W3 Company RNZIR Final Parade Nui Dat 4 November 1970

W3 Company paraded for the 1ATF Task Force Commander Brig WG Henderson outside HQ 4RAR/NZ (ANZAC) Battalion on 4 November 1970, as part of the end of tour activities undertaken by the Company.

The Company was in three platoon groups [1Pl in front] with Coy HQ in rear. It is doubtful that the full W3 mortar and assault pioneer sections were present although the two mortar section MFC and the assault pioneer Sgt were.

Brigadier Henderson was accompanied by CO 2RAR/NZ (ANZAC) Lt Col J Church RAR and the New Zealand battalion 2ic Major RTV Taylor RNZIR. Brigadier Henderson inspected the Company before congratulating them for their service while with 1ATF. After the parade the Company returned to the W3 Company lines for formal platoon photos and to host a farewell barbeque [photos of each group and those of the barbeque are on the W3 website].

from left	*initials*	*Rank*	*RegtNo*	*appointment*
conjecture: Lee	CR	Pte	43870	3Pl
Illingworth	WAG	Pte	981277	3Pl
Preston	GHA	Cpl	40043	Sect Comd 3Pl
Torrance	EJ	Maj	676734	Coy Comd W3 Coy
Taylor	RTV	Maj	508018	Bn 2ic 2RAR/NZ (ANZAC)
Karaka	HK	Sgt	553692	Coy HQ
Henderson	WG	Brig	Aust	Comd 1ATF
Church	J	Lt Col	Aust	CO 2RAR/NZ (ANZAC)
Carmichael	NP	Pte	43646	Coy HQ
Burton	AL	Sgt	35388	Aslt Pnr

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Church	J	Lt Col	Aust	CO 2RAR/NZ (ANZAC)
Henderson	WG	Brigadier	Aust	Comd 1ATF
Torrance	EJ	Maj	676734	Coy Comd W3 Coy

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Cutler	JP	2Lt	42474	Pl Comd	
King	DJ	Sgt	804520	Pl Sgt	
Nicolle	JGP	Lcpl	702036	Sect 2ic	
Toheriri	JJU	Pte	43661		
Blair	PG	Pte	981741		
Hona	B	Pte	726845		
Panirau	AJ	Pte	42588		
Teller	WC	Lcpl	43852		
Caldwell	RA	Pte	43283		
Ashford	WG	Pte	42775		*rear*
Briscoe	GW	Pte	43072		
Robertson	GL	Pte	728096		*rear*
Byrne	JPT	Pte	42758		
indistinct					*rear*
Williams	ME	Pte	44137		
Adams	RJ	Pte	43438		

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Henderson	WG	Brigadier	Aust	Comd 1ATF	
King	DJ	Sgt	804520	Pl Sgt	
Nicolle	JGP	Lcpl	702036		
Toheriri	JJU	Pte	43661		
Paipa	IR	Lcpl	42619		
Torrance	EJ	Maj	676734	Coy Comd W3 Coy	
Hona	B	Pte	726845		
Robertson	GL	Pte	728096		*rear*
Cutler	JP	2Lt	42474	Pl Comd	
Panirau	AJ	Pte	42588		
Young	BM	Cpl	41405	MFC 2Pl	*extreme rear*
Gunderson	AD	Pte	658263		*rear*
Williams	ME	Pte	44137	*also V5*	*partly obscured*

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King	DJ	Sgt	804520	Pl Sgt	
Nicolle	JGP	Lcpl	702036		
Toheriri	JJU	Pte	43661		*behind Torrance right shoulder*
Torrance	EJ	Maj	676734	Coy Comd W3 Coy	
Blair	PG	Pte	981741		*partly obscured front rank*
Revell	JW	Pte	43655	*also V5*	
Hona	B	Pte	726845		
Cutler	JP	2Lt	42474	Pl Comd	
Robertson	GL	Pte	728096		*rear*
Adams	RJ	Pte	43438		*rear, head down*
Panirau	AJ	Pte	42588		
Wilson	W	Pte	43650		
face half obscured					
Goodman	WD	Cpl	213812	2Pl	*very rear*
Teller	WC	Lcpl	43852		
Williams	ME	Pte	44137	*also V5*	
Caldwell	IJ	Pte	43737		
Alex	GA	Pte	390389		

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from left	*initials*	*Rank*	*RegtNo*	*appointment*	*position*	*comment*
Revell	JW	Pte	43655	*also V5*	1Pl	face against building
Panirau	AJ	Pte	42588		1Pl	
Nesbitt	DR	Pte	43343		1Pl	
Bertram	RJ	Pte	482541	*also V5*	1Pl	
Cocker	CA	Lcpl	42509		1Pl	
Young	BM	Cpl	41405	MFC 2Pl	2Pl	
Upton	RN	Lt	30807	Pl Comd 2Pl	2Pl	
Mortimer	AJ	Pte	777186		1Pl	
Boylan	BJ	Pte	40941		2Pl	
Williams	ME	Pte	44137	*also V5*	1Pl	
Jane	PR	Pte	480441		1Pl	
Kupe	NT	Pte	43530		2Pl	
Kahukiwa	H	Pte	544236		1Pl	
Kahaki	R	Pte	41672		2Pl	
Nissen	GL	Pte	573486		1Pl	
??					2Pl	
Mitchell	JB	Cpl	43442	Coy HQ medic	2Pl	
Fisher	JA	Lt	41473	Pl Comd 3Pl	3Pl	
Pagan	LL	Pte	43736		2Pl	
??					2Pl	
Edwards	GR	Lcpl	845219		2Pl	
Harris	PB	Pte	43730		2Pl	
Wolff	DR	Pte	728285		2Pl	
Stead	IW	Pte	579521	Coy HQ	3Pl	
Hall	DAIJ	Pte	729639		2Pl	
Reddy	RL	Pte	41684		3Pl	
??					3Pl	
Ure	N	Pte	902552	*also V5*	3Pl	
Samson	WJ	Lcpl	209612		3Pl	
Kenyon	WR	Pte	727936		3Pl	
Hill	VW	Pte	43566		3Pl	

The above photo has so many people that it needs further explanation:

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Looking at the positioning of the soldiers feet there are three ranks close to the camera, these are the left flank of 1 Platoon. The next three ranks are 2 Platoon; the final group of soldiers in the rear is 3 Platoon. If you identify Lt Upton and Lt Fisher the division of ranks is clearer. The 1st photo in this paper is of a 4th group [Coy HQ] behind 3 Platoon and out of this picture. In the record above is a column called *position* so that locating people 'left to right' also indicates how deep in the picture they are located. Please note that the platoons have 'extras' from Coy HQ [probably to make them of similar size, because all troops not wearing Dacron's have been placed in the rear group – see photo below] so the column is 'position', not 'posting'. Finally where is added 'also V5' these people stayed behind and joined V5 Coy - the official on-line Vietnam nominal roll mostly does not show these people as being with W3 Coy initially.

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Torrance	EJ	Maj	676734	Coy Comd W3 Coy
Henderson	WG	Brigadier	Aust	Comd 1ATF
Chambers	DR	Pte	42582	Coy HQ
Mason	EF	Cpl	844033	Coy HQ
Hansen	WR	Pte	850117	3Pl
Fraser	CJ	Pte	42598	2Pl
Tiro	M	Pte	725145	Coy HQ
??				
Brown	PP	Lcpl	43534	2Pl
Moran	AE	Lcpl	40425	Coy HQ

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