

DELTA COMPANY REPORT – DECEMBER 2025

Once again, Delta Company has sharpened bayonets and demonstrated the killer instinct required of the Battalion's Premiere Company during such a busy year. The Company took no time to jump into Jungle training, deploy overseas and conduct beaucoup international engagements.



Delta Company at Tully

While Bravo was fixing bayonets and pretending to be in the jungle, Delta Company did the real thing. We packed our bags, left the comfort of Robertson Barracks, and made our way to the Tully training area to draw first blood. It was there that we met our training partners from the New Caledonian Forces and began our journey into Jungle...

The first few days were tough. The terrain was arduous, the heat was scolding, the leeches were bloodthirsty and a storm was brewing. Cyclone Alfred had struck. While other companies may have shirked at the thought of being waist

deep in leech-infested waters, after a recent five meter croc sighting in the middle of a storm, the members of Delta Company were reinvigorated as Zeus himself gifted them with lightning. Their efforts were rewarded with the completion 'True Grit' as each member thrust their bayonets, climbed the ropes, and carried their stores back to camp. Despite the heat, humidity, and physical and mental effort to operate in complex terrain, the members of Delta Company all made it back in high spirits.

As everyone got ready to deploy out field once more...some trouble stirred in the night... Whilst confined to the barracks and under strict orders to remain on base, an evil spirit sought to betray the hearts of some of the soldiers. Luckily, the lads had a couple slices of pizza to ward off the spirits, grabbed their kit and headed off to get some more field time. Ex Predator's Run saw Delta Company project into Mt Bunday via USMC Ospreys and conduct a Company level urban assault, known by participants, as the 'Battle of the FOB'.

Ex Talisman Sabre 2025 saw Delta Company stage out of Bradshaw Field Training area. The Company was loaded into C17's and flown into Rockhampton to conduct a variety of tactical actions within Shoalwater Bay. This saw the Company conduct dismounted operations over an eight day period. After securing Objective FLAME, the Company was split. The OC, CSM, and 43 deployed to conduct a littoral infiltration deep into enemy territory. Meanwhile, the men of 41, 42 and the COY 2IC felt abandoned. Requests for resupply were sent via lifeless radios to no avail, and the Platoon Sergeants were down to their last jam biscuits.



Troops prepare to board the Osprev.

All hope seemed lost... Determined, the members of 41 demonstrated initiative. They recalled the hardship of the jungle and felt a wave of mana. They took to patrol the nearby shores for enemy and resources. They took advantage of the seemingly infinite time they were given. They could not wait for resupply and so they engineered a variety of tools and traps including a tactical crab pot. However, when the job was on, they wasted no time and lugged their equipment into Chinooks for the next mission.

Trusting no one else to get the job done, the Brigade sought out the members of Delta Company directly for another mission. This time, to fly overseas to Baturaja,



Two shoulder patches of involved in Ex Super Garuda Shield.

Indonesia, and partake in Exercise Super Garuda Shield 2025. The lads knew the importance of this mission and were keen to rip into some 'integrasi.' The members of Delta Company were flown to South Sumatra and were taken on a bus ride that took only a little over 24 hours to meet with some of our partner nations (US, Canada, Indonesia, Japan and Singapore). We worked closely with the Indonesian 330th TNI and the US 1/24th Alaskan Infantry Battalions to conduct more Jungle Training, and supported the Japanese and Singaporeans with Company level live fire ranges. Once we had finished fighting off Sumatran Tigers, we made our way home for some much needed rest.

Sounds like a busy year? BANG! (No. No. Not another blue on blue attack from Bravo, but the Warning Order (WNGO) for Exercise Wirra Jaya, with the TNI – AD). It was our turn to host the TNI-AD and we

geared for some more 'integrasi.' Then it was out to the newly built 25/100 metre range for some combat shooting and an opportunity to qualify everyone on the M4 Rifle. The activity culminated with a Battle Group urban assault and a mandatory photo.

It has been a very exciting and productive year for Delta Company. From the jungles of Tully and Indonesia, to the blistering sun of Bradshaw, Bundy and Shoalwater, the Company has kept the rust off the bayonets and led the charge. We have had the chance to increase our lethality through multiple ranges, fired an abundance of rounds, and kept ourselves hydrated along the way to make sure no one falls behind (even when walking across the road to the CLOSE Training area).

To all members of Delta Company, thank you for a fantastic year and I wish you the best in 2026!

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