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JUNE TO
NOVEMBER 1944

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OPEN WITH EXCEPTION

160 LIGHT ANTI AIRCRAFT BATTERY

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Sheet 1

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Army Form C. 2118.
(adapted)

Unit 160 Aust LAA Bty RAA (AE) Date and Time.—From 010001 1K (Jun) To

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Riding Camps N.T.	Jun 1.		1 Tp on leave. Bty less 1 Tp on field	
			exercises. Bty Main H.Q. at Riding Camps	
	2.		Returns from exercises	
	3.		Maintenance of guns, vehs & equipment.	
	4.		Stand down.	
	5.		Bty less 1 Tp on exercises. Bty Main H.Q. at Riding	
	6.		Fd. Exercises } Co-op. with 1 Aust. Fd. Regt.	
	7		Fd Exercise }	Message RAO 501 attached.
	8		Returns from fd. exercises.	Bty RO 142 att.
	9.		Maintenance of guns, vehs & equip.	
	10		Tanks attacks shoot with sub-calibre att on	
			Bofors Firing at towed target in	
			valley behind Riding Camps.	
			General training carried out.	

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Unit 160 Aust LAA Bty RAA (AIF) Date and Time.—From ..... To .....

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Riding camp NT.	June 11		Stand down	
	12	1530.	160 Bty less 1 tp. proceeded on fd exercises	Instr. attached.
	14		Bty Capt. arranging aircraft co-operation	
			for tps on exercise. B25's + Spitfires expected.	
	15.		Tps exercises continue. Good co-operation	RO 113 att.
			by B25's in form of strafing and low	
			level bombing. Pilots report that 40 mm	
			guns without camouflage very hard to	
			find in scrubby country. Tpn factor	
			generally gave away position.	
	16.		Tps in field engaged on preparation	
			of AA range. Returns to camp.	
	17.		Maintenance of equipment.	Orders for Jrny 22-24 June issued — att.
	18		Stand down.	

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Unit 160 Aust LAA Bty RAA(AIF) Date and Time.—From 1 To

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	19		D Tp engaged half on rifle practice	
			and half on preparation of A/c range.	
	20.		Similar programme to 19th.	
	21.		A.E.S. Films shown for 1½ hours in the	
			morning, afternoon and night.	
			Films were: ~~LAA Pattern~~, Stiffkey Sticks,	
			Predictor Mk III, Formations, Jungle Warfare,	
			Aided Laying, Name Rank & No, Silent	
			Battle, Sese Hygiene, Next of Kin.	
	22.		D Tp engaged on subcalibre Shoot.	
			AA practice at vehicle-towed drogue,	
			but kite supporting drogue pranged	
			after one runs. Then proceeded	
			with Tk A, shoot, using target designed	

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(Sub-calibre).

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Unit ..... Date and Time.—From ..... To .....

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
			to conform with Jap light tanks	
			in size and outline. Successful	
			Atk A. shoot reported.	
	23.		D Tp returned to camp and	Trg Inst. 33 att.
			carried out maintenance and	
			checks of all equipment.	
	24		40mm. Tk/A practice, full calibre.	Report att.
	26.		Intended to send D Tp on fd exercises but	
			the development of several cases of dysentry	
			caused postponement. All personnel	
			engaged on camp cleanup and	
			rebuild of hygiene arrangements.	
	27		Continued camp maintenance.	R.O. 144 att.
	28.		Cancelled amphibious exercises because	

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Unit 160 Aust LAA Bty Date and Time.—From ..... To 302400K (Jun).

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
			of large amount of work to be done in	
			camp. No exercises at all this week.	
	29.		Equipment checking and	
	30.		camp maintenance	Camp S.O.'s att.
				J Crawford Major

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MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Call	Ser. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM (A) raa norforce — Originator

Date—Time of Origin: 072040 IK

Office Date Stamp

For Action

TO 1 aust fd regt 160 aust laa bty

(w) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions — GR

ORIGINATOR'S No. RAO 501 ⊙ ref map BATCHELOR 1 inch to 1 mile ⊙ 160 aust laa bty less one tp reverts comd 112 aust laa regt as from 080600 ~~K~~ IK and will return unit lines 38 mile STUART HIGHWAY ⊙ route via track junc 060216 rd junc 111152 thence NORTH along STUART HIGHWAY ⊙ no move before 080700 IK ⊙ head of column will enter STUART HIGHWAY at 080900 IK ⊙ mile on track 10

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means { except ..... } Wireless

Signed

If liable to be intercepted or fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent IN CIPHER

Signed

Originator's Instructions
Degree of Priority

Time	System	Op
THI or TOR		
Time Cleared		

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Register No.

Call	Ser. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions

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FROM (A) Originator | Date—Time of Origin | Office Date Stamp

For Action

TO

(w) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions — GR

ORIGINATOR'S No.

ON HIGHWAY 15 ⊙ vtm on track 15 on HIGHWAY 10 ⊙ rations for consumption from incl 9 june will be delivered unit lines ⊙ 112 aust lab regt has been informed by separate signal ⊙ acknowledge

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means { except ..... } Wireless

Signed [signature]

If liable to be intercepted or fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent IN CIPHER

Signed

Originator's Instructions
Degree of Priority

SDR

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1. No.142

160 Aust LAA Bty RAA (AIF)

RESTRICTED 7 June 44.

1. APPOINTMENTS PROMOTIONS &CONFIRMATION OF RANK.

VX79573	A/Bdr	DONOVAN R.T.	Rank of Bdr confirmed 24/8/43 (Auth for above R/O 19%3806/44)

2. SCHOOLS AND COURSES

VX80061	Gnr	CLARKSON G.C.	Passed (Distinguished) Trade Test DvrOp Gp 11 (Subjects B-E incl) 21/1/44
VX80360	"	BARTLETT P.E.	" " " "
VX77311	"	FLOWERS J.L.	" " " "
VX64994	"	CAMERON D.J.	" " " "
VX126162	"	STUCKEY C.G.	Passed Trade Test Dvr Op Gp 11 (Subjects B-E incl.) 14/2/44
VX80061	"	CLARKSON G.C.	Passed Trade Test Dvr Op Gp 11 (Subject F 14/3/44
VX77311	"	FLOWERS J.L.	" " " "
VX80360	"	BARTLETT P.E.	" " " "
VX64994	"	CAMERON D.J.	" " " "
VX126162	"	STUCKEY C.G.	" " " "
VX80061	"	CLARKSON G.C.	Passed Trade Test Dvr Op Gp 11 (Subject A A). 14/3/44
VX80360	"	BARTLETT P.E.	" " " "
VX64994	"	CAMERON D.G.	" " " "
VX126162	"	STUCKEY C.G.	" " " "
VX90824	"	CLARK J.	Passed Trade Test Eng Hand IC Gp 111 13/1/44
TX11291	"	BRACKEN K.G.	" " " "

The following personnel were Re-Trade Tested Inst OpmGp 11. 18-21/10/43.

VX77238	Gnr	McCONNELL T.A.
VX119395	"	MacGREGOR J.D.
VX145188	"	BURGISS A.R.
VX74596	"	McIVER M.R.
VX85357	L/Bdr	STOYLES W.A.H.
VX73518	Sjt	FITCHER A.A.
VX79575	Bdr	DONOVAN R.T.
VX79129	Sjt	HALL C.M.
VX80032	L/Bdr	CALLANDER A.McI
VX80062	Bdr	MATTHEWS L.

VX83

The following personnel were Re-Trade Tested Inst Op Gp.11 14-15/12/

VX79772	Bdr	WILLIAMS D.J.	VX85493	Bdr	COATES J.A.
VX72683	Sjt	KLEINSMITH J.W.	VX77756	"	HEBBARD A.J.
VX119394	"	MOORE F.	VX80024	"	NEILSEN A.F.
VX75474	"	SPEED H.H.	VX64363	"	FORSTER R.P.
VX85372	"	BEGG C.L.	VX78575	L/Bdr	ROBERTSON D.
VX72975	Bdr	MAXWELL W.H.	VX85322	Gnr	STEPHENSON R.W.
VX123491	Gnr	HISCOCK J.W.	VX145299	Gnr	HAMILTON B.W.
VX85346	L/Bdr	MACE R.M.	VX79928	L/Bdr	RANKIN E.D.
V 211107	Gnr	EASTWOOD E.A.	VX110565	Gnr	CURTAIN B.A.
VX137085	"	EASTWOOD J.H.	VX73361	L/Bdr	McLEAN M.J.
VX123885	"	KENNEDY P.M.	VX78835	L/Bdr	O'SULLIVAN J.B
VX90813	"	CRAINE I.W.	VX145487	Gnr	WAIN B.
VX15037	"	HICKS P.W.	VX124041	L/Bdr	GUEST A.W.
VX79618	"	POWELL D.R.P.			

(Auth for above R/O 19/3806/44)

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VX78486	Cfn EARLE R.C.	Qualified Vic L of C A.A.O.C. School A.A. Inst Fitters Course 9A 24/8/42-22/9/42.
VX116023	Cfn OZANNE E.A.	Passed No.4 Course 4 Bde D & M School Vic L of C Area. 5/9/42-22/9/42
VX76304	Cfn PRINGLE D.J.	Qualified Second Aust Army A/Gas & Repair of A/Gas Equipment Course No.127 25/10/42-4/11/42
VX78490	" WHITE H.L.	Qualified L.H.Q. Sch of Mech D & M Inst Course No.12 24/5/43-17/7/43.

(Auth for above R/O 12/3840/44)

3. RETURNABLE CONTAINERS

Attention is directded to NT Force Order No.60/44. An urgent need exists for boxes and sacks for branding the coming seasons crops from our Army Farms and for beer crates for handling aerated water from the Canteens.

Delivery of tomatoes and similar "soft" vegetables and fruit s can only be made satisfactorily in boxes, and crops not quite so delicate must be bagged for safe and efficient handling. Few items produced by the farms can be handled "loose". To get the full benefit of the fresh fruit and vegetable production it is imperative that every box and bag be returned to salvage.

Merely returning these containers is not sufficient. Consignees must exercise care in handling and opening them to ensure that the man hours spent in reconditioning at the salvage Depots are reduced to a minimum.

Considerable numbers of cases are issued daily by AASC with the rations and if sufficient aree not returned in good order the smooth working of vegetable delivery to units must suffer.

4. IDENTITY DISCS.

Failure to wear identity discs not only makes it difficult to identify personnel who are killed or rendered unconscious by accidents but may result in serious delay in giving blood transfusions.

Bty Comds will ensure that personnel wear identity discs at all times.

5. 1 AUST PARA BN (AIF) - REINFORCEMENTS - OTHER RANKS.

Applications are required from personnel who conform to the following standards:-

Age	Over 20 and under 32 years
Height	5'2" to 6'0"
Medical Classification	A1 in all respects
Visual	Normal without glasses
Dental	May be without natural teeth provided applicar has well fitting dentures.
Marital condition	Preferably single, but married men without children may apply.
Standard of training	Must be thoroughly trained soldiers with not less than three months service.
General	All applicants must be AIF or CMF willing to become AIF at once. Applicants must be physically fit and possess courage, determination and average intelligenc

The scale of trades and duties required is set out in the schedule.

Volunteers who comply with the foregoing preliminary qualifications will be required to appear before a Selection Board for examination as to genera suitability, and to pass a modified RAAF medical examination before being finally selected.

Applicants will apply in writing to the BC.

To be eligible for selection, NCOs and opersonnel in receipt of proficiency specialist or tradesmen pay will be required to declare in writing their willingness to revert voluntarily to the rank of private or relinquish proficiency or trade grouping as appropriate. Such reversion or relinquishment will not beeffective until the date of classification as a qualified parachutist, when personnel affected become eligible for additional pay.

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Voluntary reversion or relinquishment will not prejudice the eligibility of a qualified parachutist for promotion or trade grouping within theWE of 1 Aust Para Bn (AIF).

Applications of all other ranks who conform to the preliminary standards detailed in afore mentioned paras will be recorded irrespective of present rank, trade or duty.

NCOs or trade grouped personnel who cannot be included in their appropriate tradee classification may volunteer as riflemen if they so desire, provided that they signify their willingness to revert as provided in previous paras.

SCHEDULE

Trade Group 11
Carpenters and joiners
Int Duties
Signallers

Trade Gropp 111
Butchers
Clerks
Driver Mechs
Equipment repairers
Technical storemen
Rangetakers

Non-Specialist
Batmen
Drivers Mt.
Hygiene Dutymen
Mortar numbers
Motor cycle orderlies
Orderlies
Parachute packers
Pioneers
Riflemen
Storemen
Water dutymen
MMG Numbers

Attached

AAMC Hygiene
Orderlies
AACC - Shoemakers (Tr Gplll)
AEME - Armourers (Tr Gpl)
AACC - Privates (Tr Gpll)
AAPC - Sjts
Postal Services - Sjts
Aust Corps of Sigs
Instrument Mechs. (Tr Gpl)

6. CONVEYANCE OF MEMBERS OF ARMY WOMEN'S SERVICES IN MILITARY EST

NT Force Order 199/42 is cancelled.

When proceeding on duty members of Womens' Services will use transport as for male personnel.

When NOT on duty the following will apply:-

(a) Unit transport may be used for properly organised and approved outings for educational and recreational purposes. The Officer-in-Charge of the Branch of the Womens' Services concerned must appro of such outings.

(b) Work tickets of vehs transporting members of Womens' Services under (a) above, will be endorsed by the CO of the unit providing tpt, and will be sighted and initialedd by the Officer-in-Charge o the Branch of Womens' Services concerned.

(c) Individual members of Womens' Services may travel in a veh which is detailed for military duty, but transport will not be specially provided other than as detailed above. The member must also be on a properly approved leave pass.

(d) Members of Womens' Services will not, other than as described in aforementioned paras travel in military transport when off duty without the approval of the CO of a Hospital, in the case of AANS and AAMWS, or the resident senior AWAS Officer.

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WELFARE FUND BALANCE SHEET for month of May 44.

ASSETS		LIABILITIES		
Capital	£220-11-11	Loan BHQ Canteen	£237- 1-3	
Canteen Profit Apr 44	£ 28- 8-10	Less Distribution	£ 95-11-Ø	£141-10-3
		Trust A/c V16	£102- Ø-6	
		Cash on Hand	£ 5-10-Ø	£107-10-6
	£249- Ø-9			£249- Ø-9

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TRG EXERCISE 12-16 Jun 44

OBJECT

1. To reproduce battle conditions in all phases of Tp mob ops.

SPECIAL INSTRS FOR EXERCISE.

2. Eqpt - Full web eqpt, less pouchers for gun nos. Helmets steel and respirators will NOT be carried.
3. Amn - (a) 40 mm - 8 boxes per gun will be carried.
   (b) SAA - full complement of loaded mags per Bren.

   NOTE - guns will NOT repeat NOT be loaded unless attack by enemy A/C imminent.
4. Felling of trees Trees which would in action be felled to clear fd of fire will be blazed only.
5. Friendly A/C - for exercise purposes all friendly A/C will be regarded as hostile but GUNS WILL NOT BE LOADED.

ADM

6. Sups - to be delivered by Bty Main HQ to Sup Pt. Time and Place to be arranged.
7. POL - as for para 6.
8. Mail - as for para 6.

INTERCOMN

9. Bty Main HQ at 37 m.
10. Bty Tac HQ rear link to Regtl HQat ~~2000~~ 1300, 2100 hrs daily.

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ROUTINE ORDER PART 1 No.143

160 Aust LAA Bty RAA (AIF)

RESTRICEED 15 June 44

1. APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS & CONFIRMATION OF RANK

VX 76779	A/Cpl BOX L.R.	Rank of Cpl confirmed	26/12/43
VX 86240	" LANG F.J.	" " "	"

REVERSION

VX 79969	L/Bdr HICKEY J.R.	to Gnr (at own request)	10/5/44

2. PROFICIENCY PAY

VX 80360	Gnr BARTLETT P.E.	Proficiency pay withdrawn	21/1/44
VX64994	" CAMERON D.J.	" " "	"
VX 126162	" STUCKEY C.G.	" " "	14/2/44
TX 11291	" BRACKEN K.G.	" " "	1/9/43
VX 90824	" CLARK J.	" " "	"

3. TRADE GROUPINGS

VX 80061	Gnr Clarkson G.C.	Graded T.G.11 Dvr Op.	21/1/44
VX80360	" BARTLETT P.E.	" " "	"
VX 64994	" CAMERON D.J.	" " "	"
VX 126162	" STUCKEY C.G.	" " "	14/2/44
TX 11291	" BRACKEN K.J.	" T.G.111 Eng Hand i/c	1/9/43
VX90824	" CLARK J.	" " "	"
VX 80061	" CLARKSON G.C.	Relinquished T.G.111 Dvr Mech	21/1/44

4. SCHOOLS & COURSES

VX 72683	Sjt KLEINSMITH J.W.	Qualified L.H.Q Sch of Arty.L.A.A. Course Serial No.18B 29/4/42-19/5/42.
VX 75474	" SPEED H.H.	" " "
VX64363	Bdr FORSTER R.P.	Qualified Vic L of C Area A/Gas Instrs Course 4/5/42-16/5/42.
VX 78619	Sjt TRACY K.J.	" " "
VX119394	" MOORE F.	Qualified L.H.Q Sch of Arty.L.A.A. Special Course 24/6/42-14/7/42.
VX 48206	WO 11 BANNISTER R.L.	Qualified L.H.Q. Sch of Arty L.A.A. Course 23B . 17/4/43-11/5/43.
VX110111	" WHILEY B.E.	Qualified L.H.Q Sch of Arty L.A.A. Course 23B.11. 6/1/43-9/2/43.
VX 21902	Sjt HUME G.O.	Qualified L.H.Q Sch of Arty L.A.A. Course No.24B.11. 17/4/43-11/5/43.
VX 83249	L/Bdr STOYLES W.A.H.	Qualified L.H.Q Sch of Arty L.A.A. Course No.24B. 1. 10/3/43-13/4/43.
VX 101416	Sjt WOOTTON R.T.	Qualified N.T.F.S.Drill & Weapon Trg Course No.9 6/1/44-7/2/44.

Ref Regt SO's Appx Ch 15B.
Recently there have been published in RO's Pt 1 the results and authorities for schools and courses of members of the Regt. It is recognised that all personnel have the right of having these results entered in their AAB 83's. These entries must be kept up to date at all times. Attention is drawn to the above reference to SO's where it will be found that the responsibility for making such entries rests wi the BS for each Bty. In future Tps will after results are promulgated in RO's fwd to BHQ AAB 83 of any personnel to whom reference is made so that the above instruction may be complied with.

5. CIVILIAN CAMPS

All AWC,CRB and DMR Camps in Northern Territory are placed out-of-bounds to troops.

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5. TRAFFIC CONTROL AND PROVOST DUTIES - DARWIN AND STUART HIGHWAY

The co-ordination of traffic and general provost requirements relating to the town of DARWIN and the STUART HIGHWAY as far SOUTH as the BERRIMAH RD is placed under the direction of Capt EASON.
Capt Eason is to control Pro Coy on behalf of all Allied Services and Allied Works Council in this matter.
Spped limit for all types of vehs within the town of DARWIN and on STUART HIGHWAY south to the 5 ml post is restricted to 20 mph. Speed when passing the USA Forces Camp at 4 Air Depot will be reduced to 15 mph. A notice has been erected to this effect. Offenders will be dealt with by disciplinary action.

6. NT RATION SCALE (for male personnel)

The following amendment to NT FORCE ADM ORDER NO.13, para 96 of 29 Feb 44 will become effective on issue day SUNDAY 28 May 44.

COMMODITY	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Total
MEAT								
Meat Fresh	16	16	16	16	---	16	16	96 ozs
Bacon	--	1½	-	1½	1½	1½	-	6 ozs
Cheese	6/7	--	6/7	--	6/7	--	--	2 4/7 ozs
Egg Powder	--	¼	--	¼	--	¼	¼	1 oz
Tinned Fish	--	--	--	--	4½	--	--	4½ ozs
Preserved	--	--	--	--	4½	--	--	4½ ozs
M & V	4½	--	--	--	4	--	--	8½ ozs
Tinned Saugages	--	--	3	--	--	--	3	6 ozs

7. CARTRIDGES, S.A., BALL .380 Inch.

Cartridges, SA, ball .380-in of "MQ" manufacture have been found to cause hard extraction in some cases when used in pistols, Smith and Wesson, of war time finish (very dull finish).
Personnel issued with this type of pistol will use amn other than "MQ" wherever possible.

8. FRANKING OF REGISTERED MAIL.

Personnel MUST present in person, all articles which are to be registered, for franking, and see the package or letter sealed in their presence.

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Comd.160 Aust LAA Bty RAA (AIF)

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160 Aust Lt AA Bty RAA (6IF).

ORDERS FOR PRACTICE.

22 - 24 Jun '44.

1. SCHEDULE OF PRACTICE.

	0900-1200	1400-1700
22 Jun '44	.303 Sub Calibre AA Practice	.303 Sub Calibre Tk/A Practice
23 Jun '44	.303 Sub Calibre AA Practice	.303 Sub Calibre Tk/A Practice
24 Jun '44	40 mm Tk/A Practice.	

2. AMN.

(a) Sub Calibre

100 rds tracer per det.

(b) 40 MM.

15 rds per det.

3. TARGETS.

(a) AA. 5 ft kite-towed sleeve towed by 15 cwt veh. Lengths of tow:- veh to kite - 100 yds, kite to sleeve - 30 yds. Height of sleeve approx 120 ft. Maximum ground range at crossing point - 1 0 yds. Speed of target - 30 m.p.h.

(b) Tk/A. Full scale silhouette of Jap Light M2593 Tk - length 14'8", height 6'. Length of tow - ~~300~~ 100 yds. Ground ranges at crossing point - 200 and 250 yds. Speed of target 15 to 20 m.p.h.

4. DIRECTOR OF PRACTICE.

Major J.S.CRAWFORD R.A.A.

5. CHIEF SAFETY OFFICER.

Lieut D.N.McLEOD R.A.A.

6. GUN SAFETY OFFICER.

Lieut E.J.WELLSTED R.A.A.

7. RECORDERS.

Sgt FORD L.E.
" JAME H.A.

8. DUTIES OF DIRECTING STAFF.

Duties of personnel detailed in paras 4 - 7 incl of this order will be as laid down in "Instructions for Practice AA Arty, 1939".

9. SAFETY PRECAUTIONS.

(a) The limits of the arc of fire (226 degrees magnetic to 301 degrees magnetic) will be clearly marked behind the gun.

(b) The gun safety officer with a white flag will be posted in

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the rear of the gun. The gun will only be fired when the flag is raised, and will be stopped immediately the flag is lowered. The gun safety officer will stop the fire of the gun by touching No.4 on the shoulder. The gun safety officer will ensure that fire is NOT opened outside the limits of the safety arc and elevation or whenever he observes that any of the conditions in sub paras (c), (d) and (e) are NOT being fulfilled.

(c) No firing will take place at elevationd greater than 70 degrees.

(d) The gun will NOT be fired if it is pointed at or ahead of the towing veh.

(e) For directly approaching targets fire may be opened when the angle between the veh and the target exceeds 18 degrees or when the veh is east of the gun.

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Training Instn No.33

40 MM TKA Practice 24 Jun 44

1. Preparation of Range D Tp will despatch one det to TUMBLING WATERS afternoon 23 Jun 44 to prepare range. Range to be ready for shoot by 240845IK hrs. Det will take rations for evening meal and breakfast.

2. Move to Range 24 Jun 44 D Tp will move to range in convoy and arrive at 240830IK hrs. M.I.H.15 - V.T.M.10. D Tp will return to camp on orders from B.C. for midday meal.

3. Personnel & Eqpt Reqd

(a) Personnel - All offrs, gun dets and dvr ops.

(b) Eqpt - All guns with tractors, 2 wireless vans, 1 X 3 ton without canopy to bring back TK/A target.

4. Amn 90 rounds 40 mm (if possible Fuze 250 "de-loused") will be drawn from Bty Q Store 23 Jun 44.

TRAINING INSTRUCTION No.32

5. Order "TRG EXERCISE 12-16 Jun 44" will be amended by adding as title "TRAINING INSTRUCTION No.32."

TRG SYLLABUS WEEK ENDING 1 Jul 44

6. Regtl Exercise for D Tp 26-27 Jun 44 Tp will be prepared to move at 30 mins notice from 260730IK. For instns for exercise see Bty T.I.No. 32 paras 2-5.

7. Amphibious Ops Trg 28 Jun-1 Jul 44 D Tp will move to bivouac area vicinity LEE POINT leaving Trg Camp 281400IK hrs. Bty Capt will arrange for rations consumption 29,30 Jun and 1 Jul 44 to be drawn from nearest sup pt. During this period 3 hrs have been allotted for Organised Sport - D Tp will accordingly take suitable sporting gear.

