

8214835 Colonel Bradley Scott Kilpatrick, CSC

After completing high school Colonel Kilpatrick entered the Royal Military College – Duntroon in 1992 and graduated to the Royal Australian Armoured Corps in 1993. His first posting as a Troop Leader was with the 2nd Cavalry Regiment in 1994. From 1994 to 2005 Colonel Kilpatrick held a variety of Regimental postings within the 2nd Cavalry Regiment and B Sqn 3/4 Cavalry Regiment as a Personnel Officer, Squadron Second in Command, Operations Officer and Officer Commanding B Squadron 2nd Cavalry Regiment.



Colonel Kilpatrick has also had a variety of instructional postings to Royal Military College – Duntroon (RMC-D) as a Captain and again as a Major as the Senior Instructor of War Fighting Wing, Officer Commanding Field Training, and the Deputy Chief Instructor. These postings have given Colonel Kilpatrick a very strong knowledge of training analysis, design, development, conduct and evaluation. Colonel Kilpatrick was selected to be the Commanding Officer and Chief Instructor of the Australian Defence Force Academy (ADFA) from 2011 to 2013. Throughout his time at ADFA he assisted the response to Phase One of the Broderick Review and he was awarded a Conspicuous Service Cross for the training solutions he implemented in response to the recommendations made in the Broderick Review. Colonel Kilpatrick returned to ADFA for two years as the Deputy Commandant in 2018.

Colonel Kilpatrick has had staff postings as the SO1 Operations for Directorate of Officer Career Management-Army, the SO1 Joint Amphibious Capability Implementation Team and as the Deputy Director of Defence Preparedness Requirements within Joint Capability Coordination Division. He was promoted to Colonel as the Director of Defence Preparedness Requirements and Joint Concepts in October 2014, and returned to Army Headquarters as the Director Plans-Army in 2016. In 2018 he performed the role of Chief of Staff to Land Capability Division within Army Headquarters. In 2021 Colonel Kilpatrick commenced his current appointment as Assistant Chief of Staff Forces Command.

Colonel Kilpatrick has been deployed to East Timor as the Second in Command of B Squadron 3/4 Cavalry Regiment in 1999; to Bosnia in 2003 with the 1st Battalion Royal Scots; to Iraq in 2005 as the Operations Officer of the first Al Muthana Task Group; and to Afghanistan in 2009 as the Deputy Director of the Counter Insurgency Training Centre. Colonel Kilpatrick was awarded a Commander Joint Operations Commendation for his service in Iraq and a United States Meritorious Service Medal for his service in Afghanistan.

Colonel Kilpatrick completed Australian Command and Staff College (Joint) in 2006. He has a Bachelor of Arts in Strategic Studies from Deakin University and a Masters in Philosophy from the University of NSW. The topic of his thesis was: The design and implementation of adolescent learning strategies based on cognitive neuroscience and educational psychology.