientation period the Platoon was tasked to relieve the Platoon in Darwin and Katherine by supplying a section plus to each area. The relief was welcomed by the in place platoons who had been in location since early July. Their arrival was also appreciated as the LSF MP Coy was to re-deploy its main body back to their respective home locations on 1 Sep 89. Although K89 was on its last legs when the 4 MP Coy contingent arrived their previous training was put to good use. This was the re-deployment phase and required major involvement in the loading of ships, manning start points and policing the leave centres. It must be said that it would be the first time in many years that all unit members have seen such a large concentration of service personnel and vehicles being redeployed. The 4 MP Coy contingent was re-deployd on 8 Sept 89 back to Adelaide. Yes you guessed it in a bus and another 40 hours travelling. During the deployment those units which passed through 4 MD made favourable comments about the assistance given by the MPs located at the staging areas. The exposure of the RACMP on Ex K89 was good and enhanced the professionalism of its members.

AUSTRALIAN GRAND PRIX 1989 - 2-5 Nov'89

The streets of Adelaide were alive with sounds of high powered and very expensive Formula One Grand Prix Cars preparing for the Fifth Australian Formula One Grand Prix. Amongst the high pitch whine of the F-1 Cars came an unfamiliar roar foreign to the F-1 circus. Three MBTs from the 1st Armoured Regiment struted their stuff around the 3.8 km Street Circuit- escorted by motorcycles from 4MP Coy. During the four days 4 MP Coy provided Motorcycle Escorts both on and off the Grand Prix Track. A particular problem was encountered on the Friday for the traditional "Climb to the Eagle," orginally designed as a Parade covering about 20 kms from the City Centre, through the foothills culminating at the Eagle on the Hill Hotel Car Park. Liaison with our civil counterparts revealed concern due to last year's parade turning into a race to the top. To the disappointment of the

owners of the millions of dollars worth of vintage, classic, sports and racing cars, consisting of one Ferrari in particular worth 4 million dollars, the three MBTs with MP Escort took a prime position near the front thus allowing us to dictate the speed of the procession, more to the relief of the Civil Police than the owners of the exotic machinery.

The weather for the Race Day itself turned sour. A disappointing sized crowd saw the final appearance of the MBTs under very wet conditions. A thank you must be extended to the Group A Touring Car Drivers who warned our riders of all the particular "greasy" sections of the Circuit, prior to our final appearance. The treacherous conditions even at low escort speeds, could have proved embarrassing.

All things taken into consideration the Grand Prix was excellent public relations for the Corps and a personal pleasure for the ARA

and ARes members who contributed.

CLOSE PERSONAL PROTECTION COURSE - JULY 1989

In July 1989 CPL A. Baldino attended a Close Personal Protection Course held by the Protective Services Group of the Victoria Police. The course of 2 weeks duration consisted of Lecture Room Instruction and Practical Exercises.

During this period students were instructed and tested on their ability to provide close personal protection to their principal in motorcade moves, all types of crowds, airports and any situation requiring Close Personal Protection. This saw many students put to their ultimate test by the Instructors who maintained a professional approach to the course at all times. The after hours study required by students took place in one of many study venues offered by Melbourne's night life, contributed to enthusiasm and morale being high throughout the course. Unfortunately the pressure for some took its toll and the course concluded with a full day exercise, a 3 hour exam, and 7 out of 10 students who originally set out actually completing the course. An end of course function saw all the students and instructors retire to Victorian Police Club for a course critique.

On completion of the course students qualified as Close Personal Protection Officers in a civilian environment, however military personnel who qualify must be able to adapt their newly acquired professional skills into a military environment being providing Close Personal Protection to VIP in the field or urban

environment.

ARES RECRUITING

This has been very worthwhile during 1989 with several recruiting activities resulting in the unit being brought up to full strength and the unit receiving the best 4 MD Recruiting Display/Activity Trophy for this MD. This was due to the efforts of CPL Henry Wasiakowski, the Unit Recruiting NCO, who dedicated his time and effort to achieve the results.

On the sporting side of things the unit participated in the 4 MD Volleyball Knockout competition and won the B Grade hands down. CPLs R. Clarke and S. Bennett represented 4 MD in the Australian National Touch Football Competition. An old fellow, WO2 R. Haslett, is attending the Army Golfing Championships in December.

As Christmas approaches the members of 4 MP Coy wish all members the best on their postings, promotions and a Merry Christmas to you all and your families. The unit is busy preparing for its final parade for 89 with the COMD 4 MD, BRIG M.J. Lemon, AM, attending on 5 Dec 89 to inspect the parade.

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9th MILITARY POLICE COMPANY

OC - MAJ A. Mercer SM - WO2 M.D. Costello

The last year of the decade draws to a close and has proven to

be as busy and varied a year as anticipated.

Certainly the Army's largest commitment for the year was Exercise K89 and initially all MPs with the Coy found themselves deployed along the Queensland L of C for all or part of the exercise period.

Apart from K89 and its obvious manpower bill corps wide, 9 MP Coy saw itself involved in various other activities including adventure training and support to various Quadripartite Working

Groups, CGS conferences etc.

In anticipation of the receipt of the new 650cc MP motorcycle,1 and 9 MP Coys jointly ran a motorcycle operators course in the Brisbane and surrounding areas in May. This proved a fitting last task for the old 400s and saw all personnel attending qualify.

All except three of the new motorcycles have now been received and have already been put to good use for several escort and ceremonial purposes. Feedback from supported units and formations suggests that the new machines lend an added air of

professionalism.

The motorcycles were also put to good use at the Queensland Police Spectacular where a team from 91 MP PL competed against teams from Traffic Branch and the Mounted Police in a tentpegging competition at the Exhibition Showgrounds on 10 Nov. As is to be expected the Mounted Police easily won the competition but MP caused an upset by pipping traffic branch for 2nd place under wet and slippery conditions.

