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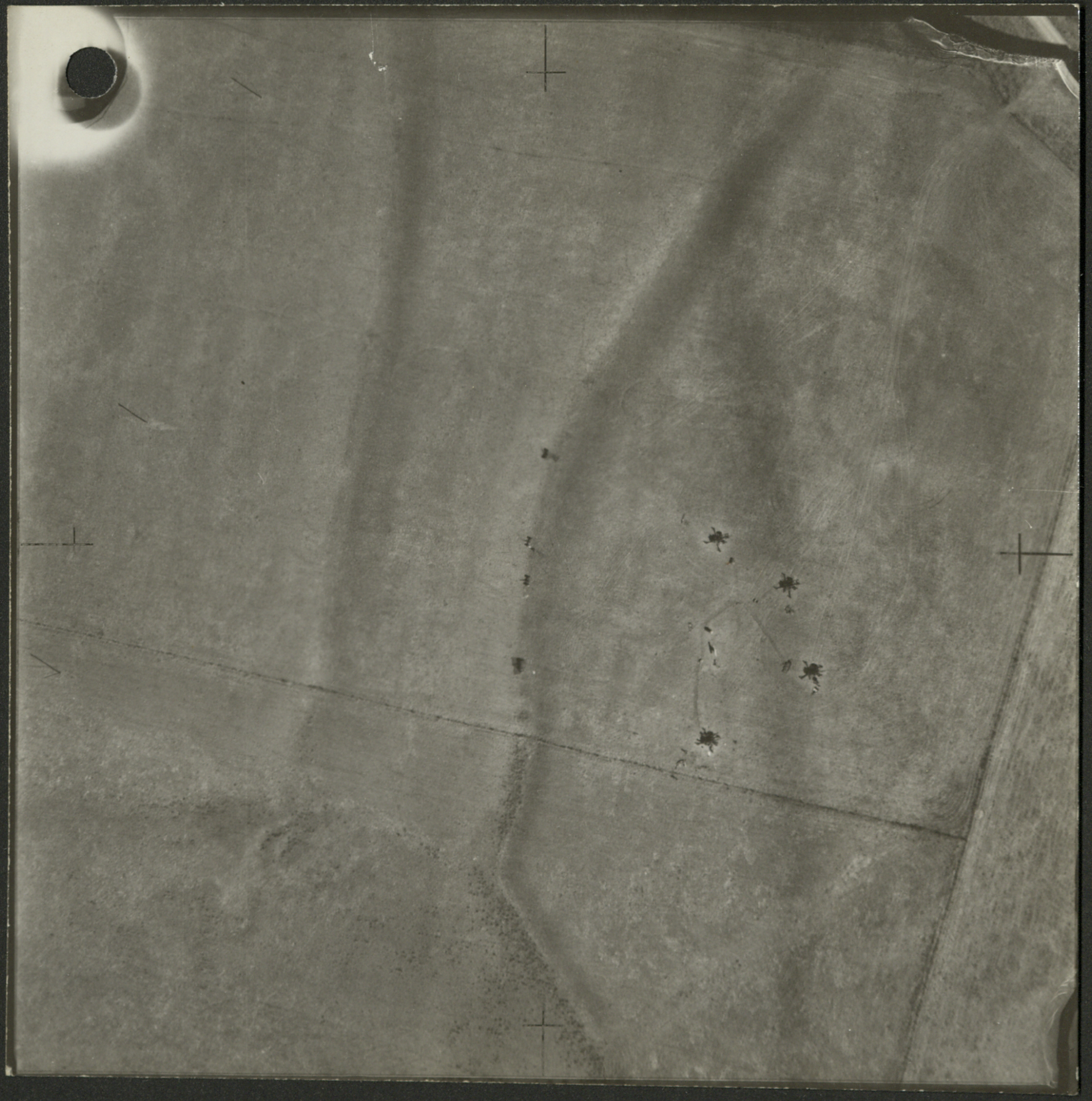

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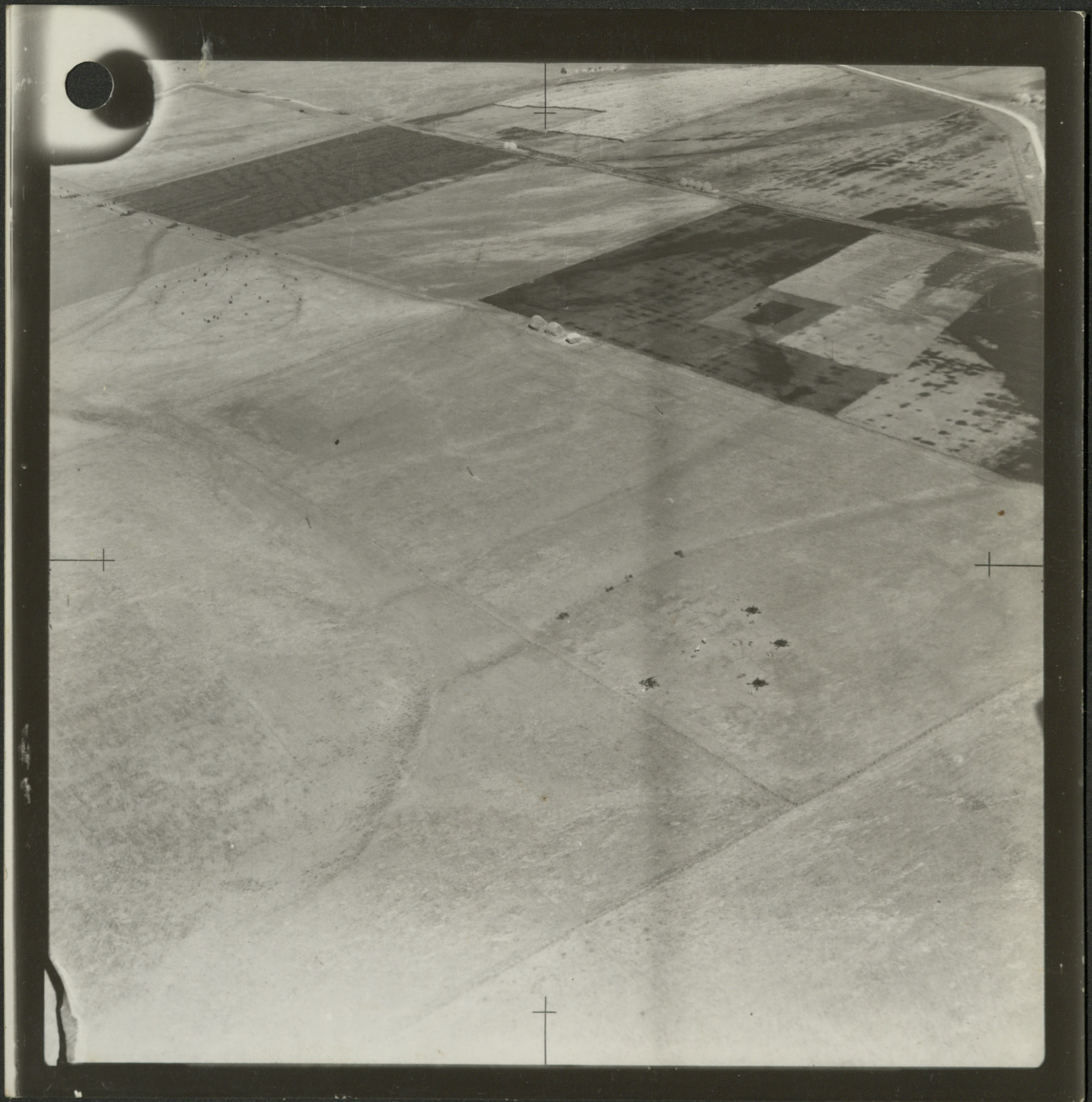

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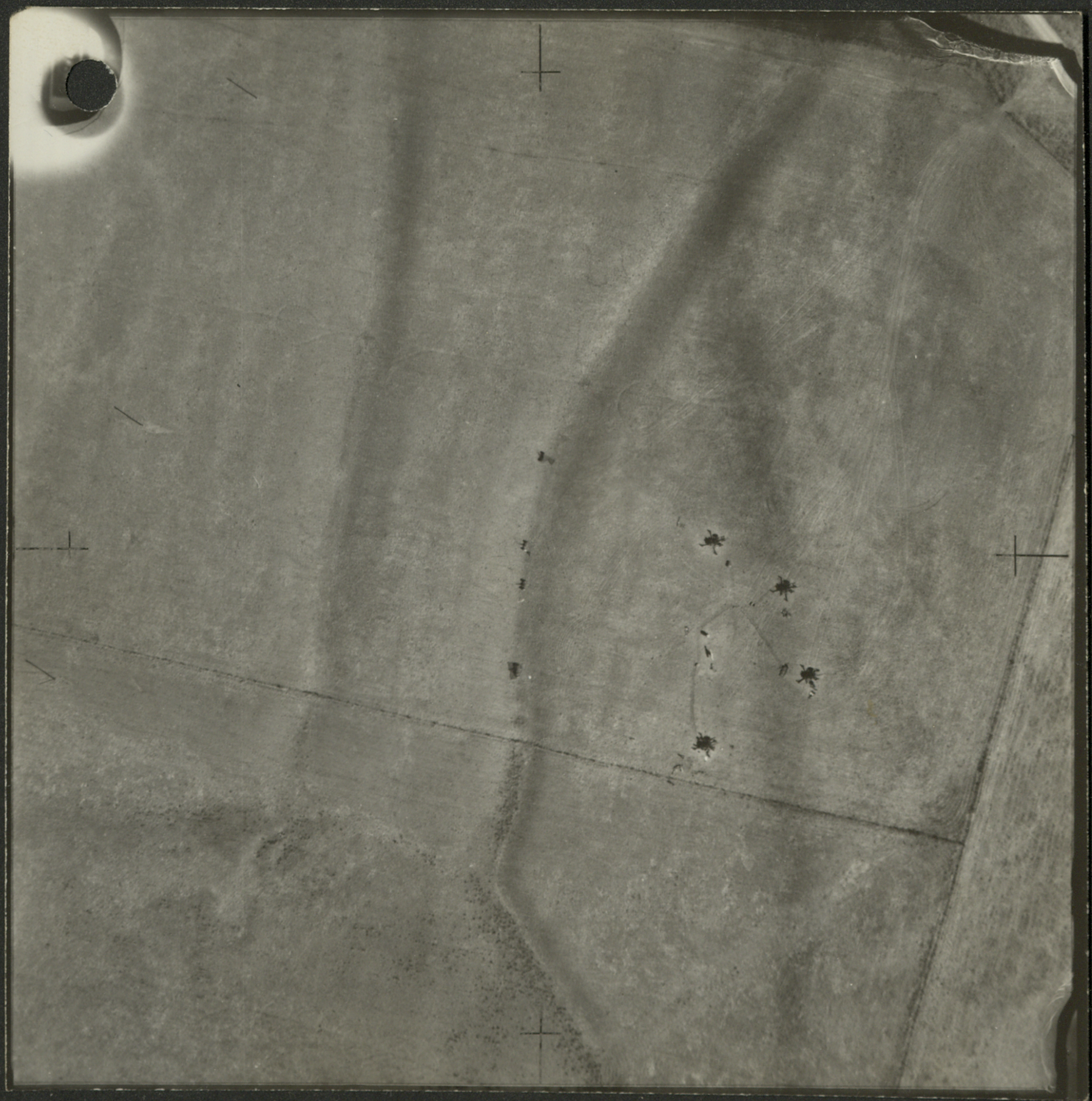

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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Army Form C.2118 (adapted.)

Unit 102 Aust AA Regt Date and Time.—From 1 Jan 44 To 31 Jan 44

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
GREENMOUNT	1 Jan	0830	Posting of Officers:-	
			R.H.Q. C.O. Lt Col J.W. Rhoden; 2 i/c Maj. K Dyer	
			Q.M. Capt G.B. Fincham; Adjt. Lieut N.G. Samson;	
			I.O. Lieut A.L. Bird; R.M.O. Capt W.F. Tomlinson	
			Padre Chaplain K Pither.	
			140 Hy AA Bty O.C. Major F.H. Davidson; Bty Capt	
			Capt G.K. Richards; G.P.O. Lieuts C.K. Thomas, J.W. Moran	
			G.H. Foster, J.C. Davies, A.E. Barnes, R.L. Kelley, F.G. Gelder	
			S.J. Bassett C.A. Lenanton	
			151 Bty:- OC Capt K.P. Wood; Bty Capt	
			Capt G.W. Maslen. Bty Sub Lieut D.C. Jenkins	
			Tp Comds Lieut K.J. Gillespie Lieut G.J. Plain	
			Tp Ldrs Lieut K. Robinson Lieut S.J. Braham	
			152 L AA Bty OC Capt L. Coggins, Bty Capt -	

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Keith Dyer Major
CO. 102 AUST AA. REGT.

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Army Form C.2118 (adapted.)

Unit 102 Aust AA Regt Date and Time.—From 1 Jan 44 To 31 Jan 44

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
GREENMOUNT	1 Jan 44	0830	Capt N A Forsyth, Btry Sub Lieut J L Percy Tp Comds	
			Capt W Dell, Lieut E J Cox Tp Ldrs Lieut A J Whitley	
			Lieut E L Shaw.	B
	2 Jan		Normal Duties	B
	3 Jan		Normal Duties	B
	4 Jan		Mack 10 ton tractors for Heavy Bty arrive from	
			Ordnance	B
	5 Jan		Normal Duties	B
	6 Jan		CCRA visits Camp Matters in relation to	
			role of Regiment in NW Area and possible	
			siting of R HQ are discussed	B
	7 Jan		CO and IO visit HQ RAA	B
	8 Jan		Lt Col Watts and Major Hawkins from HQ RAA	
			visit Camp Col Watts takes evidence for	B

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Lt-Col
CO. 102 AUST AA. REGT.

