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THE TRUTH OF THE MATTER

A Captain of Artillery, a Sergeant and a Bombardier were arguing about the act of love. The Captain declared that it was ninety percent pleasure and ten percent work; the Sergeant said it was ten percent pleasure and ninety percent work. The Bombardier, who was scared of both, said it was fifty percent pleasure and fifty percent work.

They decided to ask the first person who came along, and it happened to be a humble gunner. In answer to the question, he said:

"Of course it's a hundred percent pleasure. If there was any work involved in it, you lot would make us gunners do it for you".

"WELL CHIEF OF STAFF"

If he is in the unit, he taunts the place.
If he is not there, he's never on the job.
If he talks on the subject he's trying to run things.
If he reminds you of a broken rule, he's drunk with power.
If he is silent, he's lost interest in the unit.
If he agrees with you, he's a "yes" man.
If he doesn't agree, he's ignorant.
If he takes a holiday, he's been on one all year anyway.
If he is not well dressed, he doesn't uphold the image.
If he is well dressed, he's a big shot.
If he's been on the Garuda too long, he's in a rut.
If he's been on the Garuda a short time, he lacks experience.
If he expresses his opinion, he's trying to take over the unit.
If he sees both sides of the question, he's a fence sitter.
If he can't give an immediate answer, he's incompetent.
If he does give an immediate answer, he's impulsive and doesn't think things over.
If he makes a mistake, don't let him forget it - he wasn't right for the job anyway.
If he does something really constructive, well that's what he's there for anyway and no commendation is necessary.
This is all part of the honour of being a Chief Clerk..
But remember boys - The DRA selected him.

"To the hills men, to the hills".
"What about the women?"
"Stuff the women!"
"Is there time?"

NOTICES

1. AFX 79 Bird of the week - PTE Debbie Green.
2. All wife swapping queries are to be directed to the Tobin's or the Birches.
3. Congratulations to the Pixie for winning the 30 award.
4. Centre fold for this months issue was to have been a gnome, we renigged because the staple would have hidden her. (Apologies to Chaday)
5. Garbologists 27 Feb - flea plus blowfly one.
Garbologists 26 Feb - grub plus blowfly two.
6. Nominations for C.C.C. AFX 79
 - a. Regt Cpt Supervisor
 - b. BSM/BG 28 Fd Bty
 - c. Sgt Fitter TST (ARA)
 - d. APP BK 28 Fd Bty. (in the bush)
7. Any complaints about this paper - ring editor phone 486447.
8. Noted at Op at Baldwins Hill - black man making spears and mumbling.
9. Seen in the vicinity of RAEME in the paddock - a nude man in the bush. (No wonder they put 'em out there on their own!)

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"HERBIE", by Willie Longfellow

DOWN IN THE TENTS THE OTHER DAY
COOKIE WAS CAUGHT IN A DAMN FINE WAY
HIS PANTS WERE DOWN
HIS GRIP WAS TIGHT
HE TUGGED AND TUGGED
WITH ALL HIS MIGHT
THE FLAP WENT UP AND THEY CHEERED HIM GREAT
COOKIE STILL HAD HIS PIPE IN THE OTHER HAND.

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Conversation overheard at a mail line to EQMS 28 Bty -
"Where's our morale booster"
Next man - "Where's our morale booster"
Next man, so on down the line.
"Lois, where are you, 28 Bty need you. Morale has dropped since you left."

The word is that the EQMS refuses to answer to the title of QM until he receives a photocopy of you know who's discharge certificate from the "Flick man".

COURSES

Clerical Course

Seeing that courses seem to be the in thing during the first week of camps, application for next years camp clerical are to be forwarded to RHQ ASP with the completed entrance examination paper (attached as Annex A to this paper).

Gun Numbers Course

It seems that the lead time given instructors on the gun numbers course for preparation of lesson plans was not long enough. Attached as Annex B to this paper are notes on the basic equipment principles of the L1A1 Gun, the equipment to be used by this unit for LFX 80. All NCO's are to familiarise themselves with its contents and produce draft lesson plans to the CO by 1 Jun 79.

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Who was the W/LAC driver who:

- a. forgot to secure the canopy on the high-back ute and scattered her husbands dirty greens and smelly socks along the highway for a mile or so?
- b. said to passenger as she went up one way street (the wrong way) - "But staff, I'm only going one way."
- c. Sings dirty songs on long drives,
- d. stalls cars 3 out of 4 times (I'm still learning),
- e. in answer to dirty looks from passenger when she crunched gears - "Well, at least it keeps the rust off the cogs."

(to be continued in next issue)

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NEWS IN BRIEF

RMO OBSERVED PERFORMING RADICAL SURGERY IN OFFICERS MESS THE OTHER NIGHT STOP STERILE TECHNIQUE LEFT A LOT TO BE DESIRED AND GENEVA CONVENTION REGULATIONS FRACTURED AND HIPPOCRATIC OATH SEVERELY DENTED WHEN HE PROCEEDED TO EAT PATIENT UPON COMPLETION OF SURGERY STOP PHOTOGRAPH TO FOLLOW STOP IT IS NOT TRUE THAT RMO HAS PERFORMED A SEX CHANGE OPERATION AT 8 CAMP HOSPITAL STOP

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When do you call a Bombardier Corporal?