Currently the unit is beginning the wind down for the block leave period and looking forward to a well earned rest. This should allow all members to bounce back into 1990 refreshed and ready to accept new challenges, in particular MCI.

In closing the unit wishes MAJ Mercer farewell and good luck and congratulations WO2 Costello on passing his RSMs course. We trust all have a Prosperous New Year.

55th MILITARY POLICE PLATOON

PLCOMD - CAPT C.A. Pearce PL SM - WO2 B.F. Knight

Greetings to all from the Windy West.

55 MP Pl after the extra large turnover of its staff last year, has been spared, with only one member being posted at the time of writing. That member being CAPT B.J.P. Cox who has by now arrived at his new unit, RMC Duntroon.

55 MP Pl's new PLCOMD is CAPT C.A. Pearce, nee McDonald.

from SIB HQ, Canberra, (lucky girl).

1989 was a fairly busy year for the platoon, with the only excitement being Kangaroo 89 and visitors from back east, who, were many and varied. Of which I am sure the platoon members would like to thank WO2 Neil Jones and SGT Rick Jacobs from 3 Pl Army SIB Unit for flying over here to teach them all about Minor Criminals and how to investigate them.

The year went quickly for unit members by being heavily

involved in the following events/tasks held in WA:

Festival of Perth

Anzac Day Parade

Supporting 13 BDE with their involvement in K89

Supporting 13 BDE in Ex Kangaroos Revenge at Exmouth

OCTU graduation Parades

Long Range patrols: As far as Broome in the north Experance in the south Norseman in the east.

Crime Prevention

Road Safety

As well as the other day to day activities.

2 Sect 55 MP Pl is at last taking shape and is almost at full strength, only a couple of corporals to go. Then, when Ex Menim Road is over, all will be fully fledged MPs.

A little bird told me that Wayne Maca McCloy has become a WA Policeman as well as a ARES MP and that Tony Aquilina is trying to copy him, seeing they both have the same knickname Tupperware.

So bye for now, a productive year to all and thanks to those who assisted us in 1989.

92nd MILITARY POLICE PLATOON

PLCOMD - CAPT R. Schie PL SM - WO2 T.G. Marshall

A very busy and interesting year is the only way to describe 1989 for those of us fortunate enough to be posted to the tropics. There have been so many commitments one just does not know where to start. Members have travelled extensively throughout North and Western Queensland, entertained extensively and have been part of the social set in NQ.

The traditional MP Ball was resurrected this year after, sadly it was not run last year, and held at the area theatre in Lavarack Barracks. This year saw the biggest and best ball ever with in excess of \$15,000.00 being raised and donated to the Miss Australia Quest Entrants in Townsville. They in turn donate the money to the North Queensland Society for Cripple Children. Next year the ball will be held at the Sheraton Breakwater Casino Hotel

K89 stretched the units resources to it's limits. The platoon was deployed for the period 3 July - 11 Sep 89 from Kynuna in the South, Camooweal in the West, Weipa in the North and Townsville to the East with our HQ located at Mt. Isa. The primary task was to provide MP support to the lines of Communication within our AO. All members worked and played very hard leaving many broken hearts behind. The country roads which the platoon encountered really took their toll on the unit vehicles, and highlighted the need for the corps to be issued with 6 cylinder vehicles and the requirement for the new 650 motorcycles to fitted with larger capacity fuel tanks.

The unit has seen many changes this year with the introduction of an Army reserve establishment. The unit has also extended it's community. These schemes have been very well accepted by the commanders, community and the Military Police. There are approximately 900 MQ involve in three Neighbourhood Watch programmes with two more programmes in the pipeline. These Neighbourhood Watch Programmes are unique in Australia as they have MP's as liaison Officers to assist in running the programmes. Thuringowa High School was the first school in Australia to adopt a military cop. This has proved very successful with eight more schools wishing to adopt a military cop.

We welcome our new PLSM WO1 E.J. Oldfield this edition and take the opportunity of thanking WO2 T.G. Marshall for his services and hope that he is not too cold in Habart.

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MILITARY POLICE AND FORCE

by LT I.R. Smith

'The misuse of force is not necessarily an unfortunate corollary of the authority and means to use force. We have the tools to avoid this problem, if we employ them.' Neiderhoffer.

Within law enforcement agencies, both civil and military, there has been much discussion of the use of force by law enforcement officers whilst performing their duties. In Australia, different agencies have dealt with this sensitive area in different ways.

Trends toward increased violence and lessened respect toward police in society, coupled with the extension of ASA MP into MCI are two indicators that the incidence of violence in day to day MP operations may be increasing. RACMP must prepare its members, mentally and physically, to counter violence and apply lawful force themselves when it is necessary. It is appropriate that at this point in time, the approach of the Military Police to this issue be discussed in realistic and practical terms.

Situations which have the potential to necessitate the use of force by military police in peacetime can be extracted from the non-field tasks of RACMP, as drawn from DI (A) PERS 183-1 dated 3 May 1988. These situations are explained below:

- a. Limited assistance with physical security of military installations and property. This assistance takes a number of different forms, as follows:
 - attendance at armoury alarms, when offenders are still present;
 - (2) night security patrols of military areas, when an offence is detected and offenders are still present; and
 - (3) provision of security for DACP headquarters and staging areas where terrorists and/or hostile civilians are present.
- b. Security escorts for special tasks. These situations generally take one of two forms, namely:
 - (1) ammunition and/or weapons escorts, where terrorist/or criminal threats exist; and
 - (2) cash escorts in similar circumstances.
- c. Assistance with the maintenance of discipline outside unit areas. These situations are many and varied, and three examples are as follows:
 - (1) attendance at disturbances at Army canteens and
 - (2) attendance at disturbances at civilian clubs in support of civil police; and
 - (3) dealing with offenders whilst on foot or mobile patrol within unit areas.
- d. Detection and investigation of offences. Some examples of these situations are as follows:
 - (1) approaching suspects houses and married quarters;
 - (2) room searches in living-in accommodation (particularly in relation to drug offences); and
 - (3) assisting civil police on joint operations.