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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.
Greenmount			Investigation into loss of a/c models from RAA	
	9 Jan		Major F H Davidson arrives to cond Hy Bty	
	10 Jan		1 Conference at HQ RAA cancelled for 14 and 21 Jan	
	11 Jan		Warning order received for CO and 10 to move by service a/c to establish Adv HQ at Coomma Downs	
	12 Jan		CO and Adjt visit RAA. Message received that Hy guns were in action at Light control at NOONKANBAH time 111200H. GL set arrived at NOONKANBAH from DARBY ex KOOMILYA	
	13 Jan		AA Defences at PEARCE and GUILFORD airfields taken over by this Regt from 116 LAA REGT	
	14 Jan		Advice received that CO & Hy with CCRA on his	

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Kenneth Dyson Major
Lt.-Col.
CO, 102 AUST AA. REGT.

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

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Greenmount	14 Jan		inspection of N W area. tentative arrangements for flight of Major Davidson and Lieut Bird to Coomma on 15 Jan cancelled. Now due to depart on 18 Jan	
	15 Jan		Normal Duties	
	16 Jan		Sunday Normal Duties	
	17 Jan		Movement order for Major Davidson and Lieut Bird to fly to Coomma received date 18 Jan	
	18 Jan		Plane due to leave 1805 15th but due to magneto and battery trouble flight is postponed until 19 Jan	
	19 Jan		Major Davidson and Lieut Bird depart Dunneath airfield for Coomma Downs Airborne 0647 land at Coomma at 1221hrs	

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Lt.-Col.
CO, 102 AUST AA. REGT.

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

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Guilford	20 Jan	0600	CO departed Guilford airfield in DH84 accompanied by S/Ldr Banfield Met Off RAAF HQ Western area and Lieut Mattiske 7 AA Group FREMANTLE CC RA and Capt Coventry HQ RAA in second DH84	
Comma Downs	21 Jan	1730	CCRA and CO encounter severe electrical storm and make forced landing on MARBLE BAR airstrip picked up in cars and brought back to Comma Downs arriving at 220030 H	
	22 Jan		CCRA CO and staff inspect AA defenses Comma Downs CCRA quite impressed and satisfied	
	23 Jan		CCRA CO and party leave Comma Downs to continue inspection 7 NW area	
NOONKANBAH	24 Jan		CCRA and CO inspect Regiments AA defenses at	

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Lieut-Col.
CO. 102 AUST AA. REGT.

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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.
NOONKANBAH	24 Jan		NOONKANBAH. Minor adjustments in layout effected CCRA expresses himself as satisfied	
GREENMOUNT	25 Jan	1600	RHQ convoy entrained at Midlands Junction for Meekatharra en route to Corunna Downs	
CORUNNA DOWNS	26 Jan		Recce party by Lieut Bird continues several sites for RHQ inspected, but discarded as NOT entirely suitable. CO at Broome with CCRA RHQ en route	
	27 Jan		CO arrives Corunna Downs by Tiger Moth from Port Hedland	
	28 Jan		CO discusses situation at NOONKANBAH with Major Davidson. arrange to fly to NOONKANBAH on 29 Jan	
	29 Jan	1330	CO and Major Davidson depart for NOONKANBAH in C47 forced back by cyclonic disturbance	

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Lt.-Col.
CO. 102 AUST AA. REGT.

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Unit 102 Aust AA Regt Date and Time.—From 1 Jan 44 To 31 Jan 44

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
			after 1½ hours flight. Returns to Hamilton Bay	
			and thence to Port Hedland where plane	
			landed and remained overnight	
	30 Jan	0430	CO continues journey to Noonkanbah	
		1830	RHQ arrives at Coonunna Downs	
NOONKANBAH	31 Jan		CO arrives NOONKANBAH Hy guns calibrated	
			and light guns proofed. In	
CORUNNA DOWNS			Working parties lay out RHQ on site	
			selected by Lieut Bird and approved by CO	

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Lt.-Col.
CO. 102 AUST AA. REGT.

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

15 / 45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 1 / 1 /194 4 HQ 102 Aust AA Regt (AIR) (Unit)

W.E. 11/ 25/ 2. OFFRS. 5 O.R's. 35 + OFFRS. 2 O.R's. 8 ATT. BY W.E.

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

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

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).	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 *	Class	10									10
	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).
		"X" LIST	
VX36241	T/Capt	BIDSTRUP R.A.	IHQ SCHOOL OF ARTY COURSE 47

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HQ 102 AUST AA REGT (AIR) Unit

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 1 / 1 /194 4 (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
Lt-Col	VX13726	HODDEN	J.W.	CO	Yes		
Capt T/Major	VX14121	DYER	K.	2 i/c	"		
Lieut	VX117227	SAMSON	N.G.	Adjt	"		
Lieut T/Capt	VX111045	PINCHAM	G.B.	QM	"		
Lieut	VX112068	BIRD	A.J.	IO	"		
Lieut T/Capt	VX33890	DAVISON	G.R.		"	From 109 Tk ARegt and held supernumerary Auth RAA 3 Aust Corps Memo IB.18222 of 27 Nov 43	
Lieut	VX33877	DIX	N.J.		"		
"	VX34534	MOMBER	R.C.		"		
Capt	VX33485	TOMLINSON	W.F.	MO	"		
Chaplain 4 Class	VX687	PITHER	K.	Padre	"		

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.

-1 JAN 1944
Date of Despatch

for Lieut
Signature of Commander

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

15/43 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 1/1/1944 HQ 102 Aust AA Regt (AIF) (Unit)

W.E. 111/25/2. OFFRS. 5 O.R's. 35 + OFFRS. 2 O.R's. 8 ATT. BY W.E. Plus Canteen I/Sgt

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.					ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.	DETAIL.	Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
			1	W.Os. Class I.					
				W.Os. Class II.	AAMC	2			
				Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.	AACC	3			
			1	Staff Sergeants	AAOC	1			
			4	Sergeants	AAPC	1			
			4	Corporals	Postal	1			
		7	33	Troopers, Privates, etc.					
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
Nil *		7	43 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		8 *			*

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation 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.K. Forces, 10 N.Z. Forces.

Detail		C.M.P.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
	A.I.F.	Under 19 Years	19 Years and over.							
A(1) Class	40		9				[redacted]	[redacted]		
B(1) "	2									51
B(2)						[redacted]				

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong
1	137 AGT Coy AAMC Sgt	Auth	DDMS 3 Aust Corps

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.

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).

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

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfts. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfts. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfts. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfts. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				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				Rangetakers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Rivetters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computors								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	1	1	
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors	2	2	
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. 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)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				ATT WE			
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers	1	1		AAMC	2	2	
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	5	5		AACC	3	3	
Grinder, Precision				Hello Operator				Clerks, Supply				AAOC	1	1	
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				AAPC	1	1	
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers				Postal	1	1	
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks				Gen duties	-	3	
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies				C'teen I/Sgt	1	1	
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED R.A.N.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				RSM	1	1	
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				S/Sgt FCIA	1	1	
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics	1	1		Sgt	1	1	
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant				Batman	3	6	(a
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.				" Dvrs	5	5	
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers				DriversMT	5	5	
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers				Hyg duty	1	1	
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates				NCOs	5	6	
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers				Telephonists	3	3	
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD	7	7		Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	44	51	*

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised trades or specialists 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. "Reinfts. 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.

1 Jan 44
Date of Despatch

for Lieut.
Signature of Commander

n.w. 6m bks 3/43

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RAA 3 Aust Corps.

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

151 Battery, 102 Aust AA Regiment. (Unit) 43/6 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 1/1/1944.

W.E. 111/25/2. OFFRS. 7 O.R's 209 + OFFRS. - O.R's. 9 ATT. BY W.E.

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'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required
				*					
				*					
-	-	-	-	Lieut.-Colonels					
-	1	-	-	Majors					
-	1	-	2	Captains					
-	-	2	5	Lieutenants					
-	-	-	-	Quarter-masters					
-	-	-	-	A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S Offrs.					
-	-	-	-	Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
-	2	2	7						

Analysis of Part A to be shewn here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(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.	A Class	7									7
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

"X" List

Army No.	Name and Initials.		REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
WX33888	Major LAWRANCE	G.M.	School of Arty., Clarendon NSW 22.11.43
VX43237	Lieut. ROWE	A.F.	110 A.G.H., Hollywood 24. 9.43

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 1/1/194.4 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1 Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	2 Army Number.	3 Surname.	4 Initials.	5 Posting.	6 Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	7 If not present with Unit, state how employed.	8 Date of Detachment.
Lieut T/Capt	VX111043	WOOD	K.P.	A/O.C.	Yes		
Lieut T/Capt	VX111064	MASLEN	G.W.	Bty. Capt.	Yes		
Lieut.	VX111069	JENKINS	D.C.	Bty. Lieut.	Yes		
Lieut.	VX111059	PLAIN	G.J.	"A" Tp Comdr.	No	24 days Rec. Leave	19.11.43
Lieut.	VX104236	BRAHAM	S.J.	"A" Tp Leader	Yes		
Lieut.	VX104231	GILLESPIE	K.J.	"B" tp Comdr.	Yes		
Lieut.	WX29221	ROBINSON	K.E.	"B" Tp Leader	Yes		

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.

31 Dec 43.
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No officers with active service prior to 3 Sep 43.

Signature of Commander
OC. 151 Aust. LT. AA. Bty.

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

43/ 6 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 1/ 1/194 4. 151 Battery 102 Aust AA Regt. (Unit)

W.E. 111 25/ 2. OFFRS. 7 O.R's. 209 OFFRS. 2 O.R's. 9 ATT. BY W.E.

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.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
-	-	-	-	W.Os. Class I.					
-	-	-	-	W.Os. Class II.	AACC	9	1		
-	1	-	2	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.	AAMC	1	-		
-	-	-	1	Staff Sergeants					
-	-	-	-	Sergeants					
-	2	-	14	Corporals					
-	-	-	14	Troopers, Privates, etc.					
-	1	-	174	Civilians counting as O.R.					
- *	-	-	- *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		10 *	1		*

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).	Detail		A.I.F.	C.M.P. Under 19 Years.	C.M.P. 19 Years and over.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
	A											
	B(1)	Class	174		41							215
	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.K. Forces, 10 N.Z. Forces.

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.

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).

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PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 1/ 1/194 4.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfts. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfts. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfts. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfts. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				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				Rangetakers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters		1	(a)	Rivetters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computors								Riggers				Stokers, Stat. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	1	1	-
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. 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)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				BSM W.011	1	1	-
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers				TSM W.O.11	2	1	NR
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	4	2	NR	Sec Sgts.	4	4	NR
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply				Gun Sgts.	12	12	-
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator	24	8	NR	Clerks, Technical				BQMS	1	1	-
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers				Bdr. M.T.	1	1	-
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors				Non-spec.			
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks				Gunners	107	134	-
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies				Gun Bdrs	12	12	-
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				AACC	8	9	-
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics	15	7	NR	AAMC	1	1	-
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers	1	1	-				
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers	24	21	NR				
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD	24	8	NR	CARRIED FORWARD	68	40	NR	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	218	215	*

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised trades or specialists 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. "Reints. 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.

1 Jan 1944
Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander
OC. 151 Aust Lt. AA. Bty.

a.w. Gm bks 3/43

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(a) Is non trade grouped TG11 painter with trade test certificate W 39768 Gunner POPE W.

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

4 JAN 1944

by

Lt Col J.W. RHODEN E.D. RAA
Comd 102 Aust AA Regt (AIF)

173. LEAVE WITHOUT PAY. GRO A822/43.

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

2. In order to reduce the possibility of misunderstandings to a minimum the following action will be taken :-

(a) The officer who first receives an application for leave without pay will, before dealing with the application, satisfy himself by personnel interview with the member concerned that the member understands the full effect of sub-paras (b) & (c) hereof.

(b) The provisions of War Financial (Military Forces) Regulations, provide, in effect that all pay (including allotments) and pay allowances cease in respect of any period for which a member is granted leave (or an extension thereof) without pay.

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

(i) Pay (including deferred pay);
(ii) Field allowance;
(iii) Command allowance;
(iv) Special allowance;
(v) Exchange allowance;
(vi) Dependants allowance;
(vii) Travelling allowance;
(viii) Subsistence allowance;
(ix) Any allowance payable under regulation 9 of the abovementioned regulations.

174. CORRECT USE OF LIGHTS WHEN APPROACHING ONCOMING TRAFFIC. GRO Q824/43

1. Accidents involving army vehicles have occurred due to lack of road courtesy of drivers who fail to dim their headlamps when approaching oncoming traffic.

2. In order that personnel in control of vehicles may appreciate their responsibility in this regard, the action to be taken is set out hereunder :-

(a) When approaching oncoming traffic, the driver of a vehicle will ensure that his headlights are dipped and will keep as near as practicable, having regard to all circumstances, to the left-hand edge of the roadway.

(b) If the headlamps cannot be dipped, they will be dimmed. If they cannot be dipped or dimmed, the driver will switch to his parking lights. In either case, he will reduce the speed of the vehicle so that he can stop within his lessened limits of vision.

3. The driver is responsible for checking the correct operation of all lights and for reporting immediately (on AAF G17) all defects which he is not permitted to rectify.

