



THE REGULAR FORCE CADET

Cover Photo: Brigadier W. R. K. Morrison, D.S.O., O.B.E., Class Patron, inspecting the graduation parade. He is accompanied by the Officer Commanding RF Cadet School, Major H. Duncan, RNZAEC, and the Cadet RSM, RSM P. L. Napier.

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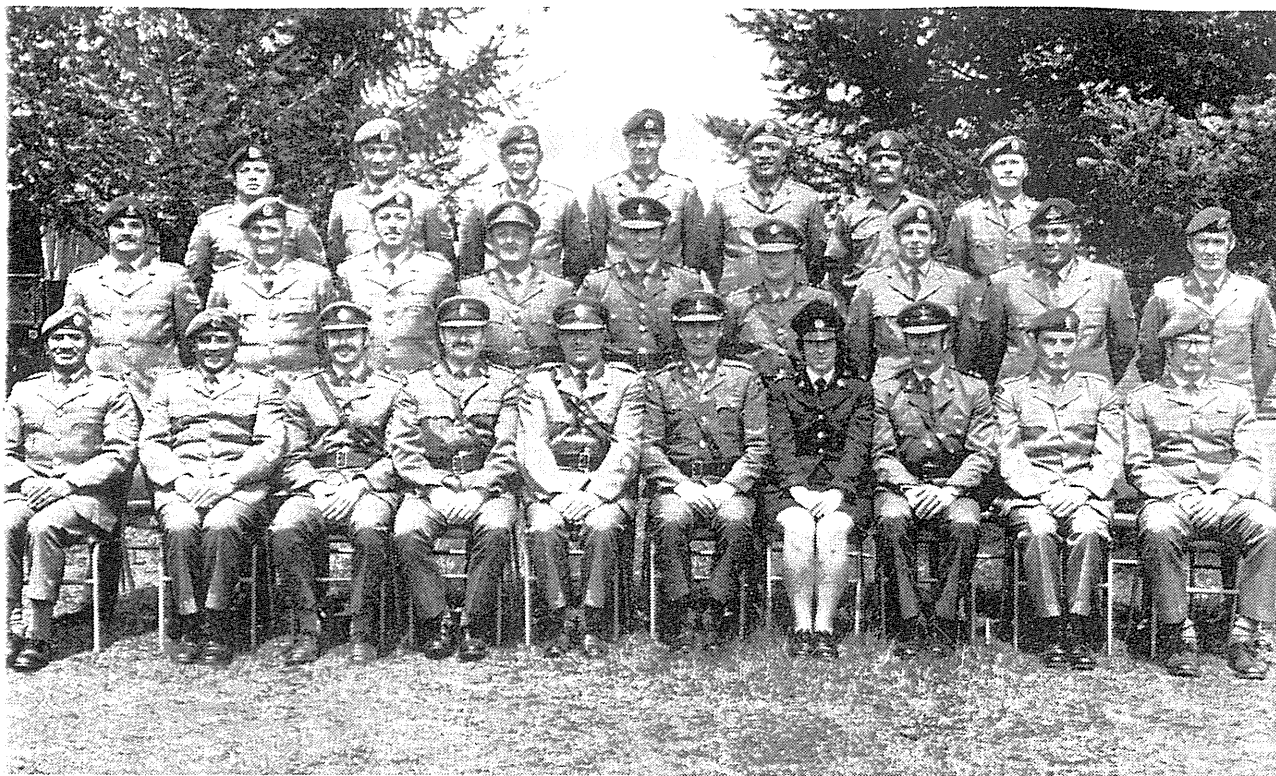
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The Regular Force

CADET



The Army Schools
Waikouru, N.Z.
1976



RF Cadet School Staff 1976

STAFF 1976

HEADQUARTERS

OC, Major JA Dennistoun-Wood

Major H Duncan, Dip Tchg

AO, Lt & QM M Watts

Lt S Boon

SSM, WO1 MH Edwards, MBE

WO1 JH Knap

Chief Clerk, Ssgt Rich, MC

Clerk Cpl Arnold J

SQMS, Ssgt Blake JM

Storeman, Cpl White JW

Storeman, Cpl Lomas GM

Storeman, Lcpl Raroa D

RNZIR

RNZAEC

Appointed July

RNZASC

RNZWRAC

Appointed July

RNZAC

RNZIR

Appointed July

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RNZE

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A COMPANY

OC, Lt & QM GB Howard

Lt S McLachlan

CSM, WOII Knap JH

WOII Horsfall GA, BEM

RNZ Sigs

RNZIR

Appointed Sept

RNZIR

RNZIR

Appointed July

B COMPANY

OC, Capt JK Williams

Lt & QM GB Howard

CSM, WOII Mowat D

RNZE

RNZ Sigs

RNZE

Appointed Sept

APPRENTICE WING

Senior Trade Instr, Ssgt Archer TN	RNZE
Carpenter Instructor, Sgt Stowell LD	RNZE
Carpenter Instructor, Sgt Lacey DAM	RNZE
Carpenter Instructor, Cpl Maber RL	RNZE

Postings Out:

Sgt Milliken to 3 Field Squadron

Sgt Staines to 2 Field Squadron

Postings In:

Sgt Lacey from 3 Field Squadron

Lcpl Maber from 1 Field Squadron

TRAINING WING

Training Warrant Officer

WOII Horsfall GA, BEM

RNZIR

Training NCO, Ssgt Manihera JHMT

RNZIR

Appointed July

Instructors, Sgt Holley G

RNZIR

Sgt Hornbrook LD

RNZIR

Sgt Wharewera J

RNZAC

Sgt Douglas MM

RNZIR

Sgt Flattery-Donohoe MJ

RNZIR

Sgt Johnson PG

RNZASC

Ssgt Maioha M

RNZA

Sgt Niwa J

RNZA

Cpl Wikaire L

RNZIR

Bdr Brown T

RNZA

Cpl Morgan JE

RNZAC

EDUCATION WING

Chief Instructor,

Major H Duncan, Dip Tchg

RNZAEC

Major J Davey, BA, Dip Tchg

RNZAEC

Appointed Aug

Instructors, Capt DL Brown, BSc

RNZAEC

Capt C Bruton, BA (Hons)

RNZAEC

Capt GD Charles,

MA (Hons, NZ),

ATCL, LTCL (Lond),

Dip Tchg (NZ)

RNZAEC

Capt NAF Young,

BSc, Dip Tchg

RNZAEC

Appointed May



Cadet School NCOs 1976

NZE APPRENTICE WING NOTES

This training year began earlier than usual with five Sappers beginning training in January during Advanced Soldier Training. This period of time was admirably spent erecting a new timber rack for the security of materials for the houses.

Three houses and garages began construction after a rather slow start due to financial difficulties in Defence Headquarters. Eventually the foundations were poured during May and this meant that there was to be no stopping this bevy of industrious apprentice carpenters. The houses progressed well and at the time of writing are quickly nearing completion.

The training of Apprentice carpenters has been the most predominant group undergoing training compared to our one and only plumbing apprentice being sent to 2 Field Squadron on a tour of Duty when Sgt Staines' posting eventually came through. With 19 carpenter apprentices eager for knowledge the staff at the Wing were kept very busy.

To add to the three houses being constructed the Sappers working under Sgt Lacey began the construction of an 'A' frame cave centre in Turangi township. This building was quickly constructed or closed in within two weeks and will be ready for its first inhabitants during mid December.

The latter stages of October and early November found 12 apprentices studying hard for their Trade Certificate examinations.

The apprentice Wing staff would like to thank all the apprentices for their conscientious efforts during the past year and wish them all the best for their examinations and their futures within the Army.

Recent postings out from the staff are:

Sgt Milliken to 3 Field Squadron.

Sgt Staines to 2 Field Squadron.

Recent postings in to the staff are:

Sgt Lacey from 3 Field Squadron.

Lcpl Maber from 1 Field Squadron.

The present staff at the Wing are:

Sgt Archer TN Senior Trade Instructor.

Sgt Stowell LD Carpenter Instructor.

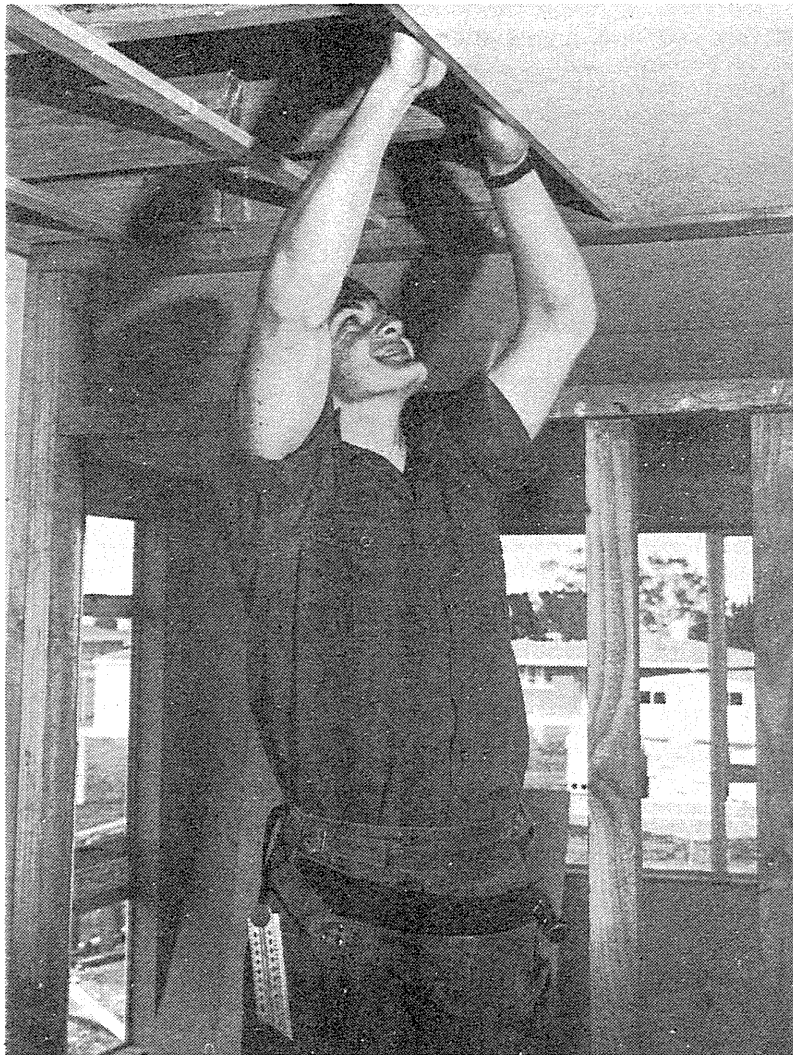
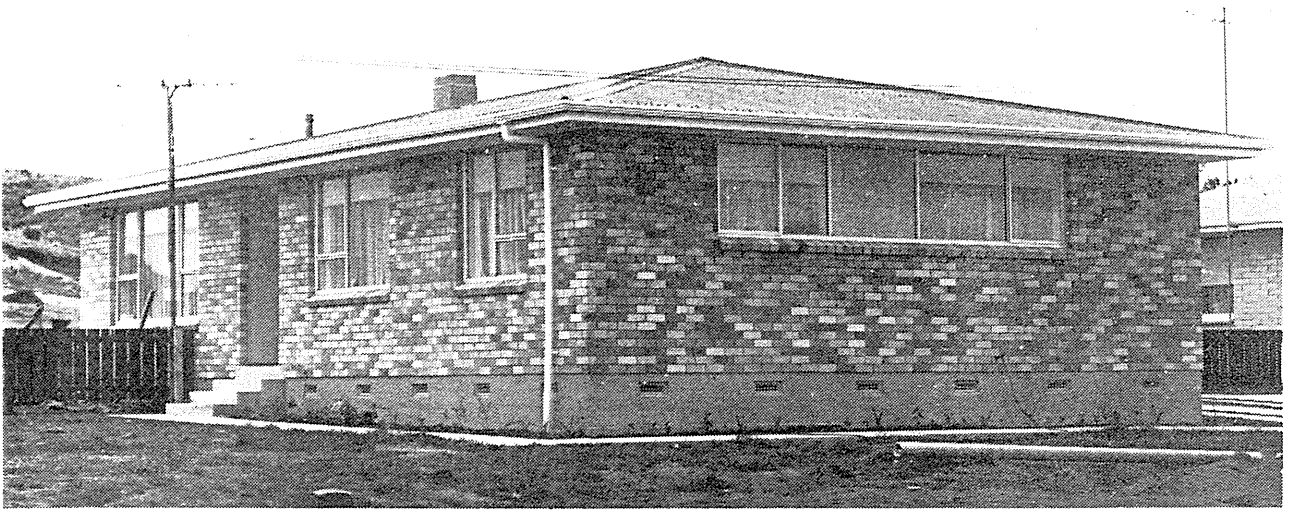
Sgt Lacey DAM Carpenter Instructor.

Cpl Maber RL Carpenter Instructor

Cpl Lomas GM Wing Storeman (SQMS)

One of the houses built by RF Cadet apprentices during 1976.

Cadet Versey attaching a ceiling in one of the houses.



TRAINING WING 1976

"We achieve the impossible,
miracles take a little
longer"

Training Wing Staff

As with previous years we have had changes in staff and the introduction and application of new methods of instruction.

Training Warrant Officer

(A) WOII G. Horsfall, B.E.M., RNZIR

Instructors

(A) S Sgt Manihera, J., RNZIR
Sgt Holley, G., RNZIR
Sgt Hornbrook, L.D., RNZIR.

(B) Sgt Wharewera J., RNZAC
Sgt Douglas, M.M. RNZIR.

(C) Sgt Flattery Donohoe, M.J. RNZIR.

(C) Sgt Johnson, P.G., RNZ-ASC

(B) S Sgt Maioha M., RNZA

(A) Sgt Niwa J., RNZA

(C) Cpl Wikaire, L., RNZIR

(C) Bdr Brown, T., RNZA

(C) Cpl Morgan, J. E. RNZAC.

(A) Denotes posting within the unit.

(B) denotes posting from the unit in 1976.

(C) denotes postings to the unit in 1976.

The Training Year

1. Basic Recruit Training.

Training began 8 Jan. 76 when the new class of Cadets marched in. This was the Morrison Class so named after a distinguished soldier Brigadier W.R.K. Morrison.

Basic Recruit Training concluded Friday 27 Feb. 77.

This Recruit Training was conducted by Regular Force Cadet School with A Coy shouldering the administration and ably assisted in the detailed conduct by the Training Wing.

2. Advanced Soldier Training.

This phase of Cadet training is designed to refresh Cadets in their basic military skills from he previous year, and to include advanced soldier skill subjects.

B Coy ably administered in all details the training of the Cadets. Assistance again was given by Training Wing instructors, with the fortunate occurrence of the School of Infantry conducting a Platoon Commanders/P1 Sergeants Course, which gave us assistance in this phase of training.

3. Courses. From 1 March 76, Training Wing conducted a variety of internal courses for the 56 Cadets and this continued until 4 Dec 76.

a. Basic All Arms Instructor Course. For the second consecutive year RF Cadet School conducted the Basic All Arms Instructors Course, with a Reassessment Programme ending 4 Dec 76. The BAA instructors course is invaluable in that it becomes the vehicle to achieve the following:

(1) Soldier experience for the RF Cadet to a laid down standard.

(2) A qualification, whether complete or partial as an Instructor BAA.

Of the 56 Cadets who attended the course, 33 gained a complete qualification, with 21 gaining a partial qualification, and two who did not qualify at all. The phases covered by the BAA Instructor course are:

Methods of Instruction

Drill Instructors

Weapon Training Instructors

Field Training Instructors (which includes, map reading, fieldcraft, living in the field and survival).

b. Driving Courses. A Driving Course in LT, and HT was conducted by Training Wing to enable Cadets to attain a driver's licence as required by their trade. This began 18 Nov 76 and concluded with the testing on 3 Dec 76.



Feeding time at Minginui!

c. Infantry Battlecraft Course. This was a modified minor tactics course, designed to teach the Cadets the Infantry battlecraft skills of an infantry section. Conduct included both open and close country application of the skills. The course of a week's duration was conducted twice, from 2-12 Dec 76.

d. Corps School Courses. Besides the internal courses conducted by the unit, Cadets are required to attend Corps Schools for various courses.

e. Sports. Training Wing have shown their assistance in the field of sport in the following activities:

Sgt Wharewera — 1st XV Rugby.

Sgt Hornbrook — Basketball
Sgt Flattery Donohoe — Cricket

Sgt Johnson — 3rd XV Rugby
WOII Horsfall — Golf.