AIR SHOW DAY

1. Who was the Bombardier trying to enter the "chook" when the door was closed by banging frantically on it?
2. What's with these RAAF guys anyway, who told them that if you run out of gun ammo you can throw the gun at the baddies?
3. Overheard at Chopper Pad:
Driver : "Staff, how do I put my truck in that?"
Regt Tpt Spr : "You can't".
Driver : "Well, I'm not going then staff".
Regt Tpt Spr : "Why".
Driver : "My truck will be lonely".
Irate Regt Tpt Spr: "Get into the bloody bastard before I reef you!"
4. Who tripped getting into the "chook?" R-G-N
5. Who got locked out of the "chook" that he shouldn't be on anyway, but insisted and got the ride? (B-K-R)

FOR SALE

1. 1 x 18' x 18' Barracuda Cam net \$100.00 ono. See SSGT D. Collins (28 Fd Bty).
2. One lead foot - see Padre.
3. 6 x slightly used flyscreens. All enquiries to FMC Sgts Mess or Adjt.
4. Wonderful 1 room accommodation. Wall to wall dust. Built in air conditioning. 2 pers per room - preferably of the opposite sex. Rent \$3 per day, meals included. Apply chief clerks office.

WANTED

1. 1 x 18' x 18' Barracuda Cam net. Willing to pay up to \$99.99 - See QM (Ret).
2. 1 x cheap wedding ring. Willing to pay up to \$1.50 - see SSgt Chad.

AIR WAVES

Sentry post one - TINDALE
Sentry post two - RAGAN

After a short lull.

"Sentry post one to sentry post two, over."

(Silence)

"60A to sentry post one, why do you want sentry post two, over?"

"Sentry post one to 60A, - I just wanted to have a yarn with him."

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"Sentry post two to 60A, Veh for water point over".

"60A to sentry post two, OK send him on, over."

(prolonged lull)

"60A to sentry post two, did you receive my last message? I said OK send him on, over."

"Sentry post two to 60A, I did, sir!"

"60A to sentry post two - I give up!!"

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"93 this is 93A, what's the tyre pressure for a land rover? over."

"93A this is 93 - drop off! out."

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Overheard in Sgts Mess on day 12.

Female (unnamed): "I'm going home tomorrow - I've had it".
AIG (unnamed (insect)): "I'm going home tomorrow, cos I haven't had it".

Overheard over partition of Offrs/WRAAC showers - "if you want it, don't forget to put the alarm on."

"The Wokka Wokka Bird (Alias Chomper)"

Seen on night of 28 Feb - rather large man running towards clothes line, teeth snapping, - last seen disappearing in moonlight with golden flash.

AM 1 Mar - pieces missing from clothes on line.

Conditionz of Zervice

1. Insanity
2. Ztupidity
3. Instability
4. No zents of Humoar
5. Fruztration
6. Complexez
7. Vulnerabilitce
8. Hi zex drive
9. Incapazitated (no brains)
10. DZ
11. Inkaholizm
12. Out and out posteroar
13. Nardz
14. Zlack & Eyedel
15. Muzhroomitiz
16. Good zpelling abilitce
17. Vulcanizk (hot stuff)

QUESTIONS

1. Who was the driver who tried to kill his GPO, and also tried to do in the BK, BG, & BSM by coming to a stump stop?
2. Who is Harry Taylor's offsider?
3. Do RAEME personnel wear crabs on their 'I' shirts because they're unclean?
4. What is meant when a WRACC says, "Hi, pull-up a bit of grass?"
5. Which WRACC in 7 Fd Regt thinks a finger squirts?
6. Who was the 113 officer seen showering at the water point by a member of the WRACC?

CAPABILITIES OF RANK

General

Leaps tall buildings with a single bound
Is more powerful than a locomotive
Is faster than a speeding bullet
Walks on water
Gives policy to God.

Colonel

Leaps short buildings with a single bound
Is more powerful than a switch engine
Is just as fast as a speeding bullet
Walks on water when the seas are calm
Talks with God.

Lt Colonel

Leaps short buildings with a running start and
favourable wind
Is almost as powerful as a switch engine
Is faster than a speeding "BB"
Walks on water in indoor swimming pools
Talks with God if special request is approved.

Major

Rarely clears medium gum trees
Loses tug-o-war with locomotives
Can fire speeding bullets
Swims well
Is occasionally addressed by God's secretary.

Captain

Steps over the dog house with ease
Recognises locomotives instantly
Can fire a "BB" gun
Can float on his back
Can talk with God's secretary if special request
is approved.

Lieutenant

Runs into buildings
Recognises locomotives 2 out of 3 times
Is not issued ammunition
Can stay afloat if properly instructed in the use
of the "MAE WEST".

2nd Lieutenant

Falls over doorsteps when trying to enter tall
buildings
Says "look at the choo choo"
Wets himself with a water pistol
Plays in mud puddles
Mumbles to himself.

Non Commissioned Offrs

Lifts tall buildings and walks under them
Kicks locomotives off tracks
Catches speeding bullets in his teeth and eats them
Freezes water with a single glance
He is God *****.