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Report on Firing Practice by AA Guns.

TK/A Practice

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1. Date of Practice 24 Jun 44.

2. Time of Practice 0900-1200 hrs.

3. Place TUMBLING WATERS.

4. Type of Guns Firing 40 MM Bofors.

5. Amn Expended 57 rounds HE fuze 251.

6. Effectiveness of Practice.

(a) Eqpt All guns performed satisfactorarily. Shells burst on impact, blowing holes of 9-12 ins diameter in corrugated iron target.

(b) Personnel taking part. Gun drill revealed an improvement since TK/A Sub-calibre practice 22 Jun 44. Shooting was accurate and effective. Detailed record attached as APPX "A".

7. Unusual Occurrences Large target (full scale silhouette of Jap lt tk) was destroyed after 5 hits. Small target (half scale Jap tankette) was destroyed after 2 hits.

8. Remarks

The range permitted target to be engaged for a period of 30 secs. Owing to dust from muzzle blast, however, no more than two rounds could be fired during each run. Each det fired 4 rounds at TK/A targets (2 at large and 2 at small). After the destruction of the TK/A targets each det engaged ground targets (ant hills) with 5 rounds. Range of targets varied between 300 and 600 yds, each det engaging at least three different targets. Detailed record attached as APPX "B".

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Director of Practice.

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	LARGE TARGET		SMALL TARGET	
	1st Round	2nd Round	1st Round	2nd Round
No.7 Det	Miss ahead	Miss ahead	Low	Near miss astern
No.8 "	Hit on nose of tk	Hit on centre	Hit on turret	Near miss ahead
No.9 "	Hit on rear of tk	High miss astern of turret	Hit	Miss ahead
No.10 "	Miss ahead	Centre hit	Miss astern	Miss ahead
No.11 "	Low-correct for line.	Hit rear of turret.	Miss ahead	Miss ahead
No.12 "	Miss astern	Miss astern	High	Low

APPX "B"

GROUND TARGETS

Rounds	1	2	3	4	5
No.7 Det	Miss	Miss	Hit	Hit	Hit
No.8 "	Miss	Miss	Hit	Hit	Hit
No.9 "	Miss	Miss	Miss	Hit	Miss
No.10 "	Miss	Hit	Miss	Hit	Hit
No.11 "	Miss	Hit	Hit	Hit	Miss
No.12 "	Hit	Miss	Hit	Hit	Hit

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ROUTINE ORDER PART 1 No.144
160 Aust LAA Bty RAA (AIF)

RESTRICTED 27 Jun 44

1. APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS & CONFIRMATION OF RANK

VX40298	A/Sjt	CRAWFORD K.B.	Rank of Sjt confirmed	8/4/44
VX19151	Bdr	SENIOR G.	Appointed L/Sjt	4/6/44
VX78503	Sjt	FORD L.E.	Promoted A/WO11	17/4/44
VX76779	Cpl	BOX L.R.	" A/Sjt	15/4/44

2. PROFICIENCY PAY

TX11957	Gnr	CROSS H.J.	Forfeited Proficiency Pay	18/5/44

3. TRADE GROUPINGS

VX77311	Gnr	FLOWERS J.L.	Relinquished Gp 111 Dvr Mech	21/1/44
			Graded Gp 11 Dvr Op.	21/1/44

4. MEDICAL CLASSIFICATION

VX123884	Gnr	MARSHALL J.S.	Medical classification assessed as "B"	24/5/44

5. PUNISHMENTS

TX11957	Gnr	CROSS H.J.	Disobeying a lawful comd given by his superior officer.	15/5/44
			Award: 7 days detemtion	18/5/44

6. SCHOOLS & COURSES

VX85346	L/Bdr	MACE R.M.	Qualified Regtl Jun Ldrs Course No.148 from 18/3/44 to 28/3/44.
VX124041	"	GUEST A.W.	" " "
VX79372	"	McDOUGALL L.G.	" " "
VX85348	Gnr	POLLOCK C.W.	" " "
VX18652	S/Sjt	McEVOY G.O.	Qualified at No.2 "A & Q" Course NTFS from 22/11/43 to 26/11/43.
VX75226	Cpl	WALTER J.H.	Qualified NTFS Chirópody Course No.4 from 5 to 18/5/44. (Auth for above RO 21/4351/44)

7. STANDING ORDERS FOR FIRE

Attention is drawn to Bty RO Pt 1 No.134 Appx "A" of 6 Mar 44.
A recent outbreak of fire within the regt destroyed valuable eqpt - the investigating offrs report suggested that some orders contained in the above Appx had NOT been carried out.
Tp Comds will ensure that effect has been given to all provisions of this order, andasignal to this effect to reach these HQ by 5 July 44.

8. PUGGAREES

It has been decided to purchase from Regtl funds pugarees for the following (a) RHQ Gp
(b) 161 Bty
purchases being based on posted strengths. Purchases will also be made to give each bty and RHQ Gp a 10% reserve.
All future purchases of puggarees will be of the approved pattern so that uniformity may be maintained throughout the regt.

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9. DELAY IN REPORTING LOSSES etc.

Cases are occurring in which loss of and damage toeqpt is NOT being reported promptly to this HQ.
As a result investigation has ,at times,been delayed,and difficulties have arisen in getting write-offs approved.
In future when eqpt is lost or damaged and where such loss or damage could conceivably amount to the value of £5,a report will be fwded to these HQ within 30 hrs of the loss or damage or within 30hrs of the discovery of such loss or damage. The report will be as full as the time available permits it to be.

10. EXAMINATION NO.2535 FOR TRANSFER TO THE THIRD DIVISION AS CLERK OR CADET.

Quoted hereunder is the text of LHQ 77036 of 7 Jun 44:-

"I have to inform you that the Commonwealth Public Service Board has advised that the above mentioned examination was notified in the Commonwealth Gazettee of 25 th May 1944.
The Commonwealth Public Service Board has requested that arrangements be made for the attention of all eligible officers to be drawn to the notification of this examination.
In connection with eligible officers of the Commonwealth Public Service who are engaged on War Service,the Board has intimated that it would be appreciated if particular regard could be given to drawing their attention to the notification of the examination."

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STANDING ORDERS FOR FIRE -NTF

PRECAUTIONS AGAINST FIRE.

1. All grass will be cleared -

   (a) For a distance of 10 yds from tents, marquees etc and vehicle harbours. The clearing of tent areas will be made the responsibility of the occupants thereof.
   (b) For a distance of twenty yards from incinerators, Kitchens, Ration Sheds, Bush shelters etc.
   (c) For a distance of forty yards from petrol and ammunition dumps.

2. Grass will be removed by hand - pulled out by the roots- to prevent further growth. Care will be taken to protect the hands as the serrated edges of native grasses can cause severe lacerations.

3. Grass removed in accordance with above will be carefully collected and dumped in safe areas where, when dry, it will be of no danger to camp installations etc.

4. Rubbish will NOT be burned in open incinerators.

5. Tins will be placed in tents and huts for reception of cigarette butts and matches and disciplinary action will be taken against offenders who fail to dispose of same accordingly.
6. Hurricane lamps will NOT be left attended in tents or huts.

7. Camp fires will NOT be left untended and when no longer required will be covered with earth.

8. Care will be taken to see that out-breaks of fire which are extinguished are picqueted for twelve hours before vigilance is relaxed.

FIRE PICQUETS

9. A Fire Picquet of two men will be detailed in each BHQ, THQ, each gun posn and Camp site. They will be responsible for proceeding at once to the scene of the fire and rendering first aid in extinguishing or limiting the fire by locating the actual seat of the outbreak and using all fire fighting eqpt at hand until the arrival of the fire parties.

FIRE PARTIES

10. Fire parties will be detailed in sub-unit orders in sufficient strength to provide the following at each BHQ, THQ, Gun posns and Camp site -

    (a) A party to bring up any fire eqpt required by the fire picquet and to assist generally.
    (b) A party to form bucket chains from available water supply (where possible) to seat of fire.
    (c) A fatigue party to salvage property and goods.

FIRE POSTS

Each BHQ, THQ, Gun posn and Camp site will constitute a Fire Post and such Fire fighting appliances as available will be concentrated therein.

FIRE FIGHTING APPLIANCES

12. Fire fighting appliances such as Fire beaters and buckets or other suitable containers will be distributed evenly to THQ and Gunsites when available.
13. RQM will take steps to obtain eqpt from Engineers Services on the following basis:-

    Fire Beaters:- 3 per each BHQ, THQ and Gun site.

    Buckets or other suitable containers:- 6per each BHQ, THQ and Gunsite.

    (Such containers will be filled with sand or water at all times reddy for emergency)

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CAMP STANDING ORDERS - RIDING CAMP.

1. TIMETABLE

Reveille		0630 hrs
Mess -	Mens	0730
	Offrs & Sjts	0745
Parade		0830
Sick Parade		0835
Stand-down		1200
Mess-	Mens	1230
	Offrs & Sjts	1245
Parade		1330
Stand-down		1700
Mess-	Mens	1745
	Offrs & Sjts	1800

2. DISCIPLINE

(a) Allpersonnel will be clean and shaven and have huts in inspection order by 0830 hrs daily. Huts will remain in inspection order until 1700 hrs.

(b) Dress - Hat fur felt, shirt, shorts, boots, socks, gaiters or puttee short. Shirts may be left off at the discretion of the BSM. During the hours sunset to sunrise, unless covered with a tent mosquito, all personnel will wear shirts withnsleeves rolled down and trousers K.D. Personnel leaving the camp area will at all times wear shirts and hats.

3. BOUNDS.

(a) No soldier will leave the camp area without the permission of an officer or the BSM.

(b) The following areas are out of bounds except to personnel on duty:-

Cookhouse
Q Store and Orderly Rooms
Gun and MT Park
Officers' and Sjts' Lines.

4. DUTIES

All duties will be rostered daily and tour of duty will be 1900-1900.

(a) Guards. See Appendix "A" of this Order.

(b) Oderly Sjt. Will conduct parades and mess parades at the times laid down. He will mount the picquet and see that its duties are carried out in a soldierly and efficient manner. He will distribute the mail. He will ascertain the correct time from the radio before the morning parade and will at all times be on close call. He will be responsible for the tidiness and cleanliness of camp lines and area and that the duties of hygeine and kitchen fatigues are correctly performed. Next for duty will carry out duties if Orderly NCO isaway.

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4. DUTIES (contd)

(c) Kitchen Fatigues - one OR for each kitchen to assist cooks and keep kitchen areas clean and tidy.

(d) Mess Orderlies - two ORs to report to Mens kitchen 15 mins before each meal to set tables and clean tables and mess on completion of each meal.

(e) Hygeine Fatigue.- one OR daily to work under supervision of Hygeine Dutyman. For detailed duties see Appx "B".

5. FIRE PRECAUTIONS

VX80845 Capt D.H.COOP is appointed "Fire Officer".
Fire Posts will be :-

No.1 Orderly Room
No.2 BQM Store
No.3 B Tp Office
No.4 W'kshops.

For detailed fire orders see Bty RO Pt 1 No.144 Appx "A".

6. MAIL

Outgoing mail will be placed in boxes provided at Bty & Tp Orderly rooms. These boxes will be cleared at 0830 hrs daily.
Incoming mail will be distributed by Orderly Sjt after arrival.

7. HYGEINE & SANITATION

To avoid casualties from diarrohea and dysentery the highest standard of hygeine and sanitation must be maintained. This standard can only be achieved and maintained if all ranks observe faithfully these few commonsense rules of hygeine:-

(a) Close latrine lids when NOT burning or in use.
(b) Put all rubbish in rubbish tins for disposal - this is much easier than decorating the countryside and then collecting it - IN YOUR OWN TIME.
(c) Keep flies from food.
(d) Place garbage in flyproof tins or BURNING incinerator.
(e) Use pissoons - dont stunt trees.
(f) Scald mess gear before use and thoroughly clean and scald after use.

All ranks are warned of the danger of allowing flies and mosquitoes to breed in this area. Particular attention to cleanliness of lines, cookhouses and latrines is demanded.
No tins or empty bottles will be left lying in the grass, and no foodstuffs whatsoever will be discarded and left un covered.

8. M.T.

Speed limit of 5 mph will be observed in the camp area.

9. MESSING

Disciplinary action will be taken against soldiers using obscene language in the mess hut during meals. Voices will not be raised other than to issue an order.

10. This Order supersedes previous Camp Standing Orders, but nothing herein contained shall obsolve any soldier from his duties as laid down in Bty ROs, or from negligent or irresponsible action.

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APPX "A"

GUARDS

The guard will consist of 1 NCO and 4 ORs.

A sentry will be posted in the M.T. and Gun Dispersal Area from 1900 hrs to 0700 hrs. When a sentry is posted, hewill not leave his duty until properly relieved.

He will patrol between the Q. Store and the most northerly gun or vehicle and his duties will be:-

(a) To stop unauthorised persons from interfering with, misappropriating or damaging any MT or their component parts, Bofors guns or their component parts, or any stores or equipment stored in vehs or in storage huts.
(b) He will report to the NCO in chagge any unusual occurrence and/or the name of any visitors in the area on the termination of his tour of duty.
(c) Sentry will be armed with rifle, bayonet and 20 rds amn.

For the guidance of sentries, Regtl R.O. No. 98 of 22 Sep 43 is reproduced in part. It is the duty of the Orderly NCO to seethat, on mounting all members of the guard have a complete knowledge of these orders.

Powers of Sentries and Guards.

A sentry may be armed and may,

(i) use his weapons against, or otherwise attack, any person who, in disregard of a warning given by a sentry or guard, approaches, enters, leaves or passes over or in the vicinity or neighborhood of or attempts to approach, enter, leave or pass over or in the vicinity of or neighborhood of, a place, area, premises, vehicle, vessel, aircraft wharf, pic king up place, road pathway or waterway, or who, after being arrested for so doing escapes; and
(ii) use his weapon against, or otherwise attack, any person attacking him or who is reasonably suspected of being about to attack him.

There are, however, certain principles which must guide all sentries in the exucation of their duty as such, and in the exercise to resort to arms.

These principles are :-

(a) Sentries and guards will be ordered to take any action required to ensure the safety of their posts or to defeat the activities of the enemy, or suspected enemy, agents.
(b) If necessary, they will fire upon, or otherwise attackany persons threatening the safety of their posts or engaging in hostile actions.
(c) Before firing upon any person, the sentry or guard will, except in an urgent case of self-defence, challenge that person to "Halt". If that person does not halt, the sentry should challenge him again with "Halt, or I fire". If he does not halt, and no o other means are available for stopping him - as for example, by calling on the rest of the guard - it is the duty of the sentry to shoot.
(d) The sentry will use his intelligence and sense of responsibility in choosing whether he will shoot or not, and he must be careful not to allow any suspected person toapproach so close that he can be rushed and overpowered.
(e) Guards of enemy prisoners of war An enemy prisoner of war attempting to escape may be fired upon, but a previous summons to surrender will be given if possible.

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(f) Guards of members of the forces in custody.

(i) An escort or guard is not justified in using his weapons merely for the purpose of preventing another member from escaping from custody and if he so uses his weapons he may render himself, as well as any officer or NCO under whose orders he acted, liable to be charged with murder, manslaughter or incitement to murder.

(ii) If a member in custody attempts to escape, the escort or sentry wwill immediately raise the alarm and give chase. He may call on any passer-by to assist him in apprehending the escapee.

(iii) An escort or guard may be justified in using his weapons when a member in custody resorts to violence. In such circumstances an escort or guard may meet force with force, but care must be taken to use no more force than is necessary to overcome the violence offered. Hence, even when violence is offered to an escort or guard, it will only be as a last resort that the use of weapons will be justified.

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Appx "B"

DUTIES OF HYGEINE FATIGUE

1. General Routine.

(a) Clean grease traps and drains of all kitchens and ablutions
(b) Burn and dispose of garbage in incinerator, clean garbage tins.
(c) Burn latrines
(d) Empty rubbish tins and incinerator rubbish.

2. Grease Traps & Drains.

(a) Grease traps will be skimmed before 1000 hrs daily and grease placed in incinerator.
(b) Empty and scrub grease traps every other day then fill with cold water before re-use.
(c) Change grass in grease traps daily. Place old grass in incinerator.
(d) Drains will be flushed and swept daily.

3. Incinerators.

(a) Before using incinerator make a small "crows nest" of wood.
(b) All garbage will be placed in incinerator immediately after meals.
(c) DO NOT OVERLOAD INCINERATOR.
(d) Incinerator will be ignited after each meal.
(e) Before lighting place wood on top of garbage. Light with aid of small quantity of flux.
(f) When burning is completed shift in cinerator and place burnt tins in 44 gal drum provided for that purpose. Ashes etc in separate drum.

4. Latrines

(a) Latrines will be burnt on alternate days.
(b) Make a small "crowsnest" before use.
(c) A box containing chips and small pieces of wood will be placed between each seat. This box will be kept full.
(d) After using the latrine personnel WILL place a handful of chips or wood down the hole.
(e) Lids MUST be kept closed.
(f) Fly traps will be placed on stubs. When burning fly traps will be placed on top of flue.

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Sheet 1.

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Unit 160 AUST LAA BTY RAA(AIF). Date and Time.—From 0001 1 JUL 44 To —

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
RIDING CAMP.	JUL 1.		160 Bty less 1 Tp (on leave) in camp. All	
37 MILE N.T.			available personnel engaged on	
			improvements to camp hygiene.	
	2.		Stand down.	Trg Inst 34 att.
	3.		160 Bty Tac H.Q. and B Tp proceeded to	
			MINDIL BEACH, DARWIN to practice	
			handling of 40mm equipt in landing	
			craft and on beach.	
	4.		Amphibious operations at LEE POINT.	
	5.		Dawn landing (without landing craft), on	
			beach E of LEE POINT. Action conditions	
			produced by use of rifles, grenades	
			and gelignite. Two B25 a/c	
			co-operated by mock strafing and	

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Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
			Flour bag bombing. Several direct hits on	
			Guns, vehicles and personnel reported.	
	6.	0930.	B Tp. fired full-calibre 40mm practice.	
			Target — drogue towed by a/c.	Report att.
	7		Lectures to B Tp gunners on tech. subjects.	
			Dvrs. M.T. doing revision of S.O's etc prior	
			to re-testing for licences.	
	8		As for 7th.	(R.O. Pt I No 145 att.
	9		Standdown.	Trg Inst 35 att.
	10.		Re-testing of dvrs M.T. Gunners engaged	
			on complete stripping of guns after	
			recent fd. exercises.	
	11.		As for 10th.	R.O. Pt I No 146 att.
	12 - 15.		Lectures by Tp. Officers & general training.	

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Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	16.		Standdown.	
	17-19.		Offrs + NCO's engaged on appreciations	
			and T.E.W.T.s. O/R's on camp construction.	Ro Pt 1 No 147 att.
	20-22.		Maintenance and storage of equip	
			prior to departure on leave.	
	23.		Orders to occupy positions at COOMALIE	Signal and Op. order
			airfield with 1 troop.	att.
	24.	0800	1 Tp leaves for COOMALIE.	
	25.		A Tp returns from leave.	
	27.		A Tp personnel relieve B Tp personnel	
			on COOMALIE.	
	28-31.		Gen Trg. Syllabus and preparation	Trg Inst 36 att.
			for B Tp leave.	Ro Pt 1 No 149 att.
				Lt Col Capt.

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TRAINING INSTRUCTION No.34

AMPHIBIOUS OPS TRG

1. Object

(a) To practise handling of vehs & eqpt on beaches.
(b) To practise embarkation and debarkation with LCVs and LCM(3) "mock ops".
(c) To provide a background for later amphibious ops trg with proper eqpt.

2. Location - LEE POINT.

3. Duration - 3-5 Jul 44 incl.

4. Personnel reqd - B Tp excl Gnr O'DWYER incl Sjt HENRY.

5. Vehs & Eqpt reqd - 6 guns and tractors complete with det fighting stores.
1 Marmon tractor.
2 1t vehicles.
2 3 ton

NOTE - det stores to incl levers and drag ropes. All vehs to carry chains.

6. Bivouac Area - vicinity 870240.

7. Movement

(a) SP - Main Camp Gate.
(b) ST - 030700IK
(c) MIH - 15, after McMILLANS 10
(d) UTM - 10, after McMILLANS 15.

8. Timetable

	AM	PM
3 Jul 44	0700-1000 Move to bivouac area. 1030-1200 Lecture amphibious ops.	Practice handling vehs and guns on beaches
4 Jul 44	Embarkation & debarkation at MENDIL BEACH.	Landing Exercises
5 Jul 44	Dawn Landing Exercises Organised Sport.	Return to camp

9. Rations & Mail

Rations and Mail will be delivered to bivouac area by Main HQ.

10. Intercomm

Signals to NAOU LEE POINT, via FORTRESS.

DROGUE SHOOT - 6 Jul 44

11. Location - TUMBLING WATERS, 8677

12. Time - 0900-1200 hrs

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13. Directing Staff.

Director of Practice	Maj.J.S.CRAWFORD RAA.
Chief Safety Officer	Capt D.H.COOP RAA.
Gun Safety Officers	Lt D.N.McLEOD RAA. Lt E.J.WELLSTED RAA.

14. Firng Pts & Arcs

(a) Firing Pts 864773,865773.

(b) Firing Arcs 310 degrees M to 37 degrees M.

15. Safety Precautions.

Attached as APPX "A".

16. Move to Range.

(a) SP - Camp Main Gate
(b) ST - 0715 hrs
(c) M.I.H. -15
(d) U.T.M. -10

17. Messing - midday meal on return to camp.

18. Liaison - Bty Capt will liaise through RHQ with pilot of drogue towing A/C.

19. Intercomm - One wireless van with No.11 set to A/C. Bty Capt obtain details call signs and wave lengths.

Crawford
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APPX "A"
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SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

(a) Duties of Directing Staff are detailed in "Instruction for Practice AA Arty,1939".

(b) A gun safety offr with a white flag will be posted in rear of each gun in action. The gun will be fired only when the flag is raised and will ~~xxxx~~ be stopped immediately the flag is lowered. The gun safety offr will stop the fire by touching No.4 on the shoulder. The gun safety offr will ensure that fire is NOT opened outside the limits of the safety arc and elevation or whenever he observes that any of the conditions in sub paras (c),(d) & (e) are NOT being fulfilled.

(c) No firing will take place at an elevation greater than 70 degrees

(d) The gun will NOT be fired if it is pointed at or ahead of the towing A/C.

(e) For directly approaching targets fire may be opened when the angle between the A/C and Target exceeds 180 degrees or when the A/C is over the line of guns.

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REPORT ON FIRING PRACTICE BY AA GUNS

112 Aust LAA Regt RAA (AIF) 160 Aust LAA Bty RAA (AIF) B Tp

1. Date of Practice 6 Jul 44.

2. Time of Practice. 0900-1030 hrs

3. Place TUMBLING WATERS. 8677

4. Type of Guns Firing 40 mm Bofors.

5. No of Guns Firing 6.

6. Amn expended 240 rounds.

7. Effectiveness of Practice

   (a) Eqpt All eqpt functioned satisfactorarily.

   (b) Personnel taking part The standard of shooting was by no means high, but under the circumstances it is considered satisfactorary. This is the first time that direct approaching and oblique crossing targets have been engaged: in addition, the tp being at 2/3 of WE str, the crews used were NOT the manning detail crews. Dets fired 40 rounds per gun in two series; a distinct improvement was seen in the second series.

8. Unusual Occurrences One projectile burst prematurely - a separate report is being submitted.

.....Maj.RAA
Director of Practice

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160 Aust LAA Bty RAA (AIF)

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1. COURT MARTIAL

VX56318 Gnr ALEXANDER S.E. District Court Martial held in the Field on 2 Jun 44.

Charge : AA 12(1)(a) : WOAS deserting His Majesty's Service in that he at WERRIBEE on 10 May 42 absented himself from 112 Aust LAA Regt (AIF), until arrestes by V143766 Cpl CATOR J.R., 3 Aust L of C Provost Coy at WERRIBEE on 31 Mar 44, wearing civilian clothes.

Finding : Guilty of Desertion.

Sentence : To undergo detemtion for a period of of 2 years.

Date of Sentence : 2 Jun 44.

Confirmation : confirmed by Maj-Gen A.S.ALLEN CB.CBE.DSO.VD.GOC NT F.

Date of Confirmation : 17 Jun 44.

Date of Promulgation : 26 Jun 44.

Forfeitures of Pay : Whilst AWL 691 days
Whilst in Detention 730 "

Total forfeiture : 1421 days.

2. EVASION OF CENSORSHIP

A glaring example of deliberate evasion of the instructions for censorship of mail was reported to the unit by Field Security. As a result VX124041 L/Bdr GUEST A.W. was charged with "an act to the prejudice of good order and military discipline in that he at Riding Area on or about 31 May 44, whilst subject to unit censorship handed a letter written by himself to a soldier for delivery to the accused' wife contrary to the provisions of LHQ Fd Censorship Instruction No4' The case was dealt with by the C.O. who found the accused guilty and ordered his immediate reversion to the ranks.
All ranks are again reminded that any attempt to evade censorship is regarded as a most serious offence and that severe disciplinary action will be taken in any future case.