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175. CAMOUFLAGE - VEHICLES. GRO 1377

(a) It is noted that many units have not complied with the instruction contained in 3 Aust Corps Engineer Technical Instruction No 19 - Mechanical Vehicles, Camouflage Disruptive Painting, of 1 Apr 43, particularly in regard to :-

(i) Standard colours have not been applied.

(ii) Many vehicles have a glossy finish or sheen, and sanding of paint has not been done.

(b) All units will ensure that vehicles are repainted as soon as possible to conform with the above Instruction.

176. THE MINISTER FOR THE ARMY : CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR GREETINGS. GRO 1378

The following telegram has been received from the Hon the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for the Army, by GOC 3 Aust Corps :-

"IT IS MY PLEASURE TO EXTEND TO YOU AND TO THE OFFICERS AND MEN UNDER YOUR COMMAND THE BEST WISHES FOR THE CHRISTMAS SEASON AND FOR THE COMING YEAR ON BEHALF OF THE COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT AND THE PEOPLE OF AUSTRALIA (.) THE PEOPLE HAVE WATCHED WITH PRIDE AND AFFECTION THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF YOURSELF AND YOUR TROOPS DURING THE PAST YEAR AND WILL LOOK WITH THE GREATEST CONFIDENCETOWARDS THE FUTURE (.) THE THOUGHTS OF ALL IN AUSTRALIA ARE WITH THE MEN IN THE FORCES AT THIS SEASON AND WE WISH YOU AND YOUR MEN THE BEST OF FORTUNE FOR THE COMING YEAR."

177. DISCHARGE OF PERSONNEL TO INDUSTRY CRO 1380

(a) With reference to LHQ 1799 3(limited distribution) of 16 Oct 43, and GRO A736/43, advice has been received that numerous applicatio are being forwarded by units to HQ L of C Areas for investigation, which do not include name and address of proposed employer. Withou this information, the Manpower Directorate are unable to initiate the necessary inquiries.

(b) The impression has evidently been inadvertently conveyed that all persons over 35 years and with 3 or more years service, B class personnel and those over 40 have aright to be discharged. This is NOT the case as only those RECOMMENDED BY MANPOWER may be discharg and for this purpose Manpower will not recommend discharge unless the soldier has assured employment available in an essential industry.

(c) All applications for release to industry under GRO A736/43 should include the following information :-

(i) Army number, rank and name of soldier.
(ii) Unit
(iii) Age, Medical classification and trade grouping if any.
(iv) Name and address of proposed employer with particulars of previous employment.
(v) Industry
(vi) Trade Qualifications if any
(vii) Proof that employer will give full time employment.

(d) In cases where a soldier who is ineligible for release under the conditions of GRO A736/43 makes an application for discharge, the application should be refused by unit and soldier informed accordingly. Many such applications have been forwarded to HQ L of C Areas for Investigation, resulting in unnecessary corresponder and waste of time and effort by all concerned. (LHQ223134)

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178. TRANSFER OF PERSONNEL TO WATER TRANSPORT UNITS GRO 1379

The transfer of AIF personnel possessing special qualifications which render them suitable for postings to Water Tpt Units will NOT be restricted by the provisions of GRO 368/43 sub para 5(i) which reads:

"Transfer of a member of the AIF to a CMF unit will not be effected unless approved by LHQ."

179. UNAUTHORISED USE OF RAILWAY WATER SUPPLIES. GRO 1383

Complaint has been made that frequently water has been drawn by units from Railway supplies. This practice will cease forthwith and no unauthorised use of railway watering facilities will be made in futur

180. AAB 83 GRO A739/43

The above GRO prescribes that every member of the AMF shall have in his possession on and after 31 Dec 43 an AAB 83, and that, any member who has NOT been issued with an AAB 83 will report the fact immediate

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N.C. SAMSON.

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N O T I C E S

LOST

(a) Pistol .38 S & W 899432. Finder advise HQ 3 Aust Corps (AIF

(b) 8-day Travelling Clock, approx 5-ins square, with small glass face, padded blue leather case, gold initials "DS" on corner.

This clock is believed to have been handed to some person other than the owner. Any person knowing of it's whereabouts is requested to advise DDME HQ 3 Aust Corps (AIF).

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

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by
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181. DISCIPLINE : DRESS CR01386. ASO 8/3.

(a). Belts waist WE pattern 37 will be worn by all ranks at all times when on duty. Belts waist sword Sam Browne may be worn he worn by officers and WO's(1) when off duty.

(b). Whilst on leave the following rules as to dress will be observed:-

(i) WINTER DRESS - OTHER RANKS

SD uniform, belt, boots, and hat turned up, or berets khaki for Armd Units.
Gaiters will also be worn by all troops, except personnel of Cav units.
Caps SD will not be worn (except by WOs, who may wear Caps SD officers pattern). They are intended for use whilst on duty only.
Colour patches will be worn where they are on issue.
Ties will not be worn.
All buttons of jackets will be fastened.
Personnel of Cav units will wear emu feathers in hats.

(ii) SUMMER DRESS.
Summer dress will be worn by troops under command 3 Aust Corps (AIF) (incl W Aust L of C Area) as from 1 Oct.
Summer dress is defined as follows:-

(1) OTHER RANKS

For day wear i.e. up to 2000 hrs:-

Hat turned down chin strap to be worn, colour patch on band or pugaree on right side of hat(other headwear only when especially authorised), or berets khaki for Armd units.
Shirt: Collar button only undone, sleeves folded back to immediately above elbow.
Belt: Waist WE pattern 37, or if not available, leather.
Shorts: K.D.
Boots, puttees, shorts (or gaiters if puttees not available) stockings, or hosetops.

For night wear ie , after 2000 hrs:-

Hat. turned up or berets khaki for Armd units.
Shirt: Sleeves rolled down and buttoned, collar button undone.
Belt: as above.
Trousers:K.D.
Boots.

Night wear may be worn during day but not day wear at night.
When personnel proceed on leave extending into night, during the day they must either wear night wear, or arrangements be made for change as above
Jerseys pullover, khaki may be worn over shirt, but Jerseys Pullover Navy if worn, will be under shirt.
Belt always outside.

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181. DISCIPLINE : DRESS (cont)

(2). Officers

(a) Normal drill uniform; or
(b) as for other ranks; or
(c) As in (b), but with Cap officers, or Berets Khaki for Armd Units, and shoes in lieu of boots and puttees. With this dress tie is optional.

(3) GENERAL

The alternatives indicated above necessitate increased vigilance on the part of Comds to ensure close compliance with these instructions, particularly as the possibilities of slovenly and untidy dress are increased. Unit QMs will take particular care as to fit, etc, of shirts and shorts issued.

(c). Troops will be inspected before leaving camp and any personnel not dressed as above, or whose clothing is slovenly, will be refused leave.

(d). Provosts and picquets are directed to take immediate action in respect of personnel improperly dressed.

(e). Personnel proceeding on leave, who have been given special authority to depart from standard dress for medical reasons, should have such authority entered in paybook and signed by CO.

(f). In addition to the colour patches authorised by GRO A36/42, members of AIF who are serving with CMF units will wear a battle grey back ground to the colour patch of the CMF unit.

(g). Uniform will be worn by all ranks of AIF and AMF at all times when on duty and on leave, except when actually participating in sport.

182. FIELD MEDICAL EQUIPMENT CRO 1389

Sub units holding Panniers, Medical and Surgical, Companions, Medical and Haversacks, Surgical of an earlier pattern than AP 1943 will submit requisitions (AAF D50) forthwith to W Aust L of C Area Med and Vet Stores for the new pattern equipment to the extent of their entitlement. When the new equipment is issued, the old equipment will be returned in accordance with instructions that will be issued with the new.

183. CARE OF MEDICAL EQUIPMENT. PANNIERS ETC. CRO 1390.

Attention is drawn to the necessity of strict care being exercised in the use and maintenance of Field Medical Equipment.

Instances have frequently occurred of the return to Depot Med and Vet Stores of Panniers, Med and Surg., Companions, Medical, and Haversacks, Surgical deficient in components and with mixed and unauthorised items.

Panniers etc will be maintained in a complete and serviceable condition.

184. DUTIES - OFFICERS- DISTRICT RECORDS OFFICE WA L of C AREA. CRO 1391.

In order that sub units may be conversant with the organisation of DRO subjoined is a list of officers and their respective sections:-

Officer- in-charge	-	Major BURROWES H.O.A.D.
2nd i/c	-	Capt BROWN W.G.
Personnel Records Section.	-	O/i/c Capt HAINES C.W.K.
		Lieut IVIMEY J.R.
		Lieut SMITH T.E.
Medical Records Section	-	Lieut TAYLOR D.H.
Casualty Section	-	Lieut WRIGHT R.J.P.
Allocation Section	-	Lieut ANDERSON A.K.
Movement.		
Maintenance of Personnel and Statistical Section.		-O/i/c Capt O'NEILL F.J.
		Lieut BYRNE L.M.

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185. CARTRIDGES QF HE 40 MM CRO 1393.

Rounds frombatches B 358H and B 554J, of 40 mm ammunition, have given prematures at recent practices. All cartridges of these batches will be returned to 91 Fd Amn Depot forthwith.
Army forms G1033 will be submitted and will be marked"For attention 100"

186. RETURN OF AMMUNITION BY UNITS TO AMMUNITION DEPOT. CRO 1395.

(a) The following procedure will be adhered to when subunits return ammunition to Ammunition Depots:-

All transactions will be by AF G1033, and not by CRV F22(a). Units will prepare G1033 in quadruplicate and distribute as follows:-

Copy No1	)	
Copy No2	)	ADOS Formation
Copy No3	)	
Copy No4		Retained by unit.

(b) ADOS after authorising will return copies 1 and 2 to the sub-unit with instructions regarding return of the ammunition, No3 copy is sent to the ammunition Depot by ADOS and after the receipt of the ammunition by the depot this copy is receipted and returned to ADOS.

(c) Sub-units will deliver the ammunition to the depot accompanied by copies 1 and 2 of G1033, Copy No 2 will be signed and sent back to the sub-unit as a receipt for the ammunition.

187. SHIPMENT OF SUPPLIES BY AIR TRANSPORT. CRO 1396.

(a) Air shipment will be limited to those critical items required for immediate use in active areas.

(b) All supplies will be packed in suitable containers of minimum weight. In many instances, original heavy wood or metal containers should be removed and the contents repacked in light wood, bags or cartons. When possible, the gross weight of each package should be limited to 60 lbs. Ammunition and certain other items, may, of necessity, have to be shipped in the original outer container for purpose of identification and security..

188. WAR SCALE OF CLOTHING AND NECESSARIES. CRO 1397.

(a) The practice of officers and ORs wearing unauthorised items of clothing will cease forthwith. In future all ranks will conform strictly to relevant regulations governing dress.

(b) Doubt seems to exist as to who is authorised to wear the Beret khaki. Personnel so authorised are defined in note (d) to GRO 205/43, and no authority exists for deviation therefrom. To clarify the position it is pointed out that only those officers and ORs who are on the actual strength (either active list or seconded) of units included therein are authorised to wear exclusive parts of the uniform of such units.

(c) Thus, officers and ORs who have been transferred from(as distinct from seconded in) any unit entitled to wear the beret will cease to wear that item of clothing if the transfer is to the General or Special Lists, or to any other unit, arm or service excluded by note(d) to GRO 205/43.

(d) Similarly, personnel belonging to units not otherwise authorised by GRO 205/43 on being transferred from an Armd Div to an Inf Div would cease to wear the beret, khaki immediately after such unit transfer.

(e) Immediate action will be taken by all HQs to ensure that the terms of this order are strictly enforced.

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189. REPAIR OF TYPEWRITERS CRO 1398.

Under no circumstances will typewriters be repaired by sub-unit personnel or through LAD's and Workshops AEME.

For units other than those with a typewriter mechanic on establishm only the skilled typewriter machanics attached to W Aust L of C Area Stationery Depot will effect repairs and adjustments, and arrangements for such work to be carried out will be made with Stationery Officer, W Aust L of C Area.

190. AMENDMENTS TO RATION SCALES CRO 1399

The following amendments to Ration Scale "C" will become operative from 2 Jan 44 :-

For consumption on Friday of each week:-

For Meat Fresh 16 ozs, substitute	(meat Pres	5 ozs
	(Fish Tinned	4 "
	(M &V	4 "
For Vegs Fresh 12 ozs, "	(Veg Tinned	5 "
	(Pork & Beans	
	OR	
	(Baked Beans	3 "

The first issue will be for consumption on Friday 7 Jan 44 and will be confined to Male Personnel (excluding Hospital patients).

The issue of Eggs Fresh except for Females and Hospital patients, will be discontinued on the introduction of the above amendments.

191. CONTROL OF UNIT TRUST FUNDS GRO F819/43.

(a) Attention is drawn to part 16 of the above GRO which states inter alia, that:-

AUDIT.

"The CO of each unit will appoint at least two auditors whose duty it will be to conduct regular audits of each unit trust account. The CO will be responsible that these accounts are audited at least once a month"

(b) As it is impossible for two or more auditors to be appointed to audit every trust fund account in this regiment, each commander of a sub-unit holding such a trust account will appoint two or more auditors who will audit that account once per month, and forward a certificate of audit, as prescribed in sub para "D" part 16 of GRO F819/43, to this HQ by 7 of each ensuing month.

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for Lt Col.
Comd 102 Aust AA Regt (AIF).
N.G. SAMSON.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:- AUSTRALIAN COMFORTS FUND

Receipt is gratefully acknowledged of three 5 gallon water bags and one two gallon water bag, for use by personnel of "A" Troop 151 Aust Lt AA Bty.