The highlight for Training Wing was the fact that the unit basketball team was among the finalists at the Secondary School Boys' Championships, held at Rotorua.

f. In Conclusion To the "grads" of this year, the "Seniors" of next year, and to future Cadets — as stated in the beginning of this report "we achieve the impossible, miracles take a little longer"; apply this to your endeavours in the Service. Not all of you will qualify — but by attempting all fields of endeavour you will improve your personal standards and this is just as important, as far as we, your instructors of Training Wing are concerned. To you all, an assured career is yours, attempt it. To the following we say thank you for your assistance over the past year:

HQ Army Schools

School of Inf

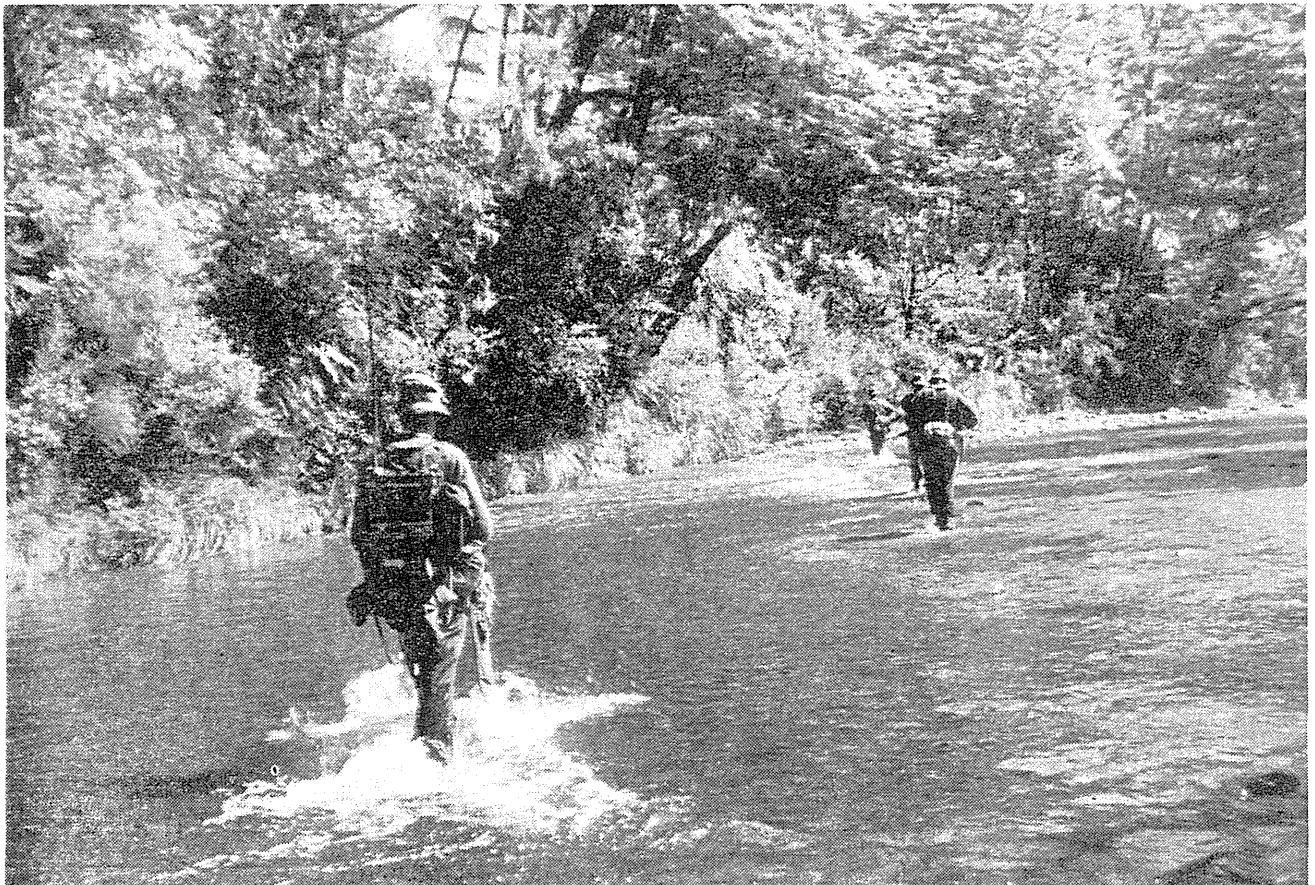
Training Methods School

School of Sigs

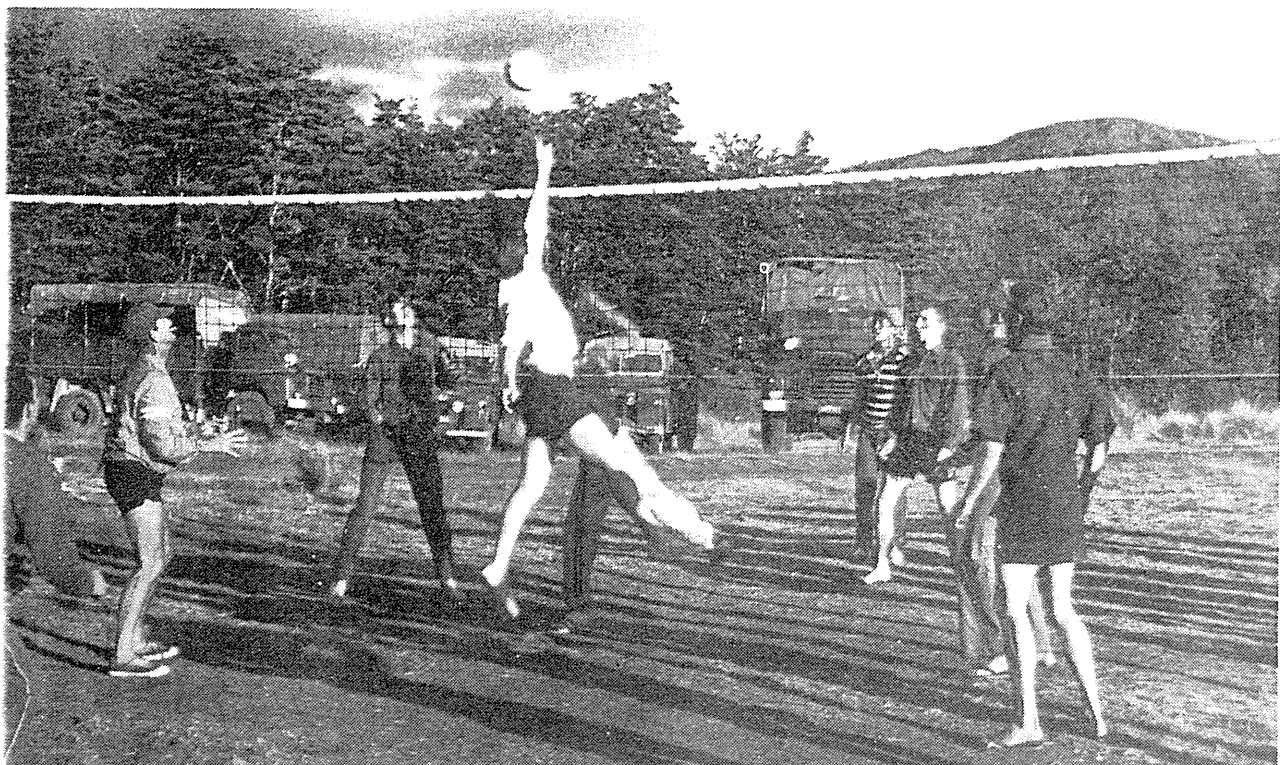
Recruit Training Depot
(especially Sgts Horopapara and Tuhoro.

A special thanks to the people of Minginui for their hospitality and assistance they gave during the two months of Exercise Red Beret. This is especially manifest in the presentation of the carved "teko teko" to Regular Force Cadet School.

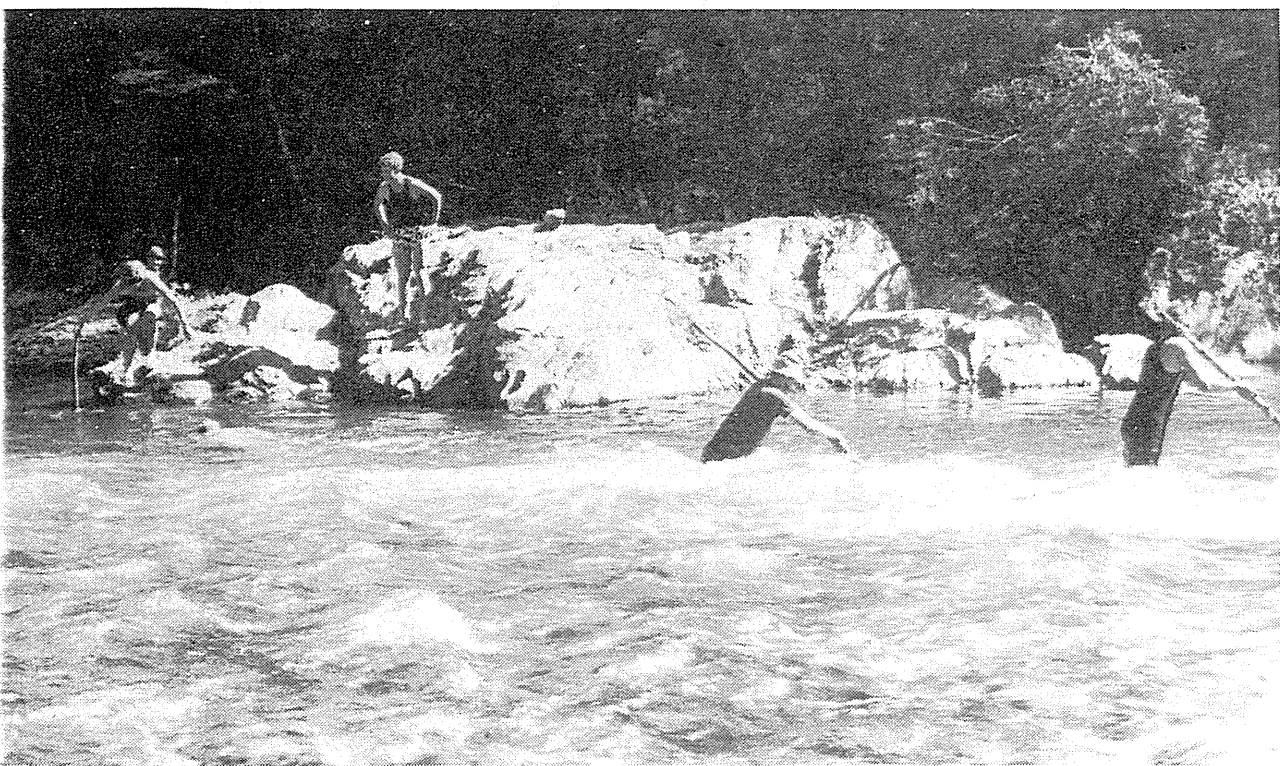
The climax of the Instructors Course was Field Training Phase held in Minginui, a small village south east of Murupara. In tented conditions a portable kitchen, and a lighting plant made conditions of living most comfortable. This fact was seen in the results gained in lessons of the Cadets.



Patrolling while on Advanced Soldier Training in Zone Alfa.



Grace and movement at Zone Alfa!



"Look out, it gets deep over here!" River crossing instruction.



Cadets Pennycuick and Maurice during the flotation exercise at Zone Alfa.



The rope walkway built by cadets during Advanced Soldier Training.

EDUCATION WING NOTES

"If there is ever a mutiny in the Army, these new-fangled schoolmasters will be the cause of it." (The Duke of Wellington.)

Staff changes during 1976 included the arrival of Maj. J. Davey who came to us from Titoki District High School and Capt N. A. F. Young who arrived in May. The OC of RF Cadet School, Maj. J. A. Dennistoun-Wood, RNZIR was selected to attend Staff College at Fort Leavenworth in the USA and as a result Maj. H. Duncan, RNZAEC became OC and Maj Davey CI Education Wing, Capt D. L. Brown RNZAEC was appointed to Officer Cadet Training Unit in Jan 77.

Cadets taking UE included:
Cadet A. M. Ball who gained passes in Maths and Physics which will prove invaluable to him as a Signals Technician.

Cadet R. W. Flintoft who gained a full UE through conscientious application and hard work.

Cadet G. Robb who gained a pass in Geography.

All of these Cadets and Cadet S. R. Lee gained their Sixth Form Certificates.

In May 76 Edn Wing RF Cadet School became an approved Institution for the internal assessment of Technicians Certification Authority English.

A class of Cadets and soldiers responded well too this meaningful course in Communication English and twelve of the sixteen who completed the course gained the qualification.

Although the same qualification incentive was not evident on the Military Education side, the courses were enhanced by visits and displays in this second year of the Military Education Course.

Star Classification results included passes in English and Maths for the following people:

Q1 is a higher mark than a Q2 or a Q

Name	Maths	English
Ballard C.M.	Q2	Q2
Bernie C.S.		Q2
Cave G.S.	Q2	
Cunningham S.G.	Q2	Q2
Duff K.D.		Q2
Evans R.D.		Q2
Henderson M.P.		Q2
Kara C.P.		Q2
Kingi C.M.		Q2
Struginski S.J.		Q2
Taylor R.W.		Q2
Trundle R.G.		Q2
Lawrence M.P.		Q2
Ballinger M.P.		Q1
Orchard A.G.	Q2	Q1
Walsh T.F.	Q1	Q1
Ashley N.W.	Q2	Q
Fels R.J.	Q2	Q
Parkes R.M.		Q2
Reisterer K. J.	Q1	Q1

Edn Wing staff took a very active part in sporting, Adventurous Training and recreational activities throughout the year, achieving many successes in these areas.

LOOKING BACK ON 1976

Visits to and main events for the School from Jan-Dec 1976 are as follows:

January

- 4 WO2 Morgan R.W. posted from Chief Clerk RF Cadet School to Chief Clerk The Army Schools. S sgt Rich A.R.C. posted to Chief Clerk.
- 7 Morrison Class marched in — strength 101.
- 8 Morrison Class Basic Training commenced.
- 10 Burrows and Thornton Classes returned to commence advanced soldier training at Zone Alpha.

February

- 25-26 1976 Class Patron Brig. W. R. K. Morrison, DSO, OBE arrived to review Morrison Class. End of Basic Parade and attend buffet lunch.
- 27 Senior class returned from Zone Alpha.
- 28 A and B Coys formed.
 - OC A Coy Lt and QM G. B. Howard RNZ Sigs
 - CSM A Coy WO2 Knap J. H. RNZIR
 - OC B Coy Capt J. K. Williams RNZE
 - CSM B Coy WO2 Mowat D. J. RNZEME

March

- Trade trg commenced.
- 12-13 Maj. J. A. McGregor RNZIR
Sqn Ldr W. C. Hopper RNZAF
Visited the School to complete Recruiting film.

- 18 Col J. K. Carter British Army Adviser visited the School.
- 19 Lt Col P. R. Raue RNZAEC visited the school.
- 29 Col Winston Choo Wee Leong, Director General Staff (DGS) Singapore Armed Forces and Mrs Choo visited ATG Waiouru.
Guard of Honour provided by RF Cadets.
Guard Commander Maj J. A. Dennistoun-Wood RNZIR Guard 2IC — Lt and QM G. B. Howard RNZ Sigs. Guard provided by both Coys trained by WO2 Knap J.H. RNZIR.
- 30 School Vocational Guidance Officers and Careers Advisers visited the School to visit all Wings.

April

- 1- 2 Lunch with RF Cadets ending with a central discussion attended by key RF Cadet School staff.
- 2 Maj G. M. Corkin RNZAOC visited School to interview all RNZAOC apprentices.
- 8 Rev B. C. Gilbert, Wellington Director Inter-church Trade and Industry visited the School.

May

- 10 Four RNZAF University cadets visited the School as well as two RF Senior NCOs and eight prospective RF Cadet entrants.

June

- 14-15 Visit by Maj Gen R. H. F. Holloway CBE, CGS for brief on RF Cadet School curriculum.
- 17 Messrs J. L. Lithgow MP and R. Fenton MP visited School.

July

- 12 Maj J. A. Dennistoun-Wood RNZIR OC RF Cadet School posted to Home Comd. To attend Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Dallas, Texas USA. Maj H. Duncan RNZAEC assumed appointment as OC RF cadets.
- 19 WO1 D. Hitchener and WO1 D. Moore visited the School to advise Apprentice Wing of availability of stores from 1 BOD.
- 19 WO1 M. H. Edwards, MBE, RNZAC posted from SSM RF Cadet School to Area Warrant Officer Rotorua Army Office.
WO1 J. H. Knap RNZIR posted from CSM A Coy to SSM RF Cadet School. WO2 G. A. Horsfall BEM posted to CSM A Coy, S sgt Manihera J.H.M.T. posted to Trg NCO.

August

- 3- 5 Combined Junior Services Winter Sports held. Overall winners Army, runners up RNZAF. Lt Col P. R. Raue RNZAEC visited the tournament.
- 12 Col E. K. Johnson US Army Attache visited the School.

September

- 7 Exercise Red Beret commenced. Ex held at Minginui.
- 17 Maj A. W. Ancell DAQMG HQ Home Comd Familiarization visit to ATG. Inspected Terendak Barracks.
- 20 Lt S. McLachlan RNZIR posted to RF Cadets as OC A Coy. Lt and QM G. B. Howard posted from A Coy to OC B Coy.
- 29 Wing Cdr W. R. Swap RNZAF DEDES and Sqn Ldr K. J. Smith RNZAF DDEDS visited Apprentice Wing.
- 30 Capt J. K. Williams RNZE posted from OC B Coy to 2IC 6 Ind Fd Sqn RNZE.

October

- 30 Ex Red Beret concludes.

November

- 23 Visit by CGS Brig R. D. P. Hassett CBE.

December

- 3 Trade Trg concludes.
- 4 Full time graduation trg commences. Formal Graduation Dinner attended by guests, staff and wives. Held in JR Mess.
- 9 Buffet Dinner attended by Brig. W. R. K. Morrison DSO OBE, official guests, staff and wives and parents of RF Cadets.
- 10 Graduation Parade.
- 10 Display of weapons and equipment. Rapid dispersal and PT demonstration followed by afternoon tea at JR Mess.

GRADUATION 76

Although rain threatened, none came to mar what turned out to be one of the finest graduation parades seen in Waiouru.

A very large number of guests and proud parents watched Cadet RSM P.L. Napier, wielding the Baton presented to Cadet School by Brigadier W.R.K. Morrison, DSO, OBE, lead the parade, to the accompaniment of the NZ Army Band.

Distinguished guests from all services watched the parade with Col. G. A. Hitchings, MBE Commander ATG Waiouru. Major General R.V.P. Hassett, CBE and Brigadier W.R.K. Morrison, DSO, OBE each took the salute. The graduates were presented with their Corps Berets and badges and marched off as Regular Force soldiers. At the end of the parade the NZ Army Band put on an entertaining display.

The prize giving ceremony was held in the Cinema. It began with the OC's review of the Cadet School year. Brigadier W.R.K. Morrison, DSO, OBE, the Class Patron for 1976 then congratulated the Cadets on their drill and bearing and went on to outline the opportunities open to such a fine body of young men today. He compared today's youth with the youth of the past and emphasised the value of sound military training and discipline in an uncertain world.

Mrs Morrison then presented the prizes. A static display was set up outside the Cinema and the Cadets put on a fine demonstration of physical prowess both armed and unarmed, and in and out of uniform.

This was followed by an informal afternoon tea which allowed Brigadier Morrison, the ATG Staff, Cadets, their parents and guests to chat informally, after which most of the weary but proud Cadets set off with family and friends for a well earned rest and for many, a new career.