3. CANTEEN TRADING HOURS.

On and after the 11 July 44 the Bty Canteen will only be open during the following hours.

Sunday	1100-1200 hrs
Monday	1800-1930 "
Tuesday	1800-1930 "
Wednesday	1300-1330 "
Thursday	1800-1930 "
Friday	1800-1930 "
Saturday	1300-1330 "

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4. CANTEEN P & L A/C for month of Jun 44

Stock & Cash on Handat 1 st Jun 44	£176-16-10	Sales for month	£331-18-9
Purchases for month	331-18-9	T/d profit to W/Fare Fund	16- 9-1
Profit for month less allowance for breakages	16- 9-1	Transferred to W/Fare Fund	1-16-10
		Stock on Hand at 3o Jun 44	70-12-2
		Cash on Hand at 30 Jun 44	104- 7-10
	£525- 4-8		£525- 4-8

5. WELFARE FUND TRANSACTIONS

Cr Balance as at 26 May 44 £102- 0-6

Receipts

Bty Canteen Profit for Jun 44	16- 9-1	
Refund of Loan money	1-16-10	
Dis. from AS Canteen Feb 44.	14-15-11	
Expenditure		
Ince Bros - Purchase of Puggarees.		£ 30-12-0
Cr Balance as at 30 Jun 44		£104-10-4
	£135- 2-4	£135- 2-4

Additional Bty Assets as at 30 Jun 44

Held by BHQ Canteen	Cash on Hand	£104- 7-10
	Stock " "	70-12-2
		£175- 0-0
Money held by Maj Crawford.		£5-10-0

I certify that I have examined the Bty Trust Account Book, Cash Book Canteen Ledger? Stock Book and vouchers relating to the Bty & Canteen Funds and that in my opinion these statements correctly set out the position of these funds as at 30 Jun 44.

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.....Capt.RAA
Adm Comd 160 Aust LAA Bty RAA (AIF)

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TRAINING INSTRUCTION No.35

BREN GUN - STOPPAGES

1. LHQ memo of 30 May 44 draws attention to liklihood of stoppages when ejection cover is forward but NOT locked open - i.e. catch NOT engaged so that piston fouls rear tail of catch.

2. The correct drill should include opening of ejection cover to prevent possible explosion, and ensuring that the catch is engaged.

3. The forward movement of piston does NOT trnsmit force sufficient to ensure that the catch engages.

4. The 1942 amendment to SAT vol 1 pam 4 LMG (BREN), which was omitted from the 1943 version of this pam, should therefor be included in the drill. It is as follows:-

> "Page 10 lesson 2 pam (i)"
> "Loading - After "these" in last line add -
> "open ejection opening cover and ensure the catch is engaged in the opening position".

ARMY OPERATING SIGNALS

5. The following additional operating signals are authorised for intraservice use by Regimental Signallers of ALL Arms in the Australian Military Forces :-

> (a) QQU - Give me your message. I will dispose of it.
> (b) QYT - Timing signals will be sent now (or at .....) The numerals indicating the time will be followed by a five second dash, terminating exactly at the time indicated.
> (c) INT QYT - Request a timing signal now (or at ....)

6. The use of the operating signal QYT for giving or requesting a time signal is given in Appx "A" hereto. A request for a timing signal will not be transmitted by wireless when it is possible to obtain the correct time by any other means. Attention is particularly directed to GRO G675 of 24 Sep 43. (Appx "B")

7. The operating signal and time will not be enciphered. Normally the time zone suffix letter will not be used, unless there is likely to be any doubt or unless stations are communicating across time zones. In either of these cases, times will be converted to Z time (Greenwich Mean Time) and the zone letter Z will be used.

8. The revised method of signalling time by morse telegraphy will be adopted by Corps of Signals operators and Regimental Signallers alike.

9. This instruction will become effective at 190001 IK, Jun 44.

10. Amendments to Signal Training (All Arms) Pamphlet 5 (1943) Part 11 will be issued in due course.

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SYLLABUS 10-19 Jul 44

11. 10-12 Jul 44 incl — Retesting of Dvrs Mt.
Stripping of guns under W'kshops supervision.
Camp construction.

13-15 Jul 44 incl — Gun Drill and Theory.

17-19 Jul 44 incl — B Tp TEWT for Key Personnel (for Instns for TEWT see App A)
Camp construction

VEHICLES ON LOAN TO B Tp

12. All vehs on loan to B Tp (excl 5 Tractors LAA) will be placed on blocks in Veh Park by 15 Jul 44. Bty Tpt NCO will inspect vehs before "blocking" to ensure that dvr maintenance is complete in all respects and will take over these vehs until the return of A Tp personnel from leave.

.....Maj.RAA
Comd 160 Aust LAA Bty RAA (AIF)

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METHOD OF SENDING TIME SIGNALS BY MORSE TELEGRAPHY

1. When sending a time signal by morse telegraphy at (say) 1500 hrs the sender usually the control station, sends QYT 1500, followed by a dash of five seconds, terminating exactly at 1500 hrs.

2. The senior receiving station checks back by sending QYT 1501, followed by a five seconds dash, terminating at exactly 1501 hrs. If this check is correct, the sender sends CK, and the senior outstation replies with R AR. The other outstations then receipt for the transmission, or ask for a repetition by sending IMI. If a repetition is given, it must be checked back by the receiver, as in the following example, in which KEW sends a time signal to his net at 1500 hrs. (See figure 1 below).

KEW sends :-	KEW QYT 1500 .....(5 seconds dash) KEW K
JYM	KEW QYT 1501 .....(5 seconds dash)K
KEW	KEW CK
JYM	KEW R AR
RMB	KEW IMI K
KEW	KEW QYT 1503 .....(5 seconds dash)K
RBM	KEW QYT 1504 .....(5 seconds dash)K
KEW	KEW CK
RBM	KEW R AR
VKC	KEW R AR

3. A station asks for a time signal by sending INT QYT. If the time signal is required at (say) 1600 hrs, the station sends INT QYT 1600.

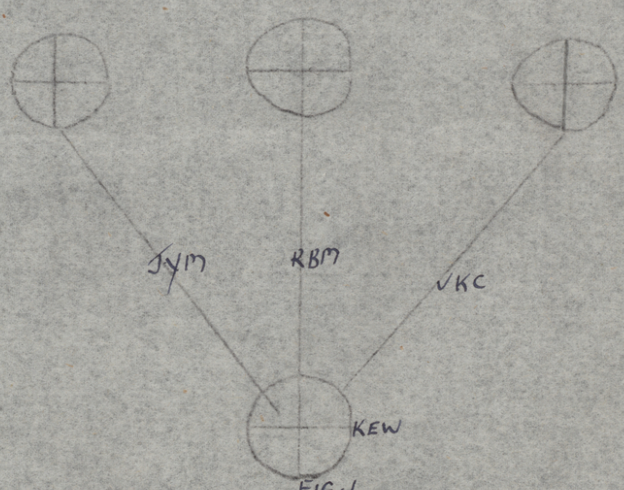

FIG. 1.

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APPX "B"
Copy No.7

B Tp TEWTS

OBJECT

1. (a) To practice military appreciations
   (b) To emphasise lessons learned during fd exercises.

METHOD

2. Students All WOs, Sjts, & Bdrs - to be divided into syndicates of not more than 3.

3. Syllabus
   Day 1 Lecture - Appreciations
   Indoor Exercise - two brief written appreciations

   Days 2 & 3 TEWTS

4. Sequence of TEWTS

   (a) Brief tactical situation giving VA.
   (b) Requirement 1 "As Comd Right Sec B Tp, your appreciation and outline plan for def of ....."

   Note - to incl gun areas, primary arcs, OP, gen track plan, area Tp HQ.

   (c) Discussion 1 Syndicate solutions given and discussed. DS solution given and discussed.
   (d) Requirements "As Comd 7 & (8 & 9) Dets your appreciation and outline plan for occupn and orgn of gun site.

   Note - to incl gun platform, fd of fire, alternative sites, type of gun pit and phase of digging, siting of wpn slits, camflg, track plan, posn of wheels and protection siting of tractor and Bren, posn of latrine.

   (e) Discussion 2 As fo D1

5. Situations reqd Def of Fd Arty
   Def of br or defile
   Def of Bde or Div HQ
   Def of Airfield

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GRO G675/43. OFFICIAL TIME

1. In order to eliminate errors in the notification of official time, btys will,make arrangements, where possible, to obtain the correct time direct from broadcasts of the Australian Broadcasting Commission or the British Broadcasting Corporation. Where reception of broad casts is not possible, time will be obtained from the signal office of the next senior fromation.

2. Btys will be responsible for the distribution of official time and will use the procedure laid down in Signal Training (All Arms Pamphlet No.8, 1942, Section 12.

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ROUTINE ORDER PART 1 No.146

160 Aust LAA Bty RAA (AIF)

Restricted 11 Jul 44

1. SCHOOLS & COURSES

VX101419	Gnr	HENDERSON I.A.	Passed Trade Test for Eng Hd.I.C 19/5/44
VX85466	"	SNELL W.H.	" " " 26/5/44
VX77311	"	FLOWERS J.L.	" " for Dvr Op Subject "A" (D & M) 19/5/44
VX63791	"	CASLEY W.M	Passed Trade Test for Dvr Mech 26/5/44
TX11069	"	PARISH M.A.	" " " "
VX21937	Lt	WELLSTED E.J.	School: LHQ Sch of LAA Arty & Tac Course No.45 from 29/11/43 to 16/1/44. Result : Good Pass.
VX12009	Maj	CRAWFORD J.S.	School: LHQ Tac School "B" Wing Course No.10 from29/2/44 to9/4/44. Result: Qualified.
VX55922	Lt	McLEOD D.N.	School: N.T.F.S. Offrs Tac Course from 13/3/44 to 31/3/44 Result: Qualified.

(Authority for above R/O 3/4599/44)

2. TAKEN ON STRENGTH

VX91889 Capt SISELY D.G. from 12 Aust Fd Amb to be R.M.O.(temp) 25/6/44

POSTINGS.

Q75720 Sjt CARRINGTON A.F. posted to 160 Bty.

3. REGTL TRANSFERS

QX35491 Capt STONE F.M. to RHQ to be RQM 7/6/44.
VX28406 WO 11 ODDY J.A. to 161 Bty

4. INCOME TAX - LIABILITY OF MEMBERS OF THE FORCES AND COLLECTION OF TAX BY INSTALMENTS.

Attention is drawn to the provisions of GRO F233/44 re the above subject, particularly as to the necessity for lodging an Income Tax return (if liable).
The following details are set out for private guidance:-

(a) Personnel whose military and private income exceeds £250. during the year ended 30 Jun 44 MUST lodge an Income Tax Return. The definition of military income is:-
(i) Active pay (excluding deferred pay) and includes field, command, responsibility and special allowances, and any allowance under WFR 9.
(ii) Subsistence allowance; and
(iii) Value of rations and quarters at the rate of 2/5 per day for the period he was rationed and quartedred by the Army.
(b) The return will be lodged with the Deputy Commissioner for Taxation in the State in which the member enlisted so as to reach that address by 31 Jul 44.
(c) Variations of rates of deduction during year are compulsory in regard to promotions and reversions, but are optional in regard to increase or decrease of dependants.

Income Tax Forms are available on application to BHQ.

D H Cooper .....Capt.RAA
Adm Comd 160 Aust LAA Bty RAA (AIF)

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ROUTINE ORDER PART 1 No.147
160 Aust LAA Bty RAA (AIF)

Restricted 19 Jul 44

1. PROMOTIONS, APPOINTMENTS & CONFIRMATION OF RANK.

VX78606 Bdr BETTLES A.J.W. Appointed L/Sjt 23/6/44.

2. DETACHMENTS.

Q75720 Sjt CARRINGTON A.F. to 4 Aust AA Gp 19/6/44.

3. PUNISHMENTS.

TX12852 Gnr CARROLL M.

Offence: Conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline. (AA 40) 2/6/44.
Award: Admonished by BC 160 Aust LAA Bty. 25/6/44.

4. SCHOOLS & COURSES.

VX85487 L/Sjt WATTS C.E. Qualified 2 Aust Army M.T. Instrs Cour 2/6/42-28/6/42.
(Auth for above RO 23/4806/44)

The undermentioned personnel were re-tested as Inst Ops and Passed 18/10/43-21/10/43.

VX76873 Sjt HENRY J.H.A.
VX78609 " TRACY K.J.
VX79160 " THRUM L.P.
VX21902 " HUME G.O.
VX101416 " WOOTTON R.T.
VX78858 Sjt TUDOR E.V.
VX78606 L/Sjt BETTLES A.J.W.
VX63283 Sjt JACOBI R.K.
VX78503 A/WO 11 FORD L.E.

(Auth for above RO 23/4806/44)

5. COURT MARTIAL.

NX26983 Lt G.W.O'BRIEN.DCM held in the field 30 Jun 44.

Charge: AA 40 - WOAS conduct to the prejudice of good order and mili ta ry discipline, in that he, in the field on 14 May 44 drove military vehicle 52144 on an unauthoris journey whereby the said vehicle was damaged causing loss to the Commonwealth in the cost of repairs, namely £92/18/0.

Finding: Guilty.

Sentence: Fined the sum of £20.

Date of Sentence: 30 Jun 44.

Confirmation: Confirmed by Maj-Gen A.S.Allen CB,CBE,DSO,VD,GOC NT FORCE.

Date of Confirmation 7 Jul 44.

Date of Promulgation 13 Jul 44.

6. OUT OF BOUNDS.

All AWC, CRB and DMR Camps are declared out of bounds to all troops. 65 US Army Station Hospital, NIGHTCLIFF, is declared out of bounds to all troops and civilians.

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7. UNIDENTIFIED PERS EFFECTS.

The following items are held at SA L of C Area Records Office and it thought they have been lost by a soldier in or passing thruogh SA L of C Area.

(a) One greatcoat with colour patch 1 Aust Corps.
(b) One camera ENSIGN folding 120 film, exposed.

Any claim to ownership of the above must reach these HQs by 1800hrs 20 Jul 44.

8. STUDENTS REPORTING at LHQ SCHOOLS WITHOUT EQPT.

Instances of students arriving at LHQ Schools inadequately equipped and clothed continue to be reported to LHQ (DMT) ; and it is evident that some schools are finding it impossible to continue to make issue from their limited stocks.
Prior to movement to LHQ Schools, the joining instructions for the course are fwded to the personnel who are to attend the course for infm and necessary action. In all cases these instructions detail what eqpt and clothing will be taken to the school; therefor there is no excuse for non-compliance.

9. W & NCO's - BADGES, RANK.

Many cases have recently been noticed of W & NCO's failing to wear their badges, rank. This practice will cease forthwith.

10. ABSENT WITHOUT LEAVE - SUSPENSION OF ALLOTMENTSAND DEPENDANTS ALLOWANCES.

Amendments have been made to War Financial (Military Forces) Regulations providing for the shortening of the period upon the expiration of which a members' allotment and dependants allowance will be suspended in the event of his absence without leave. These amendments have effect on and from 1st Jun 44.
Where a member has been declared an illegal absentee, the District Finance Officer will, under the regulations as now amended, take the action outlined in the next two paragraphs of this order.
Where no dependants allowance is payable in respect of xxxxxxxxxxxx xxxxxx the members allotment, the District Finance Officer will suspend payment of the allotment as fromthe earliest possible date.
Where the member has made an allotment in respect of which dependants allowance is payable, the District Finance Officer will at once forward a notice to the member's allottee. This notice will inform the allottee that the allotment and dependants allowance will be suspended after payment of two more fortnightly instalments, including any instalment which may be payable on the date of the notice.
In addition to the forfeiture of all, active and deferred pay (including the amount paid as an allotment) for the whole period of the member's absence without leave, the total amount of the dependants allowance paid in respect of any day after the date of the notice mentioned in the preceding paragraph will be debited to the member and will be recovered from his future pay.
Any allotment and related dependants allowance which has been suspended on account of the members' absence without leave will not be reinstated until the District Finance Officer has been advised of the member{s apprehension or return to duty.

11. DISCHARGE OF PERSONNEL TO INDUSTRY.

With reference to RO Pt 1 No.122para 6 15 Nov 43 it is advised that the discharge of the number directed by War Cabinet (20,000) has almost been completed.

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11. DISCHARGE OF PERSONNEL TO INDUSTRY contd.

Approval is given, however, for the continuation of a release for industry scheme; the future basis of which will be that the Manpower Directorate will provide a man for man replacement in addition to the normal monthly quota of recruits allotted to the Army.
Eligibility for discharge will be as defined in RO 122 para 6.
This order will not be cancelled for the time being. Btys will not forward to these HQ applications from members who are not eligible for discharge unless such action is justified on compassinate or hardship grounds.
It is anticipated that monthly discharges under this scheme will be approximately 250. They will be confined to skilled personnel required for industries in the highest Manpower priorities.
The Director-General of Manpower has allotted the following quotas to each state of the number of recommendations which may be submitted on MPR Forms each month:

N.S.W.	170	NOTE: These figures are based upon the assumption that 50% approx of the recommendations will not be approved because the men recommended are in restricted categories, i.e. Specialists and NCO's.
Victoria	130	
Queensland	100	
S.Australia	40	
W.Australia	40	
Tasmania	20	
	500	

These quotas will be subject to review from time to time.
Applications which are based on a combination of compassionate and occupational grounds will first be investigated by Area Staffs from the compassionate aspect. If the compassionate aspect is considered insufficient to justify discharge the application should then be submitted to DDGMP for consideration.
The present and future requirements of the Army are such that it is necessary to rigidly conserve the Manpower at present available HQ L of C Areas will bear this in mind in making recommendations for discharge on compassionate or hardship grounds.

12. DRAFT CONDUCTING OFFICERS - FAILURE TO CARRY OUT DUTIES.

Advice has been received that in many cases officers placed in charge of troops in transit do not realise their obligations and considernthat once thetroops reach a Staging Camp the Staging Camp Staff are responsible for the control of the troops, preparation of documents, etc.
Officers will be instructed in their duties before reporting for duty and their very definite responsibilities towards the troops in their drafts will be impressed upon them.
OC's of depots or Staging Camps in NT from which drafts originate will ensure that DCO's are so warned and instructed before drafts proceed.
Disciplinary action will be taken against any officer who is reported as having failed to carry out his duties while a DCO.

13. PERSONNEL SUITABLE FOR RAILWAY DUTIES.

Complete particulars of ALL personnel serving with AMF in NT who are suitable for employment on the Railways in case of emergency is required urgently.
A nominal roll of such personnel in accordance with Schedule A will be submitted to these HQ NOT later than 26 Jul 44. Nil return where applicable.

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13. PERSONNEL SUITABLE FOR RAILWAY DUTIES contd.

Personnel who are considered suitable are those who

(a) Have been previously in civil or military railway employment
(b) Have had railway experience other than regular employment and
(c) Are generally competent persons who it is considered would be able to undertake railway duties under supervision in an emergency.

In making returns, individuals should be classified as below:-

(a) Sufficiently experienced to operate immediately in work shown
(b) Less experienced, but can do work if no "A" class men available; and
(c) Can do work under direction and supervision.

14. SECURITY

The attention of all ranks is directed to the following appointments:

Unit Security Officers

Regtl	-	Lt P.H.Allen.
159 Bty	-	Capt P.F.DALEY
160 Bty	-	Capt D.H.Coop
161 Bty	-	Lt G.A.Johnston

Although personnel are permitted to enclose "Army News" in letters, they are NOT permitted to discuss or disclose in correspondence details of operations such as enemy air activity even though an official report has appeared in "Army News".

D H Coop

.....Capt.RAA
Adm Comd 160 Aust LAA Bty RAA (AIF)

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RAILWAY OPERATING PERSONNEL NWA

SCHEDULE "A"

NO.	RANK.	NAME.	POSTING INCL TG CLASSIFICATION.	UNIT

BRIDGE CARPENTER
ELECTRIC
FETTLER
FETTLING GANGER
PLATELAYER
PLATELAYING GANGER
PER WAY INSPECTOR
SIGNALMAN
GUARD
STATION MASTER (SMALL)
STATION MASTER (LARGE)
SHUNTER
HEAD SHUNTER
CARRIAGE BUILDER
CARRIAGE INSPECTOR
LOCO INSPECTOR
LOCO CLEANER
LOCO FIREMAN
LOCO DRIVER

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Army Form C2136 (Large)
(Pads of 100) (Adapted Sept. 1943)

MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Call	Ser. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM (A) Originator: 112 Aust LAA Regt RAA

Date—Time of Origin: 232030 I K

Office Date Stamp

For Action

160 Aust LAA Bty RAA (AIF)

TO

(w) For Information (INFO.)

RAA, NT Force

~~5 Aust AA Regt RAA~~

~~55 Aust AA Regt RAA~~

Message Instructions — GR

ORIGINATOR'S No. 01318

Secret ⊙ one tp will relieve tp 153 Bty COOMALIE Airfd beginning rd mor 2408001K passing under comd 55 Regt on completion ⊙ 153 Bty ammo guns connected stores being left COOMALIE for subsequent hand over 232 Bty with 55 Regt caretaker ends gunsites and tp Hd ⊙ 160 Bty mor will be make with minimum MT less ammo guns connected stores ⊙ medical ⊙ daily sick parade and casualties to RAAF MO ⊙ 112 Regt MO regular visit Tuesday afternoons additional for consultations by signal ⊙ repairs and recovery eqpt to workshop parent unit ⊙ intercomm ⊙ on completion tp will signal 55 Regt quote serial ONE completed unquote ⊙ line maintenance arrangements later AAA

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means except ..... Wireless

Signed

If liable to be intercepted or fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent IN CIPHER

Signed [illegible] Lt

Originator's Instructions
Degree of Priority

Time	System	Op
THI or TOR		
Time Cleared		

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160 Aust LAA Bty RAA (AIF)

SECRET
Copy No. 2
23 Jul 44.

OPERATION NO.3

INFM

1. To maintain AA protection of COOMALIE Airfield during re-shuffle of AA it is necessary for a tp of 160 Aust LAA Bty RAA (AIF) to defend this Airfield for approx 3 weeks.

INTENTION

2. B Tp will relieve 153 Bty COOMALIE Airfield 24 Jul 44.

METHOD

3. Start PointMain gate 37 mile camp.
4. Start Time 240800IK
5. Speed and density15 MIH 10 VTM
6. Comd Tp comes under comd 55 Regt on completion relief.

ADM

7. Medical Sick parades and casualties to RAAF MO. RMO will visit Tuesday afternoons additional for consultations to be arranged as necessary.
8. Amn & Eqpt 153 Bty leaving amn,guns and connected stores and Tp HQ eqpt at sites and HQ with a caretaker at each place for subsequent handover 55 Regt. B Tp will move less amn, guns and connected stores but will take Tp HQ eqpt.
9. Rations Tp will take over 153 Bty rations indent of 83. 2 3 tonners will return immediately from COOMALIE and move cooks, cooking gear, prepared midday meal and unconsumed portion of days rations.
10. Tpt Following scale of tpt will be taken by B Tp:-

    3 light vehs (one to follow when discharged from W'shops).
    3 3 tonnrs (plus for move only one BHQ 3 tonner).

11. Rec & Repair By Bty W'shops Sub-Sec.

INTERCOMN

12. Completion of Relief On completion of relief tp will signal 55 Regt "SERIAL ONE COMPLETED".
13. Bty HQ Remains 37 mile.
14. Line Maintenance By 55 Regt.

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.....Maj.RAA
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TRAINING INSTRUCTION No.36.

RE-TESTING OF DVRS MT -BRO No.148

1. Refresher Trg L/Sjt WATTS will undertake refresher trg of all dvrs who have NOT been retested as follows :-

   (a) BHQ - 28 & 29 Jul 44.

   (b) A Tp - 31 Jul, 1 & a Aug 44.

2. Testing Officer L/Sjt GRAHAM, 159 Bty.

3. Itinerary of Testing Offr

   (a) BHQ - afternoon 2 Aug 44 then proceed to COOMALIE.

   (b) A Tp - 3 & 4 Aug 44.

TRADE TESTING - GUNLAYERS Gp 111

4. Subjects & Syllabus Regtl SOs APPX 22 Sec 1V lays down trade test subjects & syllabus.

5. Policy of Trg & Trade Testing Trg in subjects A-F will be carried out by Tps with a view to qualification of all gun numbers at a Regtl Board. Instruction in subjects "G" must be given by Sigs personnel and will be arranged as circumstances permit by Bty. All gunlayers must qualify in Subject "E", together with a 50% reserve.