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by

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Coma 102 Aust AA Regt (AIF)

192. UNIT CENSORSHIP CRO 1402

Attention is drawn to GRO 835 of 31 Dec 43. The provisions of this GRO are now operative in the area specified. ASO 2/6 is amended in accordance with GRO G 835.

193. DEDUCTIONS FROM PAY. CRO 1403

(a) It would appear that many deductions from members' pay are still being made contrary to GRO A727/43, particularly in respect of deficient articles of clothing and equipment on personnel issue.

(b) It will be brought to the notice of all OsC that it is contrary to GRO A727/43 for any deduction to be made from the pay of a member in respect of any article of clothing or equipment on personel issue of which he is deficient unless the deduction is authorised by a summary award or sentence of a Court Martial or it is made under the provisions of paragraph 10 of the GRO with the free and voluntary consent of the member. In respect of paragraph 10 of GRO 727/43, it will be pointed out that a member cannot be ordered or otherwise compelled to place his signature on a stoppage sheet as an indication of his consent to deduction..

(c) Disciplinary action will be taken against all members making or authorising any deduction from other members' pay in contravention of GRO A727/43, whether the deduction is made or authorised in respect of deficient articles of clothing and equipment on personel issue or any other form of loss, damage or expense suffered or incurred by the Commonwealth. (LHQ 215 of 4 Jan 44)

194. PAY PROCEDURE - MEMBERS ON LEAVE CRO 1404

(a) It is increasingly apparent that some sub units are not complying with ASO 11/5 (b) and are not affording their members opportunities of securing pay advances covering the period of leave prior to departure from unit area.

(b) In future intermediate pay will not be made to personnel on leave except in the event of extreme emergency. In such cases an authority for payment over the signature of an officer of the member's sub-unit and bearing the official sub unit stamp, setting out the circumstances which render the case exceptional, must be produced by the member. The mere production of a leave pass, however endorsed will not be sufficient grounds for granting intermediate pay to a member. But an authorised leave pass, together with the member's pay book, must be produced in addition to the authority for payment noted above.

(c) Cash offices will furnish HQ 3 Aust Corps with full particulars of any case which seems to indicate non-compliance with ASO 11/5 (b) and, if such non-compliance is substantiated, strong disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

(d) The substance of this order will be promulgated to all ranks.

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195. DISCHARGE OF PERSONNEL TO INDUSTRY - REF GRO A736 - ASO 5/7. GRO 1405.

(a) Applications being received at HQ W Aust L of C Area indicate tha t the conditions under which personnel may be discharged for employment in Essential Industry are being misinterpreted. Certain personnel are eligible to make application, but in addition must be required for specified employment by a named employer, or in applicants own busine

(b) The impression has been inadvertently conveyed, that all persons over 35 years of age with 3 or more years' service, B class personnel and those over 40 have a right to be discharged. This is NOT the case as only those RECOMMENDED BY MANPOWER may be discharged and for this purpose Manpower will not recommend discharge unless the soldier has assured employment available in an essential industry.

(c) Recommendations for employment, where increased production of certain specified commodities will result, are being given preference by DDGMP. At present the specified commodities are Dairy Products, Meat (particularly Beef and Pig Food), Vegetables, Eggs and timber, but employment in any other industry which in the opinion od DDGMP is of high priority may be recommended.

(d) Notwithstanding recommendations by DDGMP discharges will not be authorised where the efficiency of the sub-unit would be seriously effected thereby, such personnel being deemed to be Key Personnel (GRO A 736 para 7).

(e) Subject to compliance with the above conditions, the following personnel under command 3 Aust Corps are eligible to submit applications :-

(1) All personnel who are medically classified "B".

(11) All personnel who are over 40 years aof age, irrespective of Medical Class and Army Employment.

(111) Personnel under 40 years of age, and Medically Classified "A", who are not trade grouped.

(1V) Personnel under 40 years of age, Medically Classified "A", and trade grouped in a trade specified in GRO 736 para 4 C.

(V) Subject in each case to L/Q approval personnel Medically Classified "A" and employed in Army Trades not specified in GRO A 736 para 4 C who are between 35 and 40 years of age and who have had 3 years or over continuous full time Military Service.

(f) In cases where a soldier who is ineligible for release under the conditions of GRO A736/43 makes an application for discharge, the application should be refused by sub-unit. The soldier and this HQ will be informed accordingly, giving reasons for such rejection.

(g) PERSONNEL IN DETENTION AND HOSPITAL

(1) A sub-unit which has received an MPR 2 in respect of a member who is in detention or in hospital and therefor is not immediately available for despatch to GDD for discharge will, if discharge is concurred in by the sub-unit, return the MPR 2 to this HQ endorsed with the relevant information.

(11) Sub-units will state on back of form the name of hospital to which the member was evacuated or the location of Detention Barrack in which he serving sentence and the period of detention.

(111) HQ L of C Area will take action to obtain concurrence of soldier to his discharge.

(1V) Except in case where sub-unit has requested the retention of member as "key personnel" or the soldier does not desire his release, HQ L of C Area will direct the hospital or Detention Barrack to despatch the member, on discharge from hospital or detention, to GDD for finalisation This will avoid the member from being returned to his Unit

(V) Simultaneously with the direction for transfer of member to GDD, HQ L of C Area will notify Unit of action taken and Unit will thereupon forward forthwith to GDD Claremont, any documents held to enable his finalisation, and notify the sub-unit concerned.

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(h) PERSONNEL ON RECREATION LEAVE :

Where an MPR2 is received by a sub-unit whilst the member is on recreational (home) leave, it usually will be desirable for the unit to retain the form to await the member's return and for the appropriate action to be then taken. Where MPR2 is being held under these circumstances the sub-unit will signal that information to this H.Q. However when time permits (and/interstate leave) it may be possible for the member to be intercepted at an LTD and his discharge effected without the member having to return to his Unit. This will be done where circumstances allow and similar procedure as set out hereunder will be observed.

(i) PERSONNEL ON COMPASSIONATE OR OCCUPATIONAL LEAVE)

(l) The reasons for which such leave has been granted will in almost all cases be those for which discharge is sought under MPR plan. In these cases a sub-unit will on receipt of an MPR2 and where discharged is concurred in, return to this HQ MPR2 suitably endorsed.

(ll) Unit will state on back of form details of the reason for the grant of compassionate or occupational leave, the period and date of expiration of such leave and the L of C Area in which member is spending the leave. The address on leave of the member and a reference to L of C file authorising leave will also be stated if possible.

(lll) The originating L of C Area will then arrange for the member's signature to be obtained on the MPR2 as concurrence to his discharge and will further arrange for the member to be recalled to his appropriate GDD for finalisation of discharge

(lV) When sub-units return an MPR2 to this HQ in respect of a member whose discharge is to be effected in accordance with this paragraph, action is to be taken by the Unit to despatch to this HQ for forwarding to GDD all relevant documents to enable finalisation. The documents should be forwarded under cover of a memorandum which will quote the MPR2.

(j) The MPR2 is the authority for movement of the soldier to GDD Claremont.

(k) THE CO-OPERATION OF ALL CONCERNED IN ALL PROCEDURE OF THE MPR PLAN IS ESSENTIAL.

196. MAJOR MACHINE TOOLS AND APPLIANCES - PHYSICAL CHECK OF UNIT HOLDINGS. CRO 1407

(a) In order to check and bring up to date records maintained by AEME of the issue and distribution of Major Machine Tools it is desired to have a physical check of unit holdings.

(b) The Checking Staff will be provided by DDME 3 Aust Corps, and will be under the supervision of the AEME representative in each formation area.

(c) The order of checking willbe as follows:-

(l) 2 Aust Div
1 Aust Armd Bde Gp
Corps Troops
FREMANTLE Fortress Area
W Aust L of C Area.

(ll) Commencing on 18 Jan 44.

(d) It is requested that every assistance be given to the checking staff by Formations, Units, etc, during the period of the check.

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197. RATES OF TRAVELLING ALLOWANCE CRO 1408.

(a) Approval has been given for the payment on and from the 1st January 1944, to all members (male and female) of the Forces engaged on continuous full time duty of Travelling Allowance [illegible] stated hereunder, in accordance with War Financial Regulation 61.

Rates of Travelling Allowance.

Rank or Appointment	In Australia			
	Daily rate for first two weeks' residence in same place.		Daily rate after first two weeks' residence in same place.	
	Capital Cities	Other than capital cities.	Capital cities	Other than capital cities.
Column 1.	Column 2.	Column 3.	Column 4.	Column 5.
Officers				
Lieutenant-General	30.0	25.0.	14.0.	12.6
Major-General	30.0	25.0	14.0	12.6
Brigadier	25.0	20.0	12.6	10.0
Colonel	25.0	20.0	12.6	10.0
Lieut-Colonel	22.6	19.0	11.6	9.6
Major	21.0	17.0	11.0	9.0
Captain	18.6	14.6	10.0	7.6
Lieutenant	18.6	14.6	10.0	7.6
Warrant Officer (Class 1 and Class 2.)	16.6	13.6	8.6	7.0
Ranks other than those specified above.	14.6	12.0	7.0	6.0

Amendment to War Financial Regulation

(b) The Fourth Schedule to the War Financial Regulation is being amended to show the rated set out below.

Field and subsistence allowance to be deducted.

(c) Travelling Allowance payable will continue to be subject to deduction of any field allowance or subsistence allowance payable to the member in respect of the period for which claim for travelling allowance is made.

198. RETURN OF AA BOOKS AND FORMS CRO 1409.

Action will be taken by all units to return stocks of the undermentioned AA Books and Forms surplus to immediate requirements to W Aust L of C Area Stationery Depot by 24 Jan 44.:-

AAB 83 Soldiers Record of Service Book.
AAB83A " " " " " " Cover.
AAF A256 Request for particulars to enable AAB 83 to be compiled.

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DETACHMENT COMMANDER.

Except when Comd 102 Aust AA Regt is in the area Major K. DYER is granted the powers of Det Comd in respect of the Sub-units of the Regt and attached sections at PEARCE and GUILDFORD.

Lieut & Adjt,
for Lt Col.
Comd 102 Aust AA Regt. (AIF).
N.G. SAMSON.

N O T I C E S.

COMFORTS FUND.

Receipt is gratefully acknowledged of the following comforts .-

2 Sets Checkers.	1 Set Monopoly.
2 Sets Strategy.	2 Sets Horsey Horsey.
2 Sets Dominoes.	2 Sets Draughts.
1 Set Citadel.	2 Sets 3 in 1.
1 Set Quoits & Peg.	3 Sets Darts.
3 Dart Boards.	24 pkts. Cards.
4 Crib Boards.	1 Indoor Tennis.
1 Aladdin Lamp.	6 Deck Tennis Sets.
6 Footballs.	6-2 Gal. Water Bags.
4 Soft Ball Bats.	6 Soft Ball Balls.
2 Basket Balls.	24 Fishing Lines.
100 Hooks.	24 Sinkers.

and a quantity of mixed vegetable seeds.

LOST : RIFLES NO. 4 MK I REG NOS. 4L6359 and 4L7128 LOST BETWEEN BOORAN AND GUILDFORD.

Any information regarding these rifles to be communicated to HQ 9 Aust Adv Amn Depot (Type C) or DAPM Swan Barracks.

FOUND. M/Cycle BSA 3½-4½ H.P. 1939 Silver Star No. 36055.

Frame No. 123742. Engine No. KM 123742.

Superimposed by KM 23642 in larger numerals.

Any Unit having this M/Cycle on charge will advise HQ 3 Aust Corps through normal channels.

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APPENDIX

ITINERARY OF VISIT TO N.W. AREA BY CCRA AND COMD

102 AUST AA REGT. (AIF).

20 Jan 44. 0600 hrs departed Guildford airfield in D H 84 accompanied by Lt. MATTISKE from AA Gp Fremantle, S/L BANFIELD Met Offr RAAF HQ Western Area. CCRA and Capt. COVENTRY were in another DH 84.

0835 hrs arrived Geraldton and breakfasted with Gp Capt. BREASLEY at RAAF Mess.

0935 hrs Dept Geraldton.

1215 hrs arrived CARNARVON and lunched with F/L MARCHANT at RAAF Mess.

1345 hrs departed CARNARVON.

1530 hrs arrived POTSHOT and stayed the night with Comd LOUSADA at USN Mess inspected USN establishment.

21 Jan 44. 0615 hrs airborne POTSHOT.

0630 arrived N.W. Cape and inspected Beach guns and witnessed firing practice by RAAF dets - practice not good - more trg needed.

0830 hrs departed N.W. cape and flew over ONSLOW to inspect oil tanks.

1300 hrs arrived PORT HEDLAND lunched at offrs mess 19 Gn Bn. Met Lt Col PALMER and Capt. HANRAHAN - ineffectual discussion - lot going to do - nothing done.

1630 hrs airborne PORT HEDLAND en route for CORUNNA DOWNS - encountered severe electrical storm near MARBLE BAR - both planes started to lose height over hilly country and had to make a forced landing.

1730 hrs Conditions still very bad - dust, wind rain and lightning - remained with planes until 2100 hrs when rescue party arrived. Taken to MARBLE BAR where given tea by 138 AGT Coy and awaited arrival of Major DAVIDSON and F/O JOLLY, O.C. RAAF CORUNNA DOWNS. Very rough trip in car to CORUNNA DOWNS which was reached about 0100 hrs.

22 Jan 44 inspected all AA installations. Morale of Lt tps good but Hy tp a little stoled. Gun drill, personal hygiene, camouflage all good. Very hot day. CCRA quite impressed and satisfied. Conferred with AADC and S/L BANFIELD re time of meteors. Visited F/O JOLLY at RAAF mess during the evening.

