

CO 9 RQR—Command Philosophy and Vision

It is an honour to serve as your Commanding Officer.

My ideas on command are simple, and are based upon what I have found successful in the past as a section, platoon and company commander.

The soldiers of the Battalion are the core of my command philosophy.

Under my command, soldiers will be held at the top of our tree. In this position they will be supported in their training by section commanders, supported by platoon commanders and supported by company commanders. A dedicated Battalion Headquarters will support all.

Under my command, commanders will be held responsible for how well they care for and support their soldiers.

All commanders will develop their subordinates in the Army's nine core behaviours. Commanders will know their soldiers and will mentor and coach them. They will know them as people, not just as subordinates.

As your commander I am committed to providing all members of the Ninth Battalion an opportunity to excel.

My vision is for everyone to be the best they can be, to grow and achieve their personal and professional goals.



CO addressing the Battalion at Ex Milne Bay

I am keen to have the Reserve service of our people complement and enhance their personal and professional lives and to be stimulating, enriching and rewarding – in every sense – for every member.

I will dedicate all my energy to ensuring that you are afforded every opportunity of achieving excellence. In return, I ask only that you continue to give your best in all endeavours.

Together, our endstate will be a well led, well trained and hardened Battalion boasting high morale that is capable of deploying forces on operations.

In the service of our country, there are simply none like us. We have much to do.

M.D.A. BOND
Lieutenant Colonel
Commanding Officer

Mission

The 9th Battalion is to train light infantry in order to provide forces for deployment on operations.