TOETS

6. General Commencing Aug 44 personnel will be required to pass TOETS as follows :-

TOET	PERSONNEL	REFERENCE FOR TOET
(a) Rifle,Grenade,LMG,Gas.	All ranks	Relevant SAT Pams
(b) Predictor	All Inst Ops Gp 11.	Regtl SOs APPX Ch 22 Sec 11.
(c) Gun	All gun nos	Regtl SOs APPX Ch 22 Sec 1V.

7. Returns Tps will submit a return by 3rd day of each month showing numbers qualified in each test, names of those who failed together with remarks on failures. In the event of a Tp failing to complete tests an explanation will be included on the return.

FD TRG A Tp

8. General A Tp will carry out fd trg from date of release from COOMALIE (estimated 20 Aug 44) until return of B Tp from leave.

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8. Preparation

(a) Tac Tp Comd will ensure that by 20 Aug 44 all key personnel are fully conversant with Regtl SOs Appx Chs 2,3,4, &5.

(b) Adm To ensure that digging and felling of trees necessary in fd trg is NOT made unnecessarily laborious all picks, shovels and axes must be in good conditions and sharp.

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ROUTINE ORDER PART 1. No. 142.

160 Aust LAA Bty RAA(AIF).

Restricted. 28th July 44.

1. PROMOTIONS, APPOINTMENTS AND CONFIRMATIONS OF RANK.

VX85456 L/Bdr COSTELLO J.H. Appointed paid L/Bdr 26.6.44,

2. PROFICIENCY PAY.

VX124041	Gnr	GUEST A.W.	Prof pay withdrawn	26.6.44,
TX11068	"	PARISH M.A.	" " "	7.9.43,
VX63791	"	CASLEY W.H.	" " "	"
VX85454	L/Bdr	COSTELLO J.H.	Granted prof pay	28.6.44,

3. TRADE GROUPINGS.

VX124041	Gnr	GUEST A.W.	Graded T.G. 11 Inst Op	26.6.44,
VX112957	"	SMELL W.J.	" " 111 Eng Hd i/c	1/12/43,
VX101419	"	HENDERSON I.A.	" " " " " "	" "
TX11069	"	PARISH M.A.	" " " Dvr Mech	7.9.43,
VX63791	"	CASLEY W.H.	" " " " "	" "
VX85454	L/Bdr	COSTELLO J.H.	Relinq T.G.111 G/layer	28.6.44,

Auth for above RO 24/5033/44.

4. REGT TRANSFERS.

VX89862 S/Sjt REGAN L.W. From RHQ to 160 Bty.

5. COMMONWEALTH REFERENDUM.

A referendum in relation to the proposed law for amendment of the Commonwealth Constitution will be held on Sat 19 Aug 44.

6. (a) Personnel, in connection with this referendum
(i) may attend meetings in uniform
(ii) will NOT address meetings
(iii) will NOT take part in processions or demonstrations
(iv) will NOT undertake canvassing or distribution of literature or cards.

(b) Spec leave will NOT be granted to members in connection with the Referendum campaign.

VOTING QUALIFICATIONS.

7. Anyone over the age of 21 yrs or anyone under 21 yrs who has served outside Australia (Service in Papua or New Guinea is " service outside Australia" shall be entitled to vote as an elector of the division in which he resided prior to enlistment

8. Anyone who ordinarily resided in the Aust Capital Territory or the Northern Territory prior to enlistment is ineligible to vote

9. Minors who were sent to Darwin and went by sea, travelling at any time outside the three mile limit will be entitled to vote. Bass Strait for this purpose is part of territorial waters and personnel crossing the Strait to or from the mainland are NOT thereby entitled to vote.

VOTING ARRANGEMENTS.

10. The Regt voting Officer will be Lt P.H.Allen.

11. Lt Buzacott is nominated as the bty voting officer, and will act on the orders of the Regt voting Officer.

12.

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VOTING ARRANGEMENTS - continued.

12. A conference willl be held at RHQ on a date to be notified later, of all voting offrs, for issue of detailed instrs for voting.

13. A future order will detail where and before whom, and on what dates and during what hours, members who are qualified voters will record their votes.

VACANCIES FOR OFFRS and SENIOR NCO's in the AAEC and AAAS.

14. Vacancies exist for offrs(in the rank of Lt) and for senior NCO's in the AAES and the AAAS.

15. The minimum qualifications requisite for appointment are:-

A. EDUCATION SERVICE.
(a) General Educational duties-
(i) leaving certificate or equivalent;
(ii) university degree;
(iii) certificate of a teaching institution;
(iv) practical experience in adult education;
(v) practical experience in vocational guidance;
(vi) any special qualifications not included above(e.g. professional journalist);
(vii) specialist trade qualifications with teaching experience;

(b) Administrative duties-

Special qualifications for administrative work.

B. AMENITIES SERVICE.
(i) Overseas service- 1914-1918 or 1939-1944;
(ii) moderate administrative and accountacy ability;
(iii) tact and ability to organize groups for recreation and entertainment;
(iv) ability to organize atheletics, boxing and sporting contests;
(v) some knowledge of cinema, radio and stage activities.

16. Perference will be given to personnel who have had operational experience during the present war.

17. Applications to include personal particulars and qualifications.

EQUIPMENT OF PERSONNEL EVACUATED TO HOSPITAL.

18. ref Routine Order Part 1. No. 136 para 10. of 27th Mar 44.

19. The above RO set out what equipment was to accompany a soldier when he was evacuated to hospital. Reports have been received indicating that this order has NOT, in some instances, been carried out.

20. Tp Comds will ensure that the provisions of that order are strictly complied with.

ROYAL MIL COLLEGE OF AUST- VACANCIES FOR STAFF CADETS.

21. Applications are called for admissions to the Royal Mil College Duntroon (25 vacancies). Successful cands will enter the College early in 1945 and, on graduation will be appointed to the Aust Staff Corps.

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22. To be eligible for admission to the College as a Cadet, a cand must:
(a) be medically fit;
(b) be unmarried;
(c) be a British subject permanently resident in Aust;
(d) be over 16 yrs of age and under 20 yrs of age on 24 Feb 44;
(e) having the following educational qualifications:-
(i) a pass or higher certificate at a public examination for the "leaving"(or"Senior") or the "intermediate" (or"Junior") in:-
English- Mathematics- one other language and any one of the following subjects:-
Physics or Chemistry
Geography
Book-keeping
Economics etc in accordance with RMC Regs.

23. Cands who have qualified for the Leaving (or Senior) certificate will receive preference over those who have qualified for the Intermediate (or Junior) certificate.

24. Further particulars may be obtained on application to these HQ.

DRESS.

25. Ref Regt SOs Appx Chapter 2, Sec V, para 5, "Pistols". Tps will ensure that ORs authorised to wear Pistols will wear them at all times when absent from their Layout other than for recreation.

WELFARE MANAGEMENT.

26. The names of the committee of Management are as follows:-

Capt Coop.

Gnr Cross.

Auditors.
Lt Murray.
L/Sgt Senior.

During the lrave period Lt Murray will be substituted for Capt Coop and Cpl Walter for L/Sgt Senior.

ORDER OF THE DAY
By

GENERAL SIR THOMAS BLAMEY
G.B.E., K.C.B.,D.S.O., E.D.,
COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

Headquarters
Australian Military Forces
15th July 44.

VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CROPS.

On the occasion of the fourth anniversary of the constitution of the Volunteer Defence Corps, Australia's 'Home Guard", I desire to place on record my continued pleasure at the manner in which all ranks of the Corps have carried out the duties entrusted to them.

Happily, the course of the war in the Pacific has proceeded in such a way that the need has not arisen for the Corps to put to the test in action the training which it has received. It is a matter for general satisfaction that the war situation has so far improved that it was possible recently to place two-thirds of the unit on a reserve basis. This considerably reduces training and releases members from the necessity of attending so frequently at parades, thus enablingthe organization to be kept intact to

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meet any future emergencies which mat occur.

I have recently had the oppurtunity of observing on the spot the manner in which the Home Guard in England is carrying out the important role alloted in conjunction with the present operations in France. It must be obvious to all that the capacity of that splendid body to safety guard the Home Country has contributed materially to the powerful blow the field forces have made against the emeny.

I have no doubt that had similar circumstances arisen in Australia the Volunteer Defence Corps could have been relied upon in equal measure.

The manner in which members in reserve units have signified their intention of continuing to carry out the modified training is a source of gratification to all who are charged with the responsibility for the defence of thismcountry. this indicates the magnificicht spirit which brought the Volunteer Defence Corps into existence and will continue while the need for it exists.

To those units which are still charged with the active task of manning anti-aircraft, coast artillery and searchlight equipment, my special message is that you strive to increase the efficiency which you have already attained to the point where all 'A' Class members of the A.M.F., who have manned these equipments during past years, can be released for duty in the forward areas. This is not beyond you. The work you have already done has resulted in the replacement of more than six thousand men and their absorption by units in the forward areas- a material factors in our present difficult manpower situation.

I rely with confidence on the fact that all ranks of the Volunteer Defence Corps will wontinue, in spite of the urgent calls made on their time and leisure by their primary jobs in civil industry and all personal difficulties, to ensure that our fortress defences are adequately manned until the war in the Pacific is won- which is not yet

T.A.Blamey.
General
Commander-in-Chief
AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCES.

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.....Maj RAA.
Comd. 160 Aust LAA Bty RAA (AIF)

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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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SHEET 1.

ORIGINAL
25 SEP 1944

Army Form C. 2118.
(adapted.)

Unit 160 Aust LAA Bty RAA (AIF) Date and Time.—From 1 Aug 44 To —

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Riding camps 37m. N. T.	1-2.		Gen Trg. Syllabus. Commencement of D & M section of Adv. Ops. Course.	
	3.		B. Tps complete depart on leave. (Draft 1).	
	4.		"A" Tp fired practice of 40 rds per gun. Directed by 55 Aust AA Comp Regt.	Instns. att
	12.		"A" Tp vacated COOMALIE defences, and returned to Bty camps at 37m.	(10A) D.O. Pt. 1 No 150 att Instns for move att.
			Tps of 55 Comp AA Regt. took over COOMALIE positions.	
	13.		Stand down.	
	14-19.		General Trg. Syllabus.	D.O. Pt. 1 No 151 att.
	20.		Stand down.	
	22.		36 personnel detached to 61 Aust LAA Bty for relieving on gunsites	

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Unit 160 Aust LAA Bty. RAA (AIF) Date and Time.—From ..... To .....

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	22.		while 161 Bty personnel shoot. Lt. Murray to 161 Bty.	
	23-24.		As for 22nd.	
	27.		Lt. Buzacott detached to 161 Bty.	(26th) Ro. Pt. 1 No 157 att.
	28-31.		General Arg. syllabus.	

L. Hook Capt.

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232 Aust. L. A.A. Bty
55 Aust. A.A. Regt.
AUSTRALIA
1 August 44.

PRACTICE SHOOT.

1. A practice shoot will be carried out in BATCHELOR - GOULD - COOMALIE area as follows:-

3 August '44	0900 hrs - 1200 hrs	"C" Tropp 232 Aust IAA Bty.
3 August '44	1430 hrs - 1730hrs	"B" Troop 232 Aust IAA Bty
4 August '44	0900 hrs - 1200 hrs	"A" Troop 160 Aust IAA Bty.

2. DIRECTING STAFF.

Director of Practice	- Capt R.V.HARRY.
Asst Directors of Pract	- Troop Commanders of Troops firing.
Bty Safety Officer	- It J.G.Croft.
Troop Safety Officers	- Troop leaders of Troops firing
Gun Safety N.C.O's	- (1) "C" Troop shoot - 2 senior N.C.O's to be supplied by "B" Troop.
	(11) "B" Troop shoot - 2 senior N.C.O's to be supplied by "C" Troop
	(111) "A" Troop shoot - 1 senior N.C.O to be supplied by "A" Troop.
Chief Critics	- "C" Troop shoot - It A.C.GIBBINS WOll WARD W.R.
	"B" Troop shoot - Capt. R.S.HAWKES WOll WARD W.R.
	"A" Troop shoot - To be supplied by 160Bty
Assistant Critics	- Each Chief Critic will arrange for 2 senior N.C.O's to act as assistant Critics

3. ORDERS FOR DIRECTING STAFF

As per "232 Aust L.A.A. Bty Standing Orders for Practice Shoots", and para 9 below.

4. FIRING POINTS AND DANGER AREAS.

Ref maps PINE CREEK 4 miles to 1" and DARWIN 4 miles to 1".

Troop	Firing Point	Danger Areas.
"C" Troop 232 Aust LAA Bty	L11 4031 3354	4031 3354 4035 3337 3990 3217
"B" Troop 232 Aust LAA Bty	L17 4035 3337	3900 3292 3910 3407
"A" Troop 160 Aust LAA Bty	L3 4158 3427	4158 3427 4240 3525 4295 3440 4245 3315

5. COURSE OF TARGETS.

Direct approacher, oblique and crossing targets as per sketch already issued. Height 1000 ft.

6. SAFETY ARCS

(a)	L11	285° - 210°
(b)	L17	299° - 203°
(c)	L3	141° - 41°

7. TYPE OF SHOOT.

"C" and "B" Troops 232 Aust LAA Bty.
40 r.p.g. for both Predictor and F.A.S. Detachments.

"A" Troop 160 Aust LAA Bty
30 r.p.g. - All detachments to fire F.A.S. only

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8. REPORT ON SHOOT

To be submitted by Troop Commanders, as per "232 Aust.LAA Bty, St Standing Orders for Practice Shoots". Report to be comprehensive and not merely stereotyped.

19. CRITICS

At the conclusion of each Detachment shoot Chief Critics, with help of Assistant Critics, will give a concise, constructive and practical critism of detachment shoot. Particular attention will be paid to observation of tracer corrections made therefrom and also tendenc of change of deflections.

10. INTERCOMMUNICATION

55 Aust. AA Regt. Sig. Sect will supply wireless van at sites of respective shoots during times as set out in para 1.

11. AMMUNITION

As per "232 Aust. LAA Bty Standing Orders for Practice Shoots".

12. SPARE BARRELS.

Troop Commanders will ensure that all spare barrels are available and are changed during course of practice at their discretion.

13. OPERATIONAL

As GOULD and COOMALIE areas are to remain operational the following procedure will be carried out:-

(1) "C" Troop 232 Aust LAA Bty Shoot -2 guns and all detachments will fire from firing point at L11. Troop Commander "B" Troop will supply relief detachments (F.A.S.)only for L18, L9, L10 and L12 will be manned by sentries only.

(11) "B" Troop 232 Aust. LAA Bty Shoot - 2 guns and all detachments will fire from firing point at L17. Troop Commander "C" Troop will supply relief detachments (F.A.S.) only for L13 and L14 and Troop Commander "A" Troop 160 Aust. LAA Bty, will supply relief detachments (F.A.S.) only for L15 and L16.

(111) "A" Troop 160 Aust. LAA Bty Shoot - All detachments will fire from firing point at L3 and will use L3 gun. Troop Commander "C" Troop will supply relief detachments (F.A.S.) only for L1, L2 and L4 and Troop Commander "B" Troop for L5 and L6.

In order to effect above reliefs Troop Commanders will liase as to times, guides etc.

14. WATERING OF FIRING POINTS.

Firing points will be watered as necessary before shoots.

Richard V. Harry Capt.
O.C. 232 Aust. L. A.A. Bty.

Distribution.
"A" Troop 160 Aust LAA Bty.
"B" Troop 232 Aust.LAA Bty.
"C" Troop 232 Aust LAA Bty.
Director of Practice
RHQ 55 Aust AA Regt
55 Aust AA Regt Wkshops AEME
55 Aust AA Regt Sig Sec
BHQ 160 Aust LAA Bty
136 Aust Hvy AA Bty for imformation
69 Aust S/L Bty for imformation
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160 Aust LAA Bty RAA(AIF).

ROUTINE ORDER.PT 1. No. 150.

RESTRICTED. 10 Aug '44.

1. APPOINTMENTS AND PROMOTIONS AND CONFIRMATIONS of RANK.

VX80061	A/Bdr	CLARKSON G.C.	Rank of Bdr confirmed 1/3/44.
VX83022	"	COX A.J.	" " " 25/6/42.
VX80489	Gnr	BURROWS L.A.	Appointed Unpaid L/Bdr 11/6/44.
VX76779	A/Sjt	BOX L.R. (AACC)	Rank of Sjt confirmed 15/4/44.

2. STRUCK OFF STRENGTH.

NX127673	Gnr	LAWRENCE J.	to 3 Aust Water Tpt Gp Mt Martha 26/7/44.
TX11291	"	BRACKEN K.G.	

3. REGT TRANSFERS.

VX124924	Gnr	HORIN M.	160 Bty to RHQ.

4. PROFICIENCY PAY.

VX78575	L/Bdr	ROBERTSON D.A.	Granted proficiency pay 19/12/43.

5. AIF ENLISTMENTS.

V295863	Gnr	WHITE W.D.	from CMF and allotted No. VX149106 19/7/44.

6. SCHOOL AND COURSES.

VX76878	Sjt	HENRY J.H.A.	Qualified LHQ Sch of Arty LAA Gunnery Instrs Course No 57. (NCO) 27/3/44- 6/5/44.
VX79129	"	HALL C.M.	Qualified 12 Aust Div Cypher School 1/5/44- 2/5/44.
VX76779	"	BOX L.R. (AACC)	Qualified NTFS Cooking Course No 24. 20/5/44- 22/6/44.
VX75226	Cpl	WALTER J.H. (AAMC)	Qualified NTFS Fd and Hospital Course for Medical orderlies. 25/10/43- 14/11/43.

The following personnel were re-trade tested as Instrument Operators (Predictor) 18/10/43- 21/10/43.

VX21902	Sjt	HUME G.O.	VX79160	Sjt	THRUM L.P.
VX63283	"	JACOBI R.K.	VX78609	"	TRACY K.J.
VX78606	L/Sjt	BETTLES A.J.W.	VX78858	"	TUDOR E.V.
VX78503	WOii	FORD L.E.	VX101416	"	WOOTTON R.T.
VX76873	Sjt	HENRY J.H.A.			

7. EAST- WEST ROAD- DESIGNATION OF

With effect 18 Jul 44 the main road from TENNANT CREEK to Mt ISA will be known for all mil purposes as the "BARKLY HIGHWAY".

8. USE OF FIREARMS.

Shooting on any station property except by members of an organised party under control of an Offr is forbidden.

Offrs Conducting such parties will first obtain the permission of the owner or manager of the station for shooting to be carried out and will comply strictly with any conditions on which such permission is granted.

In NO circumstances, will high powered mil weapons, grenades or explosives be used.

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9. TRAFFIC CONTROL.

Vehs used by Provost Corps for the purpose of exercising traffic control on the STUART HIGHWAY and in DARWIN will be clearly marked with a sign front and rear:-

"TRAFFIC CONTROL".

10. TRAFFIC CONTROL- OVERTAKING.

It is declared an offence for a veh to overtake another veh of a similar type where it entails driving beyond the max speed.

It is likewise an offence to, overtake on a curve, when approaching the crest of a hill, or in a cloud of dust.

A veh which is overtaking will give way to an approching veh.

The horn will be sounded before overtaking another veh.

11. TRAFFIC CONTROL- ENTERING STUART HIGHWAY.

All vehs about to enter STUART HIGHWAY from any side of the road or track or from any unit or sub-unit lines, will stop at least 5 feet before the front of the veh reaches the highway.

Steps will be taken to erect stop notices on allside roads forthwith to warn drs as above. In the case of unit or sub-unit roads or tracks this will be the unit or sub-unit responsibility. In the case of other than unit or sub-unit roads the signs will be erected under arrangements to be made by HQ NT Force.

Drs will look both ways whilst halted and before moving on will ensure that there is NO veh approaching him from either direction along the STUART HIGHWAY within at least 50 yards of his veh.

All veh passing along STUART HIGHWAY HAVE THE RIGHT of way over vehs entering the highway.

12. TRAFFIC CONTROL MARKING OF VEHS.

It is essential for purposes of traffic control that the registered numbers of vehs and unit serial numbers be clearly distinguishable.

In some cases rear numbers are completely obscured by dust and cannot be distinguished, especially at night.

Drs will therefore keep there rear numbers cleaned at regular intervals.

In every case registered numbers of vehs must be painted in white paint, if possible on a black background.

13. TRAFFIC CONTROL SPEEDING.

From '42 to present date orders have been issued from time to time with regard to the prevalenec of the offence of speeding, and drawing attention to the seriousness of this practice.

Many serious, and, in some cases, fatal accidents are still occuring as the result of reckless driving and breaches of orders and traffic rules.

It is directed that the offence of speeding be viewed gravely by all authorities who have occasion to administer the disciplinary code in NT.

The responsibility of BCs in this regard is stressed, and they will ensure, by means of unit orders, and addresses given personnally by them to their tps, that the attention of all ranks is drawn to the necessity of exercising and maintaining the strictest care when driving or otherwise in charge of vehs.

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13. CONTINUED.

EVERY OFFR IN NT FORCE WILL, MOREOVER, BE CHARGED WITH THE DUTY OF WATCHING FOR AND TAKING STEPS TO REPORT ANY BREACH OF TRAFFIC RULES, EVEN IF THIS MAY MEAN A TEMPORARY DEVIATION FROM ANY DUTY ON WHICH THE OFFR MAY BE ENGAGED.

By mutual agreement, combined Allied Services traffic patrols are now in force and can pull up vehs of any service.

AN OFFR OF ANY SERVICE IS NOW AUTHORISED TO TAKE ANY ACTION WHENEVER HE SEES A BREACH OF TRAFFIC REGULATIONS COMMITTED BY A DVR OF ANY SERVICE BY REPORTING THE PARTICULARS OF THE VEHS CONCERNED AND THE BREACH COMMIT-TED TO THE HQ OF HIS OWN SERVICE, WHICH WILL TRANSMIT THEM TO THE HQ OF THE SERVICE CONCERNED.

In effect every offr in the NT is to become a potential traffic supervisor.

For infm the spped limits in NT are again promulgated as under:-

Staff Cars, Cars, 6 str utility, jeeps and M/Cycles	40mph
Utilities and veh up to 30 cwt	30mph
All other wheeled vehs	25mph
Carriers	15mph

Reduced speed limits have been placed on certain sections of NT roads, mainly on dangerous curves and past camp areas. Signs have been erected at such places, and disregard of these warning notices will constitute a traffic offence, to be dealt with by disciplinary action.

14. UNAUTHORISED PROCUREMENT OF STORES.

Several instances have occured recently of units obtaining stores direct from other than Army sources e.g. DMR and AWC without authority.

Attention is drawn to the fact that only Engr and Ordnance services may authorise purchase of stores from any source outside the Army.

In future where units obtain stores direct from outside services without authority, the person or persons obtaining such stores will be called upon to pay the cost thereof.

15. SALVAGE SERVICE COLLECTION OF WASTE PAPER.

Units are requested to save all waste paper for salvage, and deliver the paper collected to Salvage Depot or Sub-unit.

Canvas bags for collection of waste paper will be provided on demand by the nearest Salvage Depot.

Paper required incl old newspaper, magazines, envelopes of all kinds but NOT cellophane, carbon paper, blotting, greaseproof or tar paper nor any paper that has become greasy.

Discarded documents of a protected category must on NO account be sent to Salvage as waste paper.

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16. EXTRACTS FROM BTY TRUST A/C LEDGER.

Cr Balance as at 25 Jul '44.	£104- 10- 4.	
RECEIPTS.		
Bty Canteen Profit.	17- 12-	
EXPENDITURE.		
Bal of W/fare Fd Distrib. & puggarees issued thro BHQ Canteen.		7- 12-
Cr Balance as at 25 Jul '44.		114- 10- 4
	£122- 2- 4.	£122- 2- 4.

STATEMENT OF ADVANCES as at 25 Jul '44.

Held by BHQ Canteen £175-
Money held by Maj Crawford 5-10/-.

We certify that we have examined the Trust A/C Book AAF.W. 145 the Trust A/C Ledger and vouchers relating to 160 Aus LAA Bty RAA(AIF) Trust Accounts and that in our opinion this statement correctly sets out the position of the funds as at 25 Jul'44.

(Signed) G.Senior. L/Sjt.

17. CANTEEN P & L A/C, for month ending 25 Jul '44.

INCOME.		EXPENDITURE.	
Takings for mth.	£370- 12- 7.	Stock on Hand 25/6/44.	£70- 12-2
Stock on Hand 25/7/44.	75- 16- 4.	Purchases mth July.	358- 4- 9
Refund from Bty Welfare Fund.	7- 12-	Profit mth £18- Ø -9 Less Breaks 8- 9.	17- 12-
		Distribution on behalf of Bty W/Fare Fund.	7 - 12-
	£454- Ø- 11		£454- Ø-11

We certify that we have examined the Canteen Stock Book, the Canteen Supervisor's Cash Book and vouchers relating to 160 Aust LAA Bty RAA(AIF) Canteen Accounts, and that in our opinion this statement correctly sets out the position of the Canteen as at 25 Jul'44.

