

LOGISTICS COMPANY REPORT APRIL 2019



The beginning of 2019 commenced after welcoming new members into the Battalion and since then their feet have not touched the ground. Post induction week covering all the annual mandatory training, Log Coy had many members catching up on individual soldier qualifications in preparation for what is expected to be a very busy year for the Battalion. By establishing a readiness culture, ensuring trade specialist skills and courses are up date, Log Coy is setting the scene to deal with any upcoming challenges. To ensure preparedness, Log Coy is focused on individual to platoon level training in the first quarter of the year and have participated in the Army First Aid courses and Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear (CBRN) training. For many in the Coy, it was their first exposure to CBRN training but none the less, all participants embraced the opportunity and feel confident in their newly acquired skills.

Transport (TPT) Platoon has seen significant change to manning in 2019, the return of the Transport Operations Control Warrant Officer (TOCWO) position, additional JNCO's and Drivers have rounded out a capable Battalion asset. TPT PL have locked-in A1 continuity for the year ahead to ensure habitual relationships with the Battalions Fighting Elements is maintained and effective in-line with OCs intent.

2019 has brought with it challenges for the Transport Element, in particular to address an existing G-Wagon Driver training/qualification shortfall within the Battalion. TPT PI has completed its first iteration of training with the successful training of six Battalion personnel, with further intent to train an additional 24 members by May 19. TPT PI will continue to provide day-to-day operational transport support to Battalion movements of personnel and equipment; additionally, will continue to provide fleet management advice, licensing assistance and National Heavy Vehicle Regulation compliance.

The Main Q Platoon has finalised issuing of Soldier Combat Ensemble (SCE) to the battalion and will see a lot of new equipment roll out across the Battalion through 2019. Having already received the latest Binocular Night Fighting Equipment (BNFE), new drones and the Army's new Automated Data Capture at Units (ADCU) capability set to be introduced in May, the battalion has some new shiny gear to put to the test in 2019.

For Technical Support Platoon (TSP), 2019 has started within full effect. Since marching in the new year, TSP has introduced and fitted Protected Weapon Sights (PWS) to a fleet of PMV-M vehicles in preparation for training and live fire continuum. Concurrently, TSP has serviced and repaired vehicles in preparation for driver courses and upcoming exercises, including preparation for Exercise Talisman Sabre 2019.

Looking forward, TSP will be conducting a variety of training that will certify the Platoon for Army Training Level/Standards (ATLS) 2B, Platoon operations. The environment in which TSP will be focusing on is operating within a Motorized Battalion and providing Combat Service Support (CSS) in the form of maintenance, repair and recovery capability. This includes Infantry Minor Tactics (IMTs), CSS Operations and live fire exercises. TSPs Forward Repair Teams will have direct liaison authority with each Company to enhance the Battalions Capability and strengthen habitual relationships before deploying to critical operations and exercises. This requirement will be juggled with the never-ending requirement to provide and enhance the maintenance effects across the Battalion.

Log Coy complete is now looking forward to the year that lays ahead, the road to Joint Warfighter Series 2019 and Readying known and contingency operations.

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