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JANUARY TO
NOVEMBER 1944

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AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL
ACCESS STATUS

OPEN

556 LIGHT ANTI AIRCRAFT
BATTERY

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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ORIGINAL

Army Form C. 2118.
(adapted.)

28 FEB. 1944

Unit 556 Aust. Lt. A.A. Bty. (static) Date and Time.—From 0001 1 Jan. 44.....To 2359hrs 8 Jan. 44.

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOWNSVILLE	1 Jan. 44		Maintenance carried out as laid down. Training syllabus commenced as from this date. Small party of troop personnel attended R.A.A.F. picture theatre during evening.	
	2 Jan. 44		Nothing to report. Four members of Bty. commenced Aircraft Indent. School.	
	3 Jan. 44		Training carried out as per syllabus.	
	4 Jan. 44		Training carried out as per syllabus.	
	5 Jan. 44		COLONEL F.R. NORTH visited this area. Training carried out as per syllabus.	
	6 Jan. 44		Small party of Bty personnel had rest day, remainder of Bty carried out training. Swim parade arranged for available personnel who were not on duty.	
	7 Jan. 44		Training carried out as per syllabus. Unit records Officer visited Bty H.Q.	
	8 " "		Unit censorship discontinued as per circular issued by group H.Q. Officers conference held at, Bty H.Q. to discuss circular issued by group H.Q. regarding 20 MM. gun, and other matters.	
	" "			

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Unit **556. AUST. LT. A. A. BTY. (STATIC) HQ** Date and Time.—From 0001hrs. 17 JAN. 44 To 2359hrs. 27 JAN. 44

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOWNSVILLE	17 JAN. 44		Training carried as per syllabus.	
" " "	18 " "		FOUR personnel attending aircraft indet. school, training carried out as per syllabus.	
" " "	19 " "		Training carried as per syllabus.	
" " "	20 " "		Received 3000 sand bags for completion of gun pits, also model aircraft distributed to troops for training.	
" "	21 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus.	
	22 " "		Owing to heavy rain training was suspended and work was carried out around gun sites, sleeping quarters.	
	23 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus.	
	24 " "		FOUR (4) personnel attending aircraft indet. school.	
	25 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus.	
	26 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, pay parade, visited by educational officer, and was taken around to gun sites.	
	27 " "			

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10 MAR 1944

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Unit 555. AUST IP. A.A. BTY. (STATIC) H. Date and Time. — From 0001hrs. 1 Feb. 44. To 2359hrs. 10 Feb. 44.

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOWNSVILLE	1 FEB. 44		Training carried out as per syllabus. Visited by field security unit.	
" " "	" "		Training carried out as per syllabus.	
" " "	2 " "		TRAINING carried out as per syllabus.	
" " "	3 " "		TRAINING carried out as per syllabus.	
" " "	4 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus.	
" " "	5 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, exchange of unit library books, 1 N.C.O. and 1 other rank taken on strength.	
" " "	6 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, sports afternoon arranged.	
" " "	7 " "		Four (4) personnel attending aircraft rec. school. training carried out as per syllabus.	
" " "	8 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus.	
" " "	9 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus.	
" " "	10 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, visited by a representative of A.A.P.C.	

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Unit 556. AUST. INF. A.A. BRY. (STATIC) Date and Time.—From 0001 hrs. 11. FEB. 44 To 2359hrs. 19 FEB. 44

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOWNSVILLE	1 FEB. 44		Training carried out as per syllabus, four personnel went out on	
" " "	" " "		rest day.	
" " "	12 " "		FIVE N.C.O. transferred to 51st AUST. COMP. REGT. Training carried	
" " "	" " "		out as per syllabus.	
" " "	13 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus.	
" " "	14 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus.	
" " "	15 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus; four personnel attending	
" " "	" " "		aircraft indent. school.	
" " "	16 " "		BRY. COMD. attended conference at GROUP H.Q. Training carried out	
" " "	17 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus; ^{sec.} Sgt. Cummins S field security	
" " "	" " "		visited this area.	
" " "	18 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, library distributed to	
" " "	" " "		gun sites, also canteen supplies.	
" " "	19 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus.	

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Unit 556. AUST. LT. A. A. BTY. (STATIC) H.Q. Date and Time.—From 0001hrs 26 FEB. 44 To 2359hrs 26 FEB. 44.

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOWNSVILLE	20 FEB. 44		Training carried out as per syllabus, during morning, sports	
" " "	" " "		afternoon.	
" " "	21 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, four (4) personnel attended	
" " "	" " "		aircraft indent, school, new battery commander marched in,	
" " "	" " "		(MAJ. G. LAWRENCE).	
" " "	22 " "		Training carried as per syllabus, two (2) A. E. M. E. personnel	
" " "	" " "		attached four duty.	
" " "	23 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, leave night.	
" " "	24 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, pay parade, BTY. comd	
" " "	" " "		conference held at GROUP H.Q.	
" " "	25 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus.	
" " "	26 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, Twenty (20) personnel of	
" " "	" " "		U.S.A. ARMY attached for training on 40 mm Bofors gun, CAPT.	
" " "	" " "		G. J. KY-CHEWNER marched out on home leave.	

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan. 1942)
6/44 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 5/2/1944 556 MWS Lt. H/1st Bn. (Unit)

W.E. VI/1311/2 OFFRS. 6 O.R.'s 173 + OFFRS. - O.R.'s 6 ATT. BY W.E.

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

LWOP. (H. Nil) (B do.)

W.R. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.									
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.R.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.R.	Rein'ts Required.					
1				Lieut.-Colonels										
1	1		-	Majors										
4	1	1	2	Captains										
			3	Lieutenants										
				Quarter-masters										
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.										
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.										
6	2	1	5											
				DETAIL.	A.L.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
				A.	5	-								5
				E(1)										
				E(2)										

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for completion of form will complete Part E (1) & E (2).

- * Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
- ** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g. 20 U.K. Forces; 16 S.K. Forces.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO _____ (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. _____/194

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Army Form C. 21
(adapted.)

Unit 556. AIRSP. INF. B.A. BTY. (SATIC) H. Date and Time.—From 0000 hrs. 1 MAR. 44. To 2359 hrs. 7 MAR. 44.

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOWNSVILLE	1 MAR. 44		Training carried out as per syllabus, ganteen supplies delivered to gun sites, library.	
" " "	" " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, eight (8) personnel attended	
" " "	" " "		dance held by R.A.A.F. all available personnel taken for swim.	
" " "	" " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, three (3) personnel returned	
" " "	" " "		from home leave, arrangements made for shoot by battery.	
" " "	" " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, one (1) member returned	
" " "	" " "		from home leave, visited by AMERICAN officers regarding training	
" " "	" " "		of their personnel.	
" " "	" " "		Training carried out as per syllabus during morning, SPORTS	
" " "	" " "		afternoon arranged inter cricket match, CAPT R. D. MCARTHUR RETURNED	
" " "	" " "		from leave.	
" " "	" " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, during morning, battery	
" " "	" " "		firing practice conducted during afternoon.	

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Army Form C. 2/98.
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Unit 556. AUST. LIGHT A.A. BTY. (STATIO)te and Time.—From 0001 hrs. 7 MAR. 44 To 2359hrs 13 MAR. 44

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOWNSVILLE	7 MAR. 44		Training carried out as per syllabus, during morning, firing	
" " "	" " "		practice conducted during afternoon.	
" " "	8 " "		Firing practice was to be carried out during whole of day, but	
" " "	" " "		owing to damage to the drogue, the shoot had to be postponed,	
" " "	" " "		10 personnel invited to dance at R.A.A.F., and available personnel	
" " "	" " "		taken for a swim.	
" " "	9 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus during morning,	
" " "	" " "		firing carried out during afternoon, resulting in the drogue	
" " "	" " "		^{BEING SHOT} be shot down, CAPT. R. D. McARTHUR TRANSFERRED.	
" " "	10 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, pay parade, and request hour.	
" " "	11 " "		" " " " " " " " , four N.C.O. transferred	
" " "	12 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, sports afternoon arranged.	
" " "	13 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, one (1) N.C.O. Transferred.	
" " "	" " "		visited by Pte OHMAN, Pte FISCHER of field security sec.	

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Unit 556. AUST. LT. A.A. BTY. (STATIC) Date and Time.—From 0001hrs 14 MAR. 44 To 2359hrs. 22 MAR. 44

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOWNSVILLE	14 MAR. 44		Training carried out as per syllabus, canteen and bty library	
" " "	" " "		taken around gun sites. Fishing trip arranged for Bty personnel.	
" " "	15 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus	
" " "	16 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, tested bty personnel for	
" " "	" " "		trade group lll, gun layers.	
" " "	17 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus.	
" " "	18 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, five personnel went out	
" " "	" " "		on rest day.	
" " "	19 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus during morning, football	
" " "	" " "		match arranged with R.A.A.F. afternoon.	
" " "	20 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus.	
" " "	21 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, library and canteen supplies	
" " "	" " "		taken around to guns sites.	
" " "	22 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus.	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Army Form C. 2116.
(adapted.)