(Signed) G.Senior. L/Sjt.

CANTEEN ASSETS AS AT, July 26th '44.

Cash	£99- 3- 4.
Stock	75- 16- 4.
	£175-

.....Capt RAA
Adm Comd. 160 Aust LAA Bty RAA(AIF).

DISTRIBUTION.

A' Troop
B' Troop
War Diary.
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Army Form C2136 (Small)
(Pads of 100) (Adapted Sept. 1943)

MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Call	Ser. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM (A) Originator: 112 aust Loa regt

Date—Time of Origin: 11 1200 1K

Office Date Stamp

For Action

TO: 160 aust loa bty

(w) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions — GR

ORIGINATOR'S No. O1424 secret ⊙ tp of 55 Regt taking over COOMALLIE airfd defs 12 aug ⊙ A Tp to be ready to move 12 1000 1K ⊙ comd A tp to liaise closely 55 regt who will issue detailed orders re move

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means { except ..... } Wireless

Signed [signature] Lt

If liable to be intercepted or fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent IN CIPHER

Signed

Originator's Instructions Degree of Priority: DRIS.

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160 Aust LAA Bty RAA(AIF).

ROUTINE ORDER Pt 1. No. 151.

RESTRICTED. 19 Aug '44.

1. APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS and COMMISSIONS.

VX12009 Lt(T/Maj) CRAWFORD J.S. To be Capt & retain temporary rank of Maj 16/10/43.
VX14465 Maj (T/Lt-Col HUGHES-HALLETT, C.L. to be Lt-Col 17/11/42.

2. BURIALS.

VX45454 T/Capt NEIL A.C. Ref RO 3/44 para 53
Buried ADELAIDE RIVER War Cemetery
Grave No PC 13 14/5/44.
VX59804 Lt JOHNSON R.A. Ref RO 3/44 para 53
Buried ADELAIDE RIVER War Cemetery
Grave No. PC 16.

3. STRUCK OFF STRENGTH.

VX1092 Gnr BAUER R.L. Transferred to Gen Reinfts 16/7/44.

4. TRANSFERS.

VX113122 Gnr BOWER R.F. From 160 Bty to Regt HQ 16/8/44.
V260129 Pte GEDDES J.H. " 112 Regt to AACC. 11/7/44.

5. PROFICIENCY PAY.

TX15582 Gnr HARVEY B.L. Proficiency pay forfeited 11/7/44.

6. MEDICAL CLASSIFICATION.

VX18652 S/Sjt McEVOY G.O. Medical classification re-assessed as "B"1. (L ankle) 14/7/44.
VX78858 Sjt TUDOR E.V. Medical classification re-assessed as "D" (Hysteria)

7. TRADE GROUPINGS.

VX78486 Cfn EARLE R.C. Relinquishes Inst Mech Trade Gp 1. 2/7/44 and graded Fitter Inst Tde Gp 1. 2/7/44.
V260129 Pte GEDDES J.H. Graded Cook Trade Gp 11. 11/7/44.

8. PUNISHMENTS.

COURT MARTIAL. VX1092 Gnr BAUER R.L.
D C M Held at 101 A G H on 30/5/44.
CHARGE: Conduct to the prejudice of good order and Military discipline (AA40) 11/4/44.
FINDING: Guilty.
SENTENCE: To undergo detention for six months 30/5/44.
CONFIRMATION: Confirmed by GOC NT Force on 11/6/44.
DATE OF PROMULGATION: xxxxxxxxxxxxx 22/6/44.
PERIOD IN CONFINEMENT AWAITING TRAIL: 2 days.
TOTAL FORFEITURE: 185 days.

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8. PUNISHMENTS. continued.

TX15582	Gnr b HARVEY B.L. (Proficient)	Offence: Failed to appear at place of parade 1330 hrs (AA 15 (2) 10/7/44. Award: Fined £5 by CO LTD Vic L of C Area. 11/7/44.
VX76803	Gnr DONALDSON J.A. (Proficient)	Offence: AWL 0730 Hrs 10/7/44 to 1300 hrs 11/7/44. (AA 15 (1) Award: Admonished by CO LTD Vic L of C Area 11/7/44. Automatic forfeiture: 2 dys pay
VX83249	L/Bdr STOYLES W.A.H.	Offence: Conduct to the prejudice of good order & military discipline (AA 40) 27/6/44. Award: Severe reprimand by Comd Met Tps Vic L of C Area 27/6/44.
VX85463	Gnr HENRY A.J. (proficient)	Offence: Failed to appear at place of parade 1325 hrs 13/7/44 thereby necessitating issue of Rail Warrant to the value of £2/5/6. Award: Fined £1 & stoppage of pay until £2/5/6 is refunded- by CO LTD Vic L of C Area 14/7/44.
NX127673	Gnr LAWRENCE J. (Proficient)	Offence: Neglect to the prejudice of good order & military Discipline (AA 40) 21/7/44. Award: Admonished by CO 112 Regt 22/7/44.

9. SCHOOLS and COURSES.

NX54131	Lt	DONNELL J.R.	School- LHQ SME Fd Course No 96. from 11/7/43 to 31/7/43 QUALIFIED.
VX55922	"	McLEOD D.N.	School-LHQ School of Arty (AA) Course No.35 from 12/7/43 to 29/8/43 Qualified
VX12009	Maj	CRAWFORD J.S.	School- NT Force Amphibious Trg Cadre from 8/11/43 to 11/11/43. Qualified.
VX58332	Lt	MURRAY W.	School- NT Force School Unit "Q" Staff from 15/11/43 to 19/11/43 Qualified.
VX85380	Lt	WILLIS A.M.	School- NT Force School Unit "Q" Staff from 15/11/43 to 19/11/43. Qualified.
SX24957	Lt	STANWAY R.M.	School- 12 Aust Div Cypher School from 1/5/44 to 2/5/44 Qualified.

10. PUBLICATIONS BY MEMBERS OF AMF.

The attention of all ranks is directed to ROs Pt 1 No 110 para 6. All comms to the press which contain reference to mil matters, whether fact or fictional, will be fwded to GS (Int) NT Force for refernce to Director General of Public Relations through normal channels.

11. TRAFFIC CONTROL - RLY CROSSINGS.

The greatest care will be exercised by drs when approaching a rail crossing over the road. They will slow right down, and will stop if the unrestricted view of the line xxx both ways is less than 300 yards.
Warning signs are being erected at all rail crossings over the Stuart Highway.

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12. PUMPS TYRE HAND - MAINT.

The number of pumps, tyre hand, which have been evacuated to Wksps for repair indicate that lubrication of these items has been neglected.

In most types of pumps, tyre hand, the plunger assembly is removeable from the barrel and the plunger shaft and bucket should be periodically smeared with Graphite grease. Necessity, upon reassembly, to spread the leather bucket to insure an airtight seal should be stressed. Where difficulty is experienced in dissembling or assembling the pump, reference will be made to the 1st Ech Wksps.

The attention of BCs is drawn to the necessity to co-operate to the fullest extent in this matter.

13. CAMFLG- 40 mm AA Arty.

Top camflg will NOT normally remain in place over 40 mm AA guns.

Camflg where required will be placed over the guns only on receipt of warning of the approach of hostile aircraft, and when NO action is required against low flying hostile aircraft.

It should be noted that movement of camflg arrangement in the presence of hostile aircraft will more readily disclose the location of guns than the lack of concealment.

14. HELMETS STEEL- USE AT DRILL.

At all times on the order "TAKE POST" dets will take post wearing helmets steel.

The Det Comd or inspecting offr may then order helmets will NOT be worn.

It will be appreciated that unless, through drill this action becomes automatic dets may take post in action without protection.

15. LOCAL LEAVE AND REST DAYS.

In addition to the rest day referred to in Pt XX of Gro A598/43, local leave may be granted on one half day in each week, subject to the following provisions.

The main purpose of this local leave is to permit the enjoyment of regular recreation and exercise NOT normally available to those obliged to remain on duty on every day of the week except the rest day.

THE GRANT OF THIS LOCAL LEAVE IS SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE B C AND AT HIS DISCRETION HAVING REGARD TO SERVICE REQUIREMENTS AND LOCAL CONDITIONS.

This leave will be purely local in its application. It will NOT be accumulated or carried forward. It will NOT be granted to a member in any week during which he is granted recreation leave. It will NOT be granted immediately before or after any period of recreation leave or immediately before or after a rest day which precedes or follows recreation leave.

It is NOT intended that HQs be reduced to "SKELETON STAFF" basis on account of the granting of this local leave, and rosters will be prepared accordingly.

16. CANTEEN HOURS. amended to:-

Monday- Saturday, 1245-1330 hrs.
Sunday- 1130-1200 hrs.

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"B" "
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A H Coop
.....Capt.RAA
Adm Comd.160 Aust LAA Bty RAA(AIF).

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ROUTINE ORDER PART 1. No. 152.

160 Aust LAA Bty RAA (AIF).

RESTRICTED. 26 Aug '44.

1. APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS & CONFIRMATIONS OF RANK.

TX 4997 A/WO ii YEATES, J.C. Rank of WOii confirmed 27/7/44.

2. PUNISHMENTS.

VX78051 Gnr LAWS, J.R. Offence-: Conduct to the prejudice of good order and mil discipline AA40 7/7/44.
Award-: Fined 5/- by Comd Met Tps Vic L of C Area/ 7/7/44.

V165690 Pte HIORNS, J.W. Offence-: Conduct to the prejudice of good order and mil discipline AA 40.
Award:- Fined 5/- by Comd Metro Tps Vic L of C Area 5/7/44.

TX12852 Gnr CARROLL, M. Offence:- AWL 2000 26/7/44 to 0100 hrs 27/7/44. AA15 (a)
Award:- Fined £1 by CO 105 (A) Mil Hospital 27/7/44.

3. SCHOOLS and COURSES.

VX58332 Lt MURRAY, W. Qualified NTFS Camflg Course No14 5- 10/7/43 RO2/7805/43.

VX76779 Sjt BOX, L.R. Qualified Gp11 Spec Cooks Ref Cse 26/7/44. RO27/5431/44.

4. VACANCY- CLERK ARTY Trade Gp 111.

Nominations are called to fill a vancy for Clerk Arty Trade Gp 111, now existing on Regt HQ. Those interested in this posting should make application through their Bty HQ, giving details of any previous experience.
Applicants should have had some previous experience in typing.
Nominations to reach this HQ by 31 Aug '44.

5. PAYMENTS OF CASH TO PAYMASTERS OR BANK DEPOSITS.

NO amount in excess of £5 will be accepted by paymasters for remittance or credit to paybooks of members of NT Force unless the approval in writing of the members CO is first obtained.
Similarly NO amount in excess of £5 will be deposited to the account of any member of NT Force in any Bank in the Northern Territory without the approval described above.
It will devolve upon the CO to satify himself that the remittance or credit does NOT arise from any unauthorised or illegal source.
Para 9 of R/O No. 131 of 8 Feb'44 is hereby cancelled.

6. CAMERAS AND CONTROL OF PHOTOGRAPHY.

Attention of all ranks is directed to GRO G18/44. see appendix "A"
Para B of NT Force GS Instn No 42 of 29 Nov '43 is cancelled, copy of this instn is held by Tps.
The following is a list of approved photographers for processing unofficial films:-

(i) QUEENSLAND.

BRISBANE. S.A. BEST Pty Ltd, Gipps St, Valley.
H.B.GREEN & Coy 130 Queen St, Brisbane.
KODAK (Aust) Pty Ltd, 250-252 Queen St.

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ROCKHAMPTON.	KODAK (Aust) Pty Ltd, East St. C.MILLS, EMU PARK.
IPSWICH.	CRIBB & FOOTE Ltd, Merchants.
TOOWOOMBA.	E.W.GRAHAM, 284 RUTHEN St.
MACKAY.	Edward T. GRANT, 71 Sydney St.
TOWNSVILLE.	KODAK (Aust) Pty Ltd, Flinders St.
CAIRNS.	" " " " Abbott St.
MARYBOROUGH.	Campbell Portrait Studio, Kent St.
ESK.	W.R.DODDS, Chemist.
GYMPIE.	Glady McD. ELLIOTT, Chemist.
	Murray Studios.
CHARTERS TOWERS.	C.GRIFFITHD, Chemist.
	A.Wadley,Chemist.
MT ISA.	Mrs R.M.JOHNSON, Miles St.

(ii) NEW SOUTH WALES.

SYDNEY.	KODAK(Aust) Pty Ltd. 379 George St.
	HARRINGTONS Pty Ltd. 386 George St.
	EDWARD MATSSON, 124 Pitt St.
NEWCASTLE.	KODAK(Aust) Pty Ltd,
KATOOMBA.	HARRINGTONS Pty Ltd.
WEST MAITLAND.	E.T.JAKEMAN, 452 High St.
	Jas F. LUCEY, 7 Victoria St.
TAMWORTH.	A.J.COHEN, 394 Peel St.
BATHURST.	A.G.HOWLETT, 179 George St.
	F.R.SMITH, 35 Rocket St.
GRAFTON.	N.S.FABIAN, 28 Olive St.
	R.N.CULTER, Prince St.
LISMORE.	J.R.ALLEN, 94 Molesworth St.
COWRA.	PARDEY Bros Studio, COWRA.
MULLUMBIMBY.	R.E.BUDD, Chemist.
CAMDEN.	C.M.CLARK, Chemist, 90 Argyle St.
CAMPBELLTOWN.	R.VENESS, Chemist, 159 Queen St.

(iii) VICTORIA.

MELBOURNE.	KODAK (Aust) Pty Ltd, 252 Collins St.
ALBURY.	GISSING & DENNISON, Dean St.
SEYMOUR.	MEREDITH, Henry, Station St.
SHEPPARTON.	S.H.GLENT. 182 Wyndham St.
WANGARATTA.	T.W.CAMPBELL, 70 Murphy St.
BAIRNSDALE.	Miss M.C. MCLEOD,
DANDENONG.	R.CLARK,
WARRAGUL.	DAVID EVANS, Chemist.
BALLARAT.	KODAK (Aust) Pty Ltd. 406 Sturt St.
	GEAR'S, 100 Sturt St.
	V GEMMOLA 217 Sturt St.
	TAYLOR & TAYLOR, 213 Mitchell St.
BENDIGO.	W.D.DAY 213 Mitchell St.
	KALMA STUDIOS, Pall Mall.
COLAC.	RAY'S PHARMACY.
GEELONG.	BULL AND OWEN, 113 Mooraboll St.
	B.M.DONALD. 147 Ryrie St.
	H.L.S. POTTER, 90 Ryrie.St.
HAMILTON.	S.G.ROBSON, Gray St.
MILDURA.	BLOCKETTS PHARMACY, Eight St.

SOUTH AUST.

(iv) ADELAIDE.	KODAK (Aust(Pty Ltd, 37 Rundle St.
	Photographic Supplies Ltd, Laubman & Pank Bldgs
	62 Gawler Place.
	K.S.CRANE, 2 James Place.

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(v) WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

PERTH.	KODAK (Aust) Pty Ltd. Hay St, Perth and their agents.
	TILLEY'S Ltd. do do do do
ALBANY.	Mr Jeff COLES, Stirling Terrace,
	" " Stubbs Terrace,
BUNBURY.	Mr. ~~xxxxxx~~ G.S.COX, William St,
	Mr, M.J.THOMAS, 116 Victoria St,

(vi) TASMANIA.

HOBART.	KODAK (Aust) Pty Ltd, 45 Elizabeth St, Hobart.
	ASH, BESTER & CO. 102 Elizabeth, HOBART.
LAUNCESTON.	KODAK (Aust) Pty Ltd. 93 Brisbane St, Launceston.
	Mr H ANDREW, Brisbane St,
	Mr. H.A.GRAHAM, " "
QUEENSTOWN.	Mr.A.K.DARGAVILLE,
	Mr T.F.NAKIVELL,
DEVONPORT.	The B.A.P. Co, Stewart St,
ULVERSTONE.	A.J.COLLINS & CO,
SHEFFIELD.	Mr. B.L.RALPH,
WYNYARD.	Mr. W.A.TOUZEAU,
BURNIE.	Mr. A.E.WINTER,
SMITHTON.	Mr. W.WINSLADE.

7. DRESS- WEARING OF SHIRTS.

Attention is directed to NT Force Adm Instn No. 106 of 27 Dec '43 which provides (inter alia) that drs of vehs will wear shirts when driving outside, that passengers in vehs proceeding outside unit lines will likewise wear shirts and that personnel generally when visiting or otherwise moving outside unit lines will wear shirts exeept when they are members of a working party actually engaged in work of a physical nature.
The provisions of this Instn will be enforced and disciplinary action taken against offenders.

8. PROHIBITED AREA- ABATTOIRS, Mt BUNDY.

The area ¼ mile east of abattoirs, Mt BUNDY and ¼ mile west facing the MARAKAI Rd to ½ mile South, is out of bounds at all times to all ranks NOT in possession of a permit in writing, such permit to be authorised by either HQ NT Force or OC FD BUTCHERY Det, Mt BUNDY, to the effect that the personnel are on duty.

9. OIL MOTORS TYPE "B" TROPIC PROOFING OF.

Ref Manual and Gun Drill 1943 sec 25.
Past experience has shown that during the wet season the remote control unit of the oil motors have become subject to deterioration through corrosion and rust.
In order to prevent future deterioration, the above units are to be tropic proofed by Wksp Sub-Secs.
To maintain correct tropic proofing at all times the side plate from the elevation unit will only be removed in the presence of an AIME Instr fitter.

10. HYGIENE DUTY PERSONNEL - BURNING LATRINES.

Drum type incinerator latrines were installed in the camp to make conditions easy for hygiene duty personnel, healthy and comfortable for everyone. These results are NOT being produced and the fault lies with the duty personnel.

PROCEDURE. (a) 50% burning.
50% in use.
(b) When burning, draught cone in seat, flue in position.
(c) When NOT burning, lid on seat, fly trap in position.
(d) After burning, scrub seat with soap and water.

B S M .will check for carrying out of above procedure.

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A Hood
.....Capt RAA.
Adm Comd. 160 Aust LAA BTY RAA(AIF).

DISTRIBUTION.

"A" Tp.
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Appendix"AA"

Extracts GRO 18/43.

Use of Cameras:-
1. Subject as hereinafter provided, all ranks mat possess and use cameras.
3. All ranks in each unit will ensure that cameras in their possession are registered with the O i/c Photography of the unit.

Unofficial Photographs :-
8. (a) Films of photographs taken by all ranks for unofficial purposes will, subject to para 4 hereof and except where otherwise authorized by LHQ, be forwarded to an approved photographer for processing.....

Subjects which will NOT be photographed:-
9. No member of the AMF will, except in the performance of his military duties, make any photograph which -
(a) if intercepted by the enemy, might be of value to him;
(b) might adversely affect the morale of the civilian population;
(c) might tend to bring our own forces, or those of our allies, into disrepute;
(d) would be in breach of any security orders, instructions or requirements of the Naval, Military or Air Forces of the Commonwealth or any Allied nation.

Disciplinary action:-
10. Contrvention of any part of this order will be dealt with by disciplinary action. In addition , the offender may be ordered to dispose of his camera in the same manner as is provided in para 6 of this order.

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ORIGINAL

Army Form C.2118
(adapted)

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Sheet 1.

(Erase heading not required).

12 OCT 1944

Unit 160 Aust LAA Bty RAA (AIF) Date and Time.—From 1 Sep 44 To 30 Sep 44

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
37 mile.	1.2		Gen Trg syllabus. Sport (Softball, football)	RO Pt I No 153 att.
Stuart Highway	3.		Stand down. 1900hrs Church Parade for	
N.T.			National Day of Prayer.	
	4.5.		Gen Trg.	
	6.		Purchased refrigerator from Amenities.	
			Priced £45. Could use another but none	
			available. Sports Afternoon	
			Softball and football. All ranks	
			taking keen interest in former, while	
			latter not to be played anymore	
			on bty oval. Hard ground and	
			gravel causing too many casualties.	
	7.		Gen Trg. Pay.	
	8.9		Gen Trg.	RO. Pt. I No 154 att.

Orders for 40mm Shoot att.

D.3185/5.39.—C.4788.

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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Sheet 2.

Army Form C.2118 (adapted.)

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Unit 160 Aust LAA Bty RAA (AIF) Date and Time.—From 1 Sep 44. To 30 Sep 44

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	10.		Stand down.	
	11.		Preparation of eqpt for 40mm Shoot.	
		1930.	Trg. films — LAA Deployment. Camouflage,	
			Air View. Next. of Kin.	
	12.	0900	40mm shoot with satisfactory results.	Report att.
		1300	Maintenance of eqpt.	
	13.-16.	~~190~~	Gen Trg Syllabus.	
	17.		Stand down. Church parade.	
	18.		Gen Trg.	
	19.	0900	Rifle Range Practice. All Ranks.	Instn. Att.
		1900.	Trg Films — "Stiffkey Stick", "Battle for Russia"	
	20.	0900.	Completion of Rifle Range practice.	R.O.Pt.I No 155 att.
	23.	1300.	Demonstration of LAA Spr staged by	
			A Tp for benefit of Tac. School, NT Force.	

D.3485/5.39.—C.4788.

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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Sheet 3.

Army Form C.2118 (adapted.)

(Erase heading not required).

Unit 160 Aust LAA Bty (AIF) Date and Time.—From 1 Sep 44 To 30 Sep 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
37 mile			Two guns fired at flare targets, (a) FAS	
Stuart Highway			control, (b) Predictor control, (c) FAS	
N. T.			control off wheels.	
	24.		Stand down.	
	25-30.		Gen trg carried out. No unusual	R.O. Pt. I No 156 att.
			occurrences.	

D. H. Hoop Capt. R.A.A.
Bty. Capt. 160 Aust LAA Bty. RAA
(AIF)
(adm comd).

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ROUTINE ORDER PART 1. No. 153.

160 Aust LAA Bty RAA(AIF).

RESTRICTED. 2 Sep '44.

1. TAKEN ON STRENGTH.

NX13815 Lt BUZACOTT R.V. from Gen Reinfts HQ NTF 10/7/44.

2. SCHOOLS AND COURSES.

VX72683 Sjt KLEINSMITH J.W. Qualified NTFS Drill & Weapon Trg Course 23/3/44- 26/4/44. Qualified NTFS Junior Leaders. Course No 11 2/5/44 - 3/6/44. Auth RO 29/5839/44.

3. STRUCK OFF STRENGTH.

Discharges.
VX18652 S/Sjt McEVOY C.O. Vic L of C Area Medically classed "D" 25/7/44.

4. DETACHMENTS.

VX79927	Gnr	Frith M.G.)	
VX145264	"	Loorham H.)	
VX123286	"	Kelly N.J.)	detached from 160 Bty to 159 Bty
V502494	"	Laws R.W.)	24/8/44.
VX113124	"	Fraser T.)	
VX124917	"	Beecham N.F.)	

5. HYGIENE AND CLEANLINESS IN PICNIC AREAS.

Areas used by picnic parties are frequently left in a dirty and unhygiene condition. Recent inspections have revealed considerable quantities of partly consumed tinned foods, brokrn bottles, newspapers and other rubbish left scattered about in the vicinity of swimming pools etc. There is also evidence of stodling in the surrounding bush.

Carelessness in the disposal of rubbish is rapidly causing attracyive picnic areas to be despoiled and is also creating potential fly-breeding areas.

All tins, bottles, foodstuffs, newspapers and other rubbish will, in future will be burnt or taken away and properly disposed of before a picnic area is vacated by anyparty.

Action is being taken to provide latrines in the more frequented areas.

Disregard of the instruction contained in para 3 hereof will be followed by disciplinary action and, if necessary, by affected areas being placed out of bounds.

Unit commanders will take action immediately to bring the contents of this instruction to the notice of all ranks.

6. EXTRACTS FROM BTY TRAUST A/C LEDGER.

Cr Balance as at 25 Jul '44. £114- 10- 4.

RECEIPTS.
Bty Canteen Profit. 20- 11-

EXPENDITURE.
Cricket Mat purchased £3.
Cost Footballs & Cricket balls. 14- 8- 6.

Cr Balance as at 25 Aug '44. 117- 12- 10.

£135- 1- 4. £135- 1- 4.

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6. continued.

STATEMENT OF ADVANCES, as at 25 Aug '44.

Held by BHQ Canteen £175.
Money held by Maj Crawford £5/10/-

We certify that we have examined the Trust A/C Book AAF. W. 145, the Trust A/C Ledger and voucher relating to 160 Aust LAA Bty RAA(AIF) Trust accounts and that in our opinion this statement correctly sets out the position of the funds as at 25 Aug '44.

Signed D.H.Coop Capt.
" J.H.Walter Cpl.