Officer Commanding's Review of 1976

'As delivered at the
Prize Giving Ceremony
on 10 Dec 1976)

Brigadier Morrison, Mrs Morrison, Chief of the General Staff, Major-General Hassett, Commander Home Command, Brigadier Kennedy, Commander ATG Wairouru, Colonel Hitchings, parents of Cadets, distinguished guests, ladies and gentlemen.

As Officer Commanding Regular Force Cadet School, it gives me much pleasure to welcome you all to the graduation ceremonies for 1976. Before asking Brigadier Morrison to address you, and Mrs Morrison to present the prizes, I would like to review the activities of the school during 1976.

The aim of Cadet School is to prepare Cadets for a career in the Regular Force by training in soldier skills, trade training and academic training.

The training year started when 101 Cadets of Morrison Class marched into Cadet School on the 7th of January. From that time until the 26 Feb. they undertook their Basic Training Course which ended with their basic passing out parade, reviewed by Brigadier Morrison.

On 1st March each Cadet started his trade or soldier training:

a. Two year Cadets and soldier tradesmen undertook the Military Education Course;

b. All one year apprentice tradesmen started their trade training;

c. Those cadets who returned to the School for their second year started their trade training in apprentice trades or corp training;

d. A small number of Cadets whose academic background and future careers justified further formal education embarked on a full University Entrance course.

The Military Education Course introduced last year is a combination of a full instructors course and General Education and is run entirely within the School by

Training Wing and Education Wing. This course has proved its worth, has improved military knowledge and skills and has broadened the educational base of the Cadets in areas which will be of value to them in their future careers.

As a result of undertaking this course, I am confident that the Cadet is better equipped for the more specialised training provided in his chosen trade.

Trade training, both apprentice training and soldier trade training, is carried out in the various Army Schools and units within the Army Training Group, Waiouru. This training covers a wide range of activities:-

Carpenters and Plumbers.

Automotive Parts Storemen and Electrical Appliance Servicemen, Clerks and Storemen, Vehicle Mechanics, Fitters and Turners, Fitters and Welders, Panelbeaters and Armourers.

Electronic and Communications Technicians, Telegraph and Communication Centre Operators.

Meteorological Assistants and Gunners.

Armoured Corp Crewmen.

Infantrymen.

Chefs, Stewards and Driver Instructors.

Above:

Cadet CSM William Wilson of Dunedin is congratulated by Mrs W. R. K. Morrison, wife of the 1976 class patron, Brigadier W. R. K. Morrison, DSO, OBE (retired) at the Graduation Parade of the Regular Force Cadet School. Mrs Morrison presented Cadet Wilson with the prize for best first year apprentice.

Below

Cadet Michael Matheson of Mataura is congratulated by Mrs W. R. K. Morrison, wife of the 1976 class patron, Brigadier W. R. K. Morrison, DSO, OBE (retired) at the Graduation Parade of the Regular Force Cadet School. Mrs Morrison presented Cadet Matheson with the prize for the best graduate into the Royal New Zealand Signals Corps.



Field Engineers and Plant Operators.
Dental Assistants and Technicians
Medical Assistants.

It can be seen that the Training Programme is a complex one.

The school thanks sincerely all the Army Schools and units who have been involved in the training of Cadets. Without their unfailing efforts and high standards we would not function as an efficient training unit.

Sport has played an important role in the fostering of the competitive spirit and teamwork. We have played in the local competition in all major codes and have competed against a large number of secondary schools. I am pleased to report that the school has had a good year and that success has rewarded the efforts of players and coaches. Our opponents have learned that Cadets are worthy adversaries on the sports field.

Our Indoor Basketball team was our most successful sports team, winning a place in the finals of the NZ Secondary Schools Competition.

Many of our Cadets have earned service representative honours and we are proud of their standards.

Recreational activities have been varied: hunting, shooting, ski-ing, climbing and canoeing have been undertaken by a significant number of Cadets. Three major alpine expeditions have taken place, two in the Southern Alps and one on Mt Ruapehu; it is hoped that this type of activity will play a larger part in the school programme in the future.

Although the Cadets are the most important element in the school, the staff enables us to function efficiently.

This year we have had many changes:

The Officer Commanding RF Cadet School, Major Dennistoun-Wood, left to further his military studies in the United States in July. His firm and fair management of the school has played a big part in the provision of the standards of today's graduates. We sincerely ap-

preciate his effort.

Warrant Officer First Class Edwards, MBE, the School Sergeant Major, was posted in July and replaced in that very demanding position by Warrant Officer First Class Knap.

Lieutenant Watts was posted at the same time and replaced as Administration Officer by 2 Lt Sue Boon, the first lady officer to hold an appointment on the School Staff.

Captain Williams, OC B Company, is now in Trentham, and has been replaced by Lt McLachlan.

Major Davey and Capt. Young joined the Education Wing staff at the beginning of the year. Major Davey has recently been appointed as Chief Instructor of the Education Wing.

Internal changes have also taken place, the most important of which were the appointment of Sergeant Major Horsfall to CSM A Company, Ssgt Manihera as training NCO in charge of the Instructors' Course and Lt Howard to OC B Company.

Capt. Brown, who has been our training co-ordinator this year, is leaving the school next month. We will miss him as a valued officer.

The staff has been a strong team and I thank them for their loyalty and effort during the year with the additional assistance to cadets on courses, the coaching of sports teams, the organisation and supervision of recreational activities and the many hours of additional duties required to keep the school functioning smoothly.

I thank too the families of the staff who have tolerated cheerfully the demands of the school. Our team certainly includes these people.

We owe thanks also to the people of the adjacent communities: Ohakune, Raetihi, Taihape, Turangi and Taupo for the hospitality their sports teams have shown to our Cadets and to the many families in these communities who have made Cadets welcome in their homes.

To His Worship the Mayor of Taupo, Mr Currie, and the citizens of Taupo; we thank you again for the honour accorded to

the school for the privilege of the freedom of the Borough of Taupo which we celebrated last Anzac Day.

Today 114 Regular Force Cadets will graduate into the Regular Force. In spite of the impressions they may have gained, we will be sorry to see them go.

We know however that they are well prepared to join their units as valued members of the larger Army team. Looking at these young men today, I am sure we have achieved the aim of the school.

Brigadier W.R.K. Morrison, DSO, OBE, the distinguished soldier whose name the 1976 class bears, has encouraged these young men to set their standards high and to pursue their training with determination.

Brigadier Morrison has been instrumental in introducing the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme to the school. This, and the Spirit of Morrison Cane which the Cadet RSM carried on parade today, has played an important part in the development of the citizen and soldier who graduates today.

For these things, we thank you sir. We are very pleased to have you and Mrs Morrison here today. I now ask you, Sir, if you would be kind enough to address us.

Above:

Cadet Timothy Gibbons of Palmerston North is congratulated by Mrs W. R. K. Morrison, wife of the 1976 class patron, Brigadier W. R. K. Morrison, DSO., OBE (retired) at the Graduation Parade of the Regular Force Cadet School. Mrs Morrison presented Cadet Gibbons with the prize for best education trainee on Military Education Course.

Below:

Cadet Peter Wood of Auckland is congratulated by Mrs W. R. K. Morrison, wife of the 1976 class patron, Brigadier W. R. K. Morrison, DSO, OBE (retired) at the Graduation Parade of the Regular Force Cadet School. Mrs Morrison presented Cadet Wood with the RNZAEC prize.



Prize List 1976

RNZAC

Owen Webster Memorial Trophy and Book (Best RNZAC Graduate) — Cdt Sgt Ratana E.L.C.

RNZ Sigs

Tinsley Memorial Cup and Book — (Best RNZ Sigs Graduate) — Cdt Sgt Matheson M.J.

RNZE

Hannah Cup — (Best RNZE Graduate) — Cdt CSM Kirton R.J.

Most Promising 1st Year Apprentice — Tools — Cdt CSM Wilson W.G.

Most Improved Carpenter Apprentice — Tools — Cdt McDonald.

RNZASC

Commonwealth Shield and Book (Best RNZASC Graduate) — Cdt Sgt Spark, I.W.D.

Most Efficient 1st Year Apprentice Chef (Flt Lt Turnham Cup and Book) Cdt Cpl Sowden K.R.

RF Cadet with most progress during Trade Training (RNZASC Corps Trophy and Book) Cdt L cpl McCormack N.C.

Most Efficient 1st Year Apprentice Supervisory Steward Cdt Crowley D.G.

RNZAOC

Most Improved Automotive Parts Apprentice (Book) Cdt Walsh.

Best RNZAOC Graduate — Book — Cdt Kearney

RNZIR

Haukamou Cup and Book — Best RNZIR Graduate — Cdt Sgt Keys L.D.

RNZEME

Best RNZEME Graduate — Tools — Cdt Dunbar B.W.

Cadet Prizes

Best All Round Cadet on Soldier Training — Book — Cdt Ashworth S.A.

Best Military Trainee on Military Education Course — (Ball Memorial Cup and Book) — Cdt Ashworth S.A.

Best Education Trainee on Military Education Course (Instr Cse) — Book Cdt Gibbons T.E.

RNZAEC Prize — Book — Cdt Wood P.W.

Top Cadet U.E. Class (Gill Trophy and Book) — Cdt Flintoft R.W.

Best World Affairs Presentation — Book — Cdt Evans R.D.

Officer Commanding Trophy and Book — Cdt RSM P. L. Napier.

Best Morrison Class Cadet (Milne and Choyce Cup) Cdt Ashworth S.A.

The Champion Coy at Sports (Commandant's Shield) A Coy.

The Best All Round Athlete (Thomas Trophy) — Cdt CSM Kirton R.J.

Individual Cross Country Champion (Sharpley Trophy) Cdt Morrissey D.P.

Most Improved Rugby Player (Hill Cup) — Cdt Morrissey DP

Most Improved Soccer Player (Wrightson Cup) — Cdt Harman.

Champion Tennis Player (Jackways Cup) Cdt L. cpl McCormack N.C.

Outstanding Basketball Player (Jamieson Todd Award) — Cdt L cpl McCormack N.C.

Champion Cross Country Coy (Maurice Power Cup) — A Coy.

Rugby Coy (Rugby Shield) — Draw

Tug-O-War Shield — B Coy.

Postings of 1976 Graduates

Ashworth SA Instructor All Arms, RNZA, School of Artillery, Waiouru.

Bensemman KI Meteorological Assistant, RNZA 1 Locating Troop Waiouru.

Edwards DM Crewman, RNZAC, Queen Alexandra's (Waikato, Wellington, East Coast) Squadron, Waiouru.

Hanlon PJ Crewman RNZAC Queen Alexandra's (Waikato, Wellington East Coast) Squadron, Waiouru.

Mitchell RG Crewman, RNZAC Queen Alexandra's (Waikato Wellington, East Coast) Squadron, Waiouru.

Ratana LC Crewman RNZAC Queen Alexandra's (Waikato, Wellington, East Coast), Squadron, Waiouru.

Taylor DJ Crewman, RNZAC, Queen Alexandra's (Waikato, Wellington, East Coast) Squadron, Waiouru.

Baird PL Instructor All Arms RNZE 2 Field Squadron, Linton.

Buckingham BT carpenter, RNZE RF Cadet School, Waiouru.

Cave GS Instructor All Arms, RNZE, 2 Field Squadron Linton.

Forsman BC Plumber and Drainlayer, 1 Field Squadron, Papakura.

Harris DW Carpenter, RF Cadet School, Waiouru.

Howley RP Carpenter, 3 Field Squadron, Burnham.

Kirton RJ Carpenter, 3 Field Squadron, Burnham.

McDonald CD Carpenter, RNZE 3 Field Squadron, Burnham.

Mackenzie CJ Instructor All Arms RNZE 2 Field Squadron, Linton.

Madden PJ Carpenter, RNZE 2 Field Squadron Linton.

Paterson ID, Carpenter RNZE, 3 Field Squadron, Burnham.

Pawley MR Instructor All Arms, RNZE, 2 Field Squadron, Linton.

Rowlandson CM, Carpenter, RNZE RF Cadet School, Waiouru.

Simpson JH Carpenter, RNZE 1 Field Squadron, Papakura.

Simpson KMR Carpenter, RNZE, 2 Field Squadron, Burnham.

Versey RC, Carpenter, RNZE, RF Cadet School, Waiouru.

Watts NC, Instructor All Arms, RNZE, 2 Field Squadron, Linton.

Wilson WG, Carpenter RNZE, RF Cadet School, Waiouru.

Wyatt TA, Carpenter RNZE, RF Cadet School, Waiouru.

Bailey PG Communications Technician, RNZSigs 2 Signals Squadron, Linton.

Butt GJ, Communications Technician RNZSigs, 2 Signals Squadron, Linton.

Conroy MP Telegraph Operator RNZSigs 2 Signals Squadron Linton.

Corlet BS Telegraph Operator, RNZSigs, 2 Signals Squadron, Linton.

Earl PM Telegraph Operator RNZSigs 1 Signals Squadron, Papakura.

Kay RC Radio Relayman, RNZSigs 2 Signals Squadron, Linton.

Matheson MJ Communications Technician RNZSigs 2 Signals Squadron, Linton.

Maurice AP Telegraph Operator Force HQ Signal Squadron, Papakura.

Mills CR Communications Technician RNZSigs Waiouru Workshop.

Ngarimu WG Communications Technician RNZSigs 2 Signals Squadron Linton.

Nieper MJ Communications Technician RNZSigs 1 Base Workshop Trentham.

Paurini PH Telegraph Operator, RNZSigs 2 Signals Squadron, Linton.

Toki BI Telegraph Operator, RNZSigs 2 Signals Squadron, Linton.

Weal MW Telegraph Operator, RNZSigs Force HQ Signal Squadron Papakura.

White GJ Communications Technician RNZSigs 2 Signals Squadron Linton.

Williams RM Telegraph Operator RNZSigs 1 Signals Squadron, Papakura.

Willis MK Telegraph Operator RNZSigs 2 Signals Squadron, Linton.

Ashley NW Clerk All Arms RNZIR 2/1 Royal New Zealand Infantry Regiment, Burnham.

Fels RJ Clerk All Arms RNZIR 2/1 Royal New Zealand Infantry Regiment, Burnham.

Hewson BA Clerk All Arms RNZIR 2/1 Royal New Zealand Infantry Regiment, Burnham.

Keys LD Instructor All Arms RNZIR 2/1 Royal New Zealand Infantry Regiment, Burnham.

Looker BR Instructor All Arms RNZIR 2/1 Royal New Zealand Infantry Regiment, Burnham.

Watson GJ Instructor All Arms RNZIR 2/1 Royal New Zealand Infantry Regiment, Burnham.

Wood PW Instructor All Arms RNZIR 2/1 Royal New Zealand Infantry Regiment, Burnham.

Bernie CS Clerk/storekeeper
RNZASC 1 Transport Company,
Papakura.

Cessford WG Cook, RNZASC
ASC School, Waiouru.

Crowley DG Steward RNZASC
Southern Company, Burnham.

Croxson RV Cook, RNZASC
Southern Company, Burnham.

Dunphy PJ Cook RNZASC Nor-
thern Company, Papakura.

Fisher BEG, Cook, RNZASC
Southern Company, Addington.

Gill MJ Cook, RNZASC Central
Company, Trentham.

Harman GA Cook, RNZASC
Northern Company, Papakura.

Hay JAJ Cook, RNZASC Cen-
tral Company, Linton.

Heenan AW, Cook RNZASC
Southern Company, Burnham.

Howard G. Cook, Northern
Company, Papakura.

Kara C driver, 1 Transport
Company, Papakura.

Kingi CM driver, RNZASC 1
Transport Company, Papakura.

McCormack NC Cook RNZASC
Southern Company, Burnham.

McGregor GF Cook, RNZASC
Southern Company, Burnham.

Moore DTA Cook, RNZASC
Northern Company, Fort
Cautley.

Morrissey DP Cook RNZASC
Northern Company, Fort
Cautley.

Parkes RM Clerk/storekeeper
RNZASC 21 Supply Company,
Waiouru.

Potaka AG Cook, RNZASC
Waiouru Company.

Rotherham WA Cooke, RN-
ZASC ASC School, Waiouru.

Roxborough CB Driver, RN-
ZASC 3 Transport Company, Bur-
ham.

Small GJ Cook, RNZASC Cen-
tral Company, Fort Dorset.

Sowden KR Cook, RNZASC
Central Company, Fort Dorset

Spark IWD Cook RNZASC
Southern Company, Burnham.

Stanton PA Cook, RNZASC,
Northern Company, Papakura.

Starr DI Cook, RNZASC, Cen-
tral Company, Fort Dorset.

Stone LD Cook, RNZASC, ASC
School, Waiouru.

Struginski SJ Driver RNZASC 1
Transport Company, Papakura.

Wilkinson JD, Cook, RNZASC
Central Company, Trentham.

Luzak S. Medical Corpsman,
RNZAMC Papakura Hospital.

Permain KW, Medical Cor-
psman RNZAMC Waiouru
Hospital.

Ballinger MP Storeman Clerk,
RNZAOC Waiouru Workshop.

Gibbons TE Storeman Clerk,
RNZAOC 2 Central Ordnance
Depot, Linton.

Lawrence MP, Ammunition
Technician, RNZAOC 4 Central
Ordnance Depot, Waiouru.

Orchard AG, Storeman Clerk,
RNZAOC Waiouru Workshop.

Riesterer KJ Storeman Clerk,
RNZAOC 1 Infantry Workshop,
Papakura

Rolston RE Storeman Clerk
RNZAOC, 4 Central Ordnance
Depot, Waiouru.

Simpson AP Storeman Clerk,
RNZAOC Waiouru Workshop.

Thomas WA Storeman Clerk
RNZAOC, 4 Central Ordnance
Depot Waiouru.

Trundle RG Storeman Clerk
RNZAOC 1 Base Ordnance
Depot, Trentham.

Walsh TF Storeman Clerk, RN-
ZAOC, 3 Infantry Workshop, Bur-
ham.

Allen RJ Vehicle Mechanic
RNZEME 1 Infantry Workshop,
Papakura.

Baker BK Electronic
Technician, RNZEME Waiouru
Workshop.

Brake CJ Armourer, RNZEME
Waiouru Workshop.

Clark MP Vehicle Mechanic
RNZEME 3 Infantry Workshop,
Burnham.