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Unit 556 AUST. I.F.A.A. BTY (STATIC) R. Date and Time. — From 2359 hrs, 23 MAR. 44 to 2359 MAR. 30. 44.....

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOWNSVILLE	23 MAR. 44		Commenced three days shooting at CLUDEN rifle range, classification	
" " "	" " "		shoot, remainder carried out training as per syllabus.	
" " "	24 " "		Range shooting at CLUDEN.	
" " "	25 " "		Range shooting at CLUDEN, leave night for personnel not on duty.	
" " "	26 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus during morning, football	
" " "	" " "		match arranged for afternoon.	
" " "	27 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, Lieut A. McMAHAN marches	
" " "	" " "		in on loan from 16 AUST. HY. BTY.	
" " "	28 " "		Owing to heavy rainfall, training was cancelled, nine (9) inches	
" " "	" " "		being recorded in the past twenty (20) hours.	
" " "	29 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, owing to the heavy rain	
" " "	" " "		maintenance had to be carried out during most of the day.	
" " "	30 " "		Inspection carried out by STAFF CAPT. CAPT. BEILMAN, training carried out	
" " "	" " "		as per syllabus, classification shoot carried out at CLUDEN RANGE	

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in
Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 11/8/1944.

Details of Tradesmen.	W.E.	Present Strength.	Reinforce. Required.	Details of Tradesmen.				W.E.	Present Strength.	Reinforce. Required.	Details of Tradesmen.						
				GROUP I. (cont.)							GROUP II. (cont.)				GROUP III. (cont.)		
Ammunition Examblers				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.					G.P.O. Assistants				
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard					Hammermen				
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line					Leather Stitchers				
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal					Orderlies, Nursing				
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard					Orderlies, Nursing Mental				
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless					Plate Layers				
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians					Rangefinders				
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters					Riveters				
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters					Roughriders				
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate					Saddlers				
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers					Saddletree-makers				
Blacksmiths								Printers					Signmaker and Book Binder				
Bricklayers								Radigraphers					Stevedores				
Computers								Riggers					Stokers, Steamy, Engine				
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers					Storemen, Technical				
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers					Tailors				
Dispensers				Assmen				Signwriters					Textile Beatters				
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identif. Numbers					Tinsmiths				
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's Asst.				Well Borers					Vulcanizers				
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers					Wagon Erectors				
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman					Whitesmiths				
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman									
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners									
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics													
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)													
Fitters				Driver-Operator													
Fitters (Cycle)				Dressers													
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians													
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)													
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.									
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors					DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.				
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers					BATHEN	3	1	NR	
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	2	2			"DUP"	3	2	"	
Ordnance, Provision				Heb's Operator				Clerks, Supply					DUP M.T.	2	3		
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator	24	6	NR	Clerks, Technical					GUN MGS	72	55	58	
Mechanics, Instrument (Signal)				Intelligence Duties		1		Clerks, Trimmers					HARIENS	1			
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors					M.C. ORDERLIES	2	1		
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks					TELEPHONIST	8	-	8	
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk, Orderlies					WATER BOYL	1	-	1	
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Dispatch Riders					B.S.M.	1	1		
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals					ATTACHED BY W.E.				
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.					B.G.M.S.	1	1		
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics	1	1			TROOP SGT.	2	2		
Pharmacist				Massours				Driver Typ. Plant					COOK SGT.	12	20		
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, LC.	12	9	4		ATT. BY W.E.				
Photowriter				Millers				Equipment Repairers	1	1			A.P.C.C.	5	7		
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers					A.P.M.C.	1	1		
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates									
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers	24	16							
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD	24	8		CARRIED FORWARD	64	36	4		Total of columns Marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A, respectively.				

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.

(b) Authorized trades of specialists not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.

(c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.S. personnel are desired show details on back.

(d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.R. in col. "Reinforce. Required."

(e) Where any request or notation is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

Date of Despatch

S. 000 Pals 7/13 R.F.

Signature of Commander

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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(Revised Jan., 1943)
11 / 111 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 10 / 3 / 1943 556 Ave. R. ABRTY (Unit)

W.E. V1 / 13H / 2 OFFRS. 6 O.R.'s 173 + OFFRS. - O.R.'s 6 ATT. BY W.E.

(A Nil
LWOT: JS do

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.	• • Lieut.-Colonels Majors Captains Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.	Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.
	1		1 3						
	1		5						

DETAIL.	A.L.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL
A.	11	5								5
E.(1)										
E.(2)										

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for completion of form will complete Part B (1) & B (2).

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PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
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PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO _____ (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. _____/_____/194____.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 11/3/1944 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
MAJOR	WX35888	LAWRENCE	A.M.	P.C.	YES		
MAJ/CHPT	822717	KITCHENER	GL	MAJ/CHPT	"		
LIEUT.	822378	DABOVICH	A.R.	I.P.	"		
"	W11455	GRANGE	T.R.	T. LEAD	NO	SCHOOL ARTY. CLARENCE	6-3-44
"	8235955	BOYD	L.W.	" "	"		

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
VY 80134	LIEUT.	BOYLE P.J.	GEN. TRNG 241-1-116 H.Q. TRNG H/PT. GROSSIST		TRAINING

11th March 1944

Date of Despatch

G. Lawrence
Signature of Commander

13 MAY 1944

WAR DIARY OF INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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(adapted.)Unit 556 AUST. INF. A.A. BTY. (STATIC) Date and Time.—From 0001 hrs. 1 APR. 44 to 2359 hrs. 6 APR. 44

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOWNSVILLE	1 APR. 44		Training carried out as per syllabus, personnel tested for	
" "	" " "		inst. operators (Trade group 11.) ,leave night for available	
" "	" " "		personnel.	
" "	2 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus during morning ,sports	
" "	" " "		afternoon, bty. played football,	
" "	3 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, inspection of all arms	
" "	" " "		by Bty Comd., mantry on gun site B4 challenged, fired one round	
" "	" " "		while , while on guard duty, it appears the person trespassing	
" "	" " "		was a member of the R.A.A.F., Bty comd. conference at Gp.H.Q.	
" "	4 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, visited by Maj. QUINN.	
" "	" " "		A.D.M.S.	
" "	5 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, Lt. J.J. McDARRA ★ Marched	
" "	" " "		in from 651 AUST INF A.A. Bty.	
" "	6 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, visited by Mr HILL in conection with THE FIRST VICTORY LOAN.	

WAR DIARY OF INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Army Form C. 218.
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Unit 556. AUST. Lt. A. A. BTY. (STATIC) ~~DATE~~ Date and Time.—From 0001hrs. 7 APR. 44. To 2359hrs. 7 APR. 44

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOWNSVILLE	7 APR. 44		Training carried out at as per syllabus, Bty Comd., attended conference	
" " "	" "		at Gp. H. Q. Under instructions from Comd. Officer, Bty comd was advised	
" " "	" "		to call upon the Comd. Officer of the 4th AIR DEPO., in an	
" " "	" "		endeavour to have one of our gun station moved, a site had been	
" " "	" "		chosen previously, which was rejected by the Comd of the AIR DEPO.	
" " "	" "		(COL. SEBASTIAN), this was again referred to Comd. of Gp. H. Q.	
" " "	" "		a later visit was arranged with COL SEBASTIAN for his permission	
" " "	" "		have	
" " "	" "		to the timber around present gun station to be topped, he was	
" " "	" "		reluctant to have this done, but suggested we contact COL. MARKALL	
" " "	" "		this visit concluded by COL. MARKALL informing the Bty Comd.	
" " "	" "		that he did not think it necessary to have this gun moved, as	
" " "	" "		our role in this area was only a pretence, permission was not	
" " "	" "		definitely refused, but it was suggested that we find other means	
" " "	" "		of improving present site.	

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Unit 556 AUST. Lt. A.A. BTY. (STATIC) Date and Time.—From 000 hrs. 8 APR. 44 To 2359 hrs. 15 APR. 44

R.A.A.F.