CLASSES OF FORCE The use of force by military police in any of the above situations can be grouped into one of five catagories, as detailed in the Army Security Manual, (ASM) 1979, Chapter Two. These are:

- a. in affecting arrest;
- b. in preventing offences;
- c. in protecting life;
- d. in protecting property; and
- e. in apprehending fleeing offenders.

PRINCIPLES There are three general principles governing the use of force by Military Police, laid down in the ASM. These are:

- a. that the crime sought to be prevented could not have been prevented by less violent means;
- b. that the damage done, or the damage that could have been done by the use of force was not disproportionate to the crime it was intended to prevent; and

 that the use of firearms is to be avoided and should be used as a last resort.

LEVELS OF FORCE The levels of force used by a military policeman each time he is faced with a situation in the performance of his duties, are as follows:

- Force of Presence. This force is applied merely by the presence of the military policeman;
- Force of Command. This force is applied by the commands or directions the military policeman gives whilst performing his duties;
- c. Physical Force. This force is applied by the military policeman using his body and/or handcuffs, to subdue an offender:
- d. Projected Force. This force is the application of force by way of baton or similar instrument, but falls short of the employment of firearms; and
- e. Deadly Force. This force is applied by the use of firearms by a military policeman. From the above discussion of the levels of force, it would seem that the military policemans decisions on the use of force are simple. If one level of force is not sufficient, the military policeman merely applies the next level of force, and so on until the incident is concluded successfully. This is incorrect for two reasons. These are as follows:
- a. Time. Although some situations may allow the military policeman to use a lower level of force than escalate in order to resolve a situation, the decision on what level to use must be made quickly, and, at higher levels of force there is little room or time for error; and
- **b. Equipment.** The military policeman is not trained in or equipped with purpose built equipment which allow them to apply the level of force which is appropriate to the situation.

The solution to these two problems are simple. The military policeman must be trained in the theory, law and practical aspects of the application of force, and he must be equipped to do so once he has learned.

SOLUTIONS The two solutions, training and equipment, require detailed analysis, planning, development and assessment before they can be implemented, however, a general discussion of relevant topics is necessary at this point.

Training. Lack of comprehensive training in a number of areas will result in misuse of Army equipment and possible misuse of force. This can be avoided by comprehensive training in the following areas:

- a. crisis managment;
- b. behavioural science;
- c. the theory of the use of force;
- d. the law relating to the use of force at each level.
- e. practical aspects of the use of force at each level.

This training could be provided from within the system, with some assistance from State police forces.

Equipment To allow the military policeman to use the appropriate level of force in a given situation, he must be given the means to apply that force. For this reason, military policemen must be trained and equipped to apply force at a level equal to that which potential offenders could be expected to use in a given situation. The first two levels of force require no more equipment than the military policeman already has, however the higher levels of force require certain items of equipment or additional training. These requirements are as follows:

- a. Physical Force. Universal carriage of handcuffs, and training in Self Defence and Restraining Techniques;
- Projected Force. Carriage of batons by military police, in uniform, on an as required basis, and extensive training

in their use. This would generally involve DACP terrorist situations, armoury alarms and night security patrols; and

c. Deadly Force. Carriage of pistols by military police, both uniform and SIB, on an as required basis, and comprehensive training in their use as police weapons. As detailed above, training in the use of these items of equipment is necessary and should be to a very high standard before the military policeman is permitted to carry these items on duty, to avoid potential misuse of force by untrained or undertrained personnel. Expecially for DACP terrorist situations and armed escort tasks, military policemen must be armed for self defence. Potential offenders will assume that personnel on these types of tasks are armed and will only undertake an offence with at least equal force and a readiness to use it. To continue to support the general principle of minimum force, and to minimize risks to service personnel and property, the necessary training and equipment resources must be made available. It is considered that the Army Training System be used to urgently address this problem as it affects RACMP, and that a plan to train and equip the Corps be developed and implemented as soon as possible. I am aware that this article presents a possibly contentious argument, and lacks the backing of relevant statistics from law enforcement agencies. For this reason I would appreciate it if Corps members could contact me if they have had experiences of any situation in which they were required to:

a. punch or grapple with offenders;

- use handcuffs on a violent offender in order to control him; or
- use an improvised weapon, such as a Mag-lite or similar, to subdue an offender.

I intend to follow up on this article with detailed submission on training and equipment, and request the assistance of all Corps members in order to make those submissions as accurate and complete as possible.

BOOK REVIEWS

BLACK SWAN

by Sid Finn

This is the history of No. 103 RAF Squadron, from its formation in 1917 to its disbandment in 1975.

With DH 9 aircraft in WW1, based in France, tasked to carry out long range bombing raids, their loads, two 112 1b HE bombs and eight 25lb incendiaries, and they bombed from 2000 feet.

WW2 saw them back in France, this time with Fairey Battles and it is well known that the Battles, along with the Blenheim squadrons, had a hard time prior to the fall of France. Regrouped at RAF Base Newton, they were equipped with Wellingtons before a move to what was to be their permanent wartime base, Elsham Wolds.

The author who served with the squadron ground staff relates each operation that the squadron was involved in, its successes and its losses. The end of 1942 saw the squadron, now flying Lancasters, in the thick of Bomber Commands offensive. Many Australians served with this squadron and its sister unit at Elsham, No. 576 Squadron.