Clarke LA Vehicle Mechanic
RNZEME 1 Infantry Workshop,
Papakura.

Clunie RA Electronic
Technician, RNZEME Waiouru
Workshop.

Dunbar BW Instrument
Technician RNZEME 1 Base
Workshop, Trentham.

Heath G Armourer, RNZEME
1 Infantry Workshop, Papakura.

Joule GD Electronic
Technician RNZEME 1 Infantry
Workshop, Papakura.

Laws MR Electronic
Technician RNZEME, 1 Base
Workshop, Trentham.

Leggett NE Armourer, RN-
ZEME 1 Infantry Workshop,
Papakura.

McLean IR, Fitter Welder, RN-
ZEME 1 Base Workshop, Tren-
tham.

Montgomery DL Electronic
Technician, RNZEME 1 Base
Workshop, Trentham.

Napier PL Armourer, RN-
ZEME 1 Base Workshop, Tren-
tham.

Pennycuik DA Vehicle
Mechanic RNZEME 1 Transport
Company Workshop, Fort
Cautley.

Prattley TM Panelbeater,
RNZEME 1 Base Workshop,
Trentham.

Price GJ Vehicle Mechanic,
RNZEME, 1 Transport Company
Workshop, Fort Cautley.

Rees PG Vehicle Mechanic
RNZEME 3 Infantry Workshop,
Burnham.

Thompson AJ Vehicle
Mechanic, RNZEME, 3 Infantry
Workshop, Burnham.

Waterhouse CW Vehicle
Mechanic RNZEME, 1 Infantry
Workshop, Papakura.

McLean AR, Dental Assistant,
RNZDC Dental School, Burnham.

Willan PM Electrician, RN-
ZEME 1 Base Workshop, Tren-
tham.

BIOGRAPHY OF CLASS PATRON BRIGADIER W. R. K. MORRISON DSO, OBE



Brigadier Morrison began his military career in 1939, when he attended the Royal Military College, Duntroon, and shortly after graduation was seconded to the 2nd New Zealand Expeditionary Force in July 1940.

Brigadier Morrison served with the 24th and 25th New Zealand Battalions and was awarded an immediate DSO for conspicuous gallantry in the field on 21 March 1943. Six days later he was severely wounded in action and was returned to New Zealand to serve on the staff of Army Headquarters.

After the war he was appointed New Zealand Instructor at Duntroon and later held appointments as Chief of Staff, Southern Military District, Commandant of The Army Schools at Waiouru and Director of Infantry and Training at Army Headquarters, Wellington.

He attended a Joint Services Staff College course in the United Kingdom in 1951.

In August, 1957, he became the First Commanding Officer of the 1st Battalion, New Zealand Regiment, commanding it throughout its tour of duty in Malaya where it was engaged in anti-terrorist operations.

During the period 1960 to 1962 he held the appointment of Commandant Waiouru Camp in the rank of Colonel.

Brigadier Morrison was awarded the OBE in 1960 and in 1962 was appointed Commander of the Fiji Military Forces and representative of the New Zealand Chiefs of Staff in Fiji.

In December 1966, he was appointed Commander of the Southern Military District, and retired from the Regular Force on 23rd January 1969.

Brigadier Morrison served as Honorary Colonel 1 RNZIR from 1969 to 1974.

Major J.A. Dennistoun-Wood

Major J. A. Dennistoun-Wood was the Regular Force Cadet School's thirteenth Officer Commanding and served in that capacity from May 1975 to July 1976. Prior to being appointed to command of the school Major Dennistoun-Wood was Officer Commanding B Company. His knowledge of the School and the cadets made his transition to OC relatively simple.

The changes in cadet training instituted during the command of Major J. G. H. Wilson, RNZIR were continued and refined under

Major Dennistoun-Wood. The effects of the new programme were being seen during 1976 with the soldier tradesmen cadets and those cadets who were to spend two years in the school being given a sound and broadly based military education.

Major J. A. Dennistoun-Wood graduated from Royal Military College Sandhurst and held a number of regimental appointments culminating in his being appointed Adjutant of 1st Royal New Zealand Infantry Regiment in Singapore. Prior to this he had served in Malaya and Vietnam as well as holding a number of staff appointments.

The experience gained in Regimental duties, his affinity with young soldiers, and his high personal standards enabled him to gain the respect of the cadets and staff of the School.

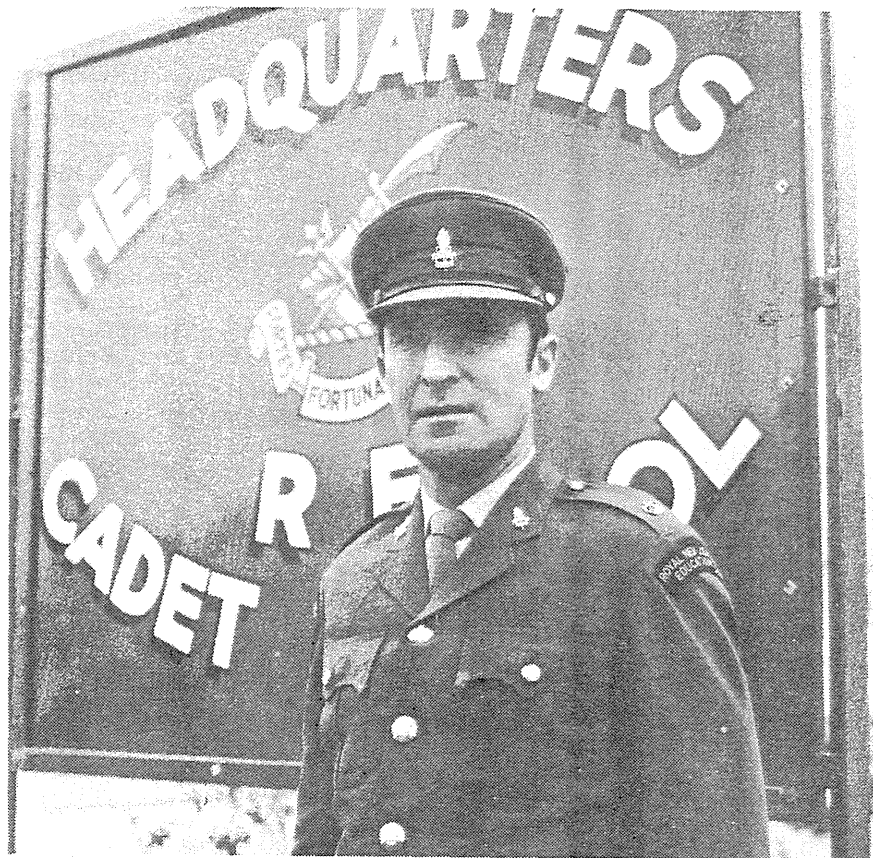
Major Dennistoun-Wood's selection for Staff College training necessitated his early posting from Regular Force Cadet School. It was with regret that we said farewell to Major and Mrs Dennistoun-Wood on their departure for the United States.

The Staff and cadets of the school wish him well in his future in the New Zealand Army.

Major H. Duncan RNZAE

Major Duncan assumed the appointment of Officer Commanding Regular Force Cadet School in July 1976 following the posting of Major J. A. Dennistoun-Wood. Major Duncan handed over the School to Major J. D. Keay, RNZIR in January 1977.

Major H. Duncan, RNZAE.



SCHOOL OF INFANTRY

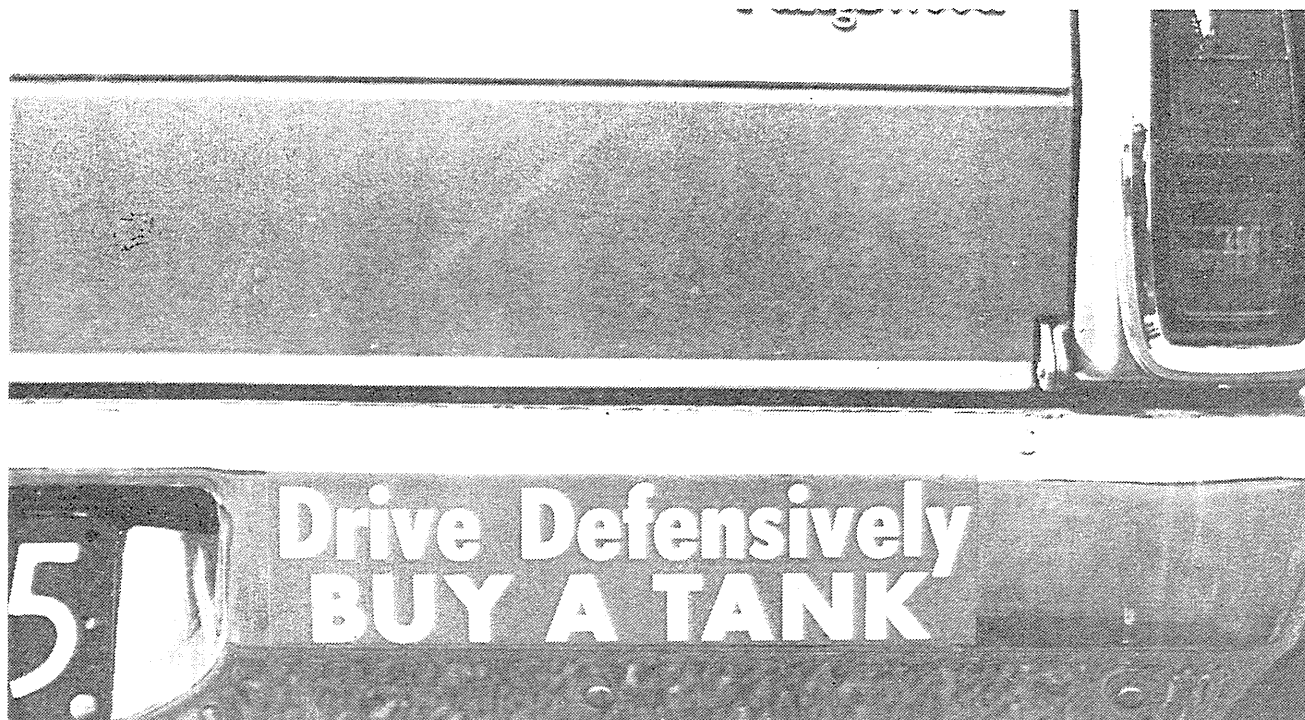
RF Cadet participation on courses at the School of Wombles this year has consisted of the presence of the "Keys Krew". Although their total course involvement as students was on

only two of our courses they gained invaluable experience in most aspects of Infantry work including all weapons. This came about during assistance in such activities as the Combat Arms Display (the highlight of which had to be the fine manner in

which Sgt Benfell missed his tank target with 100 per cent efficiency).

The course attendance of this group is as follows:

Cdt/Sgt Keys L. D. — Thornton Class. RF NCO Jnr Minor Tactics. RF GPMG Instrs.



Cdt Watson G.J. — Morrison Class. RF GPMG Instrs.

Cdt Wood P.W. — Morrison Class. RF GPMG Instrs.

Cdt/L cpl Looker B. R. — Morrison Class RF GPMG Instrs.

Cdt/Sgt Keys also gained the Infantry Cadet award for 1976.

EX RF Cadets currently holding appointments at the School of Infantry are:

S sgt McCallion W.K. — Parkinson Class 1964.

Sgt Benfell G. W. — Parkinson Class 1964.

Sgt Pederson L. M. H. — Crump Class 1967.

Sgt O'Neill T. A. J. — Barrowclough Class 1965

Sgt Pederson was the winner of the Queens Medal for shooting in 1976.

Regular Force Cadets at the School of Armour

The School of Armour, located in Waiouru, has the responsibility of training all members of the Royal New Zealand Armoured Corps (RNZAC) in those skills special to the armoured soldier.

RF Cadets selected to graduate into RNZAC have the opportunity

to attend courses at the School of Armour in preparation for the day they become 'Black Hatters'. Having attended courses they will be able to join an RNZAC squadron after graduation and immediately take their place as trained armoured crewmen in either a cavalry troop or an armoured personnel carrier troop.

The M113 is the main armoured fighting vehicle in service in the New Zealand Army. It is manufactured in the USA and is used in two roles in the RNZAC — as a reconnaissance vehicle in the cavalry squadron and as a troop carrier in the armoured personnel carrier squadron. It is a light tracked vehicle (about 12 tons) with excellent cross-country performance and is also amphibious and air-portable in a RNZAF Hercules aircraft.

The RNZAC also has a number of US M41 'Walker Bulldog' light tanks. These vehicles have provided long and faithful service for many years and are due to be replaced by new light tanks with similar capabilities in the next few years.

During 1976 eight Cadets attended courses at the School of

Armour. The courses were the RNZAC Indoctrination — an introduction to the various aspects of the Corps including armoured vehicles, machine-guns, communications equipment and wheeled vehicle driving; the M113 Driver course — a six week course which teaches students all aspects of tactical driving by day and night, and the maintenance required to keep the vehicles in a fighting condition; and the Signaller RNZAC — a further six week course which teaches students all aspects of the many and varied communications equipment fitted to all vehicles in RNZAC.

RF Cadets who underwent training at the School of Armour and who have now graduated and been posted to Queen Alexandra's (Waikato/Wellington East Coast) Squadron, our cavalry squadron, are:

Cadet P. J. Hanlon
Cadet R. G. Mitchell
Cadet D. M. Edwards
Cadet L. C. Ratana
Cadet D. J. Taylor

We in the RNZAC welcome our new 'Troopers' and trust they will enjoy their stay with the 'Black Hatters'.

The School of Artillery

The school of Artillery is responsible for training all officers and men of the Royal Regiment of New Zealand Artillery, both regular and territorial force.

The School has a staff of 17 of whom 6 are ex-regular Cadets. It has been the practice in the last few years for Cadets planning to join the Royal Regiment or Cadets graduating to the Royal Regiment to be attached to the School of Artillery for training.

They attend courses of instruction with both regular and territorial soldiers and are tested during these courses. After this period of training they are posted to Artillery units..

Cadets posted to the School will find themselves working with a variety of equipment. Obviously the courses they choose will decide which equipment they use.

The RNZA has at present, in the field of gunnery, the 105mm L5 Italian pack Howitzer, the 105mm M2A2 American Howitzer, the 25 pounder and the 5.5 inch. In the technical field we have the Field Artillery Computer Equipment (F.A.C.E.) and the Orientor Gyroscopic which is a combination of Theodolite and Gyro Compass.

In the locating field we have the new Cymbeline Mortar Locating Radar and if our Cadets choose to become meteorological assistants then they will use the WF3 which is a MET radar.

Cadets joining the Royal Regiment have a variety of trades from which to choose. They are:

- Gun number RNZA
- Driver operator (signaller)
- Battery surveyor
- Artillery intelligence operator

- Surveyor RNZA
- Meteorological assistant
- Instructor RNZA
- Storeman
- Clerk

The qualifications that can be achieved in these trades are in most cases a maximum of 3 stars except in the cases of instructor RNZA, storeman and clerk where 4 stars is the maximum.

During the last year we have had one cadet (Cdt. Bensemann) and one graduated Cadet (Gnr. Sweet) attached to the School. Cdt. Bensemann, in the short time he was with us successfully qualified as a Gun Number 1 star RNZA and Gnr. Sweet has qualified as a Gun Number 2 star and a surveyor RNZA 2 star.

Ex Cadets currently on the School of Artillery staff are: WOI J. B. Rout, WOII R. Newth, WOII P. B. O'Connor, WOIR. Wirihana, Ssgt P. J. Duggan and Sgt J. D. Waters.

"If it doesn't fit, get a bigger hammer!" (Cadet Prattley allegedly repairing a Landrover).

Royal New Zealand Electrical and Mechanical Engineers School

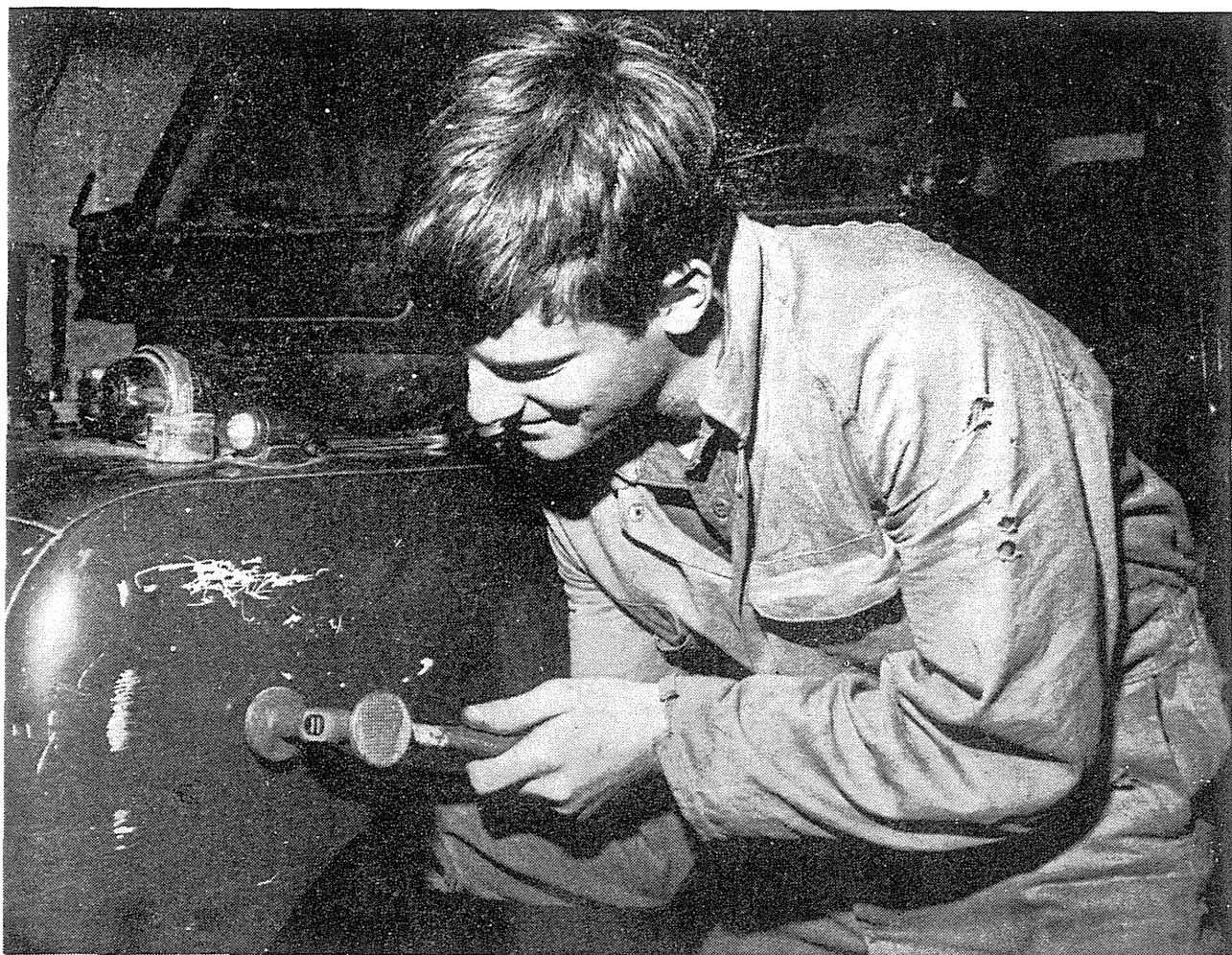
It is often said within the Crops Schools that individuals will go to unlimited expense to create a true Esprit de Corps within their own particular School, and none

more so than the Royal New Zealand Electrical and Mechanical Engineers School.