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOWNSVILLE	8 APR. 44		TRAINING CARRIED OUT AS PER SYLLABUS, extra rest day granted	
" "	" " "		to duty.	
" "	9 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus during morning, a football	
" "	" " "		match arranged with R.A.A.F. during afternoon.	
" "	10 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, Lt. A. McMAHON marched out	
" "	" " "		to 16 AUST. HY. BTY., Lt. R. ROBERTS on loan from 667 AUST Lt. A.A. BTY.	
" "	" " "		marched in.. special N.C.O. class conductor at B.H.Q.	
" "	11 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, Lt. L.W. BOYD, loaned to	
" "	" " "		COAST ARTY, to conduct BOFORS shoot, leave night for personnel	
" "	" " "		not on duty.	
" "	12 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, Leave night for personnel	
" "	" " "		not on duty, in-vartation extended to N.C.Os and O.R. to attend	
" "	" " "		R.A.A.F. gance.	
" "	13 " "		A.C.F. completed furnishing BTY. Rec. Hqt. Training carried out	

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Unit 556 AUST. Lt. A.A. B Coy. (STATIC) Date and Time.—From 0001hrs. 13 APR. 44 To 2359hrs. 16 APR. 44

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOWNSVILLE	13 APR. 44		Fire broke out in B T _W area at 2130 hrs, was quickly brought	
" " "	" " "		under control, fire was due to a pile of camouflage netting	
" " "	" " "		catching alight, this being in an Ordnance dump adjacent to	
" " "	" " "		to B T _p , all equipment was moved to a safe place, in case of	
" " "	" " "		fire spreading.	
" " "	14 " "		shoot A live was to be carried out to day, but was cancelled, training	
" " "	" " "		was carried out as laid down, special N.C.O.s. class conducted	
" " "	" " "		at B.H.Q.	
" " "	15 " "		Shooting practice was to be carried out to day, but owing to	
" " "	" " "		the velocity of the wind balloons failed to drift into the	
" " "	" " "		arc of fire, training carried out as laid down, leave night for	
" " "	" " "		personnel not on duty.	
" " "	16 " "		Training carried out during morning, football match played	
" " "	" " "		during afternoon.	

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Unit 556. AUST. INF. A.A. BTY. (STATIC) Date and Time.—From 0001hrs 17. APR. 44. To 2359hrs 23. APR. 44.

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOWNSVILLE	17 APR. 44		Training carried out as per syllabus, interviewed all guncrews	
" " "	" " "		in connection with THE FIRST VICTORY LOAN, NIGHT training carried	
" " "	" " "		out.	
" " "	18 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, Bty landing library taken	
" " "	" " "		around gun sites, Cpl. CHAMBERS of Field Security Sec. visited	
" " "	" " "		this area, leave night for personnel not on duty.	
" " "	20 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, personnel invited to RAAF	
" " "	" " "		dance.	
" " "	21 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, fourteen personnel taken	
" " "	" " "		out for the day on a fishing trip arranged by ARMY APPRENTICES.	
" " "	22 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, special E.C. Co. lecture	
" " "	" " "		conducted at E.H.C. as from 1800hrs	
" " "	23 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, during morning, football	
" " "	" " "		match played against RAAF, during afternoon.	

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Unit 556 AUST. L.A./A. Bty. (STATIC), Date and Time.—From 0001hrs. 24 APR. 44 To 2359hrs. 27 APR. 44

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOWNSVILLE	24 APR. 44		Training carried out as per syllabus, visited by field security	
" " "	" " "		sec., commenced selling bonds for the THE FIRST VICTORY LOAN	
" " "	" " "		received a total of £70. from A Tp.	
" " "	25 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, continued selling bonds	
" " "	" " "		received the total of £80. from B Tp., total amount to date £150.	
" " "	" " "		LANCASTER BOMBER visited this area. Lt. W. B. FLEMING marched in	
" " "	" " "		from F.A.A./A POOL. ANZAC DAY was observed in Bty.	
" " "	26 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, Bty personnel taken to	
" " "	" " "		view LANCASTER BOMBER. Three (3) personnel marched out on home leave	
" " "	" " "		. MAJ. LAWRENCE attended conference at Gp H.Q. regarding shooting	
" " "	" " "		practice.	
" " "	27 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, CAPT. G. L. KITCHENER,	
" " "	" " "		returned from home leave, CAPT. Johnstone of Intelligence SEC	
" " "	" " "		visited this area, additional £20. received for VICTORY LOAN.	

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W. 3008
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)
15 / 1111 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 8 / 14 / 1943 556 PMS LAA Bty (Unit)

W.E. V1 / 13H / 2 OFFRS. 6 O.R.'s 173 + OFFRS. - O.R.'s 6 ATT. BY W.E. JA MIL
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PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Both 'T's Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein't's Required.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
			1 1 L	Lieut.-Colonels Majors Captains Lieutenants Quartermasters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
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Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for completion of form will complete Part B (1) & B (2).	DETAIL.	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
		A.	6								
	B (1)										
	B (2)										

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
* * Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
NX135828	LIEUT	McDARRAH J J	556 PMS LAA Bty	8-14-43	FILL W.E.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO _____ (Unit) IS

PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. _____/_____/194____.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3003 at 0600 Hours Saturday 8 / 4 / 1941.

Grade	Trade	Rank	W/E	Posted	Rein. Req.
	<u>TRADE</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>W/E</u>	<u>POSTED</u>	<u>REIN. REQ.</u>
	B.S.M.	WO/4	1	1	
	B.O.M.S.	C/Sgt.	1	1	
	TROOP SGT.	SGT.	2	2	
	DET. COM.	"	12	10	
	COH BDR	BDR.	12	19	
	CLERK.	"	1	1	
	MT. BDR.	"	-	1	
<u>ATTACHED</u>					
	COOK.	SGT	1	1	
	"	CPL	1	1	
	MED ORD.	"	1	1	
<u>O.R. SURPLUS.</u>					
	SX 22704	Sm	Clarke & G.	(barber NOT paid)	
	SX 24346	"	Jackson & C. S.	(Intelligence duties)	

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct statement of the present strength and reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3003 at 0600 Hours Saturday 8 / 4 / 1941.
 Signature: _____
 Rank: _____

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Unit 556 Aust. L.A./A. Bty (Static) RAA Date and Time.—From 000hrs. 1 MAY. 44 To 2359hrs. 7 MAY. 44.

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOWNSVILLE	1 MAY. 44		Training carried out as per syllabus, night lecture	
" " "	2 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, two (2) personnel transferred	
" " "	" " "		Townsville Fortress, leave night for personnel not on duty.	
" " "	3 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, leave night for personnel	
" " "	" " "		not on duty, invitation extended to personnel of Bty to RAAF.	
" " "	" " "		dance.	
" " "	4 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus.	
" " "	5 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, five (5) personnel	
" " "	" " "		marched out on Home Leave, pay and battery library taken around	
" " "	" " "		to sunsites, night class conducted at B.H.Q. for H.C.Os.	
" " "	6 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, night leave for personnel	
" " "	" " "		not on duty.	
" " "	7 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus during morning, football	
" " "	" " "		match during afternoon.	

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Unit 556 ANST. L.A./A. BTY (STATIC) RA Date and Time.—From 0001hrs 8 MAY 44 To 2359hrs 12 MAY 44

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOWNSVILLE	8 MAY 44		Training carried out as per syllabus, owing to the fact that	
" " "	" "		the battery is under strength to the extent of fifty (50) O.R.	
" " "	" "		permission has been granted for TWO (2) guns to be taken out of	
" " "	" "		action until such time as reinforcements arrive, night training	
" " "	" "		carried out.	
" " "	9 "		Training carried out as per syllabus, Bty library and canteen	
" " "	" "		taken around gun sites, leave night for personnel not on duty.	
" " "	10 "		Training carried out as per syllabus, visited by PUBLIC RELATIONS	
" " "	" "		OFFICER, invitation extended to Bty by RAAF for personnel to	
" " "	" "		attend dance.	
" " "	11 "		Training carried out as per syllabus, canteen taken around gun-	
" " "	" "		sites, night training carried out.	
" " "	12 "		Training carried out as per syllabus, visited by L/Cpl PALMER	
" " "	2 "		L.J. and L/Cpl WALKER J.M. of Field Security Sec. Night lecture	for N.C.Os.

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Unit 556. Aust. L.A./A. Bty. (Static) ^{RAA} Date and Time.—From 13 MAY. 44..... To 2359hrs. 19 MAY 44

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Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOWNSVILLE	13 MAY 44		Training carried out as per syllabus, leave for personnel not on duty.	
" " "	" " "			
" " "	14 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus during morning, football match arranged with RAAF during afternoon.	
" " "	" " "			
" " "	15 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, Gas T.O.E.T. carried out night training for Bty.	
" " "	" " "			
" " "	16 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus	
" " "	" " "			
" " "	17 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, invertation extended to Personnel by RAAF to attend Dance.	
" " "	" " "			
" " "	18 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, pay parade, night training for battery.	
" " "	" " "			
" " "	19 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, night lecture for all N.C.Os. held at Bty. H.Q., security/ lecture by Cpl. BRADY FIELD SECURITY	
" " "	" " "			

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Unit 556. AUST. I. A. / A. BTY (STATIC) RA Date and Time. - From 0001hrs. 20 MAY. 44 To 2359hrs. 26 MAY. 44

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOWNSVILLE		20 MAY. 44	Training carried out as per syllabus, Leave night for personnel	
" " "		" " "	not on duty.	
" " "	21 MAY 44		Training carried out as per syllabus, during morning, sports	
" " "	" " "		afternoon, football match arranged with RAAF.	
" " "	22 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, night training for all	
" " "	" " "		personnel, arrangements made for BREN gun shoot.	
" " "	23 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, Cantan taken around gun	
" " "	" " "		sites.	
" " "	24 " "		personnel Commenced BREN gun shoot, remainder of carried out syllabus	
" " "	" " "		as laid down, Invertation to RAAF dance for Battery personnel.	
" " "	25 " "		BREN gun shooting at CLUDEN RANGE RIFLE RANGE, Leave night for	
" " "	" " "		personnel not on duty.	
" " "	26 " "		BREN gun shoot completed, training carried out as per syllabus,	
" " "	" " "		night lecture for all N.C.Os at Bty H.Q.	