CANTEEN P & L A/C for month ending 25 Aug '44.

INCOME.		EXPENDITURE.	
Takings for month,	£426- 5- 2	Stock on hand 25/7/44,	£75- 16- 4
Stock on Hand as at 25/8/44,	77- 19- 8	Purchases for mth	408- 7- 6.
		Profit £20/13/8.	
		Skages 2/8.	20- 11-
	£504- 4- 10		£504- 4-10.

We certify that we have examined the Canteen Stock Book, the Canteen Supervisor's Cash Book and vouchers relating to 160 Aust LAA Bty RAA (AIF) Canteen accounts, and that in our opinion this statements correctly sets out the position of the Canteen as at 25 Aug '44.

Signed D.H.Coop Capt.
" J.H.Walter Cpl.

CANTEEN ASSETS AS AT 25th AUG '44.

Cash.....£97- 4d.
Stock.....£77- 19- 8d.

£175-

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ROUTINE ORDER PART 1. No 154.

160 Aust LAA Bty RAA (AIF)

9 Sep'44

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1. MEDICAL CLASSIFICATION.

TX 12852 Gnr CARROLL M.	Medical classification assessed as "D" (T) (Anxiety state) 8/8/44
VX 33282 WOiiROBERTS A.F.	Medical classification assessed as "D" (T) (Bronchial Asthma and Maxillar SINUSITIS) 14/8/44

2. SCHOOLS AND COURSES.

VX112957 Gnr SNELL W.J.	Passed Trade test Engine Hand IC 26/5/44.

3. FD SECURITY WING - AUTHORITY AND IDENTITY PASS .

Fd Security personnel, whilst engaged in security duties, Fd security (Edemy Eqpt) personnel carry special passes issued by the Director of Mil Int for and on behalf of the C in C, AMF.

These Fd Security Wing authority and identity passes authorise the holders to be in any place at any time in the execution of their duty, and enjoin all persons subject to Mil law to give the holders every assistance in their power. Each Security pass bears the description, photograph and signature of holder.

Should a person present such a pass to any member of the Bty, he will be immediately taken to the offr or NCO in charge of the area concerned. e.g. Gunsite - DC; BHQ camp - BC. On no account will Securit personnel be ejected from area without being given the opportunity of seeing the person in command.

NOTE. :- The attention of NCOs particularly is to be drawn to the fact that when a special pass is presented to them they must satisfy themselves as to its genuineness before the bearer is given freedom of access to mil areas under their control.

4. TRAFFIC CONTROL. - UNAUTHORISED USE OF ROADS

Certain circuit roads in the HUMPTY DOO and HUMPTY DOO SOUTH Areas are being used by unauthorised vehs. Speeding is reported to be prevalent.
The roads referred to are out of bounds to all vehs except those specially authorised to use them in the course of their duty.

5. PROHIBITED AREA.

(a) Ref map HUMPTY DOO 1" - 1 mile. The area enclosed by the following co-ordinates has been reserved to the AWC for the logging of timber and is out of bounds to all service personnel except on duty.

Map ref 20E OON;20E 04N;36E OON; 26E 04N.

(b) SNAKE CREEK. ref map BATCHELOR 1" - 1 mile. The area enclosed by t following co-ordinates excl sports area used by HQ 1 Aust Bipod and located at 113167 is out of bounds to all ranks from 096183 SOUTH alon the EAST bank of SNAKE CREEK to 098151, then EAST along the NORTH bank of SNAKE CREEK to 1061555, then NE to 118183, then WEST to 096183.

6. EXCAVATION OF SAND - DARWIN BEACHES.

The excavation and removal of sand fron FANNY BAY beaches incl MENDIL BEACH and VESTEY'S BEACH is PROHIBITED.

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7. DRIED PRUNES - SUGAR EXUDATE.

The dried prunes packed in drums now supplied to the Services have a low moisture content and are liable, in tropical areas, to show a white powderlike coating on the outer surface of the skin. the This white coating is a sugar exudate and is known in/trade as "sugaring". It is normal condition and quite harmless. The coating is removed by immersing the prunes in hot water.

8. TRAFFIC OFFENCES.

Formation HQ has laid down that its policy is that, unless evidence is produced to show that a dr is acting under the express orders of the senior occupant of a veh, the degree of blame attachable to him for driving at an excessive speed will NOT, in any way, be minimised or affected by any disciplinary action which may be taken in respect of the senior occupant of any such veh,

The policy outlined above will be strictly adhered to.

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HQ.
160 Aust LAA Bty RAA (AIF).

9 Sept '44.

ORDERS FOR 40 mm SHOOT.
12 Sept '44.

PLACE:- Firing pts 129695
130694 Ref map MARRAKAI 1" - 1 mile.

Enter at 400 sign, BUNKER'S HILL, 38.3 mile.

TIME:- 0900- 1200 hrs 12 Sep'44.

TYPE OF PRAC:- A/C towed drogue flying on three courses - crossing, direct approach, oblique approach.
Two 40 mm LAA guns firing simultaneously.

EQPT:- A Tp to provide 2 guns with tractors. Each det will shoot with their own barrel.

PERSONNEL:- Dets 1- 6 of A Tp,160 Aust LAA Bty will fire 40 rounds per det.

DIRECTOR OF PRACTICE:- Capt D.H.Coop.

SAFETY OFFRS:-
Chief.- Lt J.R.Donnell.
Gun 1.- Lt A Willis.
Gun 2.- RHQ to notify.

CRITICS:-
Gun 1.- Lt Glen.
Gun 1.- Lt Allen.
Gun 2.- RHQ to notify.
Gun 2.- " " "

AMN RECORDERS:-
Gun 1.- S/Sjt Regan. L.W.
Gun 2.- Sjt Moore.F.

SENTRIES:- 1 OR detailed from A Tp to direct personnel from parking area to firing position.
1 OR on each gun to watch for A/C approaching firing arc.
These sentries will be briefed by gun safety Offrs before firing commences.

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS:-
Limits of arc (190° - 270°) will be marked with white flags. Chief Safety Offr will take post with white flag and whistle where he can be clearly seen by both gun S.Os.
The guns will only be fired when the flag is raised, and stopped when the flag is lowered, or whistle blown.
G.G.Os will stop fire of their gun by touching 4 on the shoulder, and will also indicate with a white flag.
G.S.Os will ensure that their gun is NOT fired:-

(a) Outside limits of arc.

(b) at or ahead of towing A/C.

(c) for direct approacher when angle between A/C and target is less than 18° or before A/C is over line of guns.

(d(at elevation of more than 70°.

INTERCOMM:- One wireless van with No 11 set will establish communications with towing A/C. Gnrs Stuckey and Cameron will operate. Frequencies and call signs to be notified.

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HQ.
160 Aust LAA Bty RAA(AIF).

12 Sep '44.

Report Firing Practice by AA Guns.

112 Aust LAA Regt RAA(AIF) 160 Aust LAA Bty RAA(AIF) "A" Tp.

1. Date of Practice. 12 Sept '44.

2. Time of Practice. 0900-1040 Hrs.

3. Place. Ref Map MARRAKAI 1" - 1 mile 129695
130694

4. Type of guns firing. 40 mm Bofors.

5. No of guns firing. 2. (6 detachments, 6 barrels)

6. Amn expended. 240 rounds.

7. Effectiveness of Practice.

(a) Eqpt. All Eqpt functioned satisfactory.

(b) Personnel taking part. Great improvement seen on last shoot by this tp. Crossing target very effectively engaged. Direct approachers partially effective- misses astern were frequent, and corrections rarely bold enough to bring them ahead before target passed overhead. Oblique target proved difficult to engage, clock hour not being accurately adjusted.

(c) Criticisms. Offrs detailed to criticise the shooting and the drill, raised the following points:-

Change barrel drill not good in some cases. Barrel rests NOT provided.

"Change" drill in laying is NOT being done capably. This is an essential drill if good corrections are to result.

Gun drill in general was well known but NOT well executed. Too much talk and lack of snap.

Layers understand their job and the system of laying employed, well.

In general, a good shoot.

8. Unusual Occurences.

Two prematires. Separate report submitted.

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160 Aust LAA Bty RAA(AIF).

18th Sept.44.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR RANGE PRACTICE.

1. Musketry practice will be carried out at 12 Fd Amb Range on 19 Sept 44. Times:- 0900- 1200hrs, 1400-1700hrs.

2. Table of practice:- Part 1. Rifle classification, with modifications (attached)

3. Targets:- provided at range. Patching material(paste,paper) to be provided by BHQ.

4. Amn:- 2500 rounds .303 ball to be picked up from Bty Q store by "A" Tp.

5. Personnel:- All personnel of BHQ and "A" Tp will shoot.

6. Control:- Range Offr, Lt Donnell. Butt and mound control will be by "A" Tp NCO's under direction of Lt Donnell.

7. Scoring:- Results of all shooting will be recorded on forms provided and submitted to BHQ after shoot.

8. Intercomm:- Telephones will be available at Bty Q Store. "A" Tp will draw these for shoot.

A Abbott

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Subject:- PRACTICE SHOOT- RIFLES.

HQ.
160 Aust LAA Bty RAA(AIF).
18 Sep '44.

No.	Type.	Target.	Range.	Rounds.	Detail	Remarks.	HPS.
1.	Grouping.	Grouping.	100yds	7	Lying. Wrist & forearm supported on suitable cover.	Includes. 2 initial shots as "sighters". Not to count. 4" grp = 25pts 8" " 20 12" " 15 12" 1 wide = 10	25
2.	Applicatio	Small	200 yds	7	Lying. Wrist & forearm supported on suitable cover.	Includes. 2 initial shots as "sighters" Not to count.	25
3.	Snapshooting.	Large.	200 yds	10	Lying. Firer may be in aiming position when target appears. 5 exp of 10 seconds each. 2 shots to be fired at each exp. An interval of 20 seconds between Exp.	Scores to be phoned at conclusion of practice & hits marked by spotting disc. NO marking during practice.	50.

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ROUTINE ORDER PART 1. No. 155.
160 Aust LAA Bty RAA(AIF).

RESTRICTED. 20 Sept '44.

1. STRUCK OFF STRENGTH.

VX78571 Cfn MOORE T.L.T. transferred to 212 Aust LAD AIME 15/8/44.

2. DISCHARGES.

VX20614 WOii MEADLAM J.M. to GDD Vic L of C Area.
VX119383 Bdr McCONNELL R.L. " " " Medical class "D" 19/8/44.

3. REGTL TRANSFERS.

TX4497 WOii YEATES J.C. from 160 Bty Wksp Sub-sec to 112 Regt Wksp Sub-sec. 16/9/44.

4. TAKEN ON STRENGTH.

QX4886 A/WOii LAWTON D.D. (ARME) from 2/84 Aust LAD and posted as OC 160 Bty Wksp Sub-sec 11/9/44.

5. INJURY - Investigation of.

VX78846 Gnr SMITH W.D.F. Investigation offr reported that there was NO neglect, misconduct or carelessness on the part of Gnr Smith or any other person. RO 31/6320/44.

6. APPOINTMENTS.

VX42806 WOii BANNISTER R.L. Appointed BSM 160 Bty.

7. AUDITORS. - Welfare Fund and Bty Canteen.

The Adm Comd has approved of the appointment of Lt J.R.Donnell and S/Sjt L.Regan as auditors 160 Bty in place of Lt W.Murray and Cpl J.H.Walter.

8. TRAFFIC OFFENCES.

Cases have occurred recently in which charges of exceeding speed limit have been dismissed because the veh in question had NO speedometer, or had one which read slow.

As the offence is an absolute one, containing NO element of intent, such action is wrong.

Hereafter such facts will constitute NO defence, but action will be taken to test suspect speedometers and to record, on a prominent part of the dashboard, any error found. Where NO speedometer exists, the veh will always be driven at a speed known to be below the permissible maximum.

9. RELEASE TO RAAF GRO A73/44.

LHQ A85012 of 6 Sep '44 directs that discharges from the AMF for enlistment in the RAAF will cease immediately.
Further discharges to the RAAF will NOT be made except with the approval of LHQ.
Enlistments by the RAAF of volunteers at RRDs will continue in accordance with present procedure.

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10. APPLICATIONS FOR COMPASSIONATE LEAVE, DISCHARGE or TRANSFER.

Certain applications received at Regt HQ and fwded to Vic (or other) L of C Area for investigation have been proved after thorough investigation, to contain false or highly misleading statements.

Such applications cause unnecessary work and expense in L of C Areas, to say nothing of the additional work involved in Bty and Regt HQ.

In addition they have an unfavourable effect on genuine applications, since they tend to make all applications open to suspicion.

All ranks will be warned that the making of a false or misleading statement will be treated as a serious offence. Further, if compassionate or emergency leave is granted on an aplication by a soldier and subsequently investigation discloses that false or misleading statements have been made, strong disciplinary action will betaken. In addition, any compassionate or emergency leave taken will be debited against the soldiers recreational leave.

11. RECORD OF SERVICE BOOK AAB 83.

A member will take every possible care to prevent the loss, destruction or defacement of his AAB 83. Failure to take such care will be regarded as a serious offence and punished accordingly.

Any member losing his AAB 83 will (unless the CO is satisfied that the loss was NOT due to any negligence on the part of the member) be charged under AA 24 (2) (or, in the case of offrs, under AA40), the fact of loss veing sufficient to found a charge of "losing by neglect public property issued to him for his use" (or of "neglect to the prejudice", as the case may be) and to justify a conviction on such charge in the absence of a satisfactory explanation.

Destruction or defacement of an AAB 83 by a wilful act or by negligence or the unauthorised alteration of any infm contained therein is also an offence in respect of which a charge will be xxi laid under AA 24, AA 25, or AA40, whichever is appropriate, the advice of a legal offr being sought if necessary.

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Admn Comd 160 Aust Lt AA Bty RAA (AIF)

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ROUTINE ORDER PART 1. No. 156
160 Aust LAA Bty RAA (AIF).

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1. SCHOOLS AND COURSES -

VX89882	Sjt	STRANG, R.A.	Attended and Qualified at Comd Senior NCO'S course Vic L of C Area Oct 41 Attended and qualified at Vic L of C Area P & RT School Sep 41 Attended and qualified at LHQ School of Arty (AA) Course No. 2 Nov 42 Attended and qualified at LHQ Army SAT Aug 43
VX123740	Gnr	WILLS, G.E.	Attended and Qualified at Vic L of C D & M School Course No. 7 Jan 43
VX109655	"	YOURNS, E.	Attended and qualified at Vic L of C Fitters Course 24/8/42-10/12/42
VX145487	"	WAIN, B.	Passed Trade Tests for Dvr Ops subject A - F incl on 26/8/44
VX86182	"	HAYES, J.R.G.	do
VX63703	"	TAYLOR, W.H.	do
VX124528	"	MOLONEY, M.P.	do

2. STRUCK OFF STRENGTH -

VX83429	LBdr	STOYLES, W.A.H.	Compassionate Transfer to LHQ (Directorate of Mil Trg) 21/9/44

3. TAKEN ON STRENGTH -

VX23197	Cfn	SIMCOCK, J.W.)	AEME from 221 Aust LAD to 112 Aust
WX35215	"	LEISHMAN, R.A.)	LAA Regt Whsp Sec 20/9/44

4. REGT TRANSFERS -

VX116615	Cpl	SUTTON, R.M. (AEME)	from 160 Bty Wksp Sub Sec to 159 Bty Wksp Sub Sec 20/9/44

5. NOTIFICATION OF CHANGES IN RESPECT OF NEXT OF KIN -

A member of the AMF may nominate any person as his next of kin for army purposes, although that person is NOT his legal next of kin.

The army notifies fatal and certain other casualties by a member to the person nominated as the member's next of kin.

All personnel are to be instructed that, on the occasion of any event (such as his marriage or the death of his next of kin) which renders a change of his next of kin desirable or necessary must notify Regt HQ, through the normal channels, of the change he desires to make. Similar prompt notification should be given of any change of address of his next of kin.

Entries in the AAB 83 changing allottee, particulars of next of kin etc are insufficient ; in addition notification must be made under para 2 above.

(a) On marriag, any will or codical peviously made by a soldier, save in exeeptional circumstances, becomes of NO effect and, under AMRs he is bound, upon marriage to make a new will.

(b) On marriage, a member will make another will immediately, eiher on an AAF A130 or by separate document, and, will submit the A130 in an envelope (AAF A131), duly complete through the normal channels to Regt HQ.

(c) A member may obtain the assistance of an Offr of the AALC in the preparation of a will.

6. ANGAU- APPLICATIONS FOR APPOINTMENT TO DISTRICT SERVICES.

Applications are invited from members of the AMF for appointment to the District Service of the Australian New Guinea Administrative Unit (ANGAU). This Unit is a formation of the AMF and carries on the functions of the former civil adms of the Territory of Papua and the

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ANGAU - APPLICATIONS FOR APPOINTMENT TO DISTRICT SERVICES - contd.

Mandated Territory of New Guinea.

For further particulars reference may be made to GROs of 15 Sept 44, copies of which are held at Regt HQ and at each Bty HQ.

7. COMMONWEALTH WAR LOANS -

Approval has been given for members of the AMF to subscribe to Commonwealth loans by making an allotment of portion of their pay to the Commonwealth Bank. Amounts received by the bank under the allotment will be credited to a special account in the member's name and interest will be allowed thereon at the rate borne by the bonds selected for purchase by the member. As soon as funds in the account accumulate to the extent of £10-, the bank will purchase a £10- Commonwealth Treasury bond on behalf of the member.

Where a member desires to subscribed in accordance with the provisions of this order, he will sign an allotment, in the form WF 12, of the daily amount (in even shillings) he wishes to contribute for the purchase of Treasury Bonds, the name of the allottee being shown as "Commonwealth Bank of Australia.....Branch" (with the insertion of the name of the capital city of the member's state of enlistment). The member will, at the same time, sign a printed notification to the bank, a copy of which is set out in the appendix to this order. Forms of notification may be obtained from unit pay representatives.

Bonds will be held by the Commonwealth Bank at the capital city of the member's state of enlistment for safe custody on behalf of the member. In the case of members enlisted in the Northern Territory or New Guinea, bonds will be held by the Commonwealth Bank at ADELAIDE and BRISBANE, respectively.

Where a member is discharged or cancels his allotment, the special account will be closed and any balance remaining therein will be credited to the member's bank account or paid to him, whichever he desires.

8. SECOND VICTORY LOAN -

The second Victory Loan of £120,00,000- cash will open for subscription on 26 Sep 44 and close NOT later than 31 Oct 44.

Arrangements have been made for paymasters to accept applications for Commonwealth Government Inscribed Stock or Treasury Bonds from members of the forces serving in Australia or New Guinea who desire to invest their savings in the loan.

Particulars of loan :-

Loan applications may be made for an amount of £10 or a multiple of £10.

Treasury Bonds are payable to bearer and are issued at pat for £10 £50, £100, £500, and £1000.

Inscribed Stock may be purchased at par for amounts of £100 or multiples of £10 above £100.

Interest is payable at 2½% per annum if invested for 5 years and at 3½% per annum if invested for 16 years, and will be credited half-yearly to a member's savings bank account, if desired.

Interest will be subject to Commonwealth taxation but NOT to any income tax under the law of a state. During the period of uniform taxation a rebate of 2/- in the pound on interest will be allowed to cover freedom from state taxation.

Any bank nominated by a member will, if requested, hold the bonds for safe custody.

Procedure for lodging applications.

Applications forms will be available from paymasters and unit pay representatives and are required to be completed in duplicate. An applicants signature will be witnessed by an offr.

Sufficient credit must be available in a member's pay book to cover the amount he or she desires to invest in the loan. The amount subscribed will be debited in the pay book.

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Procedure for lodging applications.

Cash may be accpeted in payment of a loan subscription, in which case the amount tendered will be entered in the patbook to establish the necessary credit and a pay sjt's or cash office receipt issued and pasted in the pay book.

Deposits on account of loan subscription will NOT be accepted. Where members desire to subscribe by instalments, the procedure set out in ~~xpxx~~ paras 1. in Commonwealth War Loan and para 1. Second Victory Loan. of this order will be observed.

The Commonwealth Bank will fwd to a member an interim receipts for the amount subscribed.

General.

Both Treasury Bonds and Inscribed Stock are readily realisable and may be sold at any time. Any bank will arrange this for a member, if desired.

9. CONSERVATION OF RUBBER.

This order will be read in conjunction with GRO 0167/44.

The critical rubber situation and he necessity for obtaining the maximum service from tyres has been stressed from time to time. The further deterioration of the situation, necessitating the introduction of tyres of synthetic construction, nders it imperative that greater care than ever be exercised in the use and maint of all tyres, whether of synthetic or natural rubber construction.

Synthetic tyres are far more susceptible to failure through abuse than tyres constructed from natural rubber. All concerned will, therefore -

(a) exercise the utmost care to avoid -
Overloading,
Under inflation,
Hard braking and fierce acceleration,
High speeds,
Bumps and other causes of severe impact;

(b) check wheel alignment frequently and correct irregularities promptly;

(c) rotate tyres regularly;

(d) remove stones and flint from tyres during unit maint;

(e) submit tyres for replacement at the correct stages for recapping ; and

(f) submit damaged tyres for repair without delay.

10. Formations and units will ensure that prompt disciplinary action is taken where breaches of this ~~xx~~ order occur.

11. LEAVE WITHOUT PAY.

Cases are still occurring in which members, who have been granted leave without pay, afterwards claim that they were NOT aware of the full effect of the grant of such leave.

In order to reduce the possibility of misunderstanding to a minimum, the following action will be taken:-

(a) Paras 105 and 106 of GRO A598/43 as under will be published in sub-unit routine orders at intervals of NOT more than four months.

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(a) contd-

"105. Attention is directed to the provisions of War Financial (Military Forces) Regulations, which provide, in effect, that all pay(incl allotmnts) and pay allowances cease in respect of any period for which a member is granted leave(or an extension thereof)without pay.

"106. When leave (or an extension thereof) without pay is granted, the following will NOT be payable during the period of such leave (or extension):-

(a) pay (incl deferred pay)
(b) field allowance.
(c) comd allowance.
(d) special allowance.
(e) exchange allowance.
(f) dependants allowance.
(g) travelling allowance.
(h) subsistance allowance.
(i) any allowance payable under regulation 9 of the abovementioned regulations "

(b) The Offr who first receives an application for leave without pay will, ~~there~~ before dealing with the application, satify himself by personal interview with the member concerned that the member understands the full effect of a grant of such leave.

30 Sep '44.

.....Capt RAA.
Adm Comd 160 Aust LAA Bty RAA(AIF).

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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Sheet 1.

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Unit 160 Aust L.A.A. Bty (AIF) Date and Time.—From 1 Oct. 44. To 31 Oct 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
37 mile	1.		Standdown. Organized sport and	
Stuart Highway			swimming parties sent out.	
N.T.	2.		Capt. Cook to	
			DARWIN.	
			B Tp returned	
			20 ffrs 53 ORs.	
	3.		B Tp. settling in. Personal maintenance.	
			A Tp Gen Trg.	
	4.		Gen Trg. Sport afternoon.	
	5.-12		Gen Trg.	
	13.		NCO's to DARWIN as critics in 159 161	
			Btys shoots. (40mm).	
	14-23.		Routine Trg.	Bty R.O. Pt 1 No 157 (21/10/44)
	25.		Maj. Crawford returned to resume.	

R. 1.
POSTMASTER - GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT.
Received from 160 A/A Bty
Address
ARTICLE FOR REGISTRATION ADDRESSED AS FOLLOWS:—
Registration No. 387 Surname of Addressee. M.H.S. Office of Destination. Base P.O.
Signature of Receiving Officer Sadam
This Receipt must be presented should inquiry be made concerning delivery.
Date Stamp. FIELD P.O. -7 OCT 44

D.3485/5.39.—C.4788.

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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit 160 Aust L.A.A. Bty (AIF) Date and Time.—From 1 Oct. 44 To 31 Oct 44

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
27 mile	1.		Handovers. Organized Sport and	
Stuart Highway			swimming parties sent out.	
N.T.	2.		Bath boots to P.C.'s conference in	
			DARWIN.	
			B Tp returned from leave (majority).	
			2 Offrs 53 ORs.	
	3.		B Tp. settling in. Personal maintenance.	
			A Tp Gen Trg.	
	4.		Gen Trg. Sport afternoon.	
	5.-12		Gen Trg.	
	13.		NCO's to DARWIN as critics in 159 161	
			Bdge Shoots. (Women).	
	14-23.		Routine Trg.	Bty R.O. Pt I No 157 (21/10/44)
	25.		Maj. Crawford returned to resume.	

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Sheet 2.