23 Jan 44 0615 hrs airborne CORUNNA DOWNS. Good Guard of Honour provided by Hy and Lt Tps. Refuelled WALLAL ROEBOURNE.

1045 hrs arrived BROOME and met by OC Tps - lunch at Continental Hotel. Inspected sites for beach guns with CCRA who concurred in siting. Very hot.

1535 hrs airborne BROOME for Cape LEVIQUE airstrip which had been recently constructed and not yet landed on. Some doubt whether DH 84 could land but after inspection pilot decided to land. Nearly lost wing tip on landing owing to punctured tyre - our plane was first plane to land and take off from this strip.
Met F/O CARMODY and reconnoitred sites for beach guns - very difficult to find and much walking. Finished after dark. Visited light house keepers who gave us oyster and mangrove crab supper and allowed us to sleep on their verandah. Uncomfortable night.

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24 Jan 44 0515 hrs airborne Cape LEVIQUE for BROOME.

0630 hrs arrived BROOME and breakfasted with OC Tps.

1000 hrs airborne for NOONKANBAH.

1200 hrs arrived NOONKANBAH. Good guard of honour provided by B/152 Aust Lt AA Bty. Inspected AA installations. Not so far advanced as at CORUNNA DOWNS. Morale and camouflage of Hy Tp not so good as that of Lt Tp which was on a par with that at CORUNNA DOWNS. Hy morale lower than at CORUNNA DOWNS.

Gun drill of all gun dets very good. Time for Hy Tp alarm on same standard as other tp. Conferred with S/L BANFIELD and AADC re meteor information.

Conferred with RMO 102 Aust AA Regt re medical arrangements which were not satisfactory. Conferred with Signals offr re passing of A.W. Plots. Conferred with CCRA re moving of two light guns. Capt. COGGINS and I did not agree that it was necessary but CCRA insisted and agreed to my counter suggestion.

26 Jan 44. Very stormy night starting from 0230 hrs. CCRA and C.O. nearly lost tent.

0520 hrs airborne for BROOME - Good Guard of Honour provided by B/140 Aust Hy AA Bty. CCRA expressed satisfaction with AA defence.

0730 hrs arrived BROOME - breakfasted with OC Tps.

1000 hrs airborne for PORT HEDLAND. Refuelled WALLAL.

1435 hrs arrived PORT HEDLAND - stayed night and conferred ~~with~~ with Lt Col PALMER. Abortive conference.

27 Jan 44 1310 hrs airborne for CORUNNA DOWNS.

1510 hrs arrived CORUNNA DOWNS. Met by AADC and Lieut BIRD

29 Jan 44 1330 hrs departed with Major DAVIDSON for NOONKANBAH by C47 Forced back by cyclone disturbance 1½ hours out. Returned to MARBLE BAR and thence to PORT HEDLAND where remained overnight. Stayed at Coy HQ 19 Gn Bn. Flying conditions very bad.

30 Jan 44 0430 hrs departed PORT HEDLAND for BROOME. Rough trip. Flying conditions again bad.

0630 hrs arrived BROOME. Cyclonic conditions. RAAF pilot refused to continue journey to NOONKANBAH. Stayed night with OC Tps BROOME at offrs mess. Spoke to P/O BROOKES re installation of beach guns. Conditions very unsettled visibility bad.

31 Jan 44 0430 hrs departed BROOME in RAAF Lockheed Lodestar with Major DAVIDSON F/L CLIFFORD S.O. Works RAAF Western area and Mr. WHITE of D of I.

0630 hrs arrived NOONKANBAH and ment by Capt COGGINS. Inspected Lt and Hy Tps BHQ, THQs Workshop and GOR. Fired calibration tests 3.7 guns 7 r.p.g. and proofed Lt Guns 4 r.p.g. tests satisfactory. Morale of Hy Tp much improved since last visit. Conferred with Signal offr RAAF in connection with passing of plots from Radar at Paradise. Communication not successful and new method to be employed. Conferred with F/L Clifford and Mr. White re water supply and a scheme satisfactory to the army to be installed giving additional storage. Inspected DID in connection with complaints about rations - conditions very wet and roads in some cases impassable. Conferred with Capt. COGGINS on sites for Nos 4 and 5 guns and approved of sites. Work on them will not be possible until drier conditions exist.
1 Feb 44 1030 hrs departNOONKANBAH. 1230 arrive CORUNNA DOWNS.

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WAR DIARY

of

151 Aust. Lt. AA. Bty. (AIF.)

From 0630hrs. 1 Jan. 44 to 1500hrs. 31 Jan. 44

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Unit 151 Aust. Lt. AA. Bty *Date and Time.—From* 0630hrs. 1 Jan. *To* 2 Jan.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
GREENMOUNT	1 Jan.	0630	Weather Fine and warm	
		0830	Parade of Bty HQ. and "A" Tp. Training as per syllabus.	See Appendix "A".
CORUNNA DOWNS	"		Training syllabus for month ending 31 Jan drawn up, copy of which is appended as appendix "B"	See Appendix "B"
			Two personnel rejoined troop from school and hospital.	
			Notification received of a better air cargo service to this area. Approx. six cargo planes per week will be passing through to and from GUILDFORD.	
GREENMOUNT	2 Jan	0630	Weather Fine and warm.	
		0830	Parade of Bty. HQ. and "A" Tp. Training as per syllabus.	
CORUNNA DOWNS	"		Air Co-operation - One Tiger Moth carried out a series of attacks on individual guns.	
			Training syllabus for conversion course for Hy. AA. Officers and Sgts. drawn up.	See Appendix "C"

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
GREENMOUNT	3 Jan.	0630	Weather Fine and Warm	
		0830	Parade of Bty. HQ. and "A" Tp. Training as per syllabus.	
"	4 Jan.	0630	Weather Fine, Hot.	
		0800	Parade of Bty HQ. and "A" Tp. Training as per syllabus.	
		1115	Fire broke out in scrub in 151 Bty area. Under control by	
			1230hrs. Fire caused by sparks from down draught incinerator	
			in vicinity.	
		1530	Capt. Wood to conference at Regt. HQ. Points discussed:-	
			151 Bty. HQ. and "A" Tp. to move to GERALDTON airfield	
			"A" Tp of 152 Bty to move to bivouac area GERALDTON	
			and to come under 151 Bty. HQ. for "A" and "Q".	
"	5 Jan.	0630	Weather Fine and Warm.	
		0800	Parade of Bty. HQ. and "A" Tp. Training as per syllabus.	
		1440	Gnr. MAGEE marched out to GDD. CLAREMONT for onward movement	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
GREENMOUNT	5 Jan.	1440	to Vic. L.ofC. for six weeks leave without pay.	
		1900	20 personnel rejoin "A" Tp. 152 Bty (attached for admn. etc.) ex home leave in Victoria.	
COOLUNNA DOWNS	"		Communications established to all six guns.	
GREENMOUNT	6 Jan.	0630	Weather fine and warm.	
		0800	Parade of Bty. HQ. and "A" Tp.	
		0830	Inspection of "A" Tp. By CO. 102 Aust. AA. Regt. Training.	
		1430	Visit to area by CCRA. Brig. Klein.	
		1500	Inspection of all MT. by Bty. Comd. and Bty. Capt.	
		1900	Gnr. Mc Vee and seven members of 140 Hy. Bty. marched out for movement by road and rail to COOLUNNA DOWNS.	
GREENMOUNT	7 Jan.	0630	Weather fine and warm.	
		0800	Parades and training as per syllabus.	
		1330	Inspection of transport continued by Bty. Comd. and Bty. Capt.	

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Unit 151 Aust. Lt. AA. Bty. *Date and Time.—From* 1330 hrs. 7 Jan44 *To* 1500hrs. 8 Jan.44

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
GREENMOUNT	7 Jan	1330	special attention being paid to G-12's.	
CORUNNA DOWNS	"		One three ton truck despatched to METKATHARRA to pick up stores	
GREENMOUNT	8 Jan	0630	Weather fine and warm.	
		0800	Parades of all personnel. Kit inspection of all members of	
			"A" Tp. Training as per syllabus for month of January	
		0830	CO. visits Bty HQ., confers with Bty. Comd.:-	
			Bty. HQ. and "A" Tp. to move to PEARCE area on	
			Thursday 13 Jan. 44. "A" Tp. 152 Bty. to move to	
			GUILDFORD airfield. This cancels previous arrangements	
			as set out on 4 Jan. 44	
		1500	~~Fifteen~~ Four ors. marched out to HQ. RAA. 3 Aust. Corps for	
			guard duties.	
			Parade of "A" Tp. 151 Bty. to check allrespirators, steel	
			helmets and ground sheets. Duplicate WAR DIARY for November	

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Unit 151 Aust. Lt. AA. Bty. *Date and Time.—From* 1500hrs. 8 Jan44 *To* 0430hrs. 10 Jan 44

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
GREENMOUNT	8 Jan	1500	and original for December forwarded to Regt. HQ..	
	9 Jan	0630	Weather fine and warm.	
		0800	Church parade for all personnel in Bty. area.	
		0845	Bty leave parade- Bty. stand down day.	
CORUNNA DWNS	"	1230	One B-24 arrived form north.	
GREENMOUNT	10 Jan	0630	Weather fine and warm	
		0800	Parade of all Bty. personnel.	
		1240	Capt. Wood and Capt. Maslen left for shoot of "A" Tp. 152 Bty.	
			held at SWANBOURNE. Capt. Wood director of practise.	
			Lieut. Braham m/o to GDD CLAREMONT for onward movement to	
			Light AAl Gunnery Course No 50 RANDWICK NSW. and transferred	
			to "X" list.	
		1630	Capt. Wood and Capt. Maslen return from shoot at SWANBOURNE.	
CORUNNA DOWNS	" 843	0430	Full moon. B-24 (Mary) took off on undisclosed mission.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
GREENMOUNT	11 Jan	0630	Weather fine and warm.	
		0830	Parade of all personnel. Training as per syllabus.	
		"	Capt. Wood visits PEARCE airfield with CO. 2i/c and Capt.	
			Davison OC. 140 Hy. Bty. Lieut Plain Tp. Comd. "A" Tp. to	
			RAAF Station PEARCE with DC's.	
		0900	Gas TEST's, under supervision of Lieut Bird for all members of	
			"A" Tp.	
		1200	Bdr. LAST, L/Bdr. LANNAN and Gnr. Hill arrived from CORUNNA (DOWNS	
		1330	Bdr. LAST m/o for medical board. Capt. Wood Returns from PEARCE	
		1900	Gnr. Hillier returnedto unit after leave without pay from	
			1 Sept. 43 till present date.	
CORUNNA DOWNS	"	0950	B-24 (Mary) returned. One three ton truck departedfor	
			MEEKATHARRA at 1600 hrs.	
GREENMOUNT	12 Jan	0630	Weather fine and warm.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
GREENMOUNT	12 Jan.	0800	Parade of all Presonnel.	
		1330	p Personnel from 140Hy. Bty. cease to be attached and attached to Regt. HQ. for "A" and "Q" etc. Gnr Hayward transferred to Regt. HQ.	
		1400	Loading of vehicles prior to move as per movement order	See Appendix "D".
		1500	Pay parade.	
		1700	Movement Order received by phone, details confirmed later in writing.	" " "
	13 Jan	0500	Weather fine but overcast. Reveille.	
		0530	Breakfast for all personnel in Bty.	
		0700	Convoy of Bty. HQ. and "A" Tp. 151 Bty cross start line on route to RAAF Station PEARCE.	
		0815	Convoy arrives at PEARCE. Regt. HQ. advised that move completed	" "
			4 Aust. Movement Control advised by phone code word used.	" " "

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
PEARCE	13 Jan.	0900	Nos 1 and 3 guns in action.	
		0930	Nos 2 and 4 guns in action.	
		1015	Nos 5 and 6 guns in action	
		1400	173 Aust. Lt. AA. Bty. and "F" Tp. move out from area.	
		1600	Bty Standing Orders and Fire Orders issued to guns.	See Appendix "E" and "F"
		1700	Orders re phone procedure issued down to guns	See Appendix "G".
CORUNNA DOWNS			Salvation Army representative, Maj. Hunt visited area. Lieut.	
			S. Attwood arrived in area and was billetted at Tp. HQ. until	
			Saturday 15 Jan44. Purpose of visit:- Inspection of	
			cooking and feeding arrangements and	
			instruction of cooks in preparation ~~and~~	
			of tinned rations.	
PEARCE	14 Jan. ~~1944~~	0630	Weather fine ~~and~~ but overcast in morning, light showers later	
			afternoon fine.	

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Unit 151 Aust. Lt. AA. Bty. *Date and Time.—From* 0630 14 Jan 44 *To* 1700hrs. 15 Jan 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
PEARCE	14 Jan.	0800	Ten personnel from "A" Tp. to "Dome Teacher" HMAS LEEUWIN.	
		0900	Inspection of re-erection of gun pits by Lieut Plain "A" Tp.	
			Comd. Work still progressing.	
		1030	Bty. Comd. visits all guns.	
		1100	Maj. Dyer and Lieut Bird arrive at Bty. HQ. and later inspect	
			all gun positions. Depart at 1315hrs.	
		1500	Capt. Wood departs for CO's conference at Regt. HQ. GREENMOUNT.	
		1645	Capt. Wood returns from conference.	
		1630	Rear party arrives in area from GREENMOUNT.	
CORUNNA DOWNS	"	0800	Padre Howe, NW sector visited all guns .	
		1200	One three ton truck arrived form MEEKATHARRA.	
PEARCE	15 Jan.	0630	Weather fine and hot.	
		0900	Fire Orders issued to all gun crews.	See Appendix "H".
		1700	Layers return to Tp. from "Dome Teacher " HMAS LEEUWIN.	