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Unit 556 Aust. L.A./A. Bty (Static) RA Date and Time.—From 0001hrs. 27 MAY 44 To 2359hrs. 31 MAY 44

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOWNSVILLE	27 MAY 44		Training carried out as per syllabus, leave night for personnel	
" " "	" " "		not on duty, extra blanket issued to all troops owing to the	
" " "	" " "		cold weather.	
" " "	28 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus during morning, football	
" " "	" " "		match arranged with RAAF during afternoon.	
" " "	29 " "		Training carried out as laid down, night ^{training} for all personnel,	
" " "	" " "		commenced reconstruction of gun sites.	
" " "	30 " "		Training carried out as laid down, football team commenced	
" " "	" " "		training for match play.	
E " "	31 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, personnel invited to RAAF	
" " "	" " "		Dance, leave night for personnel not on duty.	

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W2008
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(Revised Jan., 1943)
19/4/44 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 6/5/1944 556 HOS LAA Bn (Unit)

W.E. VI/13/2 OFFRS. 6 O.R's. 173 + OFFRS. - O.R's. 6 (STATE) RAA. ATT. BY W.E.

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED. LWOP (A Nil) (B)

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.							
1	2	3	4		5	6	7	8	9	10		
Retn'Ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Retn'Ts Required.			
W.E.				*								
			1	Lieut.-Colonels								
			4	Majors								
				Captains								
				Lieutenants								
				Quarter-masters								
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.								
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.								
b	-	-	b									
	DETAIL		A.A.L.P.R.	C.M.P.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
<small>Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).</small>												
	A.		b-									b
	E (1)											
	E (2)											

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PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. /194.....

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

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Unit 556 Aust. L.A./A. Bty (Static) RA ^{June} Date and Time.—From 001 June 44 To 2359hrs 7 MAY 44

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOWNSVILLE	1 JUNE 44		Training carried out as per syllabus, Pay Parade, night training	
" " "	" " "		for all personnel.	
" " "	2 " "		Training carried out as laid down, canteen taken around gun	
" " "	" " "		sites, night lecture for N.C.Os at Bty H.Q.	
" " "	3 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, leave night for personnel	
" " "	" " "		not on duty.	
" " "	4 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus during morning, first	
" " "	" " "		match played in competition Football resulting in a win for	
" " "	" " "		this battery.	
" " "	5 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus.	
" " "	6 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, leave night for personnel	
" " "	" " "		not on duty.	
" " "	7 " "		Training carried out as laid down, Tp. personnel invited to	
" " "	" " "		RAAF dance, B.C. conference held at Gp.H.Q.	

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Unit 556 Aust. I.A./A Bty (Static) RA Date and Time.—From 0001 hrs. ^{June} 8 MAY 44 To 2359 hrs. ^{June} 12 MAY 44.

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOWNSVILLE	^{June} 8 MAY 44		Training carried out as per syllabus, night training for all	
" " "	" " "		Bty. personnel, FOUR (4) V.D.C. personnel attached for training	
" " "	" " "		in maintenance.	
" " "	9 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus. Discussion group held	
" " "	" " "		at B.H.Q. All D.C.s present. W.O. Wallis (AACC), who has been	
" " "	" " "		attached from 1st. AUS. Army marched out to AA Group.	
" " "	^{June} 10 MAY 44		Training carried out as per syllabus. 3 N.C.O.'s sent to Ayr	
" " "	" " "		to demonstrate the advantages of Bofor gun to V.D.C. Two	
" " "	" " "		personnel from B3 burnt slightly when filling generator.	
" " "	^{June} 11 MAY 44		Training carried out as per syllabus. Unit football team	
" " "	" " "		was again successful and remain undefeated.	
" " "	^{June} 12 MAY 44		Training as per syllabus. N.C.O.'s discussion held at B.H.Q.	
" " "	" " "		in the morning on mobile work. Night leave available for	
" " "	" " "		those not on duty.	

WAR DIARY OF ~~INTELLIGENCE~~ SUMMARY.

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Army Form C. 2118.
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Unit 556 AUST LAA BTY. (STATIC)RAA ^{June} Date and Time.—From 0100hrs 18 May 44 To 2359hrs

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOWNSVILLE	^{June} 13/MAY 44		Training carried out as per syllabus. Sand tray arranged	
" " "	" " "		for H.C.O.'s discussion on the morrow. Football team practiced	
" " "	" " "		in the afternoon and showed great enthusiasm. Lieut. Grange	
" " "	" " "		at B.H.Q. in the evening to take over duties of duty Officer.	
" " "	^{June} 14/MAY 44		Training as per syllabus. D.C.'s at B.H.Q.'s to practice	
" " "	" " "		mobile exercises on sand tray. Lieut. Fleming transferred to	
" " "	" " "		'A' Troop as A/Troop Commander. Night leave available for	
" " "	" " "		personnel not on duty.	
" " "	^{June} 15/MAY 44		Training carried out as per syllabus. Lieut Boyle & Bdr	
" " "	" " "		Fyman visited gun sites and completed pay. Football practice	
" " "	" " "		carried out in afternoon during P&T. Two personnel returned	
" " "	" " "		from home leave.	
" " "	^{June} 16/MAY 44		Det. Comm. reported to B.H.Q. at 0830hrs and sent out on	
" " "	" " "		T.E.W.T. Remainder of gun crews carried on as per syllabus.	

WAR DIARY or ~~INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

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Army Form C. 2118.
(adapted.)

Unit 556 Aust LAA BRY(STATIC)RAA Date and Time.—From 0001 16 June 44 To 2359 20th June 44

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOWNSVILLE	16 June	44	N.C.O's lecture held at B.H.Q. at 1830hrs, followed by a	
" " "	" " "		discussion group. Completed at 2030hrs.	
	17 June	44	Training carried out as per syllabus. Stand To altered from	
	" " "		0545hrs to 0615hrs. Night leave available for those not on	
	" " "		duty.	
	18 " "	" "	Training carried out in morning and sports in afternoon.	
	" " "	" "	Unit football team was defeated by N.E.A. but only after	
	" "C "	" "	hard game; margin 9 points. Church Parade was held at B.H.Q.	
	" " "	" "	at 1830hrs by visiting Padre. Very poor attendance, 3 from	
	" " "	" "	B.H.Q. and 2 from 'B' Troop.	
	19 June	44	Training as per syllabus. Another case of dengue fever reported	
			and evacuated to 2/14 A.G.H. Night leave available for those	
			not on duty; after evening lecture.	
	20 June	44	Training as per syllabus. Visit from A/A Group Q staff.	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Army Form C. 2118.
(adapted.)

Unit 556 Aust LAA BTY. (STATIC)RAA Date and Time.—From 0001 21 June 44 To _____

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOWNSVILLE	21 June 44		Training carried out as per syllabus. Night lecture held on	
"	" "	"	gun sites.	
	22 "	"	Training carried out as per syllabus. Football practice held	
			during P&T period. Night leave available for those not on duty.	
	23 "	"	Training carried out as per syllabus. Two personnel returned	
			from leave. Lecture held at B.H.C. in evening for N.C.O'S.	
			in preparation for Bofor shoot to be held on 24 June.	
	24 "	"	Shoot postponed until 1400 hrs. Training carried out in morning.	
			Early dinner held and gun crews to shoot, A4, A5, A6, reported to	
			range. Plane was over the target at 1400, but had to return to	
			airfield because of drogue trouble. Gun Crews reported back	
			to positions.	
	25 "	"	Training as per syllabus in morning . Sports afternoon as from	
			1400hrs. Unit football team defeated 160 Gen. Trans. 100-68	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

(Erase heading not required.)

Army Form C. 2118.
(adapted.)