After closely guarded discussions between member nations of such organisations as ANZUS, ANZUK, SEATO and CORSO, it finally eventuated that the new Chief Instructor of Royal New Zealand Electrical and Mechanical Engineers School would be none other than Maj F. T. Burns, not of "MASH" fame but of Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers UK fame,

an obvious boost to the initial morale of potential candidates attending the School. It should also be noted that the School Sergeant Major is also ex Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers, a fact denoting that future graduates should speak with a distinct English accent!

The training year started with the usual hustle and bustle of getting the normal multitude of trade-disorientated, newly-arrived Cadets started on trade training.



three week basic general engineering phase followed by a three week basic welding phase. After this period all Cadets branch out into their respective trade practice in earnest. The major difference this year is an emphasis on practical work more than theoretical work, which has been the format in previous years, making it quite obvious that Units will benefit immediately that newly graduated Cadets are posted to a regular Unit.

The vehicle mechanic Cadets spend up to three months working at Waiouru Workshop as part of their trade training, with general engineering trades spending

and Turning sections.

Towards the end of their period at Royal New Zealand Electrical and Mechanical Engineers School all Cadets attend a Junior Corps course which entails recovery, Corps organisation, Workshop procedures etc, being beneficial to both Cadets and to future units, who receive tradesmen, initially, capable of taking their places in a Workshop organisation, being a member of a recovery crew, without having to return to Royal New Zealand Electrical and Mechanical Engineers School for further basic training once posted to a Workshop.

This year's roll of Cadets is as follows:

Allen R. J.
Clark M. P.
Clarke L. A.
Pennycuik D. A.
Price G. J.
Rees P. J.
Thompson A. J.
Waterhouse C. W.
Jefferies K. V.

Armourers

Brake C. J.
Heath A. W.
Leggett N. E.
Napier P. L.

Fitter Welder

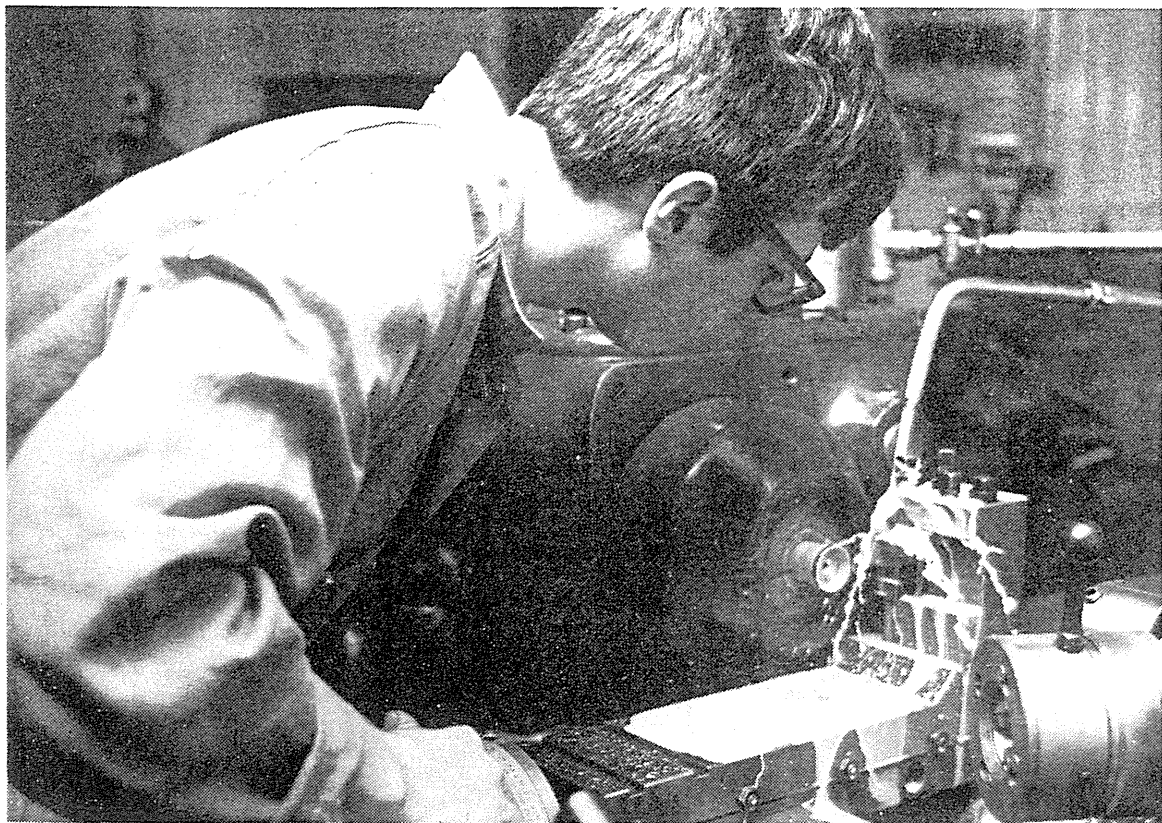
McLean I. R.

Instrument Technician

Dunbar B. W.

Panel Beater

Prattley T. M.



SCHOOL OF SIGNALS

The School of Signals is responsible for training technical and non-technical personnel both Regular and Territorial Force RNZ Signals and NZWRAC. In addition the School trains RN-ZEME Electronic Technicians in basic and fundamental technology. The School comprises a Headquarters and Quartermasters section, and two Wings. A Tactics and Operator Wing and a Technical Wing. It has additional responsibilities towards running the Army Training Group Communications Centre.

Cadet Training

The RF Cadet School supplies a good percentage of the students at the School and the majority of the long term students were RF Cadets. During the 1976 training year, cadet participation on courses rose to a figure of 30, five Cadets completing three courses each, six cadets completing two courses and three completing one course.

Throughout the year both Wings devoted a considerable amount of time to the introduction of the systems approach to training. The problem was tackled from two ends. While one group applied the training technology toward product im-

provement, another group focused their attention at "grass root level" on job analysis. It is hoped to have completely adapted all courses within the next two or three years and in the meantime the School is confident that present courses have been improved considerably by exposure to this exciting development in training.

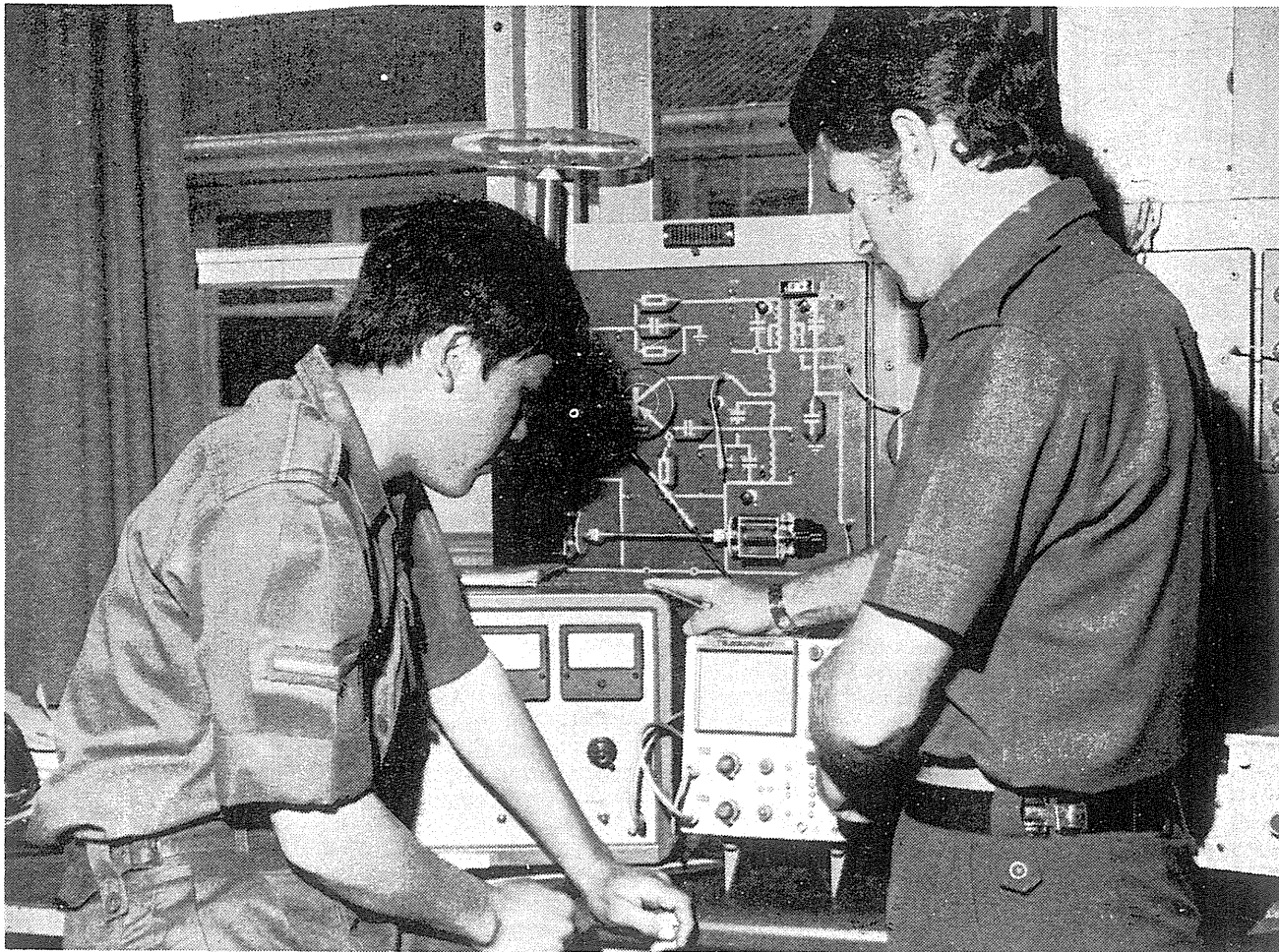
Technical Training Wing

Over the last 15 years, there has always been a strong representation of ex-cadets on the staff of the Technical Wing, this year has been no exception. The year started with:

Technical Officer Telecommunications (Sinclair Burgess Class 1956) Capt B. J. L. Main Grad FOS, ATC COMMS, REA, T Eng (CEI), FSERT, MNZEI.

Cadet Dunbar working on a production machine.

Cadet Sgt Matheson in Waiouru talking to Cadets out in the field.



Cadet Laws observing the output of an AM set on the oscilloscope.

Instructor (Gentry Class 1962): WO2 Paton R. N. TC AMN-ZEI.

Instructor (Parkinson Class 1964) S sgt MacDonald J.F. ATC COMMS, Tech NZEI.

Instructor (Barroclough Class 1965) Sgt Abbott T.G. T.C.

Instructor (Crump Class 1967): Sgt K. J. H. Charlton, ATC COMMS, Tech NZEI.

Instructor (Crump Class 1967) Sgt Young J. I. ATC COMMS, RTC (SUP) Tech NZEI.

Instructor (Dittmer Class 1971) Cpl Thrupp C. L.

The early part of the year saw the discharge of Jim Reed to the U.K., of John MacDonald to NAC in Wellington and Jeff Young to the Maui Oil Fields at New Plymouth. They are sadly missed and we wish them well in their new ventures.

Throughout the year RF Cadets have dominated technical courses conducted at the Technical Wing, and these cadets included:

RNZ Signals: Cadet Sgt Matheson M. J.; Cadet Butt G. J.; Cadet Mills G. R.; Cadet Nieper M. J.; Cadet Ngarimu W. G.; Cadet White G. J..

RNZEME Cadet Lcpl Laws M. R.; Cadet Baker B. K.; Cadet Clunie R. A.; Cadet Joule C. D.; Cadet Montgomery D. L.

Their training consisted of a One Star All Trades Course followed by a Two Star Communication Technician course which was conducted in three phases over a 32 week period. Because of the length of this particular course, the Two Star students will be required to return to the School early next year to complete their studies. This Two Star course is a high pressure education system which is equivalent to three years training in civilian life and all the cadets did very well to tolerate the pace for such a long period.

Cadet Peter Bailey deserves special mention, because he was employed throughout the year in the Continuation Workshop on projects ranging from model trains control to colour televisions. He has performed well and this experience will hold him in good stead on his first posting to a RNZ Signals unit.

Tactics and Operator Wing

There is an unusually low proportion of ex RF Cadets on the staff of the Tactics and Operator Wing. The posting of WOII Dawson A.H. (Puttick Class 1957), left the Wing with only one ex-cadet, S sgt Tolson B. L. (Barroclough Class 1965).

Again Cadets dominated the majority of junior courses conducted at the Wing and these included:

RNZ Signals: Cadet S sgt Conroy; Cadet Cpl Williams, Cadet Corlett, Cadet Earl, Cadet Kay, Cadet Maurice, Cadet Paurini, Cadet Toki, Cadet Weal, Cadet Willis.

All these cadets attended a One Star All Trades course and in addition:

Cadet S sgt Conroy, Cadet Cpl Williams, Cadet Corlett, Cadet Weal and Cadet Willis

All attended a Two Star Communications/Telegraph Operator course and a Teletypewriter Operator course.

Conclusion

The award for the best Cadet graduating into RNZ Signals was won this year by Cadet Sgt Matheson, who showed a high degree of determination and application to his chosen profession in Electronics and Communications. This award is highly competitive and the choice of a recipient was particularly difficult this year.

If the RF Cadet School continues to provide the Corps of Signals with students with the enthusiasm and drive of those offered this year, all will be well for the future of the Royal New Zealand Corps of Signals.

The Staff of the School wish all those Cadets who graduated this year into both Signals and RNZEME units, best wishes for their future careers in the Army.

School of Military Engineering

The training year 1975-76 has been a very quiet one from the point of view of RF cadets participating on courses held at the School of Military Engineering.

Cadet McCormack inspecting one of his creations.

Two courses were attended by Cadets at the School and they were RF Basic Field Engineering Courses.

The Cadets trained were:

Cdt Baird, P. L., Cdt MacKenzie, C. J., Cdt Pawley, M. R., Cdt Watts, N. C.

Next year, 1977, there are twenty Cadets coming down to the School to attend the RF Basic Field Engineering course.

In August 1976 the Education wing of the RF Cadet School sent 26 cadets down to SME for a two day Military Science Bridging demonstration which was the practical application phase of the cadets' Military Science course.

At present there are thirteen ex Cadets holding appointments on the staff of the School of Military Engineering They are:

WOI M. Te O. T. Nepia, School RSM, WOII L. Thomas Senior Instr Fd Wks team. Ssgt P. McKeany, Training WO.A.; Ssgt C. Walsh, Senior Instr Bridging Wing, Sgt K. Avenell, Tech clerk, Cpl D. Toia, Static motors engine fitter and the Field Engineer Instructors are:- Ssgt P. Munro, Ssgt N. Foley, Sgt S. Ross, Sgt, W. Stirrat, Cpl M. Takarangi, Cpl P. L. Jackson, Lcpl K. C. Jones.

Saint Martins RNZE Memorial Church.

This church built in 1899 at St Saviour's Makotuku, was given by that parish to the RNZE Memorial and Linton Military Camp Church.

Re-built by Sappers of 2 FD Sqn RNZE, it was opened by Lt Col G. A. Lindell, DSO, ED, and dedicated to the Honour and Glory of God on Saturday 20 July, 1974.

The church has come from Norsewood which is a small town north of Palmerston North and the Bell from Thailand so our motto "Ubique" (everywhere) is so much to the fore in the Memorial Church and bell.



Waiouru Dental Centre

In the first year of training, a Cadet employed as a Hygienist, undertakes three courses. These are:

- A. Medical.
- B. Dental.
- C. Administration.

A. The medical course is carried out at the R.N.Z. Naval hospital at Devonport. Included in this course are: First Aid, Anatomy and Physiology, Laboratory and the covering of routine hospital ward duties. This course is of a three month duration and gives the Hygienist a basic knowledge of medical procedures necessary for Dental trades.

B. The Dental course consists of a Basic Dental course undertaken at the R.N.Z.D.C. School at Burnham Military

Camp. In this course the trainee learns assisting in the surgery, primary documentation, and a background to the Dental Technician's trade. This course is three weeks long.

C. The third and final course of the first year is the Basic Admin. course. This is of four weeks duration and covers clerical functions as well as a Quartermaster (stores) phase.

With all three courses completed the only other specification needed is to have completed one year's employment and you have your one star qualification. All Cadets should graduate with one star or more.

RNZSAC School 1976

The Royal New Zealand Army Services Corps School's role is to train personnel in the techniques and skills required by the Corps in peace and war. Within the Corps there are three branches, Transport, Supplies (Food and Fuel) and Catering. It is worth mentioning that we are a Corps with three branches for in past years only the Catering branch has been able to attract cadets in any number.