Unit 160 Aust LAA Bty. Date and Time.—From 1 Oct 44 To 31 Oct 44

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
			duties as B.C.	
	26-7.		Routine Trg.	Bty ROP 1 No 158 (27 Oct 44)
	28.		Movement orders issued.	
	29.		O. conference for movement details	
	30.		B.C.'s conference.	Orders for shoot att.
			advance parties to new site.	
			Preparation for move.	
	31.		Bty proceeded to range for	
			40mm shoot, but through	
			non availability of a/c, shoot	
			was cancelled.	

Abbott Capt.
for.
Maj. R.A.A.
Comd. 160 Aust. LAA Bty. RAA (A.I.F.)

D.3460/3.50.—C.4788.

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ROUTINE ORDER PART 1. No 157.

160 Aust LAA Bty RAA (AIF)

21 Oct'44.

RESTRICTED.

1. STRUCK OFF STRENGTH.

VX 80024 Bdr NIELSON A.F. to SA GDD for reallotment (Med Class B) 6/10/44

VX 80032 L/Bdr CALLANDER A.M. trans to 114 Aust LAA Regt 19/9/44

2. REGTL TRANSFERS.

VX113122 Gnr BOWER R.F. from 112 Regt to A.A. Ch D and attached 112 Regt 1/10/44

3. DETACHMENTS.

VX124928 Gnr ATKINS R.G. w/o and attached to HQ RAA NTF 10/10/44
Q 75720 Sjt CARRINGTON A.F. w/i from attachment 4 Aust AA Gp 21/9/44

4. PROFICIENCY PAY.

VX123883 Gnr MARSHALL R.A. granted proficiency pay 7/9/44
VX100478 L/Bdr FOLEY R.F. " " " 19/12/43

5. SCHOOLS AND COURSES.

VX116023 Cfn OZANNE E.A. Qual at Vic L of C Area D & M course, Aug-Sep42 R/O 18/7001/44.

VX123491 Gnr HISCOCK J.W. Qual at Vic L of C Area Projectionists Course No 29. 9-17 Nov'42 R/O 32/6529/44

6. COMP OR EMERGENCY LEAVE.

Some doubt seems to exist within the Regt as to the calculation of leave entries following a period of comp or emergency leave.
Such leave may be granted as follows:-

(a) up to 7 days comp leave (no debit)

(b) if 7 days is insufficient, rec leave at credit - all of which is debited.

(c) if the sum of (a) & (b) is still insufficient, further leave as necessary up to a maximun of 28 days leave. Up to 8 days of this leave will be debited against future leave credits. Any excess up to a maximum of 13 days will NOT be debited against rec leave, but will be granted as additional comp leave.

7. AUST ARMY PSYCHOLOGY service - PERSONNEL WITH TRG IN PSYCHOLOGY.

To enable plans to be made for a rapid expansion of the AA Psychology Service to meet demobilisation requirements, particulars are required of all AMF personnel with trg in psychology.
Btys will compile and submit to these HQ a return of all offrs and ORs on its holding strength who have had two or more years formal university or teaching college trg in psychology.
Where appropriate NIL returns will be submitted.
Returns to reach these HQ as soon as possible but NOT later than 31 Oct'44.

8. VACANCIES FOR APPOINTMENT AS TESTING AND INTERVIEWING SJTS.

(a) Vacancies exist in the Australian Army Psychology Service for testing and interviewing sergeants, who should possess the following qualifications :-

i. Education to Leaving standard or equivalent;

ii Good bearing and manner;

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8. VACACIES FOR APPOINTMENT AS TESTING AND INTERVIEWING SJTS. cont

iii Some formal university or teaching college training in psychology - desireable but NOT essential.

(b) In filling these vacancies, preferences will be given to personnel with operational experience in the present war, especially those who are medically class B1 or B2 or who are over 30 years of age.

(c) Any member possessing the qualifications outlined above may submit to his BC an application for appointment to one of the vacancies.

(d) The application will be in writing and will include the following particulars:-

Army number, rank(substantive and acting), name in full, unit, age, medical classification, date of enlistment, service outside Australia, educational particulars, civil occupation, formal training in psychology.

(e) BCs will forward applications to these HQ, attaching to it AF B122.

9. CONSERVATION OF RUBBER.

This order will be read in conjunction with GRO 0167/44.

The critical rubber situation and the necessity for obtaining the maximum service from tyres has been stressed from time to time.

The furtherdeterioration of the situation necessitating the introduction of tyres of synthetic construction, renders it imperative that greater care than ever be exercised in the use and maintenance of all tyres whether of synthetic or natural rubber construction.

Synthetic tyres are far more suspeptible to failure through abuse than tyres constructed from natural rubber. All concerned will, therefore

(a) exercise the utmost care to avoid -
Overloading
Underinflation
Hard braking and fierce acceleration
High speeds
Bumps and other causes of severe impact;

(b) check wheel alignment frequently and correct irregularities promptly;
(c) rotate tyres regularly;
(d) remove stones and flint from tyres during unit maint;
(e) submit tyres for replacement at the correct stages for recapping
(f) submit damaged tyres for repair without delay.

Formations and units will ensure that prompt disciplinary action is taken where breaches of this order occur.

10. LEAVE WITHOUT PAY.

Cases are still occuring in which members, who have been granted leave without pay, afterwards claim that they were NOT aware of the full effect of the grant of such leave.

In order to reduce the possiblity of misunderstanding to a minimum, the following action will be taken:-

(a) Paras 105 & 106 of GRO A598/43 as under will be published in sub-unit routine orders at intervals of NOT more than 4 months

Para 105. Attention is directed to the provisions of War Financial (Military Forces) Regulations, which provide, in effect, that all pay (incl allotments) and pay allowances cease in respect of any period for which a member is granted leave (or an extension thereof) without pay.

When leave (or an extension thereof) without pay is granted, the following will NOT be payable during the period of such leave(or extension)

(a) Pay

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10. LEAVE WITHOUT PAY cont

(a) pay (incl deferred pay)
(b) field allowance
(c) comd allowance
(d) special allowance
(e) exchange allowance
(f) dependants allowance
(g) travelling allowence
(h) subsistence allowance
(i) any allowance payable under regulation 9 of the above mentioned regulations.

(b) The Offr who first receives an application for leave without pay will, before dealing with the application, satisfy himself by personal interview with the member concerned that the member understands the full effect of a grant of such leave.

11. ANNUAL RECREATIONAL LEAVE.

Personnel who did NOT receive any grant of rec leave between 10 Dec'42 and 14 Apl'42 are entitled to that leave under GRO 596/43. (1½ days per month for 4 months).
AAB 83's will be submitted to BHQ and applicants will arrange with BSM to interview Bty Comd.

12. EXTRACTS FROM BTY TRUST A/C LEDGER.

Cr balance as at 25 Aug'44 £117 12 10

RECEIPTS.
Bty Canteen Profit 17 10 8

EXPENDITURE.

Purchase of soft ball sets	£ 7	8	
Cost of Refrigerator	45		
Cost of soft ball replacements	1	14	6
Cost 2 bags sugar	2	7	
PKBs "A" Tp party		10	
Cr balance as at 25 Sep'44	78	4	
	£135	3	6

Statement of Advances as at 25 Sep '44

Held by BHQ Canteen	£175	
Money held by Mjr Crawford	5	10/-

We certify that we have examined the Trust A/C Book AAF W145, The Trust a/c ledger and vouchers relating to 160 Aust LAA Bty RAA (AIF) Trust A/cs and that in our opinion this stmment correctly sets out the position of the funds as at 25 Sep'44.
(Signed J.R.Donnell Lt, L.W.Regan S/Sjt

CANTEEN P & L a/c for month ending 25 Sep'44.

INCOME				EXPENDITURE			
Takings for month	£348	16	7	Stock on hand 25 Aug'44	£77	19	8
Stock on hand as at 25 Sep'44	150	3	6	Purchases for Sep	403	9	9
				Profit for month £20:11:5			
				less bkage 10:2			
				Trading loss for month £2:10:7	17	10	8
	£499		1		£499		1

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12. EXTRACTS FROM BTY TRUST A/C LEDGER. cont

We certifythat we have examined the Canteen Stock Book, the Canteen supervisor's Cash Book and vouchers relating to 160 Aust LAA Bty RAA (AIF) Canteen accounts, and that in our opinion this statement correctly sets out the position of the Canteen as at 25 Sep'44.

(Signed J.R.Donnell Lt & L.W.Regen S/Sjt)

Canteen Assets as at 25 Sep'44

Stock on hand	£150: 3:6
Cash " "	24:16:6
	£175:- :-

13. REQUEST HOUR.

Provision is made in GROs for a request hour each week in every Unit, when men can air grievances to , obtain information from their Bty Comd.
It is not convenient to lay down a set time and date each week, so personnel are invited to avail themselves of this priviledge at any time.

W.H.Cook. Capt RAA
Adm Comd 160 Aust LAA Bty RAA (AIF)

21 Sep'44

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ROUTINE ORDER PART 1. No.158

160 AUST LAA BTY RAA (AIF).

27 Oct'44

RESTRICTED.

1. STRUCK OFF STRENGTH.

NX 8293 L/Sjt STEVENS P.K. to 2 Aust Fd Arty Trg Regt ex Second Aust Army Jnr Ldrs School 7/6/44.

VX 80061 Bdr CLARKSON G.C. to HQ Vic L of C Area.
VX112957 Gnr SWELL W.J. to GDD SA L of C Area for reallotment 17/10/44 (Med Class "B")

2. PROFICIENCY PAY.

TX 11636 Gnr EVANS G.T.S. forfeited proficiency pay 22/9/44
TX 11638 " LOCKLEY A.M. " " " 22/9/44
TX 12018 " SWARD N.F. " " " 26/9/44
VX 63703 " TAYLOR W.H. proficiency pay withdrawn 26/8/44

3. TRADE GROUPING.

VX145487 Gnr WAIN B. relinquished Trade Gp 111 Gunlayer 26/8/44
VX145487 " WAIN B. graded Trade Gp 11 Dvr Op 26/8/44
VX 86182 " HAYES J.R.G. relinquished Trade Gp 111 G/layer 26/8/44
VX 86182 " HAYES J.R.G. graded Trade Gp 11 Dvr Op 26/8/44
VX124528 " MOLONEY M.P. relinquished Trade Gp 111 G/layer 26/8/44
VX124528 " MOLONEY M.P. graded Trade Gp 11 Dvr Op 26/8/44
VX 63703 " TAYLOR W.H. graded Trade Gp 11 Dvr Op 26/8/44

4. PUNISHMENTS.

VX 80401 Gnr WILLIAMS F. Offence: Disobeyed a lawful comd given by his superior offr 5/7/44. AA 9 (2)
Award: Fined 10/- by Adm Comd,112 Aust LAA Reg 23/8/44

TX 12018 Gnr SWARD (Proficient) N.F. Offence: AWL 1955 hrs 21/9/44 to 0800 hrs 26/9/44 thereby necessitating the issue of a rail warrant to the value of £2:5:6 AA 15(1).
Award: Fined £5---- and put under stoppage of pay until £2:5:6 is refunded by Adm Comd Vic L of C Area. 26/9/44. Automatic forfeiture of 5 days pay.

TX 11638 Gnr LOCKLEY (Proficient) A.M. OFFENCE: Failed to appear at place of parade appointed by his CO 21/9/44 thereby necessitating the issue of a rail warrant to the value of £1:15:8
Award: Fined £5 --- and to be put under stoppage of pay until £1:15:8 is refunded by OC,LTD Vic Lof C Area 22/9/44.

TX 11636 Gnr EVANS (Proficient) G.T.S. Offence: Failed to appear at place of parade appointed by his CO 21/9/44 thereby necessitati the issue of a rail warrant to the value of £1:15:8.
Award: Fined £5---- and to be put under stoppage of pay until £1:15:8 is refunded, by OC,LTD Vic L of C Area.22/9/44.

5. SCHOOLS AND COURSES.

VX 79160 Sjt THRUM L.P. Qualified at LHQ School of Arty Gunnery Instrs Course No 66. 10/7/44 - 19/8/44.
R/O 35/7194/44.

6. ILLEGAL USE OF VEHS.

Attention is directed to SOs for dvrs of MT para 18. It is pointed out that the dvr of a veh is not absolved from responsibilit for the loss of his veh merely by the fact that he leaves it in a recognized parking place under the general supervision of Provost personn The onus is on the dvr to take adequate steps to safeguard his veh.

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7. CLAIMS - RAIL FARES.

Attention is drawn to the instructions contained in MFR & I 185 (iii) which is repeated :

"(iii) Where members of the Mil forces travel on duty in Aust by the normal means of transport for which machinery exists for the issue of warrants, such warrants will be issued and utilised. Members will NOT be permitted to pay their own railway, steamer or coach fares and later submit a claim for reimbursement except when circumstances make this unavoidable."

Reports received indicate that the provisions are NOT being strictly adhered to, with the result that large numbers of claims are being submitted to various DFOs for reimbursement. These claims can NOT be settled without involving considerable correspondence and investigation over lengthy periods.

Action is to be taken to ensure strict observance of the Instr.

8. AIR LETTER SERVICE.

An AIR LETTER SERVICE from Aust was inaugurated on 11 Sep'44 and is available for comms -

(a) to members of the Aust and other Empife Forces overseas and to personnel of merchant ships;
(b) to civilians in the following countries :-

Aden	Gibraltar	Rhodesia South
Bahrein	Gold Coast	St Helena
Basutoland	India	Sierra Leone
Bechuanaland	Iran	Sth Africa, Union of
Brit Somaliland	Iraq	Sudan, Anglo-Egyptian
Brit Cameroons	Kenya	Tanganyika
Ceylon	Malta	Transjordan
Cyprus	Nigeria	Togo (Brit sphere)
Egypt	Nyasaland	Uganda
Eire	Palestine	United Kingdom
Gamba	Rhodesia Nth	Zanzibar

(c) to prisoners of war in EUROPE.

All comms sent by the AIR LETTER SERVICE must be written on AIR LETTER forms purchased at Navy, Army, RAAF or civil post offices. The selling price of the forms is 7d, viz, the value of the postage printed on the form

Comms on AIR LETTER forms can NOT be registered and enclosures are NOT permitted. Air letters containing enclosures will be sent on by surface mail.

Comms sent by AIR LETTER SERVICE WILL be conveyed by air from Aust and throughout to the country of destination subject to air services being available for the whole of the journey. The new service will afford considerable acceleration in transmission as compared with the normal air mail services.

9. PERMANENT DANGER WARNINGS - RAAF BOMBING & GUNNERY RANGES.

Regardless of permanent danger warnings issued by RAAF for bombing and gunnery ranges in NT, personnel are still persisting in entering these areas.

It is pointed out that these ranges are leased from land owners and are published through the Govt Gazette. Therefore, if any person is injured or killed in these areas the Govt will NOT pay compensation or pensions.

10. MT - PERSONNEL TRAVELLING IN.

It is expressly forbidden for personnel to stand up in, or sit on the sides and tail-board of moving vehs. The offence is prevalent amongst personnel of 160 Bty.

Disciplinary action will be taken against future offenders.

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11. ANNUAL RECREATIONAL LEAVE.

Ref RO Part 1. No.157, para 11, of 21 Oct '44. Personnel who consider themselves entitled to leave will arrange to interview Bty Capt NOT later than 301200 IK.

.....MAJ RAA.
Comd 160 Aust LAA Bty RAA(AIF).

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160 Aust LAA Bty RAA (AIF) CONFIDENTIAL

30 Oct'44

ORDERS FOR 40mm SHOOT

31 Oct & 1 Nov'44

Ref map MARRAKAI 1" - 1 mile

1. Firing Points. 129695 and 130694

2. Firing Arcs. 190 deg - 270 deg.

3. Times & Personnel. 310900 - 311200 Oct'44 - "A" Tp
011330 - 011630 Nov'44 - "B" Tp.

4. Type of Practice.

(a) Target - A/C towed drogue

(b) Courses - Crossing, direct approaching and oblique

5. No. of Rounds. 37 per det.

6. Method. (a) Each det will fire in two series, engaging each target in each series with 6 or 7 rounds. On completion of each series dets will march to "FALL OUT" position for criticism.
(b) Each new det will change barrels before shooting.

7. Equipment. Each Tp will provide two guns with spare barrels.

8. Transport. Tp arrangements.

9. Timing. Each Tp will be on ground ready to fire 15 minutes before time for commencement of shoot.

10. Director of Practice. Major J.S.Crawford.

11. Safety Officers. Chief Capt D.H.Coop
No 1 Gun Lieut. Huntley
No 2 Gun " E.J.Wellsted.

12. Critics. No 1 Gun Lt W.Murray
Lt W.H.Glen
No 2 Gun Lt J.R.Donnell
Lt D.N.McLeod

13. Recorders. No 1 Gun Sjt H.A.Jane
No 2 Gun " G.O.Hume
Note Each Tp to provide two scribes.

14. Intercomm. Gnrs BARTLETT & CAMERON with a No 11 set will provide comms with towing A/C. Frequencies and call signs to be notified.

15. Safety Precautions.

(a) Limits of firing arcs will be marked with white flags. Chief safety officer with white flag and whistle will take post where he can be clearly seen by both gun safety officers.
(b) The guns will only be fired when the flag is raised and stopped when the flag is lowered, or whistle blown. Gun safety officers will stop the fire of their gun by touching No 4 on the shoulder and will also indicate by lowering white flag
(c) Safety officers will ensure that the gun is NOT fired :-
(i) Outside limits of arc
(ii) at or ahead of towing A/c
(iii) when angle between A/C and target is less than 18 deg.
(iv) at an elevation of more tan 70 deg

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Comd. 160 Aust. LAA Bty. RAA (AIF)

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WAR DIARY or ~~INTELLIGENCE~~ SUMMARY

(Erase heading not required).

Unit 160 Aust L.A.A. Bty. Date and Time.—From 1 Nov 44 To ~~30 Nov 44~~ 0912001K Nov 44 Sheet 1

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
49 mile	1.	0900	Main convoy moves to 49 mile site	
Stuart Highway		1100	Second convoy with remainder	
N. T.			of stores.	
		1500.	Third convoy with ammunition	
	2-4.		Settling in at new camp site.	
"	4 Nov 44	—	Camp Standing Orders	Appx A
	6 Nov 44	—	Bty RO Part I No 159	Appx B.
	7 Nov 44		Trg Instn No 37	Appx C
	7 Nov 44		Bty RO Part I No 160	Appx D.
	8 Nov 44		Bty to transfer 34 ORS to 54+55 Aust AA Regts.	
			This was reduced to 5 only being all CMF personnel	
	8 Nov 44	2000	Bty party - very successful resulting in only	
			6 case for orderly room	
	9 Nov 44	1200	5 ORs marched out as Rmfts 54+55 Regts	

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WAR DIARY or ~~INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

(Erase heading not required).

Unit 160 Aust LAA Bty RAA (AIF) Date and Time.—From 1312001K Nov 44 To 302359 1K Nov 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
49 mile	13 Nov	1200	39 ORs marched out as Reinfts to 54 + 55	JC
Stuart Highway			Aust AA Regts.	
NT	13 Nov 44	1000	Lieut E.J. Wellsted marched out for discharge	JC
			to resume medical course	
	15 Nov 44		Regtl Offrs Mess party – most successful	JC
			function. Casualties:– all personnel suffered	
			from terrific hangovers – one BC suffered a	
			broken nose + abrasions as a result of a fall	
			whilst taking a short-cut on the home journey	
	16 Nov 44		All gun tractors returned to Ordnance	JC
	20 Nov 44		Bty ROs Part I No 161	JC Appx E
	22 Nov 44		Trg Syllabus period 20 Nov to 3 Dec 44.	JC Appx F
	25 Nov 44		Bty ROs Part I No 162	JC Appx G
	30 Nov 44		Bty ROs Part I No 163	JC Appx H

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[signature] Maj. R.A.A.
Comd. 160 Aust LAA Bty. RAA (AIF)

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Appx A

160 AUST LAA Bty RAA(AIF).

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4 Nov '44.

CAMP STANDING ORDERS.

REGTL CAMP SOs.

1. These orders are issued to supplement Regtl Camp SOs.

BTY DUTIES.

2. Each Tp will be duty Tp in turn, tour of duty 1800 hrs to 1800 hrs, and will provide the following duties:-

(a) Bty Orderly Sjt.
(b) Bty Orderly NCO.
(c) Veh and Gun Park Picquet- 1 NCO & 6 ORs mounting 1900 hrs to 0700 hrs.
(d) Sjts Mess Fatigue- 1 OR.
(e) Pioneer Fatigue- 4 ORs (on completion of pioneer duties to be available to Orderly Sjt.)
(f) Kitchen Fatigue- 2ORs.
(g) Mess Orderlies- 2 ORs.
(h) Bty Runner- 1 OR.

SICK PARADES.

3. Bty Sick Parades 0700 hrs.

4. Regtl Sick Parades Personnel for attention by RMO will be paraded to RAP at 0715 hrs by Bty Orderly NCO.

CAMP CLEANLINESS.

5. Huts. Huts and areas around huts will be in inspection order by 0830 hrs daily.

6. Disposal of Rubbish. Rubbish tins or boxes will be placed at the door of each hut. These containers will be emptied daily by 0830 hrs into incinerators placed centrally in tp, BHQ areas and Sjts lines.

7. Disposal of Bottles. All empty bottles will be disposed of as follows:-

A Tp, Sjts, BHQ - to be stacked in crates placed by incinerators in each area.
B Tp - to be stacked in crates outside canteen.
Hygiene fatigue will be responsible for the carting of stacked bottles to the canteen.

DRESS.

8. Shirts may be removed within the camp area. By day minimum dress is shorts, long stockings or hosetops, short puttees or gaiters and boots.

RECREATION.

9. Pictures. Tpt will be provided as necessary one night each week for pictures, plus one other night for personnel on duty on picture night.

10.13 Bde Mens Club. Tpt to Mens Club will be available each night except picture night. Bty Orderly Sjt will ascertain numbers at evening mess parade and arrange tpt through Bty Tpt NCO. Vehs will leave Bty Parade ground at 1845 hrs and will leave Club at 2100 hrs. Orderly Sjt will place senior NCO in charge who will be responsible that the above times are observed.

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SHOWERS, ABLUTIONS & LAUNDERING.

11. Showers. Personnel will use following showers:-
Offrs & Sjts - showers east of Bty Orderly Room.
ORs - Showers near Bty QM Store.

12. Ablutions & Laundering. All personnel will do their minor ablutions and all laundering at the ablution area in the centre of the bty lines. Water from showers or any taps of the main water system will NOT be used.

CONSERVATION OF WATER.

13. The supply of water in this camp is limited. Therefore the strictest water economy will be observed. Particular attention will be paid to the following points:-

(a) Don't let the shower run when soaping-up.
(b) Don't wash your face and hands or shave under a running tap - use a basin or canvas bucket.

CANTEEN TRADING HOURS.

14. The canteen will be open daily as follows:-

1315 - 1400 hrs (except on Canteen supply days)
1630 - 1730 hrs

..... Maj.RAA.
Comd, 160 Aust LAA Bty RAA(AIF).

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Appx B

ROUTINE ORDER PART 1. No. 159.

160 AUST LAA BTY RAA (AIF). 6 Nov'44

RESTRICTED.

1. PARADE GROUND.

Regtl parade ground for guard and picquet inspections is located adjacent to and south of Regtl Orderly Room.

REGTL DUTIES.

2. Mounting 1800 hrs 6 Nov'44 :-

ROO - Lt R.V.Buzacott
Next for Duty - Lt S.A.Huntley.
RO Sjt - ~~Sjt Crawford K.B.~~ Sjt Carrington A.F.
RO Bdr - Bdr Donovan R.T.

WATER SUPPLY.

3. The camp water supply is drawn from independent bores each maintaining an independent water system.
4. The pumps fill various tanks throughout the camp, the filling being controlled by a series of stop cocks.
5. Two men, one to each water system, have been appointed to keep a continual supply of water in all tanks.
6. It will be a punishable offence for any person, other than the abovementioned two men, to be found interferring with any stop cocks located between the bores and the tanks.
7. The supply of water depends on the pumping capacity of the pumps and accordingly is by no means unlimited. Strictest economy will therefore be exercised in the use of water; eg., troops must NOT, when soaping themselves, let the shower run with no one under it.
8. It will be a punishable offence to waste water.

ORDERS.

9. It is the responsibility of all ranks to read their Tp or Bty Notice Board daily for the receipt of orders.

PICTURES.

10. Pictures on "B" circuit for ensuing week will be as follows:-

Monday 6 Nov'44 - 16 Bn(only for personnel on duty Tuesday night).

Tuesday 7 Nov - 28 Bn

..... Maj RAA
Comd 160 Aust LAA Bty RAA (AIF)

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160 Aust LAA Bty RAA(AIF).

RESTRICTED.

7 Nov '44.

TRAINING INSTRUCTION No. 37.

TIME-TABLE.