Unit ~~556~~ ~~ABST~~ ~~IAA~~ ~~Bty~~ (~~STATIC~~) Date and Time.—From ~~0001~~ ~~26~~ ~~June~~ ~~44~~ To ~~2009~~ ~~hrs~~ ~~30~~ ~~June~~ ~~44~~

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOWNSVILLE	26 June 44		Continuation of Bofor Shoot. Trouble with drogue once again and first gun crew did not open fire until 1415. Trouble with guns and only three crews completed practice. Leave for personnel not on duty.	
	27 " "		Shoot again occupied most of training hours and was more successful than day previous. Predictor shoot was to be commended as crews carried out their jobs efficiently, and gained results.	
	28 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, personnel invited to RAAF dance.	
	29 " "		Training carried out as laid down, pay taken to gunsites, issue of clothing coupons, four (4) personnel marched out on home leave, football team carried out training as from four thirty.	
	30 " "		Training carried out as laid down night lecture for all N, C, O	

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 3 / 6 / 1944 .

Details of Tradesman. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted strength.	Reinfc. required.	Details of Tradesman. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted strength.	Reinfc. required.	Details of Tradesman. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted strength.	Reinfc. required.	Details of Tradesman. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted strength.	Reinfc. required.
Ammunition Examners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Aids.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Filler				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Filler (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Filler (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Filler (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangefinders			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Rectifiers			
Armament Artificer Wiremen								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographers, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stewards			
Compositors								Riggers				Stokers, Steam Engine			
Cook, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	1	1	
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signalers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Reelers			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telegraph Identif. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsman (Architectural)				Blk. Com's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsman (Engineering)				Beltmakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsman (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Wireman				Whitensmiths			
Draughtsman (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Mod.)											
Filters				Driver-Operator											
Filters (Cycle)				Drummers											
Filters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Filters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Filters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Filters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				BATHEN.	3	1	2
Filters, Halfway Signal				Haloman				Butchers				"DVR"	3	-	3
Filters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	2	360		DVR' MT.	2	16	2
Grinder, Precision				Helm Operator				Clerks, Supply				GUN. NOS.	72	38	37
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator	24	21	3	Clerks, Technical				HYGIENE.	1	1	
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Cook Trimmers				M.C. ORDERS	2	1	1
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Cooks				TELEPHONIST	8	1	7
Mechanics, Radio				Linemans				Cooks				WATERDUTY	1	-	1
Mechanics, Typewriter				Linemans, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies				B.S.M.	1	1	
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Distpatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				B.O.M.S.	1	1	
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, M.T.				TROOP SGT.	2	2	
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics	1	1		SGT.	12	15	
Pharmacist				Messers				Driver Typ. Plant							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, L.C.	12	6	6	ATT BY W.E.			
Photoreliver				Miscs				Equipment Repairs	1	1		F.A.C.C.	5	4	1
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers				F.A.M.C.	1	1	
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Filter's Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Aids.				Gun Layers	24	14	10				
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD	24	21	3	CARRIED FORWARD	64	46	19	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 8 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	179	114	73

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.

(b) Authorized trades or specialties not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.

(c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back.

(d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.B. in col. "Reinfc. Required."

(e) Where any request or notation is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

2nd June 44
Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

(a) 5/5 SX 17397 L/SGT. COWAN R.R.
 (b) " SX 22438 " HARRIS H.M.

<u>TRADE</u>	<u>RANK.</u>	<u>W.F.</u>	<u>POSTED</u>	<u>REINF. REG.</u>
B.S.M.	W.O./A	1	1	
B.Q.M.S.	S/SGT.	1	1	
TROOP SGT.	SGT.	2	2	
DET. COM.	"	12	15	
CUM.MOS.	BDR.	12	15	
CLERIC.	"	1	2	
M.T. "	"	-	1	

ATTACHED.

COOK.	SGT.	1	1	
"	CPM	1	1	
MFD. ORD.	"	1	1	

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W3008
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)

24 / 144 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 3 / 6 / 1944 556 AUS. L. HEL. BATT. (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 134 / 2 OFFRS. 6 O.R.'s. 173 + OFFRS. - O.R.'s. 6 ATT. BY W.E. (SMITH) RAA.

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

(A) - NIL
(B) - do.

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W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.																ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.																															
Rein/To Required.				Deficient W.E.				Surplus to W.E.				Posted Strength.				DETAIL.				Arm or Corps.				Posted Strength.				Surplus to W.E.				Deficient W.E.				Rein/To Required.											
W.E. 1 4 b																Lieut.-Colonels Majors Captains Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.																															
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E.(1)																C.M.P.																															
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Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
 ** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO _____ (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. _____/194_____.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

ORIGINAL

WAR DIARY OF INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form E.2118
(adapted.)

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21 AUG 1944

Unit 556 Aust. I.A./A. Bty (Static) RAA

Date and Time.—From 0601hrs. 1 JULY. 44 To 2359hrs.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOWNSVILLE	1 JULY 44		Training carried out as per syllabus, Maj. LAWRENCE and Four (4)	
" " "	" " "		N.C.O.s moved to AYR to train V.D.C. personnel, during week end.	
" " "	" " "		Leave night for personnel not on duty.	
" " "	2 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, sports afternoon held,	
" " "	" " "		Football team defeated by 2 goals.	
" " "	3 " "		Training carried out as per syllabus, Three (3) personnel marched	
" " "	" " "		out on home leave, party from this bty. attended screening of	
" " "	" " "		educational films held at Cape PALLAREUDA gun station, remainder	
" " "	" " "		of personnel carried out night training.	
" " "	4. " "		Training carried out as per Syllabus.	
" " "	" " "		Night leave for personnel not on Duty.	
" " "	5. " "		Arrangements being made for Exercise to be held 11/14 Jul. 44.	
" " "	6 " "		Training carried out as per Syllabus.	
" " "	6 " "		Seven members marched out Home Leave.	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Army Form C. 2118.
(adapted.)

Unit Date and Time.—From To

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOWNSVILLE	7 Jul.44		Training carried out as per Syllabus.	
"	" " "		N.C.Qs.Lecture cancelled.Night Leave for personnel not on duty.	
"	8 " "		Training carried out as per Syllabus.	
"	8 " "		Major Lawrence left with four N.C.Qs. for HOME HILL to train	
"	" " "		V.D.C.	
"	9 " "		Training carried out as per Syllabus. sports Afternoon held.	
"	" " "		Football Team scored an unconvincing win by 2 goals 1 behind	
"	" " "		in an unspectacular match.Several players were injured.Bdr	
"	" " "		Lambert (fractured nose) others minor injuries.	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Army Form C. 2118.
(adapted.)

Unit 556 Aust LAA BTY (STATIC) RAA Date and Time.—From 0100hrs 10 July To 2359 13 July

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOWNSVILLE	10 July 44		Training carried out as per syllabus. Major Lawrence & 4 N.C.O's	
			returned from training V.D.C. personnel at Home Hill. Preparations	
			made for mobile exercise commencing 11 July. Night leave	
			available for personnel not on duty.	
" " "	11 July 44		Commencement of 4 day mobile exercise. Six guns and their	
			crews taking part, only a skeleton staff remaining in camp	
			area to carry on adm. duties and to picquet stores left on	
			gun sites. Eight drivers and vehicles attached for four days.	
" " "	12 July 44		Mobile exercise proceeding satisfactorily. Those remaining in	
			camp carried out maintenance on equipment.	
" " "	13 July 44		Personnel taking part in exercise now at Giru. Dance arranged	
			during thenight. Rations taken out by Q Staff who stopprd at	
			dance. Reported back to B.H.Q. 0400 Hrs. Nightleave available	
			for those remaining in camp.	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Army Form C. 2118.
(adapted.)

Unit 556 Aust LAA Bty (Static) RAA Date and Time.—From 0100 14 July.....To 2359.....

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOWNSVILLE	14 July 44		Personnel returned from mobile exercise 1430 hrs. Very successful. Various phases of exercise of great beneficial value to N.C.O's.	
" " "	15 July 44		Personnel attached from other units marched out. Pay taken ground gun sites. Maintenance and examination of guns and stores used en trek. Night leave available for personnel not on duty.	
" " "	16 July 44		Training carried out as per syllabus in morning. Sports in afternoon. Football match against Field Bakery resulted in easiest of victories for battery, 235 points to 14. A concert by Majorie Lawrence attended by members of Bty.	
" " "	17 July 44		Training as per syllabus. Two personnel returned from home leave. Small Arms practice held at Cluden for personnel qualifying for proficiency pay.	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Army Form C. 2118.
(adapted.)

Unit 556 Aust LAA BTY (STATIC) RAA Date and Time.—From 0100 18 July..... To 2359.....

