

LOGISTICS COMPANY

The CSS CONOPS (Combat Service Support Concept of Operations). Centralised logistics. Though they may seem like simple phrases, these concepts have shaped Logistic Company's life for the past three months. The reduction in manning has caused us to rally together to ensure the new logistics plan for Army survived first contact in the 5th Battalion. The centralised logistics implemented in the new concept of operations, requires work to be forecasted earlier and with high periods of demand supported from second and third line logistics elements in Darwin. No new process goes without hiccup, however SGT Mitch Sisley has aided this transition through the formation of the new Log Coy



Log Coy conducting PES (Physical Employment Standard Assessment) training.

The Coy has welcomed its new command team this year with Officer Commanding, MAJ Matt Barnes taking the helm, Quarter Master CAPT Timothy Prier and Technical Support Platoon Commander, LT William Lavery marching in. Also joining us from across the country in senior positions are our new Artificer Sergeant Major for the workshops WO2 Matthew Owen and Technical Quarter Master Sergeant WO2 Colin Stott in the Main Q-Store. This high turn over of command and technical positions has brought fresh legs to the Company and has prepared us to finish out the Readiness cycle in good stead.

The first quarter of production saw Technical Support Platoon go through the forming and storming phases quickly to meet the requirements of RBG readiness with EX Ready Tiger. Notably this involved qualifying members on Army First Aid and the CBRN training with 1 CER. Having now reached normality with the new structure and implementation of the EME operations cell, the Platoon has worked effectively on several big projects including the digitisation of the PMV fleet and modifications to the Battalion's G-Wagons. With hard work comes opportunities to relax and a highlight for many in the Platoon was the function held at Howard Springs, offering personnel and partners a chance to meet each other and create important support networks. While the tempo shows no sign of slowing down, the Technical Support Platoon will be proud, tough, and professional when faced with the oncoming challenges of 2017.

Likewise, this year has already seen a great deal of changes in the Q Platoon with three new Sergeants marching in. SGT Max Power as the Governance SNCO and SGT Boulton and SGT Cooling as new Company Quarter Master roles; all ready to make the Tiger Battalion their home. Up a gear and away at speed, the Q Store had barely completed their inductions, before they were strapped upside down in a simulation helicopter and dumped in a pool, all in the name of Helicopter Underwater Escape Training. As well as preparing the Platoon for potential deployment, Q Platoon have been busy dealing with the routine of providing 1st line support and general governance to the Tiger Battalion. Of particular note has been the work of Transport Section in qualifying members of the Battalion and Brigade on various driver codes in preparation for the rollout of our new vehicles with the Land 121 project.

The Coy has seen a number of members deploy in 2017, with CPL Puru, PTE Hough and PTE Thompson deploying on FSC 6 to AMAB and PTE Green serving in Malaysia with RCB 117.

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