1976 has again been another good year for the caterers with 21 Cadets graduating as Cooks and one as a Steward. Two Cadets will graduate as Clerk/Storekeeper one star from the Operations Wing and four Cadets will graduate as Drivers from the MT Wing.

The message is loud and clear that the RNZASC needs more RF Cadets for the trades of Driver and Clerk/Storekeeper where the opportunities, for advancement are very good.

The School Catering Wing must be setting some form of a record, or not only are nearly all the students cadets or ex cadets but the majority of the staff are ex-cadets:

S Sgt Anderson K. M. F. Currently employed as the Admin NCO. Graduated Dec. 1963.

Sgt Crow W. M. Sgt Chef 21C Block III Mess and Chef Instructor. Graduated Aug. 1965.

Sgt Frew A.B. Sgt Chief Instructor. Graduated Dec. 1969.

Sgt Robinson P.H. Sgt Chef Instructor (currently on exercise in Hawaii). Graduated May 1969.

Sgt Stephens R. L. Sgt Chef Instructor. Graduated Sep. 1969.

Sgt Johnson W. L. Sgt Steward Instructor. Graduated Dec 1968.

Sgt Fairey V.G. Sgt Chef Instructor. Graduated Dec. 1970.

L Cpl Oldridge G. W. L cpl Chef Instructor. Graduated Dec. 1971.

Retirements

This year will mark the retirement of three ex Cadet Staff members:

School SSM WO1 T. N. T. Leperi (Sinclair-Burgess Class) 1956-57 retiring after 21 years' service.

Senior Instructor Operating Wing WO1 B. Hooper (Shute-worth Class) 1955-56 retiring after 22 years' service.

Instructor MT Wing S sgt Petricevich J.G. (Puttick Class) 1957 retiring after 20 years service.

Graduates

Catering Wing: Cessford V. G., Cook, Crowley D. G. Steward, Roxson R. V. Cook, Dunphy, P. . Cook, Fisher B. E. G. , Cook, Hill M. J. Cook, Harman G. A. Cook, Hay J. A. J. Cook, Heenan .W., Cook, Howard G., Cook, McCormack N.C. Cook, McGregor, G. F. Cook, Moore, D. . A. Cook, Morrissey D.P. Cook, Otaka A. G. Cook, Rotherham . A. Cook, Small G. J. Cook, Snowden K. R. Cook, Spark I. W. . Cook, Stanton P. A. Cook,

Starr D. I. Cook, Stone L. D. Cook, Wilkinson J. D. Cook.

MT Wing: Kara C. P., Kingi C. M., Roxborough C. B., Struginski S. J.

Operations Wing: Bernie C.S., Parkes R.M.

Adventure Training

Adventure Training is that training of an adventurous nature which will promote and develop in the cadet the qualities of leadership, initiative, resourcefulness, courage, stamina, delegation, planning and management. It is designed to supplement training and sporting activities. The training must create situations in which these qualities can be practised and therefore should include elements of real challenge, hardship and danger for the participants. Thus Adventure Training plays a very real part of activities at Regular Force Cadet School.

Several exercises have been run this year: two winter climbing trips to the Three Pass area in the South Island (Mainland), one advanced tramping trip to the Lake Waikaremoana area, and one snowcaving/high altitude survival exercise in winter conditions on Mt Ruapehu.

Descriptions of these exercises are set out below. In addition, several weekend training trips have been made at Mt Ruapehu. Some cadets have also received climbing training in camp (see photos).

Exercise Mountain Mule

The trip started with twenty-four hours of travel before we started walking. The first day was the easiest one; a twelve mile walk up the Waimakariri River to the new Carrington Hut, which took four hours, as some of the cadets were not particularly fit. At the hut, we thankfully dumped our 50lb packs and had a feed.

The next day dawned fine and clear, which was a pity, as we had decided to make this a rest day. Some of the party wandered up the White River and Taipoiti

Stream, while the others walked further up the Waimak or lazed around the hut. We decided to get rid of all our fresh food that night, so that we would not have to carry it any further; at least, not on our backs — accordingly, the meal was steak, onions, toast, with dehydrated peas and potato.

The next morning we staggered out of the bunks at 6.00 a.m., had a quick breakfast, and left at 7.15. We walked and boulderhopped up the Taipoiti Stream and reached the Harman Pass (4350ft) at 9.45, a very slow time. Just past Ariel's Tarns we stopped for half an hour or more for a brew. Then we climbed slowly to the top of the Whitehorn Pass (5800ft) where we stopped at 1.00 p.m. for twenty minutes or so to have a nibble of scroggin and a look at the scenery. The weather was still fine, and the snow was crisp and firm.

The descent from the Whitehorn Pass to the Cronin Stream was quite steep, and it needed careful step-cutting and foot-placing, as there were about eight inches of powder snow over blue ice. After a hundred feet or so of step-cutting, our leader decided to teach us to glissade then and there. We shot down four or five hundred feet in a few seconds; the first members of the group were the luckiest — by the time the last members of the party came to slide down, all the surface snow had been wiped off the ice. The result was that the last few people really plummeted down the slope, ending up in deep powder snow in the Cronin Stream at the bottom! From there we plugged on down the stream to the Park Morpeth Hut at the junction of the Cronin Stream and Wilberforce River. The last mile or so was spent scrambling around in the dark in the scrub on a track that left something to be desired. However, we reached the hut without incident.

The next day we left very late (10 a.m.) to cross Brownings Pass and reach Grassy Flats Hut in the Styx. However, on Brownings Pass conditions were not as good as we had hoped. We

walked up the zig-zag of the old miners' track easily enough, but on the steepest section above that we met ice and snow, which necessitated very careful foot-placing indeed. A fall could have had serious results, so we were ready to self-arrest with our ice-axes if the need arose. We remembered the fall that John Browning (after whom the Pass is named) took in 1865 when he travelled from the top to the bottom of the pass (about 1,000 feet) in a few seconds. We reached the top without incident, but thought that in a really hard winter, the climb would be a technical one — probably completely iced.

To our disappointment, Lake Browning was not frozen, so we had a feed of scroggin and a rest, while some of the group took photos looking down the Wilberforce to where it joined the Griffiths and Unknown Streams. The weather was still fine and cold, and we rapidly came to the conclusion that army boots and socks

were not designed for cold weather, so we pressed on down into the Arahura on a very good track — once again, a track which had been constructed by the miners last century. By the time we got to the Forest Service Harman Hut, light was fading fast, so we called it a day there. In addition, the weather was closing in. After another "dehydrated" meal of curry, noodles, peas, onions and potato, we settled down for the night — some of our party slept in the hut, the rest in camouflaged tents on the tussock outside.

The next day we woke up to the sound of rain on the roof, and after a quick breakfast of porridge had been eaten or otherwise disposed of, we set off. We followed the old miners' track above the Arahura River, marvelling at its construction and the fact that it was still in good repair after almost a century without maintenance — in most places it was like a road.

At the Styx Saddle (a sea of chest-high tussock rippling in the wind) we turned away from the Arahura and down the Styx. The tussock generously shared its moisture with us, and we realized the value of tramping in shorts.

The bush and river scenery in the Styx was really attractive — much more interesting than the broad flat uninteresting riverbeds of Canterbury full of black beech ad nauseam. We went straight past Grassy Flats and Renton Huts, and walked straight out to the road six and a half hours after leaving the Harman Hut. It was still raining, and the river was coming up. Just before we reached the roadhead we had to scramble in the river beneath some bluffs; when the first of our party went through, the water was only knee deep, but when the last of the party came through an hour later, the water was almost up to their waists, and was still rising.



Cadets on their way from the Harmon Pass (4350') to the Whitehorn Pass (5800').

From the road, army vehicles from Greymouth collected us and after a brief stop at Kokatahi for a taste of real West Coast hospitality put us on the railcar back to Burnham. The next day we moved back to Waiouru and back to work.

Participants: Capt Charles, Capt Bruton, Capt Huggett, Ssgt Bussmilch, Cadets Bain, Benemann, Cave, Lee, Looker, Morris, O'Riley, Pawley, Reilly, Rowlandson, Wood PW, Wood, T. M.

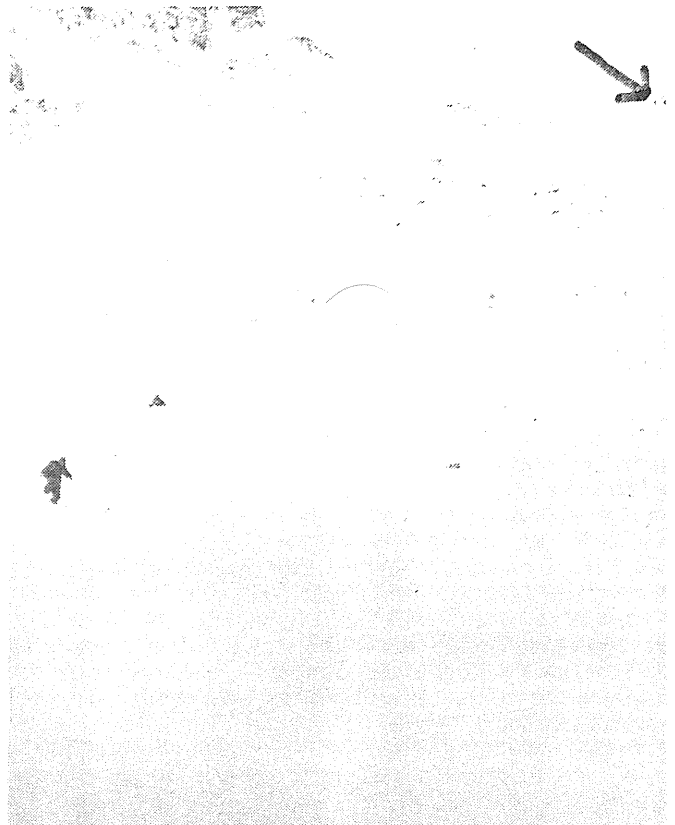
Burnham Camp Participants: Major Adams, Cpl Cleverly, Cpl Brostow.

Exercise Round Robin

Exercise "Round Robin" was conducted between 14 - 22 May 1976. It consisted of a circumnavigation of Lake Waikaremoana, with visits to Lake Waikareiti, the caves at the eastern end of Lake Waikaremoana, and the local hydro electric stations at Tuai and Kaitawa.

The exercise was a most interesting one, in that it enabled a close study of one of the last remaining stands of this particular type of forest in the North Island. The scenic attractions of the area were enjoyed by all — in particular those from the South Island who thought that the North Island was either all tussock country or open farmland. Probably the highlight of the trip was the view from the summit of the Panekiri Range at daybreak, as the sun came up and rolled the mist off a lake which appeared to be made of a highly polished slab of green marble.

The last day of the exercise was spent climbing Mt Tarawera and examining the twelve mile chain of craters which appeared after the devastating eruption of 1886. Most participants enjoyed a slide (?) down a scoria slope to the floor of one crater some 500ft below — even if it did mean a long climb out.



Glissading from the top of the Whitehorn Pass into the Cronin Stream.
Note group (arrowed) preparing to glissade.



Cadets on the summit of the Whitehorn Pass (5800').

Those who took part in the exercise were:

Lt G. B. Howard
L/cpl I. R. Abernethy
Cdt D. W. Harris
Cdt M. P. Henderson
Cdt A. J. Thompson
Cdt I. F. Twist

Exercise Mountain Mule II 20 Aug - 4 Sep 76

The aim of the exercise was to make a winter crossing of Browning's Pass at the head of the Wilberforce, and to proceed down the Styx to Kokatahi.

Our first problem was the USS Truxton in Wellington Harbour. The watersiders went on strike, and we had to fly from Wellington to Christchurch. We eventually all got to Burnham and settled in. The next morning it was a case of breakfast at 0430, away at 0515, heading for the Wilberforce in our two Landrovers. Capt. Charles was keen to drive as far up the riverbed as possible, and by 1100, we had reached the feature known as Logans Mistake, some 13 miles upriver from the last farmhouse. At this stage we said farewell to our Landrovers and drivers — to have attempted to go on any further would have meant a very serious bogging risk in the shingle — we'd already bogged one of the Rovers and had to dig it out! We plodded on upriver in perfect fine winter weather. For the most part we were on the old miners' track, and we passed the odd piece of machinery. Late in the afternoon we reached Park Morpeth Hut.

The next morning, after a good frost, we set off in fine weather to climb the Pass. It looked far more daunting than it had in May — now it was fully covered in snow and ice — even the zig-zag was covered. We cut steps up the Pass until 1400, when we returned to Park Morpeth Hut, mainly by way of an "arsade" down the snow.

The next day we set off again, and cut steps to within 100' of the top of the Pass. We then decided to abort the attempt, and return to the hut. Several pairs of over-

trousers were worn out on the ar-sade over frozen snow and ice! There was no doubt that we **could** have got to the top, but it was unlikely we could reach the next hut (Harman Hut in the Arahura).

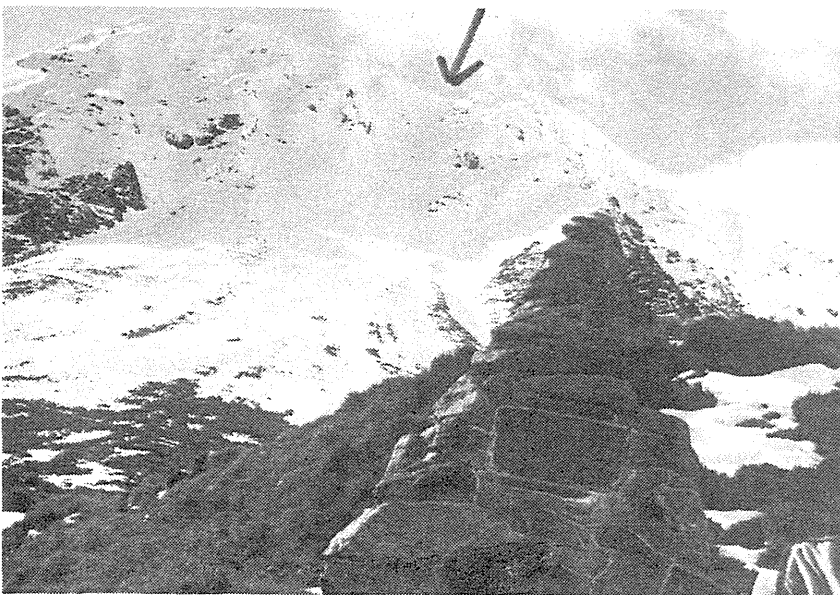
As we were not carrying tents, and the weather was very cold, we decided that bivvying in the Arahura was out. We walked past

Park Morpeth Hut down to Urquharts Hut, which we had walked past on the way in. We spent the night there (in a severe frost) and the next day rendezvoused with the Landrovers sent from Burnham. After spending the night at Burnham, we travelled back to Waiouru.

Participants: Capt Charles, Lt Edwards, Cadets Fels, Prosser, Versey and Wood T.M.



Moving up the Wilberforce Riverbed. Moa Stream in background.

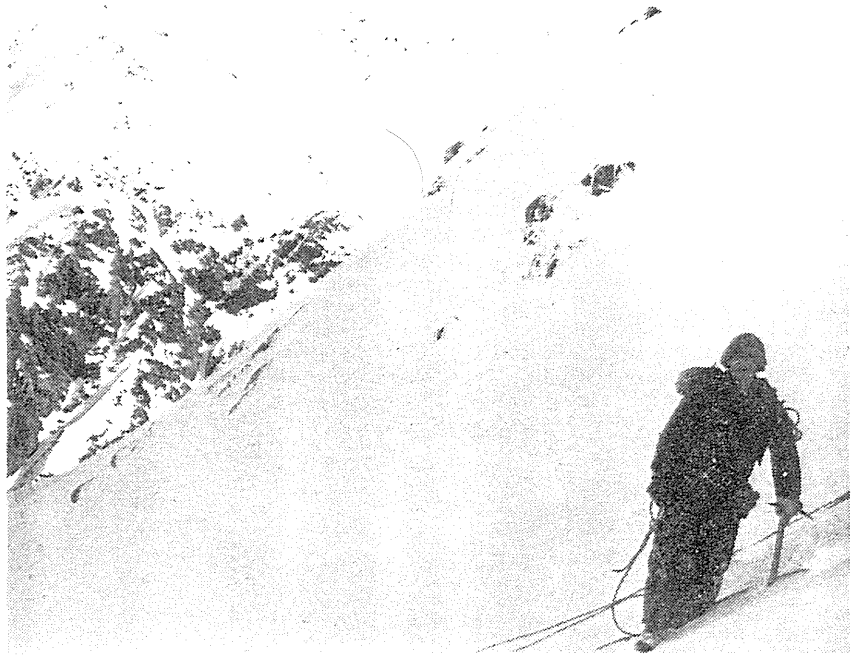


Brownings Pass (summit is arrowed) in winter.

Exercise Frigid Flash

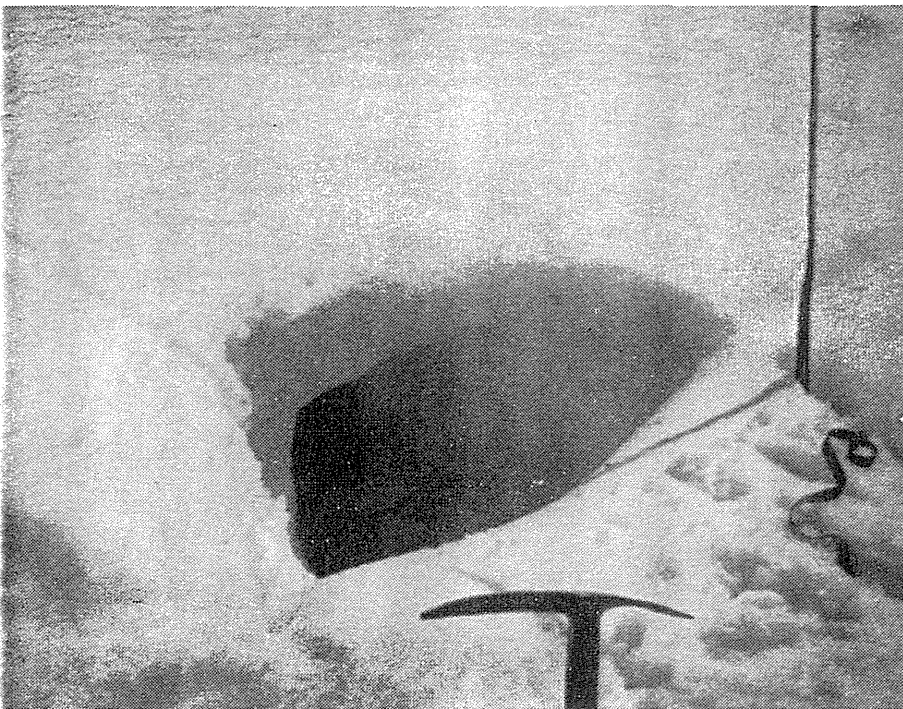
From 8-12 Nov. 76, Capt Charles took eleven cadets on a high altitude survival/snowcaving exercise on Mt Maunapahu. The cadets did all their own equipment and food planning, and were divided into three syndicates; this enabled the instructors to assess each cadet's planning, organisation, management, stamina, resourcefulness etc.