While this book contains a number of literals, it does serve on a bomber squadron in wartime. The author, Sid Finn, now resides in Raymond Terrace, NSW from whom the book can be obtained. Price \$31.50 includes postage. Write Sid Finn, 5 Murulla Crescent, Raymond Terrace, NSW 2324.

A Last Call of Empire, Australian Aircrew, Britain and the Empire Air Training Scheme.

by John McCarthy (Australian War Memorial, 172pp, \$19.95). Britain could not have fought the air war against Germany during World War II without the support of thousands of young volunteers from the dominions.

The Empire Air Training Scheme, manned by Ausralian, Canadian, and New Zealand personnel, was established at a meeting in Ottawa in late 1939. Australia agreed to supply 36 percent of the 28,000 aircrew to be drawn from the dominions over the three years of the agreement.

Of the 27,000 or so who eventually served, 6979 were killed in action. This well-researched book will be of interest to veterans and those who like to read military

history.

Some of McCarthy's informants found the transition to civilian life difficult after the "glamour" of the air war; others had nightmares for years. An irony is that the project was overmanned, with more than 300 surplus crews at one point.

THAT'S THAT

By Robert F. Honan (ex Flight Lieutenant RAAF) World War 2, 11 Squadron Catalina Flying Boat Captain

It is 50 years since WW2 commenced and to record some of the social history of that war, "That's That" has been written from the Author's Diary kept during 1939-45, his pilot log book, and Squadron records, detailing his training at Victor Harbour, Parafield, Mallala in SA, Laverton and Cressy in Vic and Rathmines in NSW. It describes in detail bombing, mining and anti-submarine operations in the South West Pacific area; escorts of Convoys of naval and merchant ships carrying AIF and USA personnel and military supplies to NG etc giving the names of all the ships in the particular convoy. Lists of the other crew Captains on 11 and 20 Squadrons at that time and their operational results on the same missions Squadrons at that time and their operational results on the same missions as the Author are given. It details, how the crews operated Catalinas on the long arduous flights, many over 20 hours duration; on the water where they were extremely difficult to manoeuvre; the aircrew living conditions etc.

It details operations from Bowen, Cairns, Townsville, Pt. Moresby, Darwin, Groote Eylandt, Horn Is, Merauke, Rose Bay Sydney, Brisbane River, Lake Boga and Ferry Flights from San Diego to Australia via Palmyra, Canton and Suva. Available from the author Robert Honan, 54 Hereford Avenue, Trinity Gardens, SA 5068, Price \$20 includes postage.

GLORY IN CHAOS

by CPCAPT E.H. Hall (rtd)

This book covers the RAAF activities in the South East Asia area during the first 14 weeks of the Pacific War from 8th December 1941.

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FAREWELL TO LTCOL JOHN BRISCOMBE AND MAJOR PHIL WARWICK



LTCOL Grahame Turner DMP/PM-A presenting a farewell gift to LTCOL John Briscombe, his predecessor, CAPT Gary Gordon looks on.



LTCOL Geoff Russell, MAJ Phil Warwick and LTCOL Graeme Turner at the farewell dinner for MAJ Warwick.

I WOULD PROBABLY STAY A YEAR

Lynette Day learned to type during her school days at the Auburn Home Science College, but her first job was as a trainee nurse at the Parramatta District Hospital. After three year's training and just prior to her final qualifying exams, Lyn had a change of vocation and married Clarie Day on 18 Apr 59. Four children later, and after qualifying again as a typist at Business College Parramatta, Lyn joined the work force. Lyn received word that a good job was available with the Provost at Moorebank.

After an interview with LT O'Brien, Lyn had to do an examination and a typing test. After which she was told by the Commonwealth Public Service that the MP position had been filled and she would have to wait some time for a position with the

Regular Army.

Lyn promised MAJ Gorman, DAPM Eastern Command, that she would probably stay a year if she got the job as typist for the Provost.

A few days later, Lyn was asked when she could start as the typist with the Military Police, as the typist they had employed had left. So it was that on the 16 Aug 72, Lyn commenced her

long association with the Corps and the SIB.

During the years Lyn has seen many changes including the move from Moorebank to the Ingleburn Complex in 1975. She has seen the rise through the ranks of such members as LTCOL John Cook Rt, LTCOL G. Russell and LTCOL G. Turner, all of whom she knew as Lieutenants. Lyn has also worked with some of the SIB's great personalities such as John Scott, who would on occasions bang his head against the wall in utter frustration (funny - very little changes). Charlie Nayler, who Lyn described as having a great sense of humour, if you get to know him properly, and offered him a drink of Great Western Champagne. The list goes on, Jack Kirley, Brian Collins, Denis Horne; Lyn knew them all.

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The first time I've seen Lyn stuck for words.

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Lyn says it has been a most interesting job, and has been called upon to type many records of interview and subsequently gave evidence at a number of Courts Martial. The most memorable hearing being at the District Court of Sydney, where she spent hours giving evidence in relation to a joint Federal Police and SIB Investigation of Fraud.

This year Lyn was nominated by HQ 2 Pl Army SIB Unit for an Australia Day Medallion; an award which is presented to both civilian and Defence personnel for outstanding service. The nomination was approved and on Thursday, 25th January 1990, Lyn was presented with her Australia Day Medallion by LTCOL

G.T. Turner, the DMP/PM-A (see photograph)

Lyn was nominated for the award because of her dedication as a typist who has provided good service for 18 years, during which time she has become an SIB personality, almost a family figure to those who work with her. Never stuck for conversation, and a knack for having a brew on hand when it is most needed, Lyn has set a precedent that other typists would find difficult to follow.