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Townsville	18 July 44		Training carried out as per syllabus. Football practice held during sports period. 3 N.C.Os went to Home Hill train V.D.C.	
" " "	19 July 44		Training carried out as per syllabus. Lieut Boyd transferred to N.T. Reception Camp. Night Parade for gun Crews from 1830 to 1930.	
" " "	20 July 44		Leave personnel returned to Unit. Training as per syllabus. O.C. preparing exercise to commence Tues. 25 Jul. 44.	
" " "	21 July 44		Training as per syllabus. Night leave for personnel not on duty. N.C.Os. lecture cancelled.	
" " "	22 July 44		Training as per syllabus. Bdr Pyman returned from hospital.	
" " "	23 July 44		Morning period as per syllabus. Sports afternoon. Lieut McDarra proceeded on leave. Football team defeated by Navy - 8 pts.	
" " "	24 July 44		Preparation for Exercise. Attached personnel reported 1230 Hrs. Six guns taken out of action. Night leave personnel not on duty.	

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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit **556 AUST.LAA.BTY.(STATIC)R.A.A.** Date and Time.—From **0001 hrs. 25 July 44** 2359 hrs. **29 July 44**

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOWNSVILLE.	25 July 44		Commencement of Exercise. Misfortune with Transport. Large snake killed near Q Store. Rations delivered to Nome Siding, for personnel participating in Exercise.	
"	26 July 44		Maintenance carried out by remaining members on Gun sites. Improvements made to water facilities at B.H.Q. Rations and Mail delivered after evening meal.	
"	27 July 44		Exercise continuing satisfactorily. Remaining personnel in camp occupied with maintenance of equipment and cleaning up of areas.	
"	28 July 44		Exercise completed personnel arrived back in camp at 1400hrs. Afternoon period taken up with putting guns back into action. Informed of an expected visit from A.A.D.C. tomorrow.	
"	29 July 44		Training carried out as per syllabus. A.A.D.C. unable to visit. B.C. & Lieut Boyd with 6 N.C.O.'s down to Avr training V.D.C.	

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.2008
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)

27, 111 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 1/7/1943 *556 AUS LRA Bn (Unit)*

W.E. VI / 134 Z. OFFRS. 6 O.R.'s. 143 + OFFRS. - O.R.'s. 6 ATT. BY W.E.

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

LWOP (A) 114
B 10

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W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.								
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.				
			1 1	* * Lieut.-Colonels Majors Captains Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.									
	-	-	6										
Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for completion of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).		DETAIL	A.I.P.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.	
		A.	11	5									6
		E (1)											
		E (2)											

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

ARMY No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

ARMY No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. / / 194.....

ARMY No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 1 / 7 / 1944 556 AUS LIA BTRY (Unit)

W.E. VI / 134 2. OFFERS. 6 O.R.'s. 173 + OFFERS. - O.R.'s. 6 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required. LWOP.

H Nil
B 1

1 W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				5	6 ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfs. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.	DETAIL.	Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfs. Required
			1	W.O.s. Class I.					
				W.O.s. Class II.					
				Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
			1	Staff Sergeants					
		2	15	Sergeants	A.A.C.C.	1			1
		2	14	Corporals	A.A.C.C. NAME.	2			2
			42	Troopers, Privates, etc.	A.A.C.C.	2		1	3
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
				Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		5		1	6

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 5 of instructions for completion of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).

* Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.S. Forces, 10 N.Z. Forces.

Detail	C.M.F.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.E.	CIVIL	R.A.F.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL
	A.I.P.	Under 15 Years and over							
A	A.B.	H.B.							108
B(1)	64	19							
B(2)									

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Part C. Other Ranks Included in Part A Detached to Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached
2	A.E.M.E.						

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To (Unit) is Particularly Requested. / / 194

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
S122433	SGT.	WALKER M.G.	SCHOOL ARTY FRIDWICK
S130560	BDR	PYMAN W.B.	2/14 th H.G.H.

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in
Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 1 / 7 / 1944 .

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted strength.	Reinforce. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted strength.	Reinforce. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted strength.	Reinforce. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted strength.	Reinforce. Required.
Armaments Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Aids.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer				Surveyors, R.S.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammernoon			
Artificer (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Painters				Rangekeepers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Panel Beaters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Photographers, Dry Plate				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Predictor Numbers				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Printers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths				GROUP II.				Radiographers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Blacklayers				Armourers				Riggers				Stevarders			
Compass				Assens				Signallers				Stokers, Steam, Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				Bakers				Sigwriters				Storeroom, Technical	1	1	
Coppersmiths				By. Comd's. Asst.				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Beltmakers				Telegraph Identin. Numbers				Textile Reelers			
Draughtsmen				Carpenters				Well Borers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wheelers				Valentines			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Cooks				Winchman				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Denial Mechanics				Wireman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)				Woodturners							
Electricians				Driver-Operator											
Electricians (M.V.)				Drummers											
Electricians (Signals)				Electricians											
Filters				Electricians (Engineers)											
Filters (Cycle)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.							
Filters (Electrician)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Filters (Gun)				Hatchman				Batchers				BATTEN	3	1	2
Filters (Instrument)				Height Taker				Clerks	2	2		"DNR"	3	1	2
Filters (M.V.)				Helm Operator				Clerks, Supply				DNR' M.T.	2	NOV	2
Filters, Railway Signal				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				GUN. NOS.	72	35	39
Filters, Signals				Intelligence Duties		24	21	3	Coach Trainers			HYGIENE	1	1	
Grinder, Freeston				Joiners				Concoctors				M.C. ORDERLIES	2	1	2
Mechanics, Instrument				Lithman				Cooks				TELEPHONIST	8	1	7
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Lithman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies				WATER DUTY	1	1	
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Lithographers				Dispensch Riders				B.S.M.	1	1	
Mechanics, Radio				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Mechanics, Typewriter				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				R.O.M.S.	1	1	
Mechanics, Wireless				Masoa				Driver Mechanics	1	1		TROOP SGT.	2	2	
Millwrights				Masurers				Driver Tyle, Plant				SGT.	12	13	
Operators, Escalator				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hand, I.C.	12	6	6	ATT. BY WE			
Pattern Maker				Miners				Equipment Repairers	1	1		A.F.C.	5	4	
Pharmacist				Moulders				Farriers				H.A.M.C.	1	1	
Photographer, Wet Plate				Nurses, Trained				Filter's Mates							
Photewriter				Observation Post Aids.				Gun Layers	24	13	11				
Plumber															
Saw Doctors															
Surveyors															
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD	24	21	3	CARRIED FORWARD	64	44	20	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 2, and 1 and 10 of Part A, respectively.	179	108	74

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(b) Authorized trades or specialties not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.

(c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back.

(d) Where replacements not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.H. in col. "Reinforce. Required."

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1st July 44.
Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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ORIGINAL

Army Form C.2118
(adapted.)

9 SEP 1944

Unit 556 AUST IAA BTY (STATIC)RAADate and Time.—From 0100hrs 1 AUG 44 to 2359hrs 6 Aug 44

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Townsville	1 Aug 44		Training as per syllabus. "A" Troop had visit from AADC.V.D.C. personnel enquired about W.E. Major Lawrance attended conference at Group H.Q.	
	2 Aug 44		Training carried out as per syllabus. Night leave for personnel not on duty Members invited to RAAF dance.	
	3 Aug 44		Training carried out as per syllabus. GOC First Army made an inspection of Townsville area. Two personnel left on home leave Night parade held for both Troops.	
	4 Aug 44		Training carried out as per syllabus. Night lecture held at B.H.Q. for D.C.'s.	
	5 Aug 44		Training carried out as per Syllabus. 4 N.C.O's left for Home Hill to train VDC.	
	6 Aug 44		Morning period carried out as per syllabus. Unit football team successful in semi-final by one point. Night leave available.	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Army Form C. 2118.
(adapted.)

Unit 556 AUST LAA BTY (STATIC) RAA Date and Time.—From 0100 7 Aug 44 To 2359 12 Aug 44.

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
On 7 Aug 44 <u>Townsville</u>	<u>7 Aug 44</u>		"B" Troop Carried out training as per syllabus. "A" Troop commences three weeks intensive training cadre. Officer attached from V.D.C. H.Q. for indefinite period. Night parade for personnel on gun sites.	
	<u>8 " "</u>		Training carried out as per syllabus. Football practice held during P&RT period. Night leave available for personnel not on duty.	
	<u>9 " "</u>		Training carried out as per syllabus. Due to eight personnel proceeding on leave, pay was effected one day early. Major Lawrence attended Bty. Comdr's conference at Group H.Q.	
	<u>10 Aug 44.</u>		Training carried out as per syllabus. Night parade held for both Troops.	
	<u>11 Aug 44.</u>		Checking of all Unit AAB83's completed. Training as per Syllabus. Debate held at BHQ on Referendum, for DC's and NCO's.	
	<u>12 AUG 44.</u>		Training as per Syllabus.	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Army Form C. 2118.
(adapted.)