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Unit 151 Aust. Lt. AA. Bty. *Date and Time.—From* 1700hrs. 15 Jan. *To* 44 1430hrs. 18 Jan 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
PEARCE	16 Jan.	0630	Weather fine but hot, slight electrical storm during the afternoon	
CORUNNA DOWNS	"	0800	Padre Howe conducted church parade at Hy. gun site.	
			NOTE During the period 1 Jan to 16 Jan, weather at CORUNNA DOWNS was very hot	
			and towards the end of the period very sultry.	
PEARCE	17 Jan.	0630	Weather fine and hot.	
		1000	Fire orders amended :- Eight rounds to be taken out of the	See Para. 5 Appendix
			auto loader as the intense heat of the sun upsets the	"H".
			propellant charges.	
		1530	Gnr. Weaver m/i from 122 Aust. Spec. Hospital via GDD CLAREMONT.	
CORUNNA DOWNS	"	1200	All available men called out to fight spinifex fire at Hy. AA.	
			gun site.	
PEARCE	18 Jan.	0630	Weather fine and hot.	
		1100	Lt. Col. Rhoden, Maj. Dyer and Lieut Samson arrive from	
			Regt. HQ. to inspect area and gun positions. Depart at 1430hrs.	

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Unit 151 Aust. Lt. AA. Bty *Date and Time.—From* 1430hrs. 18 Jan44 *To* 0900 19 Jan 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
PEARCE	19 Jan.	0630	Weather fine and warm.	
		0730	Those members of "A" Tp. participating in shoot depart for COTTESLOE.	
		0830	Two guns collected from 660 Aust. Lt. AA. Bty. and moved to COTTESLOE.	
		0930	Guns placed in position for shoot - 1400hrs. to 1600hrs.	
		1700	Party return from shoot after maintenance of guns and return to 660 Bty.	
			Shoot not successful as majority of tracer failed to show up due either to atmospherics or very bright sun. When tracer did show however shooting was good. Gun drill very good through out.	
CORUNNA DOWNS		0900	One three ton truck with TG111 cook and stores returned from MEEKATHARRA.	

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Unit 151 Aust. Lt. AA. Bty. *Date and Time.—From* 0900hrs. 19 Jan44 *To* 1700hrs. 23 Jan. 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
CORUNNA DOWNS	19 Jan.	1230	Maj F. Davidson and Lieut. A.L. Bird arrived on C-47.	
PEARCE	22 Jan.	0630	Weather fine and hot.	
		0830	Two sigs arrive in area with Noll wireless set for communication with CORUNNA DOWNS.	
CORUNNA DOWNS	22 Jan.	0100	CCRA., (Brig. B.E. Klein), CO. 102 Aust. AA. Regt., (Lt. Col. J.W. Rhoden) and party arrived.	
		0700	Above party commenced an inspection of the area from the ground and air.	
	23 Jan.	0600	CCRA, CO. and party left area in two DH-84's.	
		1700	Severe storm lasting for about two hrs. thirty mins. Approx. one inch of rain fell.	
			NOTE Weather through out week ending 23 Jan. 44 has been very hot and sultry with electrical storms nearly every night. Very little rain fell until Sunday 23 Jan. 44.	

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Unit 151 Aust. Lt. AA. Bty. Date and Time.—From 1700hrs. 23 Jan44 To 1100hrs. 26 Jan. 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
PEARCE	24 Jan.	0630	Weather fine and warm.	
		0800	Communication established with COOLUNNA DOWNS ~~xx~~ twice daily	
			at 0800hrs. and 1130hrs.	
	25 Jan.	0630	Weather fine and warm.	
		0830	Capt. Wood and Lt. Coldicutt to classification range with	
			party of ten or'sfrom A Tp. Practise consister of:-	
			Application practise at 200 yds. 10rds.	
			Rapid practise at 200 yds. "	
			Application practise at 300yds. "	
		1400	AA. Technical Efficiency report forwarded to Regt. HQ.	See Appendix "I"
	26 Jan.	0630	Weather fine and warm.	
		0830	Range practises continue.	
		1100	Capt. Mills and Capt. Silke of Workshops detachments arrive in area	
			together with 18 or'ls from Sig Sect's. 140 Hy. Bty. and RHQ.	

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Unit 151 Aust. Lt. AA. Bty. *Date and Time.—From* 1100hrs. 26 Jan 44 *To* 1500hrs. 31 Jan 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
PEARCE	26 Jan.	1915	8 or's arrive ex home leave in eastern states.	
	27 Jan.	0630	Weather fine and warm overcast later in day.	
		0830	Range practises continue.	
		0900	Capt. Fincham RQM. and 4 or's arrive - Rear Regt. HQ. personnel	
		1330	Pay parade.	
	28 Jan.	0630	Weather fine and warm.	
		0900	Range practises continue.	
	29 Jan.	0630	Weather fine and warm.	
		0830	Range practises continue.	
	30 Jan.	0630	Weather fine and warm.	
		0815	RC. Church parade.	
		1915	Voluntary church parade for OPD.	
	31 Jan.	0630	Weather fine and warm.	
		1500	Lieut. Stratford arrives from 52 Aust. AA. Regt. MERAUKE via	

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Unit 151 Aust. Lt. AA. Bty. *Date and Time.—From* 1500hrs 31 Jan44 *To*

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
PEARCE	31 Jan.	1500	GDD. CLAREMONT for movement to Regt. HQ. COHUNNA DOWNS to take over duties of Regt. Sig. Officer.	

			POSTING OF OFFICERS 151 Aust. Lt. AA. Bty.	
	1 Jan.	0630	Bty. Comd. Capt. K.P. Wood, Bty. Capt. Capt. G.W. Maslen,	
			Bty. Lieut. Lieut. D.C. Jenkins,	
			"A" Troop Comd. Lieut. G.J. Plain Troop Leader Lieut. S.J. Braham.	
			"B" Troop Comd. Lieut. K.J. Gillespie Troop Leader Lieut. K.E. Robinson.	
			Posted strength of Bty. as at 1 Jan 44. :-	
			7 officers.	K.P. Wood Capt ~~Major~~ OC. 151 Aust Lt. AA. Bty.
			205 Or's.	
			9 attached.	D.C. Jenkins Lieut Bty. Lieut. 151 AUST. LT. AA. BTY

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151 Aust. Light A.A. Battery.

Appendix A

TRAINING SYLLABUS JANUARY 1944

Jan 1st to 7th incl.	Laying	Gun Drill as per Manual 1943.	Tank Attack Role	Gas TOETs.	Aircraft Identification	Maintenance	P.T. & Bayonet
Jan 8th to 14th incl.	Laying	Pred. School	Rifle & L.M.G. and T.O.E.T.s	Training	Aircraft Identification	Maintenance	P.T. & Bayonet
Jan 15th to 21st incl.	Laying	Pred. School	Rifle & L.M.G. and T.O.E.T.s	Training	Aircraft Identification Air Photo Reading & Interpretation for Officers & N.C.O.s	Maintenance	P.T. & Bayonet.
Jan 22nd to 28th incl.	Laying	M.T. Dvrs. School as per M.V.T.P.No 3	Mechanisms		Aircraft Identification	Maintenance	P.T. & Bayonet
Jan 29th to 31st incl.	N.C.O.s Examination - Map Reading, Gun Drill and Deflections Layers to be retested. Gun Drill	Laying	Maintenance		Aircraft Identification	P.T. & Bayonet.	

1. Detachments will avail themselves of every opportunity which presents laying practise.

2. One night march by compass per week.

3. P.T. for ten minutes will be carried out each morning after dawn stand to.

4, All drivers, cooks and clerks will be trained to carry out any duties on the gun.

5. Routine maintenance will carried out at Stand to and Stand down.

---------- Capt.
O.C. 151 Aust. Light A.A. Battery

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"A" Troop
151 Aust Lt A.A Bty.

Training Syllabus.

15 - 21 Jan (incl)

GAS TRAINING

Instruction will be given to the whole troop, at troop HQ, each day from 1400 till 1500 hrs. One man per detachment to remain at each gun.

MAINTENANCE

As per A.A. Equipment Maintentance Task Chart No 7. To be performed daily from 0830 till 0920 hrs daily. Starting 16 Jan each detachment in sequence and on successive days will remove, strip and maintenance their auto-loader.

GUN DRILL AND LAYING

As per Manual and Gun Drill(1943) . To be carried out between 1100 and 1200 hrs daily.

In addition to the above Det. Comds. will instruct their detachments in the following:

Rifle: to load in the four positions.

Aircraft Identification.

P.T. in the form of Bayonet training.

Lieut.

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Appendix "B"

"B" TROOP 151 AUST. LT A.A. BTY.

TRAINING SYLLABUS 3 JAN. 44. - 9 JAN. 44.

DATE	0530-0600	0700-0800	0810- 0930	0945-1045	1100-1200	1200-1500	1500-1600	1600-1700
3 Jan	P.T.	Daily Maint.	Gas Trg. War Gases	Gun Drill Eng of Tks.	Prismatic Comp. Desc. and use	STAND DOWN	Theory of Laying	S.A.T. Bren
4 Jan	"	"	Gun Drill	S.A.T. Bren	Lecture Sec.-Censor.	"	S.A.T. Austen.	A/C Recog.
5 Jan	"	"	Gun Drill Eng of Tks	Gas Trg. Pers Gas Eqpt.	S.A.T. Rifle Holding aiming & firing	"	S.A.T. Bren	Gun Drill
6 Jan	"	"	Prismatic Comp. Pract.	Theory of Laying	S.A.T. Bren	"	Gas Trg. Care of Resp.	Observation of Tracer
7 Jan	"	"	S.A.T. Bren	-	A/C Recog.	"	SAT Rifle H., A & F.	Gun Drill
8 Jan	"	"	Gas Trg. Resp.	-	S.A.T. Bren	"	Gun Drill Eng of Tks	Lecture Care & Pres Ammo.
9 Jan	"	"	WEEKLY MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT			"	S.A.T. Bren	A/C Recog.
10 Jan	"	"	Lect. Sec. & Censorship	Gas Trg. Resp Drill	Theory of Laying	"	S.A.T. Bren	Gun Drill
11 Jan	"	"	-	SAT Bren	Gun Drill Eng of Tks	"	Prismatic Comp Pract.	-
12 Jan	"	"	Gun Drill	SAT Rifle H A & F.	-	"	Gas Trg Pers Decon.	SAT Bren

DAWN STAND TO WITH GUN DRILL

DUSK STAND TO WITH GUN DRILL

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DATE	0530-0600	0700-0800	0810-0930	0945-1045	1100-1200	1200-1500	1500-1600	1600-1700
13 Jan	P.T.	Daily Maint.	Gas Trg: Resp Drill	A/C Recog	SAT Bren	STAND DOWN	Theory of Laying	SAT Austen Hold. & F.
14 Jan	"	"	SAT Bren	Care & Pres of Ammo	-	"	Gun Drill Eng of Tks	A/C Recog.
15 Jan	"	"	Gun Drill	SAT Bren	Gas Trg Pers Decon.	"	Obs. of Tracer	SAT Rifle Care & Pres
16 Jan	"	"	WEEKLY MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT			"	A/C Recog	SAT Bren
17 Jan	"	"	Gun Drill Eng of Tks	SAT Bren	Gas Trg: Resp Drill	"	-	Lecture Sec. & Censor.
18 Jan	"	"	SAT Austen St. & Clean.	Theory of Laying	Prismatic Comp Pract.	"	SAT Bren	Gas Trg. Pers Decon.
19 Jan	"	"	-	Gun Drill	SAT Bren	"	A/C Recog.	Prismatic Comp.-Night Exercise.
20 Jan	"	"	Obs. of Tracer	Gas Trg. Decon of Wp. & Vehs.	A/C Recog.	"	-	SAT Bren
21 Jan	"	"	SAT Bren	Gun Drill	Theory of Laying	"	Gas Trg. Blister. Det.-Signs	Prismatic Comp.-Night Exercise
22 Jan	"	"	-	Eng of Tks	-	"	SAT Bren	A/C Recog
23 Jan	"	"	WEEKLY MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT			"	Bay Trg.	SAT Bren

DAWN STAND TO WITH GUN DRILL

DUSK STAND TO WITH GUN DRILL

DATE	0530-0600	0700-0800	0810-0930	0945-1045	1100-1200	1200-1500	1500-1600	1600-1700	
24 Jan	P.T.	Daily Maint	Lecture Soc. & Censor.	Gas Alarm Duties of Gas Sentry	Obs of Tracer	STAND DOWN	SAT Bren	Theory of Laying	
25 Jan	"	"	-	SAT Bren	-	"	Gun Drill	Prismatic Comp Night Exercise	DAILY STAND TO WITH GUN DRILL
26 Jan	"	"	Gun Drill Mng of Tks	-	Bayonet Trg.	"	Gas Trg. Decon of Gps and Vehs.	SAT Bren	
27 Jan	"	"	SAT Bren	Theory of Laying	Gas Trg. Recapitulation	"	SAT Austen	A/C Recog.	
28 Jan	"	"	Gas Trg. Recapitulation	-	SAT Bren	"	Gun Drill Mng of Tks	Prismatic Comp Night Exercise	
29 Jan	"	"	SAT Bren	Gun Drill	A/C Recog	"	-	Bay. Trg.	
30 Jan	"	"	-	-	-	"	-	-	
31 Jan	"	"	WEEKLY MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT			"	-	-	

K.A. Gillespie LIEUT

O.C. B/13 AUST. LT A.A. BATTERY

3 JAN. 1944

Appendix "C"

LT. A.A. COURSE FOR HY. A.A. OFFICERS AND SGTS. JAN 44.

