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RNZAOC NEWSLETTER NO. 1

Introduction

1. It is the intention of DOS that a newsletter containing information about activities in the RNZAOC be published on a quarterly or more frequent basis.
2. Information contained in the newsletter will usually be of a general nature as the aim of its distribution is to keep members of the Corps, particularly those serving overseas, 'up-to-date' on Corps matters.
3. Initially the subjects covered are to be:
 - a. Organisation and Staffing.
 - b. Training
 - c. RNZAOC major procedure changes.
 - d. Miscellaneous matters of general interest.
4. Recipients of the newsletter are invited to contribute to it or to make suggestions as to improving its scope, content or format.

Organisation and Staffing

5. Ord Directorate
 - a. Lt Col J. Harvey, MBE has retired and was replaced by Lt Col G.J.H. Atkinson, MBE.
 - b. Maj W.B. Robson, RAAOC, has been appointed Special Projects Officer to the Directorate and Maj R.G.H. Golightly has been appointed DDOS.
 - c. Capt M.D. Hunt has taken over command of 1 COD and the new SC Ord is Capt R.L. Cross.
6. The DODs You may have wondered: "What was that '1 COD' bit in the preceding paragraph". As from 1 Oct 68 the DODs became Central Ordnance Depot, 1 at Ngaruawahia, 2 at Linton and 3 at Burnham, with MOD also being renamed 1 Base Ordnance Depot. Establishments for these units are currently being reviewed.
7. 1 OFP Now located at Ngaruawahia, taking 2 Lt M.F. Newnham Sgt Behague M.D. and some others of its staff with it.
8. 3 OFP Was relocated to Burnham.
9. 1 Comp Ord Coy This unit has concentrated in the Mangarua/Trentham area with 4 Ammo Pl at Mako Mako and 6 Bath Pl at Burnham. Ssgt A.P. Bezar has been commissioned and is now their O i/c PC and A.
10. DPD Capt J.S. Bolton has replaced Maj Golightly as DADPD (Distribution and Disposals).

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11. NMD Maj H.P. White has retired and was replaced as DADOS by Capt C.R. Duggan.
12. QMD Maj A.J. Campbell from NDOD is the new DADOS.
13. Overseas Lt J.B. Finnerty has replaced Lt T.D. McBeth at 2 Advanced Ordnance Depot, Vung Tau. Also there are Ssgt Staniford R.H., Sgt Todd D.S. and Cpl Miller P.R.

Training

14. RNZAOC School Activity at the Corps School continues at its usual hectic pace. The programme has recently included Star Courses, NS Corps Trg, a Lt to Capt Promotion Course with participation by two Malaysian officers and attachments to the RAOC School and various UK Depots by WO1 A. Wesseldine whilst in Britian on leave.
15. Field Force Units These are preparing for this year's Formation Exercises and are continuing training in their new locations.

RNZAOC Procedures

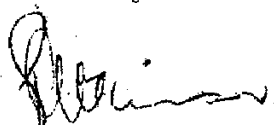
16. Symposiums The RNZAOC School has been host to three symposiums this year which have produced the basis for some of our new DOS Procedure Instructions. They covered Stores Section Procedures in July, ADP Accounting Procedures in September and Ammunition in October. The efforts of the participants should soon be indicated by the issue of the new instructions.
17. Reorganisation Changes to Procedures The relocation of our Field Force units heralded the introduction of new systems of demand and supply of ordnance stores wherein Field Force units will mainly demand through 1 OFP and 1 Comp Ord Coy for their requirements. These units, currently working up their stocks will now have an ordnance supply role in peace time.

Miscellaneous

18. Dress Members of the Corps have rejected the instruction of stable belts.
19. Honours and Awards
 - a. Capt D.R. Huges, DATO at CMD HQ, has been awarded an MID for his service with 161 Bty RNZA in SVN.
 - b. Ssgt Anderson K.P., 1 Base Ordnance Depot, has been awarded the MSM.

Conclusion

20. In the past, members of our Corps have felt that they are not 'kept in the picture Corps-wise'. It is hoped that these Newsletters may help correct this situation but it is up to all members of the Corps to assist this project if our members are to benefit from it. If you, the individual, have suggestions, then please forward them through Corps channels to your directorate.
21. In this inaugural issue of the RNZAOC Newsletters, the Ordnance Directorate sends greetings to all members of the Corps and extends the invitation to everyone to contribute.



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