The plan was to fly on the Monday by Iroquois helicopter to the crater Lake (8500') on Mt Maunapahu, dig in snowcaves and spend the week engaged in basic snow-, ice- and rock climbing techniques. However, due to low cloud, the Iroquois could only land us at 6500' below Te Heuheu Peak (8500'), the northernmost peak. Nothing daunted, we set off to climb over Te Heuheu to the crater Lake area. By the time we reached the 7500' mark, conditions were deteriorating, so we descended to 7000' and dug snowcaves, in which to spend the night.



Cadet Versey on lower slopes of Brownings Pass.

After spending a surprisingly comfortable night, we set off the next day to walk down to

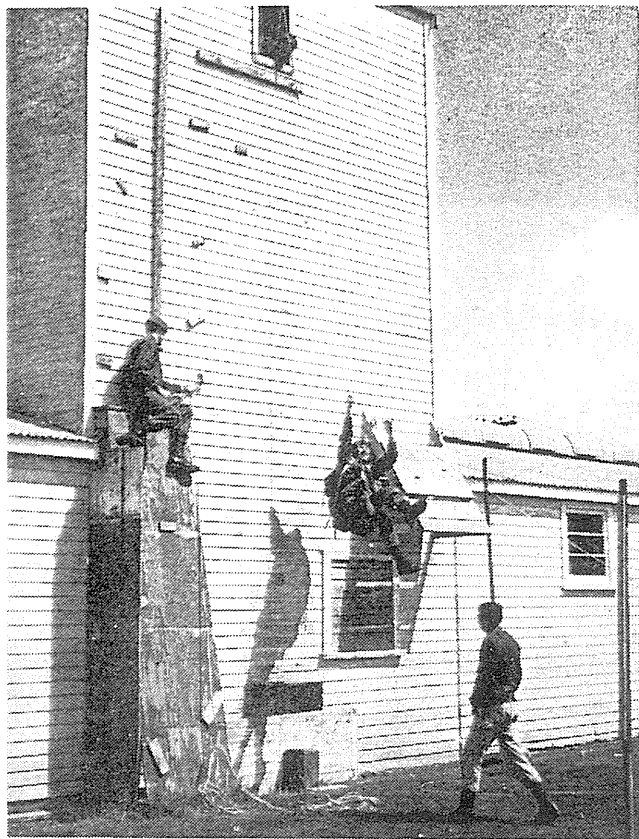


Entrance to the snowcave.

Waihohonu Hut in rapidly deteriorating conditions. At about 1300 and at about 6000', some of the cadets were looking tired, so two instructors went out to the hut for help, while the rest of the group dug one cave and then in a 60 mph blizzard, with visibility fifty yards maximum. At 1600 we made radio contact with Waiouru, to learn that a Search and Rescue team from the camp was coming to our assistance, as the weather was going to swing to the south and worsen.

We spent a reasonable night in the snowcave (fourteen people in a cave 8' x 8' x 3'6'') with Capt Charles, Lt McLachlan and Sgt Curtis doing the radio sked every hour and the staff and cadets also clearing snow from the entrance to the snowcave. Conditions were very cold (approx -2 to 0 degrees Centigrade) and we were glad of the coffee, curries, soups and Waitaki Spud Flakes served up on the primus.

From 0600 to 1400 Wednesday Capt Charles did the radio skeds and kept a virtually continuous lookout for the ground rescue party, Sgt Curtis kept the cadets



Cadet O'Riley prussiking up a rope.



Cadet Michel abseiling. Cadet Porter (bottom) seem worried!

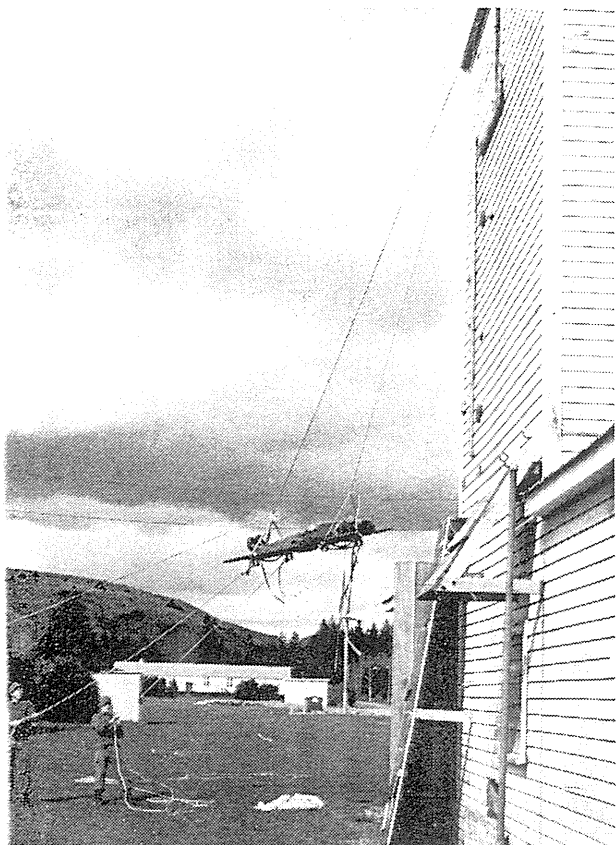
clearing drift snow from the entrance to the cave, and Lt McLachlan kept hot coffee going.

About 1330, the ground party reached us, and we withdrew down to their forward base, where the ironclads (armoured personnel carriers) were maintaining a forward link. From here we flew (by Iroquois) back to Waiouru where all cadets were hospitalised for observation.

In short, a highly successful exercise, enjoyed by all. We would mention, however, that if Capt Charles ever wears his "Think Snow" hat again, there are eleven cadets ready to flatten him!

Participants: Instructors — Graeme and Mrs Dingle, Capt Charles.

Students (Survivors?!) Lt McLachlan, Sgt Curtis, Cadets Adams, Ashworth, Malone, Michel, Mitchell, O'Riley, Porter, Rangihuna, Smith D.W.P., Twist, Wood, T.M.



Stretcher rescue techniques
Cadets Adams and Malone
controlling the descent of the
victim (Cadet O'Riley).

Cadets nearing the Crater Lake (8500')
on Mount Ruapehu.



Tramping and Ski-ing

In addition to the longer more arduous South Island trips, there has been a number of weekend and one-day activities run in the Tongariro National Park and Kaimanawas.

During the period of advanced soldier training in Zone Alfa in February there were two one-day trips on rest days. One was a relaxing stroll/swim up the Waipakihi River, the other a strenuous battle through bush lawyer to the Needles.

In March a combined RTD — Cadet School trip took place on a cold, wet miserable Sunday. One party of RTD Basics came south from Ketetahi; the other party, a mixture of RTD Basics and Cadets, went from Mangatepopo toward Ketetahi. The parties met in the vicinity of Red Crater. A feature of the day was the superior drive and fitness of the Cadets in the mixed party.

Weekend trips were also organised for attacking the Needles from the ATG side, slogging from Turoa to Tukino, and into the Ngauruhoe/Mt Tama region.

A small number of Cadets became ski-ing enthusiasts. Unfortunately, snow conditions earlier in the season were unreliable, but at least some cadets learned the basics of side-stepping, kick-turns and snow ploughing. Toward the end of the season and with the better conditions, these cadets have become quite competent.

The highlight of the winter for some was the weekend visit to the Chateau, cheap accommodation having been booked at Raurimu Youth Hostel. Two days of ski-ing in fine weather and in excellent snow conditions were had. One Cadet had heard stories of the beautiful nurses of Taumarunui Hospital and decided to get a trip there. There were also vicious rumours of thirsty Cadets finishing their ski-ing early on the Saturday and visiting the Whakapapa Tavern.

Also on this trip were a few Cadets receiving instruction in

snow and ice climbing techniques. This is written in more detail elsewhere by Capt Charles.

Goatshooting

This year, several trips were made to Morikau Station, (on the Wanganui River), for the goat-shooting. Over 1000 goats bit the mud this year at the hands or rifles of Cadets and staff, but even more have got away!

Everybody has enjoyed the trips but some are still amazed at how much lead a goat can absorb and still run away.

At the last shoot, the M16 sub calibre device was tried under field conditions by the Cadets shooting at the goats and one bloodthirsty Cadet meeting a goat at a range of 5 yards, put 16 rounds of .22 into it in about 3 seconds. The poor goat gave up the ghost right away which was not surprising.

Generally, the goat shooting develops good soldier skills in marksmanship, fitness and stalking and I hope that this form of recreation continues for some time, and judging from the number of applicants for the trips, it is quite well supported by the cadets.

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award

This year the Regular Force Cadet School became an Operating Authority of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme and already three cadets are working toward the scheme's Gold award.

His Royal Highness The Duke of Edinburgh introduced his award scheme to help and stimulate the enthusiasm and energy of young people by presenting a challenging programme of leisure time activities, flexible enough to meet the needs and interests of young people, to broaden their interest and deepen their experience. This programme falls into four main sections — a Service, an Expedition, an Interest and some

Physical Activity or a Design for Living.

The three cadets aiming at the gold award are, for the service part of the programme, working and training as volunteer firemen with the Waiouru Camp Fire Service and are apparently enjoying every minute of it. In the physical activity and interest section the cadets are following their usual sporting activities and hobbies and, at the end of next year, when they will be eligible for the gold award, they must be able to show that they have reached a satisfactory level of involvement and competence in these pursuits. The many field trips the cadets participate in and enjoy so much during their time at Cadet School will well satisfy the requirement of the Expedition Section.

On the whole the RF Cadet School is extremely well equipped to administer the programme with its excellent sports facilities and availability to the Waiouru Camp Hobbies Section. The Waiouru Camp Fire Service must also be thanked for offering its training facilities and valuable experience to cadets interested in the Scheme.

No doubt the three cadets already in the scheme will derive great satisfaction from their involvement and it is hoped that next year more cadets will partake in what the scheme has to offer.

Cadet Basketball

CADET "A" TEAM

The basketball season commenced with the normal vigour and enthusiasm as does any sport at the start of the season.

The Cadet "A" team which is the top team in the Cadet School had a lot of depth in it as a number of players from the previous year were still playing such as Cdt McCormack and Cdt Williams.

The new players with lots of experience and skills of the game were: Cds Potaka, Lawrence, Clarke, Toki, Brown, Orchard, Struginski, Dunn, and these with

The main stayers produced a very formidable line up and these became one of the strongest teams to compete in the Waiouru Indoor Basketball Association in the "A" Grade competition.

The Cadet team did very well in the local competition by winning the following sections in the "A" Grade:—

1. Open Championship
2. Handicap Championship
3. Round Robin
4. Cdt Brown the most improved player.

This season there were players from the Cadet "A" team selected to travel with the Waiouru Command Team to play in the Inver Regional tournament held at Invercargill.

The following players were selected: Cdts McCormack, Potaka, Clarke, Brown and Lawrence. Cdts McCormack and Potaka were also selected for the Army team to play in the Combined Services Tournament. Cdt McCormack was also selected to play for the Combined Services team for the second year in a row.

Throughout the season the team represented RF Cadet School against other colleges and tournaments with the following results:—

- 1 Apr Cdt Sch v Taupo won 35-34
- 3 May Cdt Sch v Pukekohe lost 35-56
- 3 June Cdt Sch v Wairoa won 58 - 3
- 6 Jun Cdt Sch v Wanganui won 47 43
- 6 Jun Cdt Sch v Taihape won by default
- 6 Jun Cdt Sch v Dannevirke High lost 46 - 47
- 6 Jun Cdt Sch v Palmerston North won 63- 32
- Jul Cdt Sch v Queen Elizabeth College won 51-28.
- 4 Jul Cdt Sch v New Plymouth Boys' High won 69 -46
- 4 Jul Cdt Sch v Hastings Boys' High lost 66 - 84
- 6 Jul Cdt Sch v Dannevirke High won 45 - 44
- 6 Jul Cdt Sch v Hastings Boys' High won 66 -60

Junior Inter Services

- 3 Aug Cdt Sch v Navy won 52 - 28
- 5 Aug Cdt Sch v Airforce won 47 - 7
- 5 Aug Cdt Sch v ATG won 42 - 34
- 8 Aug Cdt Sch v Murupara won 98 - 37

During the season the team also travelled to other tournaments and fared very well and for the second time they entered for the New Zealand secondary school boys tournament and in the North Island Regional Round did very well. They won the Central North Island qualifying round which put the team in the final top twelve teams of the New Zealand secondary school boys championships which was held at Rotorua. They did very well for the first time to reach the finals and finished up being placed tenth throughout all secondary schools in New Zealand.

Cdt McCormack was also selected for the national New Zealand under 20 yrs school boys team.

Overall the team had a very good season and played good basketball and worked and trained hard for all the tournaments they attended.

The team played 25 games in other tournaments and they won sixteen and only lost nine overall, so a pretty good season.

Two of the outstanding players for this season were Cdt McCormack and Cdt Potaka.

Potaka Represented—

- (1) Cadets "A" Team
- (2) ATG Team
- (3) Army Team

McCormack Represented—

- (1) Cadet "A" Team
- (2) ATG Team
- (3) Army Team
- (4) Combined Services
- (5) NZ Under 20 yrs Secondary School Boys

The Cadet "A" Team:

McCormack N. C.
Potaka A. G.
Lawrence M.P.
Dunn S.
Williams R. M.
Toki B. I.
Brown R.D.
Struginski S.J..
Clarke L. A.
Orchard A. G.

Coaches: Sgt Hornbrook L.D.
Sgt Paaka, Cpl Furlong.



Cadet Basketball Team

Cadet Cricket 1976

Although the weather didn't favour cricket this year the cadet first XI came through the year with merit. The team is fortunate in being able to play senior cricket in the local Taihape Cricket Competition and although only beating the local Taihape College team regularly always gave the other teams (Taihape, Taihape Pirates, Waiouru Camp) — a real run for their money.

Cadets Kearney, Bensemann, Humm and Hewson represented the Army Training Group (Waiouru) at the Army Inter District Tournament with credit. Cadets Kane and Young also were selected and have since graduated.

Cadet Humm excelled by taking a wicket first ball on two occasions and almost completing a hatrick in his opening over against Central Military Districts team. He took three wickets with

his first four balls and was later selected to represent the North Island Army team which played an Auckland XI captained by ex rep Peter Cootes and containing several fine players of which schoolboy Ian Crowe would be worth watching in the future.

Some results from the 75/76 season were:-

vs Taihape College Cdts 1st Innings 126 for 6 (Ashworth 40, Kearney 33, Bensemann 19). College 43 (Humm 4 for 9 Moore 2 for 9 Bensemann 2 for 9).

Cdts 15 points, College 4 points.

vs Waiouru Campe Campe 164 (Ashworth 3 for 12) Cadts 54 (Ashworth 25no) and 67 (Ashworth 14, Henderson 13)

Camp 18 points, Cdts 72 points.

vs Taihape Taihape 115, (Ashworth 3wkts), Cdts 95 (Morrisey 20)

Taihape 13 points, Cdts 9 points.

When this went into print the 76/77 season was under way and although some good players have graduated more are showing through.

Cdt Ashworth has excelled with bat and ball to gain selection into the Rangitikei squad and nominated for the Central Districts Colt team. Ashworth, Nepier, Kearney, Bensemann, Henderson and Hewson all having good chances of making the ATG side for the Army Trials in Burnham in December.

Although only one club game has been played to date the team losing 18 points to 8 points, they had last year's champions, Pirates, all out within the 35 overs and were 84 for 4 in reply when lack of a bit of experience caused them to collapse and be all out for 89, about 40 runs short. Ashworth and Nepier showed amazing progress in their cricket.

It is now the wish of the coach that these players go on to greater heights in the game or if not at least maintain the interest shown while in cadets in their new postings.



Cadet Cricket Team 1976

Soccer 1976

Once again this has been a busy but quite successful season for the Cadet soccer team. Although it entered as a separate identity in the local competition the team was formed for inter school and inter service games.

The school was fortunate in Cadets Hewson, Sowden, Hanlon and Spark returning for another year and forming the basis of the team. In the 1976 class a number of new players came to the fore thereby adding much needed strength with Cadets Moore, Harman, Whitcombe, Baird and Earle being more prominent.

The usual number of inter school games was played and apart from an early loss to Taupo, the team was unbeaten for the remainder of the year. The results were:

vs Taupo	Lost 3-2
Queen Elizabeth	Won 3-2
Tanganui Collegiate	Won 3-2
Tanganui B.H.S.	Won 3-2
Taumararui	Won 3-2

The Regular Force Cadet School were host for the Junior

Inter Services Tournament and in many ways this was the climax of the season. After beating the Airman Cadet School 5-1 the Cadets met the Seaman Boys in the Final. This game was a regular cliff hanger and went to extra times before being won by Army 3-1 on penalties. The match was played in driving snow and sleet and it was all credit to both sides that some fine football was played. A Junior Combined Services Soccer Team was selected with five Cadets gaining this honour.

During the year the Cadets played in both the Army Training Group and Waiouru teams in the local competition which includes teams from Turangi, Taihape, Taumararui, Raetihi and the Government Prison Farms, all these games being played on Sundays. Both teams met with mixed success with the ATG Team vying for the Championship with a team from Turangi. The second team started the season badly but as they progressed, improved and finished fourth in the competition.