Course will be divided into 2 classes.
Each class will attend training for 1 hr. 3 days per week.
Total hours of training per class per week 3.

SUBJECT	CLASS A		CLASS B	
Introduction to Lt. AA Gunnery	Jan 4.	0800-0900	Jan 7	0800-0900
Deflections Vertical	Jan 5.	"	Jan 8	"
" Lateral	Jan 6.	"	Jan 9	"
Observation of Tracer	Jan 10.	"	Jan 13	"
Fire Control	Jan 11.	"	Jan 14	"
Theory of Predictor	Jan 12.	"	Jan 15	"
" " "	Jan 17	"	Jan 20	"
" " "	Jan 18	"	Jan 21	"
Mechanisms	Jan 19	"	Jan 22	"
"	Jan 24	"	Jan 27	"
Tactical Employment	Jan 25	"	Jan 28	"
" "	Jan 26	"	Jan 29	"

INSTRUCTORS

Lieut. K. J. Gillespie } Lectures
Lieut. K. E. Robinson }

Sgt. Taylor W.D. — Gun Drill - Mechanisms

Bdr. Kendle S.M. — Predictor Drill

K J Gillespie
.....Lieut.

O.C. B Tp. 151 AUST. LT. A.A. BTY.

"B" Tp. 151 AUST. LT. A.A. BTY TRAINING SYLABUS Jan. 44

1. Maintenance will be carried out at the following times :-

	DAILY	WEEKLY
B. 1.	0700 - 0800	Mon.
2.	0800 - 0900	Tues.
3.	0900 - 1000	Wed.
4.	1000 - 1100	Thurs.
5.	1100 - 1200	Fri.
6.	1500 - 1600	Sat.

D.C's will be responsible for informing next D.C. when maintenance is completed.
This must be observed to obviate more than one gun being out of action at the same time.

2. D.C's will ensure that all aircraft flying in the area are used for laying practice.
Guns will NOT be loaded during these practices.

3. Spare periods are shown on syllabus for following purposes :-

(a) Conduct of T.O.E.T.

(b) Constructional work on gun sites.

(c) Firing of Small Arms practice.(If can be arranged)

H. Gillespie
.....Lieut.

O.C. "B" TP. 151AUST LT. A.A. BTY.

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Appendix D

ALLIED LAND FORCES IN S W PACIFIC AREA

FILE 18/2

4 Aust Movement Control Group,
Swan Barracks,
PERTH.

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12 Jan 44.

MOVEMENT CONTROL ORDER NO. 400

MOVEMENT BY ROAD OF Det. 102 A.A. Regt from Greenmount to Pearce on 13 Jan 44.

REF. MAPS.

REF. 3 AUST CORPS ~~W.AUST L OF C AREA~~ Signal ~~Q.6562~~ Q.6526

1. STRENGTH: Pers 96, MT 24

2. CODE NAME: "PADDY"

3. ROUTE, SPEED, DENSITY, HALTD & MARCH TABLE - Vide ~~Appendix~~ on back hereof.

4. PROVOST:

5 L of C Pro guide will report 102 A.A. Regt. by 0630 hrs guide to BLACK ADDER CREEK.

5. SECRECY: Strict secrecy will be observed regarding times and dates of movement and destinations.

6. REPORTING COMPLETION OF MOVEMENT: O.C. Convoy will advise 4 Aust Movement Control Group immediately on completion of movement, time of arrival at destination, also numbers personnel and M.T. that completed move.

R R Phillips MAJOR
A/A.Q.M.G.(M) 4 Aust Movement Control Gp.
(R.R.Phillips)

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Sig to D.H.Q. 0815.
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MARCH TABLE.

MOVEMENT CONTROL ORDER NO 400

1. S.T. 0700 hrs
2. S.P. Greenmount Ry Xing
3. ROUTE: Main route E, Main Route A, Sec 1.
4. SPEED: 24 M.I. 2 H.
5. DENSITY: 10 V.T.M.
6. HALTS: Authority granted travel through Breakfast halt.
7. D.P. Pearce Aerodrome.

Ref.	Date	Unit	No. of Vehs.	No. of Gps.	Gaps betwn Gps.	S.P. Head	S.P. Tail	D.P. Head	D.P. Tail	Remarks
1	13 Jan 44.	Det., 102 A.A. Regt.	24	3	880 yds.	0700	0720	0820	0840	

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161 Aust. Light A.A. Battery.
162 Aust. L.A.A. Regt (AIF).
ADVANCE.
15 Jan 42.

Appendix "E"

BATTERY STANDING ORDERS.

1. **ORDERS AND INSTRUCTIONS**
All ranks will acquaint themselves thoroughly with all orders and instructions issued from B.H.Q.

2. **ROUTINE**
The following routine will be observed:

Reveille	0630 hours
Breakfast	0730 hours
Sick Parade	0830 hours (at BHQ)
Midday Meal	1230 hours
Evening Meal	1730 hours
Tattoo	2230 hours
Lights Out	2330 hours

3. **TATTOO ROLL CALL**
D.Cs. will arrange to have the roll called nightly at Tattoo and will forward written reports to B.H.Q. before 0830 hours the following morning. Such reports to be at B.H.Q. by 0845 hours.

4. **STAND TO AND STAND DOWN.**
Detachments will STAND TO half an hour before FIRST LIGHT and STAND TO half an hour before last LIGHT. Detachments will STAND DOWN half and hour after LAST LIGHT.

5. **GUARDS AND PICQUETS.**
Guards and picquets will be mounted each night on all B.Q. and on each gun. Troop and Det. Comdrs. will arrange their own rosters and reports of any untoward happenings will be forwarded to B.H.Q. by 0900 hours daily.

6. **M.A.P. STATION**
No personnel will enter R.A.A.F. unless on duty. No personnel will enter R.A.A.F. to attend picture shows etc. unless on a parade when they will be marched into the Station. No personnel will enter the R.A.A.F. for showers unless on a shower parade when they will be marched to and from the Station.

7. **CHEQUERS HOTEL.**
The Chequers Hotel is OUT OF BOUNDS to all ranks until 1800 hours. On Stand Down days personnel will NOT enter the Hotel until 1800 hours.

8. **CLEANLINESS.**
The area will at all times be kept clean - blankets and other gear being folded and placed neatly in the tents or buildings used for sleeping quarters. Towels will be clean and always hung up on a line provided for that use.

9. **BEDDING:**
All bedding must be folded neatly every morning as follows: palliasse to be folded in two and blankets to be folded in three and placed on front half of palliasse. Pack and haversack to be placed on top of blankets and kit bag at rear of blankets. All bedding to be arranged uniformly in sleeping quarters.

10. **DRESS.**
All ranks will wear only recognised forms of dress as laid down in STANDING ORDERS FOR DRESS.

11. **GAMBLING.**
Gambling in NOT permitted in any form within the Battery area.

12. **LEAVE**
Leave will be granted in accordance with the authorised scale. Special leave must at all times be referred to the Battery Comdr.

13. **SICK PARADES.**
Personnel desirous of parading sick must report to the Battery Orderly Room at 0830 hours daily. Leave will NOT be granted for 24 hours after attendance on Sick Parade.

14. **INJURIES.**
All cases of injuries must be reported immediately to an officer together with names and statements of witnesses. This applies whether injured on leave or on duty.

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14. VENEREAL, CONTAGIOUS & INFECTIOUS DISEASES.
Any man suspecting himself to be suffering from VD or any contagious disease will report immediately on Sick Parade. Any concealment or attempt thereat will be severely dealt with.

15. MAIL.
INWARD MAIL on arrival will be sorted at B.H.Q. and collected by Troops. Outward mail will be deposited at B.H.Q. for despatch by 0830 hours. No soldier is allowed to send any matter through the post unless it has been censored.

16. PRECAUTIONS AGAINST FIRE.
All personnel are referred to the precautions against fire as set out in Battery Fire Orders.

17. MOTOR TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT CONTROL.
Speed limit as laid down (15 m.p.h.) will be strictly observed in the R.A.A.F. area. All vehicles entering H.Q. or gun areas will observe traffic circuits as laid down and park only in recognised parking areas. For this purpose Visitors Car Parks will be formed in all locations.

18. SECURITY.
All ranks are warned against divulging any information regarding the disposition and/or strength of equipment and troops or any service matters.

19. LATRINES.
Lids of latrines will be kept closed when not in use. Paper will not be left lying round and all toilet paper will be used economically and kept in water proof containers.

K.A. Wood
----------Capt.
O.C. 151 Aust. Light A.A. Battery.

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W'shops	2.	A. 6	9.
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A. 2	5.	Diary	11, 12.
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102 Aust. A.A. Regt. (AIF),
AUSTRALIA.
13 Jan 44.

Appendix "F"

STANDING ORDERS.
BATTERY FIRE ORDERS

ALARM — Any person detecting a fire in the Battery Area will immediately sound the nearest fire alarm. They will take any steps possible to put out the fire and remove any records, stores, equipment etc. endangered to a place of safety.

METHOD OF SOUNDING FIRE ALARM. — The fire alarm will be sounded by one or all of the following methods:
(a) By a succession of long and short blasts on a whistle.
(b) By beating the fire alarm gong.
(c) By shouting in a loud voice 'FIRE'

PERSONNEL — These not on duty will parade complete with hats and boots and await orders from the officer present. They will not be dismissed without the authority of this officer.

N.C.Os. — All N.C.Os. are responsible that all personnel are acquainted with the position of the nearest fire fighting equipment and the correct procedure in regard to their use.
On the fire alarm sounding the Nearest N.C.O. will proceed immediately to the scene of the fire and take charge of the fire fighting operations. He will summon an Officer who, on his arrival, will be responsible for all steps taken. This Officer will summon the local Fire Brigade.

NAKED LIGHTS — No naked lights of any description will be used in any oil or expense storage establishments.
Unattended lighted lamps, lanterns etc. will NOT be left in tents nor will they at any time be suspended from the tent or ridge pole.

BURNING OF REFUSE ETC. — All refuse will be burnt as far as possible in the incinerators provided in each kitchen. If for any reason a fire is necessary elsewhere an N.C.O. must ensure that a strict watch is kept onthe fire to prevent its spreading.
No fire will be left unattended until completely extinguished.

MATCHES CIG. BUTTS ETC. — The promiscuous discarding of lighted matches and cigarettes butts etc. is prohibited in the Battery Area. NCO's in charge of tents are responsible that precautions are observed in regards to smoking in tents and will provide a depository for matches etc.

OILED RAGS. ETC. WASTE — These materials when used for cleaning purposes are liable to spontaneous combustion and will under no circumstances be allowed to remain lying about on tent floors etc. They will be collected and placed in a metal receptacle kept out of doors.

PETROL OILS ETC. — Officers and/or N.C.Os. responsible for the safe custody of these or similar materials will provide a seperate storage facility segregated from other tents or buildings - notices being placed outside prohibiting smoking or the use of naked lights in or near these facilities.

MAINTENANCE OF FIRE FIGHTING EQUIPMENT. — All officers and N.C.Os. will ensure that there is an ample and easily accessible supply of water and sand available in all areas. They are responsible for the daily inspection of the Fire Extinguishers, Alarm Gongs etc. and to report any defects to the Battery Commander.

K. L. Wood Capt.
O.C. 151 Aust. Light A.A. Battery (AIF).

DISTRIBUTION

T.H.Q.	1	Workshops	2.	A. 5	9
Sig. Sec.	3	B.H.Q.	4	A. 6	10
A. 1	5	A. 2	6	War Diary	11,12.
A. 3	7	A. 4	8	File.	13.

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AUSTRALIA.
13 Jan. 44.

Appendix "G"

TELEPHONE PROCEDURE.

1. The telephone procedure adopted previously will be used here.

2. Guns Nos. 1, 2 and 3 are on a multiple circuit and will act accordingly.
On ONE RING each gun will answer by 'LISTENING OUT', maintaining silence until requested for by Exchange (Those not required will replace handset).

3. Nos. 4 and 5 guns are likewise so connected and will also adopt this same procedure.

4. No 6 gun is connected separately and on ONE RING will answer by stating "No 6 gun answering"

5. ALL GUN CALL
Three rings will be given for an ALL GUN CALL and all guns will adopt procedure as stated in Para (2).

6. PRESSAL SWITCH

It is absolutely necessary to make sure that the PRESSAL switch on the handset is firmly pressed down when speaking.

7. PRIVATE CONVERSATIONS.

Private conversations will NOT be held under any circumstances.

The Signals have instructions to report any non-observance of the foregoing and disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

K.G. Wood
Capt.
O.C 151 Aust. Light A.A. Battery (AIF).

DISTRIBUTION

T.H.Q.	1.	A. 4	15
W'shops	2.	A. 5	8
Sig. Sec.	3.	A. 6	9
B.H.Q.	4.	War Diary	10,11.
A. 1	5.	File.	12.
A. 2	6.		
A. 3	7.		

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102 Aust. A.A. Regt. (AIF),
AUSTRALIA.
15 Jan 44.

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Appendix "H"

FIRE ORDERS.

1. Guns will engage all aircraft identified as hostile within range, except single recce aircraft which will only be engaged on orders.