HISTORY REPEATS ITSELF

LTCOL Gordon Maulday and 2LT Leigh Buckingham have more in common than a Scarlet Beret. When 2 LT Buckingham graduated from OCTU 3 TRG GP, Dec 89, he was awarded the United Services Institute prize for Academic Excellence. 20 years previously LTCOL Maulday graduated from OCTU and was also awarded the United Services Institute prize.

2LT Buckingham is posted to 3 MP Coy as a PLCOMD and in his civil career he is a Sergeant Instructor at the Victoria Police Academy. LTCOL Maulday graduated to RACMP in 1970 and is currently the CO 3 ARRU and is a Assistant Chief Inspector with

the Road Traffic Authority of Victoria.



LTCOL Maulday (Left) is shown congratulating 2LT Buckingham on his achievement.



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IT'S A BIT OF A TRAP — BLUEY

by Cheryl Critchley

BERTRAM "Bluey" Addington was brought up with a rabbit trap in his hand.

The 65-year-old retired Regimental Sgt-Maj likes nothing better than a night out in the bush trapping rabbits to stew, boil, bake or roast.

"I started off when I was a kid and I've had a rabbit trap all my life," he said. "I bought my first pair of boots as a kid from rabbit skins."

Bluey, British Empire Medal and Efficiency Medal, who retired from the Army to Heathcote 12 years ago, is "furious" that Geelong MLC Rod Mackenzie has introduced legislation to ban steel jawed leghold traps.

"He's just looking for the greenie vote — anything for a vote. I'm just about jack of these greenies," Bluey said.

After expertly setting his traps and waiting for them to snap, Bluey breaks the rabbits' necks, killing them instantly.

He insists it the most humane way, as rabbits infected with myxomatosis or poisoned died a slow agonising death.

The World War 2 and Vietnam veteran, father of seven and grandfather of eight, so d rabbits were "breeding like hell" and had to be controlled.

"Apart from destroying the grass they (rabbits) contribute to soil erosion," he said.

Bluey said trappers should be encouraged to help eradicate the pest and provide themselves and others with cheap, delicious protein.

"The country would be better off...if the dole bludgers were given two dozen traps and sent bush to survive instead of just laying about wasting their lives and our taxes," he said.



Bertram 'Bluey' Addington...no bunny when it comes to trapping rabbits but furious over moves to ban steel jawed legholdtraps.

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THE INTERNATIONAL POLICE ASSOCIATION A SHORT HISTORY

by CAPT R. Schie

BEGINNINGS

On August 12th, 1949, there appeared in the 'Police Review' a short article entitled 'International Police Friendship', in which the writer 'AYTEE,' referred to the success he had had in establishing correspondence links with Denmark, Norway, Sweden, Finland and Africa. He suggested that such contacts should be put on a proper footing and even extended to include the exchange of holiday visits and professional experiences.

A week or so later, the correspondence columns of the same magazine contained a letter from a City of London officer, in which he endorsed the suggestions of the earlier article. He went on to relate the assistance he personally has received in connection with a visit to Holland, as a result of writing to a Dutch police officer.

Things appear to have moved quite rapidly and in the issue of October 21st, 1949, there appeared a report of a meeting, which had been held at Bishopsgate Police Station on the 14th of that month, through the kindness of the then Commissioner of the City, Sir Hugh Turnbull. Four months later the 'Police Review' carried a progress report from Sergeant Arthur Troop of Lincolnshire, who, it was now revealed was the 'ATYEE' of the original article. In this, he gave details of correspondence he had received from nearly every country in Europe as a result of the original article six months earlier. The Association had, in fact, been officially constituted as from January 1st, 1950.

GROWTH

On March 17th, perhaps a little inappropriately, it was reported that a branch had been formed in Glasgow. With commendable scottish efficiency, this branch had already arranged a trip to Paris at a charge of ten pounds, ten shillings perhead. The trip was to take place in the following August and would last a week. In May, 1950, publicity was given to a newly adopted badge of the Association and its Experanto motto, 'SERVO PER AMIKECO,' or more simply, 'Service Through Friendship.'

Twelve months after the original article, on August 11th, 1950, there was a report of the formation of a Norwegian Section of the Association, although this was later proved to have been rather overoptimistic.

Nevertheless, the Association was growing, albeit slowly. There was certainly a tremendous amount of work falling on the first half dozen or so founder members, who were not only attempting to get things organized in the British Isles, but were also making visits

abroad at their own expense to spread the doctrine on the continent.

ORGANIZING

Whilst they had only some 100 members in the United Kingdom, these stout-headed pioneers realized that the time was soon to come when these numbers would swell enormously. Accordingly, they divided the British Isles into Regions, a form of sensible internal government, which has continued to the present day.

Meanwhile, their continental visits began to pay dividends and in January, 1953, three years after the official inauguration of the British Section, the Dutch Section was formed.

Belgium followed in February, 1953, and the French Section was inaugurated in the following September. During the year, an organized party visited Oslo and as a result, the previously premature announcement of the formation of the Norwegian Section was at last realized on April 22nd, 1954.

Germany and Switzerland followed early in 1955 and, in September of that year, the first International Congress of the Association was held in Paris. An International Charter was adopted and Arthur Troop was elected as the Association's first International Security-General. M. Andre Roches of France became the Association's first International President.

Meanwhile as the work of framing international statutes and preparing the proper groundwork for the international administration went along, so did the ever-increasing flow of exchange visits and the introduction of 'pen-pals.'

By 1957, Eire and Italy had joined the fold and the British Section had reached its first 1,000 members entirely without advertising and largely by word of mouth recommendation. Fortunately, most of these were strategically placed throughout the country, particularly at points of arrival and departure.