A number of players could be singled out for their efforts and probably none more so than Cadet Baird who when Cadet Hanlon was absent took over the role of goal-keeper and although hesitant to begin with was a tower of strength in subsequent games. Seven Cadets were selected for the ATG Team to participate in the Army Inter Regional Tournament at Papakura Camp and although none was selected by the NZ Army Team all played well.

Special thanks must be given to WO1 B. Hooper, RNZASC and Sgt Douglas who assisted in the management of the team. Unfortunately most of this year's team will graduate and we can only hope that next year's intake nets us a good number of players.

Team members:

Goal Keeper — Halon, Baird.
 Defenders — Spark, Sowden, Moore, Morris
 Sweepers — Harman, Hewson (Capt), Earle
 Strikers — Whitcombe, Trundle, Luzak, Williams, Ballinger.
 Manager — WOII Mowat D.J.



Cadet Soccer Team 1976

Hockey 1976

Goalie— Cdt Harris D.W.
 R B — Cdt Heenan A.W.
 L B — Cdt Reilly S.T.
 R H — Cdt Wyatt T.A.
 CH — Cdt/L cpl Forsman B.L.
 LH — Cdt Starr D.I.
 R W — Cdt Dunbar B.W.
 I R — Cdt Leggett N.E.
 C F — Cdt Ball A.M.
 IL — Cdt Simpson, K.M.R.
 LW — Cdt Twist I.F.
 Res Foward Cdt Wilkinson J.D.
 Res Halves Cdt Mitchell, R.P.
 Cdt Wood T.M.

Local Competition

Cadets vs Camp "A"
 Camp "B"
 Raetihi

Round 1	Round 2	Round 3
L 14-0	L 8-2	L 6-0
L 9-2	L 2-1	
L 7-0	L 6-3	W 1-2

Inter School
 Cdts vs Rotorua Colts
 Pukekohe
 Taumaranui
 Wairoa
 Wanganui
 Q.E. College
 Te Awamutu

L7-2
 L6-3
 D0-0
 W 1-2
 L 5-1
 W 1-4
 D2-2

Junior Inter Services

Cdts Vs Air
 Navy

L3-1
 L2-1

On paper the hockey team this year was unsuccessful, but individually their skills improved considerably. Nearly all the players that are leaving cadet school will be able to play in one of their district's top teams and not disgrace themselves.

At the start of the year only eight had ever played hockey before and the rest were eager to learn.

Courses and tours of duty disrupted the team in that players were not always available. The captains for the

year were Cdt L cpl Forsman, Cpl Mabber and Cdt Leggett.

Cdt L cpl Forsman captained the side but due to courses and tours of duty others stood in.

The forwards were led with Cdt Dunbar's speed and aggressiveness, but failed to complete their moves.

The halves lacked fitness and were never the same three from one day to the next therefore no one really shone.

The goalie and backs were some of the most improved players in the team. Good thinking saved many a goal.

The end result of having 80 goals scored against us couldn't be held against their play.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the team for their devotion and sweat, and wish them luck in their hockey careers.



Cadet Hockey Team 1976

First Fifteen

This year's first fifteen proved themselves an honourable representative for RF Cadet School. At the beginning of the season, we were all determined to see the season through undefeated but it wasn't to be. After our first loss we realised that we weren't playing to the fullest of the team's capabilities, so it was, "backsides up and head down," for the remainder of the season.

Unfortunately mid-way through the season we had three members of the team leave us, and it was the departure of these three **players which made us** more determined to play harder than usual. Sometimes we had different opinions to our oppositions!

Also due to the expert coaching and good response from the team the morale within the team gradually grew higher and higher after each game. With the team's morale at a high point not many teams were able to defeat us. The team produced many outstanding players and some of us made other representative teams,

within the Army and the local district. I would like now to wish all of the team the best with their rugby future and also thank our coaches: Sgt Wharewera and Maj Davey for their tremendous coaching and devotion to the team.

Cadet B Team

When the season began the intention was to field only a First and Second fifteens. After the selection of a training squad for the First Fifteen it was found that there were forty-five young men who wished to play rugby. This left only one course to follow and that being to form two lower **grade teams and enter them both in the local Vth grade competition**

After the first round of the competition the B team were in rather high spirits by not being beaten.

What followed still remains to be explained. Could it be that at the beginning of the Rugby season Cadets are as fit as they are ever going to be? Alter-

natively are the opposition only just beginning to train?

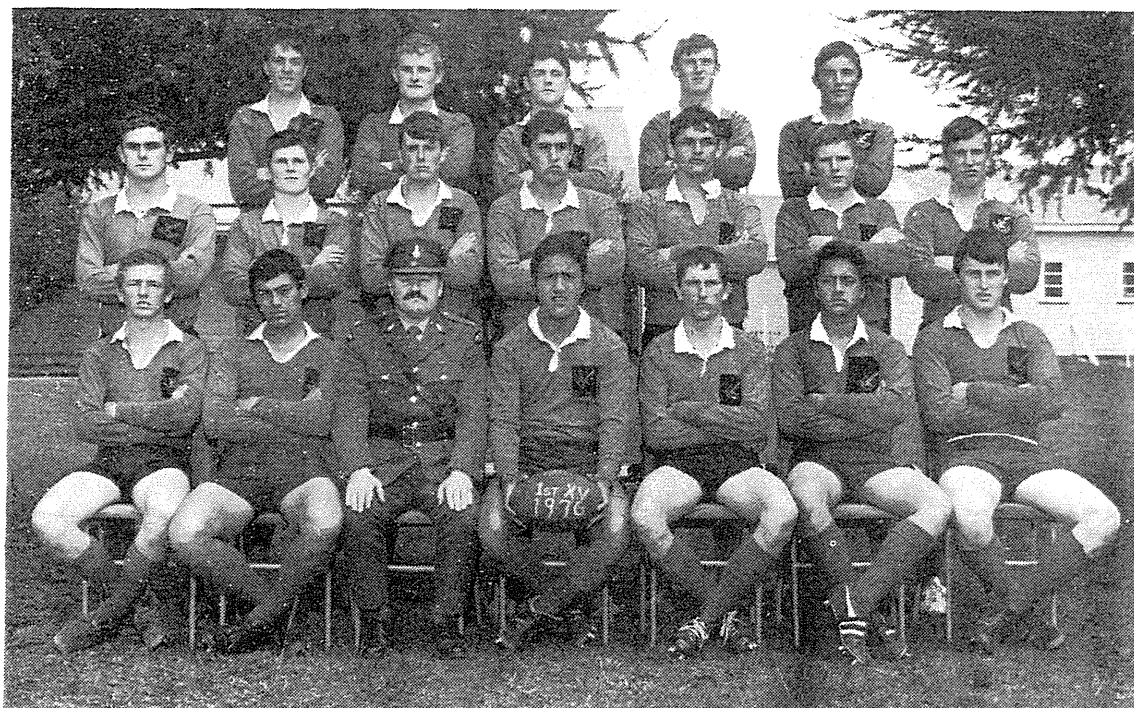
All games for the remainder of the season without exception were close games and the scores prove it.

The Cadet B team eventually managed to gain third place in the competition after scoring 152 points for and 143 points against.

The teams thanks must surely go to the team Captain Darryl (Red) Morrissey for his outstanding example as pack leader and to Junior Rangihuna who represented the School for the First Fifteen, the Waiouru Army Colts and the Junior Inter Services Team.

CADET "C" TEAM

At the start of the season the Regular Force Cadet School had a bunch of keen Rugby players, about 50 in all. S sgt Archer and Sgt Johnson split the 50 players and formed the 2nd XV under S sgt Archer, and the 3rd XV under Sgt Johnson, making a total of 4 teams in the 5th Grade competition, Ruapehu College, Taihape College and the 2nd the 3rd XV.



Cadet School First XV 1976

We practiced Tuesdays, Wednesday afternoons and Thursdays. Our main opposition throughout the season came from Taihape College who we found just that much too good for us. So good in fact that we never managed to beat them at all throughout the season. Ruapehu College (eventual competition winners) on the other hand were not so strong at the beginning of the season and went down under the might of the 3rd XV for the first couple of games.

Owing to the bad weather, and bad organising by the rugby union we spent more than our share of time on the opposition's rugby fields. But no doubt the games of the season were between the 2nd and 3rd XV, as the players seemed to put more into their games especially the last couple of games anyway (very hard for the coach to understand)

The team we had at the beginning of the year changed somewhat throughout the season and some of the players named may have played only 1 or 2 games.

Lee
Ngarimu
O'Riley
McKenzie
Taylor
Rees
Thompson
Henderson
Porter
Looker
Sowden

Training was hampered by bad weather causing selected moves from the forwards and backs not to be practised.

I would like to thank all corp schools who released players for during the week games.

Butt
Kanawa
Dunn
Bernie
Roxborough
Evans
Hanlon
Rotherham
Hewson
Flintoft
Cessford

Equipment possessed by the Hautapu-Waiouru Rifle Club consists of 2 Parker Hale 120 TS target rifles, (the same model as the new sniper's rifle) and associated gear.

Shooting takes place at ranges from 300 to 900 yards and as a result the club members have become a little more cynical about the "500 yards away and I dropped the deer with a shot right between the eyes" type of story. (at 300 yards the bullseye is 7½" diam and at 900 yards 30" in diameter.)

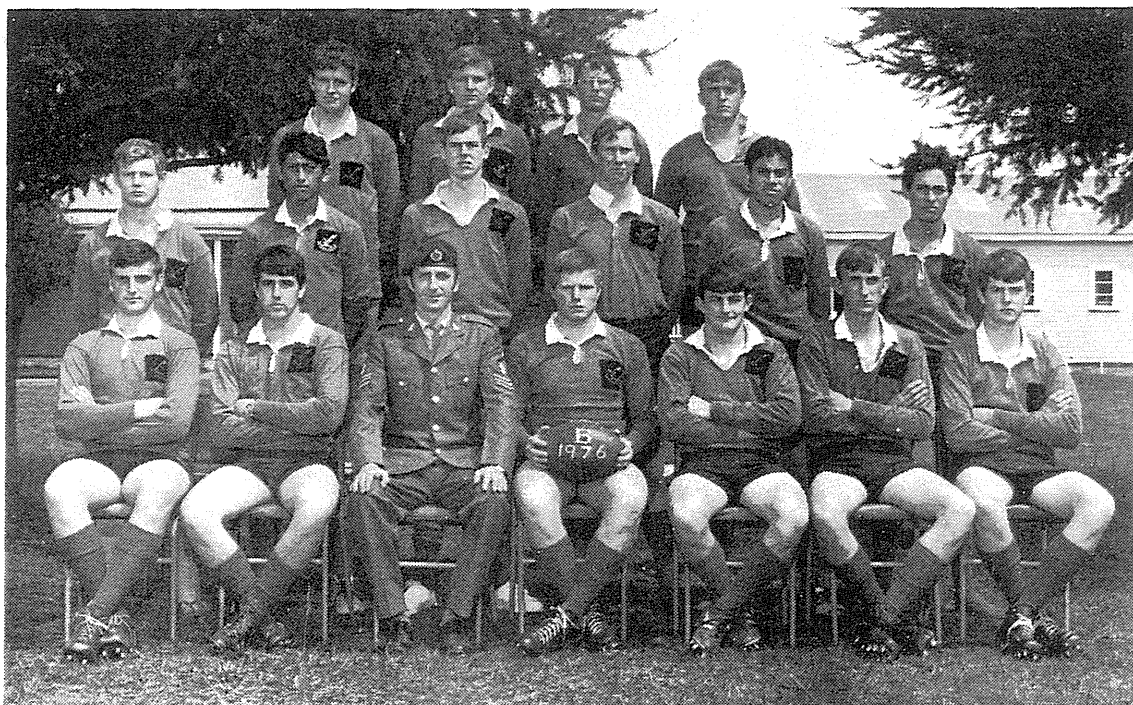
So far, the members have only had one trip away, goat shooting at Morikau Station where the 9 shooters got 140 goats. It is hoped to send a team to the Wellington Spring Meeting on 20 Nov and to compete for the Masfield Shield at the National Championships on 14 Jan 77. (The National Rifle Association having agreed to allow RF Cadet School to compete). The teams are.

Coaches: Capt Williams, Sgt Owens, Sgt Wait.

Team: Cadets Allen, Rotherham, Joule, Waterhouse, Laws, Prattley and Thompson.

Competition Shooting

Target shooting commenced this year in March with about 20 persons all interested in shooting. Unfortunately there was too unwieldy a number and it soon thinned down to 10 persons, especially as winter came on, but the club was still able to function on wet days, with reloading sessions on Capt Williams' reloading gear.



Cadet School B Team 1976



Cadet School Softball Team 1976



Cadet School Tennis Team 1976

A Company Notes

On 8 January 1976, 104 cadets marched into camp to start their Basic Training. The new intake was Morrison Class, named after Brigadier W. R. K. Morrison, DSO, OBE. The next six weeks were taken up with Basic Training which ended with the Passing Out Parade. The new intake and the senior cadets (who had by then returned from Advanced Soldier Training) were then reshuffled into the new A and B companies. A company lived in the top two floors of Terendak Barracks.

A Company contained all cadets doing Formal Education (U.E.) Military Education, Instructors Course and soldier trade training with their corps schools. All two year cadets, regardless of their future trade, were placed in A company to do Military Education and the Instructors Course.

For most of the year A Company's OC was Lt G. B. Howard and the CSM was WOII Knap. Both later moved to fill other positions with RF Cadet School. WOII Horsfall, BEM moved from Training Wing to become A Coy CSM. The new OC, Lt. S. McLachlan, came to Cadet

"A" COMPANY NOMINAL ROLL

Adams RJ	Evans RD	Malone SF	Smith DWP
Ashley NW	Fels RJ	Maurice AP	Struginsky SJ
Ashworth SA	Flintoft RW	Michel AR	Taylor DJ
Baird PL	Gibbons TE	Mitchell RG	Taylor RW
Ball AM	Henderson MP	Morris CD	Toki BI
Ballard CM	Hewson BA	O'Riley TP	Trundle RG
Bensemam KI	Hunter PM	Paurini PH	Twist IF
Bernie CS	Kara CP	Pawley MR	Watson GJ
Brown RD	Kay RC	Permain KW	Watts NC
Cave GS	Keys LD	Porter ME	Weal MW
Conroy MP	Kingi CM	Prosser KS	Whitcombe LJ
Corlett BS	Lawrence MP	Rangihuna HJ	Williams RM
Cunningham SG	Lee SR	Ratana LC	Willis MK
Dillon RC	Looker BR	Reilly ST	Wood PW
Duff KD	Luzak S	Robb G	Wood TM
Earl PM	MacKenzie CJ	Rolston RE	
Edwards D McD	McLay DC	Smith AG	

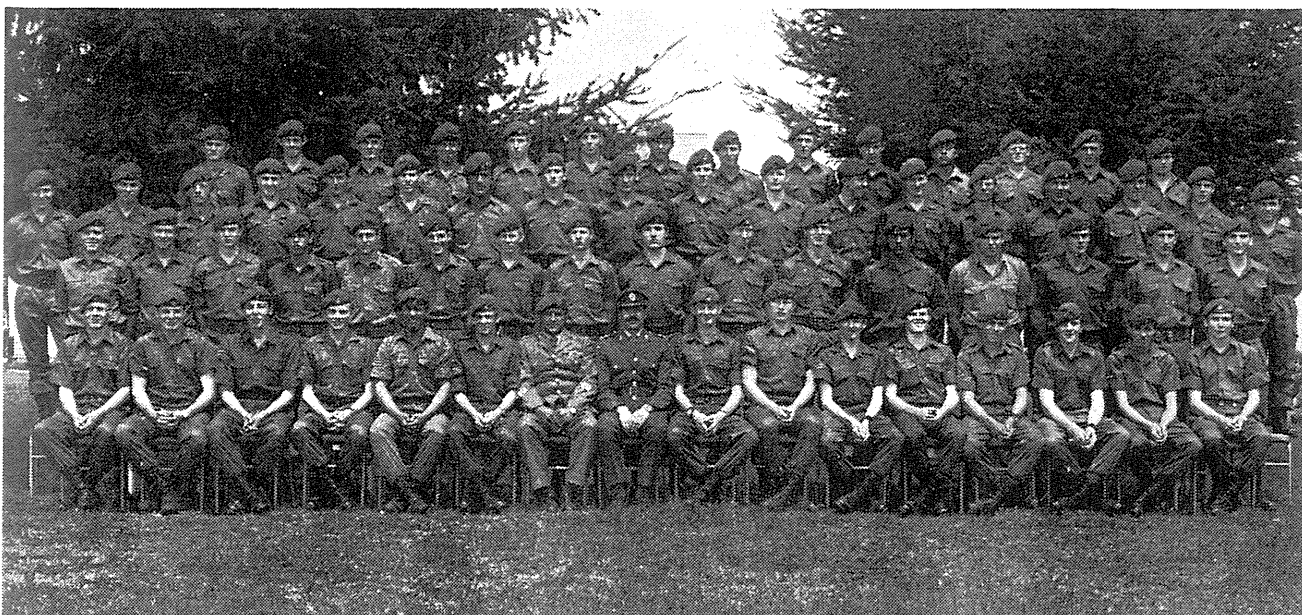
School at the beginning of the third term.

As well as the Taupo Guard on Anzac Day, A Company provided a Guard of Honour for Colonel Winston Choo Wee Leong, Director of General Staff, Singapore Armed Forces on 29 March, and a Guard of Honour for the Chief of the General Staff, Major-General R. P. Hassett, CBE on 22 November.

During May and August leave, some members of A Company took part in Exercise Mountain Mule and Mountain Mule II in the

Southern Alps, and in November, some cadets and the new OC of A Coy took part in Exercise Frigid Flash on Mt Ruapehu.

Cadets Baird, PL, Hewson BA, Whitcome LJ, Earl PM and Morris CD, represented Waiouru at the inter-regional soccer competition held at Papakura. Hewson BA, Bensemam KI and Henderson MP represented Waiouru at the Army Cricket Trials at Burnham. A Company managed two in the Commandant's Shield for the top cadet company for 1976.



A Company 1976

