Military Truisms

From the Army

- 'If the enemy is in range, so are you.'
- 'Tracers work both ways.'
- 'Four second fuses only last for two'.
- Never forget that your weapon was made by the lowest bidder.
- Try to look unimportant; the enemy may be low on ammo and not want to waste a bullet
- Success occurs when no one is looking, failure occurs when the General is watching.

From the Navy

• 'Any ship can be a minesweeper. . Once.'

From the Air Force

- 'It is generally inadvisable to eject directly over the area you just bombed.'
- 'The only time you have too much fuel is when you're on fire.'
- 'When one engine fails on a twin-engine airplane you always have enough power left to get you to the scene of the crash.'

Wit and Wisdom in Military ACRs

- His men would follow him anywhere, but only out of curiosity.
- When he opens his mouth, it seems that this is only to change whichever foot was previously in there.
- He has carried out each and every one of his duties to his entire satisfaction.
- This Officer reminds me very much of a gyroscope- always spinning around at a frantic pace, but not really going anywhere.
- This young lady has delusions of adequacy.
- Since my last report he has reached rock bottom, and has started to dig.
- He sets low personal standards and then consistently fails to achieve them.
- He has the wisdom of youth, and the energy of old age.
- This officer should go far and the sooner he starts the better.
- This man is depriving a village somewhere of an idiot.
- The only ship I would recommend this man for is citizenship.
- Works well when under constant supervision and cornered like a rat in a trap.