1. Except when Bty supplies Regtl Duties the following time table will operate:-

0830-0855 hrs	Bty Parade - Inspection- March to Trg Are
0900-0945 hrs	1st Period.
0955-1040 hrs	2nd Period.
1040-1100 hrs	Break for morning tea.
1100-1150 hrs	3rd Period.
1150-1200 hrs	Return Camp.
1400-1630 hrs	Bty Parade for Organised Sport.

DRESS.

2. Dress for all trg parades will be battle order less respirators, hats fur felt, shirts, shorts, stockings or hose tops with gaiters or short puttees.

DETAILED SYLLABUS.

3. Detailed syllabus is attached as Appx "A".

VEH MAINTENANCE.

4. Except for period shown in Appx "A" veh maintenance will be done when vehs on duty are stationary during loading, unloading etc.

TRG STORES.

5. Except for bayonet dummies which will be constructed under Bty arrangements all trg stores reqd, eg., aiming discs and scaled targts, will be improvised by tps.

ORGANISED SPORT.

6. Personnel will pprade for organised sport with all necessary personal gear but otherwise correctly dressed.

.....Maj RAA.
Comd. 160 Aust LAA Bty RAA(AIF).

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Appendix "A".

Date	Period.	Subject.	Ref.	Remarks.
6 Nov'44		BTY DUTIES.		
7 Nov44		REGTL DUTIES.		
8 Nov'44	1	Rifle.	SAT Pam 3 (43) Lessons 1 & 2.	
	2.	Rifle Drill Bayonet	MTP. 18. Secs 52-56. SAT Pam 12(44) Lessons 1. Paras 1 & 2.	
	3	Bren	SAT Pam 4 (43) Less 1 & 2.	
9 Nov'44	1	Bren	SAT Pam 4 (43) Lessons 3, 4 & 5.	
	2	Rifle Drill Bayonet	MTP 18 Secs 57,58, 61. SAT Pam 12 (44) Lesson 1. Paras 3 & 4.	
	3	Rifle	SAT Pam 3 (43) lessons 3 &n4.	
	Afternoon		Dvr Ops Operating Practice 1 hr. Dvrs Maintenance 1 hr.	
10 Nov'44	1	REGTL DUTIES.		
11 Nov'44	1.	Rifle	SAT Pam 3 (43) Lessons 6,8 & 10.	
	2	Rifle Drill Bayonet	MTP 18 Secs 62-65. SAT Pam 12 (44) Lesson 2. paras 1 - 3.	
	3	Bren	SAT pam 4(43) Lessons. 6 & 7.	
12 Nov'44		STAND DOWN.		
13 Nov'44		REGTL DUTIES.		
14 Nov'44.	1	Bren	SAT Pam 4 (43) Lessons 8 & 9.	
	2	Rifle Drill Bayonet	MTP 18 Secs 66 & 67. SAT Pam 12(44) Lesson 2. Paras 4 - 6.	
	3	Rifle	SAT pam 3 (43) Lessons 13- 16.	
	Afternoon		Dvr Ops Operaring Practice 1 hr Dvrs Maintenance. 1 hr	
15 Nov '44.	1.	Rifle	SAT Pam 3 (43) Lessons 17- 19.	
	2.	Rifle Drill Bayonet	MTP 18 Secs 68-73. SAT Pam 12 (44) Lesson 3 Paras 1 & 2.	
	3.	Bren	SAT Para 4 (43) Lessons 10 & 11. PAM	
16 Nov'44		REGTL DUTIES.		
17 Nov'44		RANGE PRACTICE.		
18 Nov'44		RANGE PRACTICE.		
19 Nov '44		REGTL DUTIES.		

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ROUTINE ORDER PART 1. No. 160.
160 Aust LAA Bty RAA(AIF).

RESTRICTED. 7 Nov '44.

1. APPOINTMENTS PROMOTIONS AND CONFIRMATION OF RANK.

VX11901 Sjt GRAY I.W. Promoted A/WO ii 29/9/44.

2. STRUCK OFF STRENGTH.

VX85380 Lt WILLIS. A.M. Placement on retired List approved for Order in Council (LHQ 144424 of 18 Oct 44(

VX79927 Gnr FRITH M.C. comp tsfr to Vic L of C Area 26/10/4

Discharges.
VX85467 Gnr WILSON C.E. m/o to GDD Vic L of C Area (MPR VO 30478) 1/11/44.

3. TAKEN ON STRENGTH.

VX95023 Capt SALWIN A.C. attached as RMO. 27/10/44.

4. PROFICIENCY PAY.

TX13333 Gnr SENIOR R.C. Forfeits proficiency pay 26/9/44.

5. PUNISHMENTS.

VX80450 L/Cpl RIDGWAY A.R. Offence. AWL 2359 hrs 11/8/44 to 0705 hrs 12/8/44. AA 15 (1).
Award. Admonished by Adm Comd 112 Aust LAA Regt.
Automatic forfeiture 1 days pay.

TX13333 Gnr SENIOR R.C. Offence. AWL 0800 hrs 21/9/44 to 1600 hrs 25/9/44. AA 15 (1)
Award. Fined £5 and ordered forfeiture of 10 days pay by Adm Comd LTD Vic L of C Area. 26/9/44.
Automatic forfeiture 5 days pay
Total forfeiture 15 days pay.

VX110565 Gnr CURTAIN B.A. Offence. AWL 0800 hrs 21/9/44. to 1000 hrs 26/9/44. AA 15 (1)
Award. Fined £5 and ordered forfeiture 10 days pay by Adm Comd LTD Vic L of C Area 26/9/44.
Automatic 16 days pay R036/7466/44

VX89882 Sjt STRANG R.A. Offence. AWL 2359 hrs 11/8/44 to 0710 hrs 12/8/44. AA 15 (1)
Award. Severe reprimand by Adm Comd 112 Aust LAA REGT. 4/10/44.
Automatic forfeiture 1 days pay.

VX150S7 Gnr HICKS P.W. Offence. AWL 2359 hrs 11/8/44 to 0710 hrs 12/8/44 AA 15 (1)
Award: Admonished by Adm Comd 112 Aust LAA Regt 4/10/44.
Automatic forfeiture 1 days pay.

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6. APPOINTMENTS.

VX11901 A/WO ii GRAY I.W. Appointed TSM "A" Tp 160 Bty.

7. INTER-BTY TRANSFERS.

VX11901 A/WO ii GRAY I.W. from 159 Bty to 160 Bty.
V102154 Bdr POWER. M. from 159 Bty to 160 Bty.

8. ATTACHMENTS.

VX86487 L/Sjt WATTS, C.E. from 160 Bty to Regt HQ as tpt NCO

9. ISSUES OF POL - PETROL POINT DARWIN.

A veh Petrol Point has been established in McMINN ST, DARWIN. It is open for issue of petrol between 0700 and 1900 hrs daily.

It is desired that the Petrol Point be used to the fullest extent by all units in the area in order to reduce drum issues to a minimum.

10. CIVILIANS TRAVELLING IN ARMY VEHICLES.

Civilians travelling in Army veh may be classified as follows:-

(a) Civilians performing service on behalf of and at the request of the Army, either in an honorary or paid capacity.

(b) Distinguished visitors to whom as a matter of courtesy the Army would wish to extend transport facilities.

(c) Civilians doing work of a kind which benefits the Army but is not done directly at the request of the Army or under control of the Army and who could only perform their duties efficiently if transport is provided.

(d) Civilian contractors such as men engaged on construction work who may need to have transport facilities if they are to discharge the terms of their contract.

Civilians classified under (a) (b) (c) will be carried at Commonwealth risk, but those classified under (d) and similar cases will be required to sign an agreement relieving the Commonwealth of all liability for loss or injury while being transported in Army veh.

The form of agreement will be as follows:-
" In consideration of my being carried as a passenger in an Army
" veh I agree to travel at my own risk and agree not to hold the
" Commonwealth its servants and agents responsible for any loss
" or injury sustained by me while being so carried"
" Date.....
" Witness.....Signature.....

11. REINFORCEMENTS FOR FIELD SECURITY WING, AUST INTELLIGENCE CORPS.

Applications are invited from members of AIF for reilforcements to Field Security Wing, Aust Int Corps.

Applicants must be A 1, medically and must have at least twelve months service. NCO's will be required to signify their willingnes to revert to the ranks.

On completion of a six weeks course of training, successful appts will be posted to Field SecuritySecs with rank of L/Cpl.
Applications should be addressed to GS (Int) NT Force and should be forwarded to reach BHQ by 1200 hrs 8 Nov '44.

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12. SHIRT SLEEVES.

Attention is drawn to Camp SO's para 19.

It has already been noted that a number of personnel are NOT rolling down the sleeves of their shirts and wearing trousers after 1900 hrs.

Btys will pay particular attention to the enforcement of this order particularly before parties leave the camp to attend pictures or visit the canteen.

.....Maj RAA.
Comd 160 Aust LAA Bty RAA(AIF).

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ROUTINE ORDER PART 1. No. 161.
1CO Aust LAA Bty RAA(AIF).

RESTRICTED. 2c Nov'44.

1. SCHOOLS AND COURSES.

VX78051 Gnr LAWS J.R. — Qualified at NT Force Trg School Hygiene and sanitation Course No. 10. 23/9/44.

VX21902 Sjt HUME G.O. — Qualified at NT Force Trg School Fd Works Course No 40 26/9/44.

VX79129 Sjt HALL C.M. — Qualified at LHQ School of Education. Course No.9. 3/10/44.

The undermentioned personnel passed trade test for Gunlayers subjects A-F (incl) on dates shown:-

VX85324	Gnr	CHRISTIE C.J.	Distinguished pass	16/9/44.
VX51490	L/Bdr	MACKAY I.A.	" "	"
VX80105	"	Wriedt C.H.		"
VX116022	Gnr	SHELLY B.A.		"
VX112489	"	HENNINGSEN A.H.		"

The undermentioned personnel passed Trade Test for Inst Ops on 13/10/44

QX47201 Sjt BUTTERWORTH H.E.
V102154 Bdr POWER M.
Q75720 Sjt CARRINGTON A.F.

The undermentioned personnel passed Trade Test for Gunlayers Subject G on 21/10/44.

VX80105 L/Bdr WREIDT, C.H. VX51490 L/Bdr MACKAY I.A.
VX116022 Gnr SHELLY B.A. VX85324 Gnr CHRISTIE C.J.
VX112489 " HENNINGSEN A.H.

Authority for all of above RO 37/7783/44.

2. MEDICAL CLASSIFICATION.

VX28644 Sjt JANE H.A. — Medical Classification assessed as "B2" (Chronic Bil Pes Planus) 3/10/44.

VX79371 Gnr BURROWS L.G. — Medical Classification assessed as "D" (T) (Osteoarthritis L Knee) 1/10/44.

3. PUNISHMENTS.

VX72973 Bdr MAXWELL W.H. — Offence. Used insubordinate language to his superior offr. 11/10/44. AA 8 (2)
Award. Severe reprimand by Adm Comd. 112 Aust LAA Regt 13/10/44.

VX140614 Pte GREENWAY F.C. — Offence. AWL 0800 Hrs 21/9/44 to 1800 hrs 6/10/44. AA 25 (1).
Award. Fined £5 and ordered forfeiture of 28 days pay by Adm Comd LTD Vic L of C Area 7/10/44. Automatic forfeiture 16 days pay Total forfeiture 44 days pay.

4. STRUCK OFF STRENGTH.

VX21937 Lt WELLSTED. — Release to resume Medical Studies Marched out 13/11/44.

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5. TRAFFIC CONTROL AT AIR STRIPS.

Drop arms have been installed by RAAF at points approx 400 yards outside both ends of air strips adjoining STUART HIGHWAY. When used at night drop arms are equipped with a red light.

The drop arms will be operated by RAAF personnel whose instructions to traffic will be strictly carried out.

The provisions of RO Ptl No. 140 para 7 will continue to apply.

6. INJURIES CAUSED BY ACCIDENTS WITH EXPLOSIVES AND LIVE AMN.

Members of the public have been killed or seriously injured recently as the result of handling explosives and live amn which either-

(a) have been taken or sent home by members of the forces as souvenirs, or
(b) have been negligently left in places to which the public has xx access.

To prevent a recurrence of such accidents, the following instns will be observed strictly.

(a) Unless acting in the course of his military duties or unless so authorised by or under the National Security (Firearms or Explosives) Regulations, a member of the AMF will not have in his possession or deliver to any person any bomb, shell or other explosive or live amn of any kind.
(b) All units will take vigorous action to ensure that members comply with terms of this paragraph.
(c) When any member serving outside Australia and Tasmania is to return to Australia or Tasmania, his kit will be inspected thoroughly, prior to his embarkation or emplaning, to ensure that he is not in possession of any explosive or live amn of any kind other than such as may be necessary in the course of his military duties.
(d) His Kit will again be inspected thoroughly at any LTD from which he is to be released on leave, prior to his being so released.
(e) Units will ensure that all prescribed safety precautions for the handling and storing of explosives and live amn are carefully observed.
(f) Under no circumstances will explosives or live amn of any kind be left unguarded in any place to which members of the public have xxx access.
(g) In areas where training with explosives and live amn is carried out, the utmost care will be exercised to ensure that all blinds are searched for and destroyed in accordance with the prescribed safety precautions.

If a member is charged with an offence againts this order a summary of evidence will be taken and an application submitted to superior authority for trail by Court-martial.

7. GIFT PARCELS FOR UNITED KINGDOM ADDRESSEES- DUTY FREE CONCESSION.

The conditions of the concession announced RO Pt 1 No 116 para 11 of 9 Oct '43 under which members of the AMF and of the British Army serving in Australia and in other places within the SWPA are permitted to send to their relatives and friends in the United Kingdom a max of four gift parcels per year, duty free, have been amended.

The following are the conditions applicable as from 20 Oct(44.
(i) The usual postage rates are payable.
(ii) Parcels must not weigh more than 5 lbs each and must not include:-
(a) any drinkable spirits.
(b) more than ½lb total weightof tobacco, including cigars and cigarettes(200 cigarettes or 50 cigars) or any tobacco goods marked "HM Ships only".

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(c) more than ½ pint of scent.
(d) more than 2 lbs of any one foodstuff.

(iii) The maxiaum value of the contents of parcels which can now be sent by one individual sender in any one year is £8 and this value may be made up as follows:-
(a) one parcel of £8 value, or
(b) two or more parcels up to a maximum of four parcels aggregating £8 value.

(iv) Special Customs declarations (AFs W5192) must be affixed xx to all parcels in order to ensure the duty free concession. These declarations where not already in possession of units, are obtainable through normal stationery channels.

(v) Issues to personnel will be under unit arrangements, on the basis of a maximum of four AFs W5192 per year to anyone sender. A comparatively few forms should, suffice for the needs of any unit.

(vi) Each AF W5192 issued will have entered upon it the sender's number and name and be signed by the issuing officer in the space provided.

(vii) Each Customs declaration represents a permissable value of £2 within the parcel to which it is attached.

(viii) Where the value of the contents in any one parcel exceeds £2, a further declaration for each additional £2 (or fraction thereof) up to a maximum of £8, must be attached, e.g. a parcel containing goods to the declared value of £6 would require three labels attached.

It is stressed that full duty will be levied in the United Kingdom (for collection from the addresses) in respect of any contents of parcels which infringe the restrictions contained in para 1² (ii) above. In addition to these duty charges, the contents of any parcel not bearing a Customs declaration, received into the United Kingdom of the value of such contents. This tax is chargeable on most manufactured articles but tobacco and foodstuffs are excluded.

8. EXTRACTS FROM BTY TRUST A/C LEDGER.

Balance as at 25 Sep'44	£78- 4/-	
RECEIPTS.		
Bty Canteen Profit.	17- 16- 1.	
Distribution from Regtl Funds.	110-	
EXPENDITURE.		
Cost 1 soft ball set		£3- 14/-
" 9 ½ balls		3- 7- 6
Quiz prizes		1- 11-
Cr balance as at 25 Oct '44.		197- 7- 7.
	£206- Ø- 1.	£206- Ø- 1.

STATEMENT OF ADVANCES. as at 25 Oct '44.

Held by BHQ Canteen £175.
Money held by Maj Crawford £5/10/-

We certify that we have examined the Trust A/C Book AAF W 145, the Trust A/C ledger and vouchers relating to 160 Aust LAA Bty RAA(AE) Trust accounts and that in our opinion this statement correctly sets out the position of the funs as at 25 Oct'44.

Signed. J.R.Donnell)
" L/W.Regan) Auditors.

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8. continued.

CANTEEN P and L A/C for month ending 25 Oct '44.

INCOME.

Takings for month.	£408-	8-	9.
Stock on Hand as at 25 Oct'44.	139-	12-	1.

EXPENDITURE.

Stock on hand 4th Oct. 25/9/44.				£150-	3- 6.
Purchases for month Oct.				380-	1- 3.
Profit for month	£18/16/5.				
Less bkages.	1 - 4.			17-	16- 1.
	£548-	Ø-	10.	£548-	Ø- 10.

We certify that we have examined the Canteen Stock Book, the Canteen Supervisor's Cash Book and vouchers relating to 160 Aust LAA Bty RAA (AIF) Canteen Accounts, and that in our opinion this statement correctly sets out the position of the Canteen as at 25 Oct '44.

Signed J.R.Donnell.)
" L.W.Regan.) Auditors.

CANTEEN ASSETS AS AT 25 Oct '44.

Cash.	£129-	12-	1.
Stock.	35-	7-	11.
	£175-		

.....Maj RAA.
Comd 160 Aust LAA Bty RAA(AIF).

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22 Nov'44.

TRAINING SYLLABUS.

Period 20 Nov '44 to 3 Dec'44.

DATE	PERIOD	SUBJECT.	REF.	REMARKS.
20 Nov'44	1.	Rifle Drill		
	2.	Bayonet	SAT Pam 12.	
	3.	Individual Trg		Cover from fire & view camouflage & concealment.
21 Nov'44.	1.	Rifle Drill		
	2.	Bayonet.	SAT Pam 12.	
	3.	Individual Trg.		Individual stalk.
22 Nov'44		REGTL DUTIES.		
23 Nov'44	1.	Section Trg		Formations & Protection.
	2.	Bayonet	SAT Pam 12.	
	3.	Section Trg		Fd Signals.
24 Nov'44.	1.	Section Trg		Section in attack.
	2.	Section Trg		Section in attack.
	3.	Section Trg		Section in Defence.
25 Nov'44		REGTL DUTIES.		
26 Nov'44		STAND DOWN.		
27 Nov'44.	1.	Section Trg.		Patrols - General.
	2.	Section Trg		Recce & Standing Patrols.
	3.	Section Trg		Recce & Stabding Patrols.
28 Nov'44		REGTL DUTIES.		
29 Nov'44		Section Trg		Fighting Patrols.
30 Nov'44		Section Trg		Fighting Patrols.
1 Dec'44		REGTL DUTIES.		
2 Dec'44		PL Trg		PL in attack.
3 Dec'44		STAND DOWN.		

Note. To be read in conjunction with Bty Trg Instn No. 37.

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1 No.162.

160 Aust LAA Bty RAA (AIF)

RESTRICTED. 25 Nov 44.

1. APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS AND CONFIRMATIONS OF RANK.

VX80360 Gnr BARTLETT P.E. Promoted A/Bdr 10/10/44.

2. ILLEGAL ABSENTEE.

VX140624 Pte GREENWAY F.C. TG II Cook (AACC) — Declared Illegal Absentee as from 11/10/44 by LTD Vic L of C Area on 4/11/44.

3. REGT TRANSFERS.

Q75678 Bdr PROTHEROE A.K. From 159 Bty to 160 Bty.

4. DISCHARGES.

VX68906 Sjt STUBBS E.J. Marched out for discharge to industry 16/11/44.

5. STRUCK OFF STRENGTH.

VX48206	WOII	BANNISTER R.L.	Marched out for discharge to industry 21/11/44.
TX10776	Gnr	GRIFFITHS R.H.	"
VX124231	"	OLIVER M.	"
V325967	"	SWANBOROUGH C.L.	"
Q75720	Sjt	CARRINGTON A.F	"
Q75678	Bdr	PROTHEROE A.K.	"

6. UNAUTHORISED USE OF MATERIAL.

Attention is directed to the provisions of GRO A734/43 referred to in Regt ROs Pt I No.106 paras 23 - 27.

All ranks are again warned that sawn timber, iron, eqpt and material generally, whether in stores or dumps or in camps or elsewhre, must NOT be removed or used without proper authority.

Severe disciplinary action will be taken against any officer or soldier who contravenes this order or fails to take action to prevent such misuse or to report it to higher authority when contravention of this order comes under his notice.

.....Major RAA.
Comd 160 Aust LAA Bty RAA (AIF)

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART I No.163.

160 Aust LAA Bty RAA (AIF)

RESTRICTED. 30 Nov 44.

1. REGT TRANSFERS.

VX85314 Bdr RICHARDS A. From RHQ to 160 Bty. 24/11/44.

2. CENSORSHIP.

Attention is directed to para 18 of GRO 371/44.

Troops under comd NT Force may forward through the post newspapers incl "Army News" and "Salt".

Newspapers will NOT be marked nor will any reference be made in accompanying letters which would indicate exact or approximate location of a unit.

3. AAB 83s AND PAYBOOKS.

It is appreciated that the present AAB 83 is an insubstantial document. Accordingly the onus is on the individual to take particular care of it.

Sub units should make regular inspections of AAB 83s with a view to making what repairs are necessary to maintain the book in reasonably good condition.

It is pointed out that loss, destruction, or damaging of the AAB 83 or the paybook is itself a ground for a charge against the individual concerned and that the onus of showing that the loss etc was NOT caused by negligence is then on the owner of the book.

In view of the considerable amount of work and inconvenience involved in providing replacements of lost etc AAB 83s and/or paybooks, the CO directs that a charge will be laid against any member losing, destroying, or damaging an AAB 83 or paybook.

4. RELATIONS BETWEEN TROOPS AND NATIVES.

The Northern Territory of Australia Aboriginals Ordinance 1918-1933 Section 53 provides as follows:-
"Any male person (except an aboriginal or half cast) who:-
(a) habitually lives with aboriginals or half castes, or with any aboriginal or half caste who is not his lawful wife; or
(b) cohabits with or has sexual, intercourse with any aboriginal or half caste who is NOT his lawful wife,
shall be guilty of an offence. PENALTY: One hundred pounds or imprisonment for six months or both".

The foregoing provision applies equally to all civilian and service personnel withing the Northern Territory.

In addition, vólation of Section 53 of the Ordinance by members of the Australian Military Forces in the Northern Territory of Australia is hereby declared to be a military offence as well as a civil offence.

5. WEARING OF BATHING TRUNKS.

Personnel bathing from MENDEL BEACH, DARWIN, will at all times wear trunks or suitable loin covering.

6. WELLINGTON STREET BEACH.

The small beach (map reference DARWIN MS 790086 - opposite Wellington Street LARRAKEYAH) is OUT OF BOUNDS to all troops except those

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specially authorised by NT Force.

7. ANGAU - APLICATIONS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE DISTRICT SERVICES.

Ref Bty Routine Order Part I No.156 para 6.

An extension of time for the submission of such applications has been granted. Personnel desiring to apply should do so without delay.

Further infm may be obtained from Bty HQ.

8. PASSENGER CARRYING CAPACITY OF ARMY VEHICLES.

The passenger carrying capacity of Army vehicles, when the passengers are in full marching order, is as follows:-

Vans or Trucks, E -15 cwt	6
Vans, 1-ton, GS	8
Trucks, 30 cwt	12
Lorries or Trucks, 3-ton	16
Lories or Trucks, 7-ton semi-trailer	28
Trucks, 10-ton, Mack Diesel	2o
Trilers,4 wheeled, GS, 3-ton	18
Trailers, 4 wheeled, GS, 8-ton	28
Buses, cars and jeeps	According to seating capacity.

The numbers of passengers prescribed by the above para will NOT be exceded except in the case of emergency.

9. CONSERVATION OF RUBBER - SYNTHETIC TYRES.

This order will be read in conjunction with GRO 167/44.

The critical rubber situation and the necessity for obtaining the maximum service from tyres has been stressed from time to time. The further deterioration of the situation, necessitating theintroduction of tyres of synthetic construction, renders it imperative that greater care than ever be exercised in the use and maintenance of all tyres, whether of synthetic or natural rubber construction.

Synthetic tyres are far more susceptible to failure through abuse than tyres constructed from natural rubber. All concerned will, therefore-

(a) exercise the utmost care to avoid - overloading, underinflation hard braking and fierce acceleration, high speeds, bumps and other causes of severe impact; (b) check wheel alignment frequently and correct irregularities promptly; (c) rotate tyres regularly; (d) remove stines and flint from tyres during unit maintenance; (e) submit tyres for replacement at the correct stages for recapping;; and (f) submit damagd tyres for repair without delay.

Formations and units will ensure that prompt disciplinary action is taken where breaches of this order occur.

Comd 160 Aust LAA Bty RAA (AIF) Major RAA.

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