1958 saw the foundation of the Swedish Section and the British Section's own magazine 'Police World.' In Paris, it had been decided that the International Congress should be triennial and this year saw the second of these held in Brussels to coincide with the holding of the World Fair in that city.

Sections were formed in Austria and Finland in 1959, and as a result of a visit to this country of Captain Gonzalez of Chile, the first Section outside Europe was formed in that country when the enthusiastic Captain promptly enrolled forty members on his return home.

As a result of recruiting amongst students attending the Police College,

Hong Kong formed a Section in June, 1960, and so the work of the Association spread to the Far East. From this time, the formation of new Sections became very rapid and each year saw the ratification of at least three or four. In 1964 the Australian Section was formed and in 1987 there were 48 National Sections, with a number awaiting acceptance.

STATUTES

By the international statutes, the formation of a Section in any country requires a minimum of 20 members. Prior to the formation of a Section in his country, a police officer may join any of the already formed national Sections. He then becomes an associate member of that Section until his own country's Section is formed. There follows a gradual process of encouragement largely through correspondence, but usually coupled with a series of visits by international officers, until the day arrives when the Section applies for international recognition at one of the annual meetings of the International Executive Committee.

At no time has the Association taken any part or has it any desire to take part in any matter of politics or discipline. It permits no discrimination of race, creed, sex or colour. In this country, its members include all ranks of the Police Service from the Commissioner of Police to the newest joined cadet. Overseas its membership is simply inclusive of all ranks and branches of the service.

HELP

The governments of many continental countries have been quick to appreciate the value of such an Association of police officers with its excellent facilities for the exchange of professional knowledge. In Italy and France, for example, the secretarial work of the Association is carried out by regular officers seconded for the purpose.

In 1961, when the third Triennial Congress was held in Stuttgart, the German Government made a substantial contribution to the expenses of organizing the Congress and, in addition, provided considerable secretarial assistance.

WORLD'S LARGEST POLICE ORGANIZATION

There are now nearly 250,000 members throughout the world. There can be no doubt that the Association is the largest police organization in the world.

RECOGNITION

The Association made application to the Secretary-General of the United Nations to be placed on the Register in consultative status in 1965, when a paper was submitted by Mr. Andre Baumgartner, Switzerland. In March, 1967, the International President appeared before the Council Committee of the United Nations Economic and Social Council and presented the paper. As a result of this, the Association was granted consultative status in July, 1967. This enables the Association to attend conferences and functions, dealing with subjects appertaining to police work.

In the years that followed it became evident within the IPA that co-operation with the United Nations was a valuable exercise for the Association. Progressive participation and statements made by the IPA on subjects relative to the police led to the setting up of the U.N. Commission by the I.E.C. in 1979 with Liaison Officers being appointed to the Professional, Cultural and Social Commissions. Most National Sections are now taking an active part in this work. As a result of the work carried out by the officers of this Commission, the IPA was advanced to a Category II, Non-Government Organization with consultative status at the February 1984 meeting of the Economies and Social Council of the U.N. in New York.

This is a distinct recognition of the worldwide professionalism of the Association and its officers working at National and International level with regard to the pursuance of human rights and preservation of peace. The Association is now in a position to designate authorized representatives to sit as observers at Public Meetings of the Council, Commissions and Organizations, to submit written statements relevant to the work of the Council and to answer requests for consultation by the Chairman of any Commission nominated by the Council.

HOLIDAYS AND CO-OPERATION

As a policeman once wrote in the Association's magazine, 'Travelling abroad as an individual was like travelling in thick fog. Travelling as a member of the Association was like travelling in clear sunshine. Everywhere I was welcomed, helped and treated like an old friend. The experience was wonderful.'

Many National Sections have purchased or leased properties and now provide IPA Houses/Caravans/Caravan Sites for the use of members who wish to travel. Many of these are situated in beautiful countryside with local facilities for fishing, boating, hiking, golf, or just lazing about. Some properties are small, others are large houses split into flats with communal rooms, or clubs as on the continent. Details are available through National Sections.

Certain types of hobbies have obvious interests in international co-operation and probably the one that immediately springs to mind is philately. However, it is not ony in this field that there is a tremendous traffic amongst IPA members, but also in police badge and button collecting, in numismatics, in the exchange of

tape recordings and cine films and in such rarer past-times as that of the phillumenists. New fields include rambling and walking, cartophily and ornithology. The Radio Ham Section now has over 800 members listed worldwide and organizes frequent contests and competitions.

INTERNATIONAL BIBLIOGRAPHY OF POLICE

Always conscious of the standing of the police throughout the world, the Association, through its recognition by and association with U.N.E.S.C.O., became aware that whilst that organization could supply bibliographies of any subject from art to zoology, there was no bibliography of the police.

It accordingly set up an 'International Bibliography Commission' with a Norwegian Chairman and representatives from Germany, Italy and Great Britain.

Within two years, this Commission, with the co-operation of the various member countries, produced an exhaustive bibliography of the police. Published by the the British Section, the first edition was sold out and a second edition is well on the way to a similar position, and the fact that the published price was subsidised by the Association to assist students, has probably assisted. It also shows that it has met a long-felt need and proved a most successful venture.

MUSIC

Composed by the popular orchestra leader, Michael Legrand, the IPA has its own march. This has been recorded by the Paris Police Band, the well-known Musique des Gardiens de la Paix.

It also has its own hymn, 'Serve Per Amikeco,' written by Pierre-Mrie Guillemot with music by Alfred Couat. This has been recorded by the Musique dela Police Nationale and sung by Jacques Izaro.

These two works are now used as national protocol of the Association to open and close international meetings.

THE IPA TODAY

The British Section has a first class national Headquarters at 1 Fox Road, West Bridgford, Nottingham, England. Purchased at a cost of 12 thousand pounds, the premises provide excellent office and other facilities for the work of the Association.

