

6. SPORT

Despite the many operations undertaken during April more sport was possible than in March.

(a) CROSS-COUNTRY RUNNING

After a short but intensive period of training the Battalion team brought off a resounding victory at Quastina when they won the 3rd División Cross-Country Run by a margin of nearly 300 points.

The individual winner was Lcpl J.E. Coates who comes from LUTON, and who is with 'B' Company at the present.

The Lincolns team was chosen to represent the Division in the Command Cross-Country Run, held on April 9th. On this occasion we were not so victorious — we were third to two very well trained teams. Those representing the 3rd Infantry Division, all from this regiment were: 2/Lt Bows; Sjt Freeman; Lcpls Bland, Coates, Millns; Ptes Boyle, Crow, Hammond, Harrison, Hartley, Hopper, Price, Sills, Thomas, and Walker.

(b) RUGGER

A last-minute entry into the Palestine Police Seven-a-side Tournament did not yield victory. It was, however, very unfortunate that the team should be knocked out early in the competition by the eventual winners of the competition who scored less points against us than against any other team.

(c) HOCKEY

Hockey was played on a 'friendly' basis throughout the month, and is rapidly taking its place as a major sport in the Battalion.

(d) SOCCER

The great event of the month within the Battalion sports world was the Inter-Company Football Knock-Out Competition. The results were as follows:

'B' Coy v 'HQ' Coy	5 — 2
'D' Coy v 'O' Coy	4 — 2
'D' Coy v 'B' Coy	5 — 0

In a thrilling well-played final 'D' Company beat 'S' Company, score 3 — 1, thus securing the cup and the eleven coveted medals.

(e) CRICKET

Nets have appeared and the cricket season is open before us.

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