Unit 556 Aust LAA Bty (STATIC)RA Date and Time.—From 0001 hrs 13.8.44 to 2359

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOWNSVILLE	13 Aug 44		Training as per Syllabus. Unit Football team defeat in semi-finals.	
	14 Aug 44		1 OR returned from FAA AASE School, Orderly Room Sjts Wing. Course No.18, Caberlah. Training as per syllabus.	
	15 Aug 44		Notification received re repeating of WX33886 Major G.M. Lawrance as OC 152 Aust LAA Bty, 102 Aust AA Regt (Comp) AIF. Training carried out as per Syllabus.	
	16 Aug 44.		Training carried out as per Syllabus. Stocktaking of all stores and equipment being carried out.	
	17 Aug 44.		Training carried out as per Syllabus. Stocktaking of all stores and equipment being carried out. All Stores and Equipment handed over from Major G.M.Lawrance to SX22717 Capt.G.L. Kitchener due to change of command.	
	18 Aug 44		Training as per Syllabus. Major G.M.Lawrance marched out to	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit 556 AUSTRALIAN LAA BTRY (STATIC) RAA Date and Time.—From 18 AUG 44 To 23 AUG 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOWNSVILLE.	18 Aug 44		152 Aust LAA Bty, 102 Aust AA Regt (Comp) AIF, posted as Bty Comd. Site L14 closed down at 1530 hrs.	
	19 Aug 44		Notification received that all guns to be taken out of action and concentrated at BHQ and all sites to be cleaned and levelled. Voting carried out xxxx on Referendum under supervision of Presiding Officer, Lt. A.R. Dabovich.	
	20 Aug 44		Gun Pits being demolished on all xxxx sites.	
	21 Aug 44		Visit received from Lt. McPherson and inspection of tyres and tyre pressures carried on all vehicles and guns with regard to conservation of rubber. Site L19 closed down at 1400 hrs. 1 S/Sjt Reinforcement Marched in.	
	22 Aug 44		L13 & L19 personnel moved to BHQ	
	23 Aug 44.		Memo received from HQ 9 Aust AA Gp advising of disbandment of 556 Aust LAA Bty (Static) RAA. All guns & stores to be returned.	

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(adapted.)

Unit 556 AUST IAA BTY (STATIC) RAA Date and Time.—From 24 AUG 44 To _____

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOWNSVILLE	24 Aug 44		Balance of Bty guns taken out of action.	
	25 Aug 44		In accordance with instructions re disbandment all acting and Lance NCO's reverted to nearest Substantive Rank. Five (5) OR's (B Class) transferred to 476 HAA Tp, 7 Aust HAA Bty	
	26 Aug 44		Townsville Area Workshops commenced examination of all guns and associated stores prior to same being returned to ordnance of	Transferred.
	27 Aug 44		As above	
	28 Aug 44		As above. 1 OR Reinforcement marched in.	
	29 Aug 44		As above. 1 OR to 2/14 AGE for Ray Treatment of knee.	
	30 Aug 44		Personnel of L11 and L12 Sites moved to Bty HQ. Examination of guns etc. completed by Townsville Area Workshops.	
	31 Aug 44		Personnel of L10, L9 and A Tp HQ moved to BHQ. 3 OR's transferred to 476 Hvy AA Tp, 7 Aust HAA Bty.	

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W3008
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 5 / 8 / 1944 656 AUS LHM Det. (Unit)

W.E. VI / 124 / 2. OFFRS. 6 O.R.'s. 173 + OFFRS. — O.R.'s. 6 ATT. BY W.E.

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

32 / 114 (Serial No.)
(same) RHM
LWP. (11-114)
(B-10)

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.							
1	2	3	4	DETAIL.		5	6	7	8	9	10
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.	DETAIL.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.	
				Lieut.-Colonels Majors Captains Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.							

	DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of Instructions for completion of form will complete Part B(1) & B(2).	A.	110									6
	B(1)										
	B(2)										

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
* * Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 R.Z. Forces.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

ARMY No.	RANK.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

ARMY No.	RANK.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. / / 194.....

ARMY No.	RANK.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 5 / 8 / 1944 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (Correct Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
APT T/UNIT	WX 32886	LAWRENCE	G.H.	A.C.	YES		
CAPT.	SX 22414	KITCHENER	G.H.	REGIMENT	"		
LIEUT.	SX 22318	DUBOVIL H	A.R.	F.C.	"		
"	OX 35955	BOYD	L.W.	T.C.	"		
"	WY 11455	GRINBE	T.R.	RECEPTION	NO	ABSENT ON LEAVE	18-7-44
"	NX 155854	M'DONNELL	J.T.	"	"	"	22-4-44

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.

5th Aug 44
Date of Despatch

W. J. Purance
Signature of Commander

OTHER RANKS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 8 / 9 / 1944 556 Hqs. LHA BTV (Unit)

W.E. VI / 134 / 2. OFFRS. 6 O.R.'s. 173 + OFFRS. — O.R.'s. 6 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

WLOP. { A ML
 B 1

1 W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				5		6 ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Refrts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.	DETAIL.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Refrts. Required
				W.O.s. Class I.						
			1	W.O.s. Class II.						
				Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.						
			1	Staff Sergeants						
14		2	15	Sergeants		ANCE.	1			1
13		2	14	Corporals		ANCE. Hlters	2			2
144			13	Troopers, Privates, etc.		ANCE.	2			3
				Citizens counting as O.R.						
173	73	73	4	104			6			6
Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.										

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for completion of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).

* Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 23 U.K. Forces, 10 N.Z. Forces.

Detail	C.M.F.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.B.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL
	A.I.P. Years.	Under 19 19 Years and over.							
A	86	19-5							110
B(1)									
B(2)									

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Part C. Other Ranks Included in Part A Detached to Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached
2	A.E.M.E.			1	H.H.S.C. SCHOOL		
					MOB. ORDERLY		
					TRAIN. SGT. WING		

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To _____ (Unit) is Particularly Requested. ____/____/194__

Army No	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
SX22233	Sgt.	WALKER M.C.	LEAVE (X LIST)
SX22442	4/Sgt.	NOYE G.H.	3/4th M.G.H.

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in

Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 5 / 8 / 1944.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Present strength.	Reinfc. required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Present strength.	Reinfc. required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Present strength.	Reinfc. required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Present strength.	Reinfc. required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Aids.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Filter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Filter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Filter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Filter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangefinders			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographers, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths				GROUP II.				Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers				Armourers				Radiographers				Stevarders			
Computers				Assen				Riggers				Stokers, Steam Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				Bakers				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Sty. Comd's Asst.				Signalers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Beltmakers				Signwriters				Textile Editors			
Draughtsmen				Carpenters				Telephone Identin. Number				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Carpenters and Joiners				Well Borers				Valentines			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Cooks				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Dental Mechanics				Whackman				Whitewashers			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Mod.)				Wireman							
Electricians				Driver-Operator				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Draulers											
Electricians (Signals)				Electricians											
Fitters				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Cycle)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (Electrical)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				BATHEN	3	1	2
Fitters (Gun)				Machine Gun				Bulchess				"DVR"	3	1	2
Fitters (Instrument)				Machine Gun				Clerks	2	310		DVR ² M.T.	2	106	2
Fitters (M.V.)				Height Taker				Clerks, Supply				BVM MOS.	72	34	20
Fitters, Railway Signal				Heli Operator				Clerks, Technical				HYGIENE	1	1	
Fitters, Signals				Instrument Operator	2/4	2/1	3	Cook Trimmers				M.C. ORDERLIES	2	1	1
Grinder, Precision				Intelligence Duties				Cooks				TELEPHONEIST	8	1	7
Mechanics, Instrument				Joiners				Cooks				WATER DUTY	1	-	1
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Lieutenant				Dental Clerk Orderlies				B.S.M.	1	1	
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Mechanics, Radio				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				B.G.M.S.	1	1	
Mechanics, Typewriter				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				TROOP SGT	2	2	
Mechanics, Wireless				Masons				Driver M.E.C.	1	1		SATS	12	13	
Millwrights				Measurers				Driver Typ. Plant							
Operators, Excavator				Mechanics, M.V.				Engine Hand, I.C.	12	4	5	HTT BY W.E.			
Pattern Maker				Millers				Equipment Repairer	1	1		H.F.C.C.	5	5	
Pharmacist				Moulders				Farriers				H.F.M.C.	1	1	
Photographer, Wet Plate				Nurses, Trained				Fitter's Mates							
Photorelizer				Observation Post Aids.				Gun Layers	24	13	11				
Plumber															
Saw Doctors															
Surveyors															
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD	24	21	3	CARRIED FORWARD	64	46	19	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A, respectively.	179	110	75

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Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Army Form C.3118
(adapted.)