Nearly every National Section now has its own magazine and copies of these are circulated to all other member nations.

At all national and international meetings a professional note is encouraged by the inclusion of eminent speakers or discussion groups and forums.

The British Section has pioneered the awarding of travel scholarships to members to encourage them to travel abroad studying professional subjects of their choice. These bursaries are awarded after the candidates have appeared before distinguished panels and the

papers of the successful candidates have been subsequently published by the British Section.

In other National Sections there are many humanity and cultural activities that raise the banner of IPA to persons outside the IPA as well as to its members. A few examples only can be mentioned a full list would be a full book.

The Irish Section assisted in raising ten thousand pounds for the purchase of a specially adapted coach for the Irish Wheelchair Association (the adopted charity of that Section). The Norwegian Section last year adopted a seven-yearold boy from India who is looked after by the U.M.C.A. in the State of Eihar. A decision has been made to adopt a second child. In Switzerland, donations have been made to assist mountain farmers whose land has been badly damaged; aid given to relatives of two french colleagues who died on the Matterhorn, and assistance to a Belgian colleague whose son died as a result of an accident. The son of an Australian member was placed with a Swiss family to further his knowledge of languages. In Luxembourg donations have been made to help fight Multiple Sclerosis and to assist a local clinic. In Queensland donations towards a 'Burns Bed' at a major hospital have been made. Victoria donate to the disabled scouts, South Australia have adopted a child from overseas and tend for an old peoples home at Christmas.

CONCLUSION

Undoubtedly, police officers have been good hosts to their colleagues. The International Police Association has only served to organize that spontaneous hospitality and so to provide the facilities for both the serious exchange of professional knowledge and the mere pleasantries of pen friendship.

The ever-increasing rate of expansion of the association has posed a number of problems for its unpaid officials and there can be no question that its subscription fee is ridiculously low for the facilities provided.

The International Police Association and its objects have obviously appealed to the policemen of the world and it is perhaps not inappropriate that its motto should be 'SERVICE THROUGH FRIENDSHIP.'

That this fact has been internationally recognized is shown by the fact that the Association has been placed on the Register of the Secretary-General of the United Nations in its newly advanced status and is recognized as being in consultative status with that body.

For further information on the IPA contact CAPT Schie on telephone number (02) 618 4572, or write to him at DMP HQ MP Centre, Lamia lines, Mil PO, Ingleburn, NSW. 2174.

RACMP IN UNTAG A Unique Experience

by CPL Jock Lang

SWA/Namibia, lies on the west coast of southern Africa and is bordered by the the Republic of South Africa (RSA) to the south and Angola in the north. This former Imperial German colony, has been the subject of a long and often violent dispute between the RSA and the South West African Peoples Organisation (SWAPO).

Approximately ten years ago, there was an initiative by the member countries of the United Nations, to assist in free and fair elections for the troubled land. Despite many failed attempts. not dissimilar to the present situation in Kampuchea, agreement was reached in late 1988 early 1989. The long planned United Nations Transition Assistance Group (UNTAG) was put into effect.

Australia was committed to provide a construction sqn for the UNTAG military component. 17 Const Sqn UNTAG, RAE a unit raised specifically for the task, was brought up to strength and in Feb/Mar 1989 the unit underwent intensive training in preparation for deployment. These Australian soldiers were the first of the UN forces to actually deploy in SWA/Namibia, followed closely by a sqn of 30 Regt (UKLF). The Australian and British soldiers were rapidly mobilised to the Angolan border and utilised in an infantry role to intervene in the escalation of hostilities of early Apr. With the arrival of the three formed infantry battalions, from Finland, Malaysia and Kenya, the Australians were released to their engineering duties. The majority remaining in the north at Logistics Base Grootfontein (LBG). A small HQ element moved south to the nations capital of Windhoek.

The responsibility for the military police role within the UNTAG Military Force fell to the UNTAG MP Coy. This was a Composite Coy with military police representation from almost all participating countries. Commanded by a Finnish Provost Marshal at Coy HQ, Windhoek, the coy comprised five detachments located at key points throughout the AO. These were situated at Keetmanshoop, Okahandja (south), LBG, Rundu and Oshakati (north). As the sole representative of the RACMP, I was attached to LBG Det. The det was comprised of nine personnel, one LT and three SNCOs (Poland), one SGT and three INCOs (Canada) and one INCO INVST (Australia). As the only MP dedicated to the investigator role within the force, I was tasked with the investigation of all serious crimes/offences in the northern sectors. LBG Det was the first to be operational and quickly gained a reputation as the most industrious and harmonious. This Det was held out as the yardstick by which all other Dets would be measured. This was reflected in the messages of appreciation and commendation from the Force COMD, MAJGEN P. Chand (India). The tasking for military police was similar to the ASA tasking with a few field applications. All personnel were relied upon to be able to competently complete minor criminal investigations.

The topography of the land, particularly around LBG and the north, is similar to that found in southern NT. The climate is similar to that encountered in northern WA. There is a reliable wet season and cold short winters. Summer is hot and very dry with temperatures around the 40° C mark. The inhabitants come from a broad ethnic background. The natives are not unexpectedly tribal, with the majority from the populous Ovambo people. The white population is a mixture of German, S African, Portugese and British. The Germans having had by far the deepest impact on daily life. There are three main languages used by the whites, German, Afrikanns and English.

The MP Coy is equipped with Toyota Landcruiser 4WD, vehicles, resplendant in UN livery. All vehicles are fitted with air conditioning and power steering each fitted with the latest Motorola radio equipment. The arrival of the second contingent in Sep/Oct 1989, saw the increase of the RACMP presence by 600%, at the request of the UN HQ. The six personnel were organised into two SNCO INVST, one Regimental stream SNCO

and three JNCO. An RACMP member who applies and is accepted for service with the Australian Service Contingent UNTAG, can realistically expect to apply his not inconsiderable skills in an operational environment. The member will have the opportunity to match his trade skills with military police from other western countries, eastern bloc and the third world. Based upon my own experience, the member will find that the training and knowledge imparted to him by the RACMP, will stand the test and be undeniably validated. Your knowledge, professionalism and pride will be the envy of other senior MP personnel.

On completion of the qualifying period, members of the contingent are entitled to wear the UN Service Medal for SWA/Namibia and the Austalian Service Medal (when available for issue.) Together with an attractive pay and allowance package, I would commend the tour to any career minded Corps member.



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by CPL A.B. Wood

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It is not the purpose of this paper to argue the pros and cons of the rehabilitative ideal, nor is it the purpose to present arguments against treatment. These are civilian arguments presented in a different context and environment. Suffice it to say it is an accepted myth. For as Martinson (1970) and others point out "With few and isolated exceptions the rehabilitative efforts that have been reported so far have had no appreciable effect on recidivism" and "There is no method for reversing the powerful tendency of offenders to persist in criminal activity. The tendency may be reduced somewhat by a given method, but percentage differences are small and the costs of achieving these small reductions may be high."

The cost of course is not a monetary one but the deterioration of the inmate, for we must remember that one of the main aims of those in authority should be the prevention of deterioration; the prisonisation of the individual, rather than the promotion of reform of the inmate.

The military offender is unique in that the offences he commits within the system will not prejudice his employment-seeking on his return to civilian life; he need not end up with a criminal record.

The Duke of Wellington would be proud of this outcome it was through his intervention that the Military Prison was developed; to isolate recalcitrant military offenders from being tainted by civilian offenders whilst being imprisoned in civilian prisons. He was also concerned about soldiers returning to their Regiments; they had forgotten who they were and more importantly what they were; soldiers.

An extension of this involvement was the formation of specialists in the Military System; the Military Provost Staff Corps. Other countries followed suit in raising establishment with specially trained soldiers who can deal with the peculiar situation that the military environment has unwittingly created; the military offender.

Living in a military structure geared towards obdience, fosters violations; indeed actions that would not be offences in a civilian setting become military offences.

We have perfected and updated Military Law to protect the innocent and catch the villain but it would appear our responsibility ends there. We train our Military Police to high levels of competency, the SIB even more so, to catch the offender, but we do nothing to help those who man and run the Defence Force Corrective Establishment in this country.

But why should the Military have their own prisons? And why is there a need for trained servicemen to become jailors. The answer is quite simple. Why lose an essential, highly skilled commodity to the civilian market? Therefore with training and reeducation this essential product can be returned to the Army and in most cases soldier on without too much trauma, and indeed the offences committed may not have been civilian offences.

STAFFING

Alexander Paterson opposed any time being allocated to the

study of psychology for prison officers on the ground that "It is much better to leave them to their own natural good will and common sense than to stuff their ears and memories with a few scraps of scientific jargon" (1951). Unfortunately that is true if the individual takes it upon himself to partly read a book on a particular point and out of context. That information if disseminated by virtue of that individuals authority can only lead to problems. What is required is some formal familiarisation with problems that the staff member will come up against; not only from the inmates but problems he may feel within himself. The sometimes hostile, superior, contemptuous or dismissive attitude that can come to the fore, which in turn constitutes an attack on the inmates self-esteem and inspires resentment both against the staff member and against the values and standards he represents. Training can allow the staff member to be aware of these unfortunate normal behavioural patterns in such an environment.

Daniel Glaser (1964), advocates a pleasant, friendly approach which allows the inmates to preserve some self-respect and that'...control can be achieved by staff without a hostile or superior attitude, and that positive leadership and influence is difficult to achieve without at least a minimum of friendliness and respect'' (1964).

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Nevertheless we must remember that our aim is to instill military discipline and that can not be done without some form of pressure.

We must not forget that our aim is to re-establish the fighting spirit, this will require trained and dedicated instructors and leadership and guidance from the top. It is necessary therefore that those in the ultimate position of authority within the Defence Force Corrective Establishment be accessible, be knowledgeable in this particular field, and be of such character, turn-out and bearing that the errant serviceman can be in do doubts as to what is required of him. This leads us to the important issue of the individual offender modeling himself on the staff member.

One theory emphasising the need for positive staff and positive leadership is based on modeling. That is, that errant servicemen tend to model their behaviour after the staff. It is suggested that a staff member who presents a healthy mature model will produce the same behaviour traits in the errant serviceman.

Studies by Haymas and Blackman (1965) conclude that the atmosphere set by the individuals in command (and by this it is understood that command also refers to NCOs as well as the commandant and RSM) does indeed affect the behaviour of the trianees.

We must also look at tenure of service of the staff within the Defence Force Correctional System. The longer a staff member serves in this establishment, it is observed that he becomes comfortable with the position and indeed can relate to the errant serviceman in a more paternalistic manner. However for the younger, newly assigned staff member there appears to be a more threatening, identification crisis between the position and the errant serviceman, punctuated with phases of overidentification with the position and untoward aggressiveness to the individual.

The military nature of the prison has a "potentially powerful and motivational and identification-producing effect." That is, the individual will be returning to his unit, and will be going back into the same group that the staff belong, (this is especially true at the moment, of the RAN and RAAF). The staff knows that the errant serviceman will be at the same base, drinking in the same bar and eating in the same mess. This can lead to an uncomfortable situation, however, if one views this positively the errant serviceman also sees the staff as an example of a successful individual therefore accepting the staff as a role model and a sample of those to whom he will return.

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