Unit 556 AUST LAA BTY (STATIC) RAA Date and Time.—From 1 SEP 44. To _____

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOWNSVILLE.	1 Sep 44		Working parties cleaning all sites. 8 OR's transferred to 16 Aust HAA Bty	
	2 Sep 44		Working parties cleaning all sites.	
	3 Sep 44		Working parties cleaning all sites.	
	4 Sep 44		All ammunition returned to 7 Aust AAD. Army Amenities checked and took delivery of Sporting Equipment etc. of Bty.	
	5 Sep 44		B Tp HQ taken out of action and personnel moved to BHQ.	
			Social evening held at Bty H.Q. Piano borrowed from Army Amenities Service, items give by members of the Bty.	
	6 Sep 44		8 - 40 mm Bofor Guns returned to RSD Charters Towers. Bty Comd attended Conference at HQ 9 AustAA Group. Lecture on censorship given by Cpl. Robinson of Field Security Section, 1 Aust L of C Sub-area. Two OR's transferred to HQ 16 Aust HAA Bty.	
	7 Sep 44		Working parties cleaning all sites.	
	8 Sep 44		Personnel engaged in demolishing buildings in area	
9 Sep 44		Personnel engaged in packing stores		

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2118
(adapted.)

(Erase heading not required)

Unit 556 AUSTRALIAN LAA BTRY (STATIC) RAA Date and Time.—From 10 Sep 44 To 23 Sep 44

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOWNSVILLE.	10 Sep 44		Personnel engaged in packing stores and equipment	
	11 Sep 44		Personnel engaged in packing stores and equipment	
	12 Sep 44		All Gun Stores returned to 12 AOD, Baronta. 1 Van transferred to 7 Ord Vehicle Park	
	13 Sep 44		BHQ Area being cleaned up	
	14 Sep 44		3 - 4x4 3 Ton Trucks transferred to 7 Aust Ord Vehicle Park	
	15 Sep 44		Nothing to report	
	16 Sep 44		Two BSA Solo M/Cycles transferred to 1 Aust Works Coy	
			Two 4x2 Ford 15 Cwt Vans transferred to 111 Aust AA S/L Tp	
	18 Sep 44		1 Water-Trailer transferred to 33 Aust Works Coy.	
	19 Sep 44		Nothing to report	
	20 Sep 44		Personnel on route march.	
	21 Sep 44		Nothing to report	
	22 Sep 44		Route March	
	23 Sep 44		Nothing to report	

556 Amc LAA Bty, State Unit

Army Form W.3009
(Adapted) (Page 2)
(Revised Jan. 1943)
371 44 Serial No.PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in
Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 9/9/1944.

Details of Tradesmen, GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted strength.	Reinfc. Required.	Details of Tradesmen, GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted strength.	Reinfc. Required.	Details of Tradesmen, GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted strength.	Reinfc. Required.	Details of Tradesmen, GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted strength.	Reinfc. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Asst.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Blitz				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Filter (Industrial)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Binders			
Armament Artificer Filter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Filter (A.F.V.)				Technicians				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing (Medical)			
Armament Artificer Toolroom				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangekeepers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Revetters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Restors				Reughters			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographers, Dry Plate				Roddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddlery makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Storekeepers			
Computers								Diggers				Stitches, Stays, Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Surveyors				Storemen, Technical	1		1
Coppersmiths				Amateurs				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Armsmen				Signwriters				Textile Engineers			
Drummers				Bakers				Telescope Identif. Numbers				Tinmiths			
Drumhouson (Architectural)				Bty. Comd'g. Asst.				Well Rovers				Valentines			
Drumhouson (Engineering)				Bottlemakers				Wheelmen				Wagon Erectors			
Drumhouson (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Drumhouson (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodworkers							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Filters				Driver-Operator											
Filters (Cycle)				Drummers											
Filters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Filters (Gen)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Filters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Filters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				BADMAN	3		3
Filters, Railway Signal				Headman				Butchers				" DVRS	3		3
Filters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	2	1	1	DVRS M/T	2	10	2
Grinder, Precision				Heli Operator				Clerks, Supply				GUN NOS	73	38	39
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator	24	21	3	Clerks, Technical				HYGIENS	1		1
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Cook Trimmers				MIC ORDERLY	2		1
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Cooks				TELEPHONE JY	8		8
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks				WATER JY	1		1
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies				BSM	1		1
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATMACHINE OPER.			
Millwrights				Mechanics, Metal				Drumhouson, Signals				BBMS	1		2
Operators, Excavator				Mechanics, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				TPSETS	2		2
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics	1		4				
Pharmacist				Masons				Driver Typ. Plant							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hand, L.C.	12		12	HHB, VE			
Photewriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers	1		1	HAC	5		3
Plumber				Molders				Farriers				HAFC	1		1
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Asst.				Gun Layers	24	11	13				
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD	24	21	3	CARRIED FORWARD	64	38	29	Totals of columns marked * to refer with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 16 of Part A, respectively.	179	82	90

NOTE.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.

(b) Antiroubred trades or specialties not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.

(c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back.

(d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.R. in col. "Reinfc. Required".

(e) Where any request or notation is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this part.

9 Sept 44
Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

Part A of Army Form W 3000 at 0800 Hours Effective 1/1/54
 PART B Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in

(C) S 22438 BAR HARRIS R.M.

TRADE	RANK	WE	Post	REIN REQ.
BSM	WOI	1	1	
BOMS	S/Sgt	1	2	
TP Sgts	Sgt	2	2	
DET (CMD)	Sgt	12	14	
QOM Nos	BAR	12	10	2
CLERK	"	1	1	
MT "	"	-	1	

Attached by WIFE

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)
(Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 9/9/1944 *355 (Unit)* (Unit)

W.E. VI, 194, 2 OFFRS. 6 O.R.'s 73 + OFFRS. — O.R.'s 6 ATT. BY W.E. *WOP*

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.										
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10					
Rein/Us Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.	DETAIL	Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein/Us Required.					
1	1			* Lieut.-Colonels Majors Captains Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.										
4	2		2											
6	3	3	3											
				DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL
Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for completion of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).				A.	3									3
				E.(1)										
				E.(2)										

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. / / 194

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

War Army

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

At 0000 hrs. Saturday
 OFFICERS & OTHER
 PART A - LISTED STRONGHOLD SCRIPTS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED

PART A - LISTED STRONGHOLD SCRIPTS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED									
NO.	NAME	RANK	REGIMENT	STRENGTH					REMARKS
				1	2	3	4	5	
1	1st Lt	1st Lt	1st Lt						
2	2nd Lt	2nd Lt	2nd Lt						
3	3rd Lt	3rd Lt	3rd Lt						
4	4th Lt	4th Lt	4th Lt						
5	5th Lt	5th Lt	5th Lt						
6	6th Lt	6th Lt	6th Lt						
7	7th Lt	7th Lt	7th Lt						
8	8th Lt	8th Lt	8th Lt						
9	9th Lt	9th Lt	9th Lt						
10	10th Lt	10th Lt	10th Lt						

PART B - PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUIT DURING WEEK

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK				OFFICERS QUIT DURING WEEK			
NO.	NAME	RANK	DATE	NO.	NAME	RANK	DATE

PART C - DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURNS TO PARTICULARLY REGISTERED (Date) is

NO.	NAME	RANK	REGIMENT	DESCRIPTION

6 DEC 1944

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2118
(adapted.)

(Erase heading not required)

Unit 556 AUST LAA BTY (STATIC) RAA Date and Time.—From 1 Oct 44 To 2 Nov 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOWNSVILLE	Oct. 1/25		Nothing to report	
	Oct 26		49 Personnel marched out to 1 Aust Base Depot Personnel. NSW.	
	Oct 27		35 Personnel marched out to 1 Aust Base Depot Personnel. NSW.	
	Nov. 2		8 Personnel marched out to 1 Aust Base Depot Personnel. NSW. 1 OR marched out to 7 Aust HAA Bty. 2 Officers transferred to HQ 9 Aust AA Group.	
			DISBANDMENT OF UNIT COMPLETED.	

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in

Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 21/10/1944.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfc. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfc. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfc. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfc. Required.
Armament Examiners		4		Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer				Surveyors,				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Artificer (Electrical)				Surveyors,				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer				Trigonometrical				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing			
Artificer (M.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Wireless				Mental			
Armament Artificer				Turners				Opticians				Plate Layers			
Artificer (A.F.V.)				Watchmakers				Painters				Bangstakers			
Armament Artificer				Welders				Panel Beaters				Bushers			
Artificer (A.F.V.)								Photographers, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Armament Artificer								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Artificer (A.F.V.)								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Armament Artificer								Radiographers				Stevenson			
Artificer (A.F.V.)								Signallers				Stokers, Stgy. Engine			
Armament Artificer								Signwriters				Storemen, Technical			
Artificer (A.F.V.)								Tailors				Textile Reelers			
Armament Artificer								Tailors, M.G. Instrn.				Tinsmiths			
Artificer (A.F.V.)								Well Rovers				Valentines			
Armament Artificer								Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Artificer (A.F.V.)								Wiremen				Whitesmiths			
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