2. Guns will engage targets witnin primary arcs laid down in preference to other targets, subject to the situation.

3. All friendly aircraft should fly into Pearce on a left hand circuit at a height below 2000 feet with wheels down.

4. Warning System.

Air Raid Yellow - Unidentified or hostile aircraft within 60 mile radius:

Whistle blasts of one minute continuous from R.A.A.F. Station.

Yellow flag hoisted on R.A.A.F. water tower.

Air Raid Red - Unidentified or Hostile aircraft within 30 mile radius:
Oscillating whistle blasts.

Red flag hoisted on R.A.A.F. water tower.

Green - All clear.

Yellow and red flag will be lowered and a succession of long whistle blasts sounded.

ALL GUN SITES In the event of unidentified aircraft activity during daylight the following orders will be issued from BHQ.

"TELEPH. STAND BY" Site telephonists will not replace receivers, but will listen in continuously. Duty officers and spotters in gun positions will be warned and given necessary ~~INSTRUCTIONS~~ information.
"TAKE POST" Guns and instruments will be manned. Sites will report immediately when manned.
Gun sites will report in numerical order "Gun ready for Action' when reports are called for.
"STAND EASY" From BHQ. Men may rest near guns but must NOT stand down.
"STAND DOWN" Telephonists replace receivers, gun site personnel stand down

5. 8 rounds will be kept in auto loader at all times but gun will NOT be loaded. These rounds not to be left in auto loader during training.

6. Look out will maintained from half an hour before FIRST LIGHT to half an hour after LAST LIGHT.

7. Guns will NOT open fire at night unless ordered.

8. Guns will NOT engage hostile aircraft which is being engaged by own aircraft.

9. Guns will be left laid on a standby bearing at 0° Angle of Sight.

10. Targets should be engaged when they have reached 2,500 yds. slant range, initially by single rounds or bursts of four or five rounds, not changing over to auto fire until the target is approaching the crossing point. Receding aircraft should be engaged by single rounds up to a maximum of 1,500 yds. slant range only. The only exception should be diving targets which should be engaged with auto fire at the commencement of their dive regardless of their range.

11. LOCAL SYSTEM OF WARNING. All gun sites and H.Qs. will arrange to have a gong at the gun site which can be sounded on receipt of warning. Notification by B.H.Q. of Air raid warning does not relieve the D.C.s of the responsibility of identifying hostile aircraft, as it may be that hostile aircraft will be visible before receipt of warning in which case D.C. concerned must immediately advise BHQ and own gun sites.

K.O. Lord Capt.

DISTRIBUTION

T.H.Q.	1	Sig. Sec	8
A. 1	2	War Diary	9 ✓
A. 2	3	War Diary	10
A. 3	4	File	11
A. 4	5		
A. 5	6		
A. 6	7		

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HQ 151 BTY
102 AUST A A REGT.
AUSTRALIA.

25 JAN 44

Appendix "I"

A A TECHNICAL EFFICIENCY REPORT.

PART I - LOCATIONS.

(a) (viii). Location map attached.

(b) Heavy AA only.

PART II - WORKS.

(a) Heavy AA only.

PART III - EQUIPMENT.

(a) (ix)(x).

(b) (i) 6, 40 mm QF Bofors guns. I predictor, I generator.

(ii) Battery still operating with two predictors to troop. Time of arrival of sufficient predictors to bring troop to full WE not known.

(iii) Predictors still continue to break down internally. This inevitably results in a long delay before predictor is available again. Result that training of predictor crews behind schedule.

(iv) Heavy AA only.

(v) All gums fitted with auto-loaders. No rat-trap types held.

(vi) Fairly good.

PART IV - PERSONNEL.

(a) Posted Strength. 6 officers 200 O/R's.

Fighting Strength. II " 259 " (Incl. W/Shops, Sigs. attach

(b) VX III043 Capt K.P.Wood - Battery Comd.
VX III064 Capt G.W.Maslen - Battery Capt.

K.P. Wood

.....CAPT
O.C. 151 AUST LT AA BTY

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Unit 152 Aust Lt AA Bty - less ATp Date and Time.—From 1 Jan 44 To 28 Jan 44

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
NOONKANBAH.	1 Jan 44		Hot and Sultry. River water muddy but drinkable due to flood. Seasonal diarrhoea through change in temperature. Normal duties.	
"	2 " "		Hot and sultry. More outbreaks of seasonal diarrhoea.	
"	3 " "		Hot and sultry. Seasonal diarrhoea prevalent amongst 40% of troops. ~~RMO Capt Tomlinson commenced medical ins pection of all~~ troops.	
"	4 " "	1015	Hot and sultry. Nomal duties. Capt.Silke departed for Corrunna Downs by aircraft to conduct calibration tests on equipment at Camp 319.	
"	5 " "		~~Hot and sultry. Normal duties.~~	
"	6 " "		Hot and sultry. Normal duties.	
"	7 " "		Hot and sultry. Normal duties.	
"	8 " "		Hot and sultry. Normal duties.	
" "	9 " "		Hot and sultry. Normal duties.	
"	10 " "		Hot and fine_Normal duties. Full moon at night,bright moonlight. Alternative gunsites selected by Capt Coggins.	
"	11 " "	1125 1200	Hot and fine. Normal duties. ~~Hy guns in action at height control visual.~~ GL arrived from Derby. Temperature in shade 115 deg.F at 1300 h	
"	12 " "	1300	Hot and fine with hot wind at night.Normal duties. Temperature in shade 115 deg. F.	

Douglas Wyatt
Brig Sub.

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Unit 152 Aust Lt AA Bty - Less HQ Tp Date and Time.—From 1 Jan 44 To 28 Jan 44

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
NOONKANBAH.	12 Jan 44		Hy site GL's in position-routine test being carried out.	
"	13 " "		Hot and windy. Normal duties.	
"	14 " "		Hot and windy. Normal duties.	
"	15 " "		Hot and windy. Normal duties.	
"	16 " "		Hot and windy. Normal duties.	
"	17 " "		Hot and fine. Normal duties.	
"	18 " "		Hot and fine. Normal duties.	
"	19 " "		Normal duties.	
		1200	Arrival of Maj R Delves and Capt Hearn to inspect amenities condition of area.	
		1800	"Kamsin" arrived from NE with no rain.	
"	20 " "		Hot and fine.	
		1200	Arrival of Bulk Issue Depot ADCS for area.	
		1500	Maj Delves DAD Amenities and Commissioner Capt Hearn departed by A/C for Broome.	
"	21 " "		Overcast and cool. Normal duties.	
		2000	Hy wind and rain lasting for 2 hours.	
"	22 " "		Cloudy and cool. Normal duties.	
"	23 " "		Cloudy and cool. Normal duties.	
"	24 " "	1030	Arrival Capt D Coventry by Tiger Moth.	

Douglas McPherson

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Unit 152 Aust Lt AA Bty - Less A Tp Date and Time.—From 1 Jan 44 To 28 Jan 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
NOONKANBAH	24 Jan 44	1200	Arrival Brig B Klein, Lt Col JW Rhoden, Lieut Matiske for inspectin of area in operational, A & Q matters.	
"	25 " "	0400 0800	Hy rain and wind from NW . Rds in hy condition. Inspection of Lt Guns by Brig Klein, Lt-Col Rhoden and Capt Coggins.	
"	26 " "	0500	Brig B Klein, Lt-Col Rhoden and staff depart for Broome. Normal duties. Squally with intermittent showers.	
"	27 " "		Normal duties. Squalls with strong wind.	
"	28 " "		Normal duties . Strong SE wind.	

Douglas Hodgcement
BHQ Sub

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Dear Henry

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H.Q. 152 Aust Lt AA Bty
AUSTRALIA.
29 Dec 43.

A.A. TECHNICAL EFFICIENCY REPORT.

BOOMKANBAH No.1. 1 Jan 43.

Part I Locations.

(a) The attached Map Sketch is enlarged from FITZROY CROSSING 8 miles to 1 inch, and supplementary inf has been added from RAAF map of this area Scale 600 ft to 1 inch. Marked on this map are:
1. Proposed site for 4 gun 3.7 site.
2. Proposed site for G.L.
3. " A.A.Ops room.
4.6 40.mm.guns already in action.

(b) Map ref are given below in terms of sheet FITZROY CROSSING 8 miles to 1 inch.
1. 3.7 mobile gun station.
2. G.L.site.

Part II Works.

1. Heavy AA gun emplacements have not yet been started.
2. AA Ops room when operating, will be merely an annexe to RAAF Ops room No work has yet been commenced.
3. Magazines have not yet been commenced.

Part III Equipment.

(a) 1.4-3.7 guns and associate fire control instruments are due here first week in Jan.
2.G.L.set(one) is expected first week in Jan.
3.Height Computer has already arrived in this area.
4.6-40 mm.guns equipped with Mk.1.Auto-loader are already in action Spare parts are adequate.
Fire control equipment for 2 guns only is held, although W.E.T. allows predictors and generators for all 6 guns.
5.Complete equipment for operating AA Ops room and Gun Stn Plotting Room is due here first week in Jan.

(b) 1.No.11.wireless set is held in this area providing a link to CORUNNA DOWNS as required, thence to PERTH if necessary. RAAF signals channel is available for our use on urgent matters. Communications within the area are by line. Adequate cable, phones etc. are available.

Part IV. Personnel.

(a) "Posted" and "Fighting" strengths of various sub-units are shown below.

	Posted Strength.	Fighting Strength.
HQ.152 Aust Lt AA Bty.	26	22
B Tp " " " "	98	87
A " 140 " Hy AA Bty.	143	90

(b) Postings of Captains and above are shown below.

VX 14001	T/Capt.R.Coggins.	AADC	O.C. 152 Aust Lt AA Bty.
WX 33898	" N.A.Forsyth.		Bty.Capt. " " "
VX 133480	" B.W.Silke.		O.C. Workshop Det.
WX 31764	" R.C.Simpson.		2 i/c " "
VX 111051	" W.Dell.		O.C. B Tp 152 Aust Lt AA Bty.

R. Coggins.
.....Capt
O.C.152 Aust Lt AA Bty.

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H.Q. 152 Aust Lt AA Bty
AUSTRALIA.

NOONKANBAH - Weekly Report - No.2. 2 Jan 44.

General.

Convoys from BROOME were held up for two days by heavy rain at mid week. However, approx 30 -3 ton loads of 140 Bty and workshop equipment arrived yesterday with more expected today. Gun platforms when last heard of, were making slow progress 70 miles from BROOME. These platforms smashed the heaviest lifting equipment available at BROOME and could not therefore be loaded on 3 tonners. Marmons are towing them.

Construction.

40 mm gunpits and amn storage pits are complete and camouflage. Guncrews are now working on theliving quarters for the wet season.

Hy AA gunsite not yet commenced.

Weather.

Hot and unsettled. Heavy rain at midweek made a quagmire of all tracks in the area, and the main track to BROOME was impassable. However, traffic is again proceeding. Rains upstream have again raised the river level but not yet to the extent of affecting LANGI CROSSING.

Alternative Positions.

Will be sited next week and positions advised you. Construction depends on the supply of sandbags or equivalent. Empty 44 gal bitumen drums have been used to a large extent in earlier constructional work, but the supply will not bear further by demands.

Communications.

RAAF wireless signals this week excelled previous performances in garbled text. Almost every signal received here contains errors which make theoriginators intentions very obscure. Examples are attached.

I have passed all our outward traffic this week thruogh our own No 11 set and will continue to do so. This channel is considered faster and more reliable than RAAF. Our sigs have so far found conditions excellent.

Canteen.

Subject to road conditions, a complete A.D.C.S. issuing point will arrive here during the coming week.

Pay.

£800 was handed to me by the "Courier" pilot last Thursday, and RAAF are supplying another £800 to us tomorrow. Our request for this amount seems to have been duplicated.

RAAF have advised us that they will include our pay requirements in their own requisitions for cash.

Administration.

Your comments on the proposal to establish 2 admn N.C.O's for liaison at RHQ are awaited.

Transport.

It is understood that a regular DC3 service has been established between PERTH and NOONKANBAH intermediate landing points to include CORUNNA DOWNS and BROOME. RAAF have requested (very unofficially) that we use this service to the utmost, both for personnel and air freight. They are anxious to justify the continuance of the service by loading A/C to capacity on all trips.

Amenities.

Capt. Forsyth has been appointed Amenities Officer for this area and has prepared a report to A.C.F. setting out our requirements. A copy will be sent to you, and your assistance would be appreciated.

Rations.

The difficulty of breaking up tinned rations into detachment lots is causing concern. For example, a tin of bacon is scaled to feed 20 men. When detachment strengths vary from 10 to13 men, how is this item to be split? Yet another effort to secure an increased ration seems necessary as central cooking is impossible under present road conditions.

RAAF Liaison.

Flt/Lt. Hebeden C.O.40 Z.F.C is at present here to finalise RAAF and our own responsibilities in regard to Radar plots, warnings, identifications and communications. He fully appreciates our requirements and is very helpful. I will advise you of the final result.

K. Loggins Capt ~~Major~~

OC. 152 Aust Lt. AA. Bty.

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H.Q.
152 Aust Lt AA Bty.
Camp 314
AUSTRALIA.

NOONKANBAH Weekly Report, No.3. 9 Jan 44.

1. Hy Gun Site.
a. By this evening all four guns will be out of W/S and ready to proceed to site.
b. Barring contingencies, B Troop 140 Bty should be in action (Height control) by 1200 hrs 10 Jan.
c. Constructional work on the hy gun site is well under way, all construction to be above ground owing to the expected wet conditions.
d. C.L.units left Derby towed by Marmon Tractors at 1530 hrs yesterday. Due to poor road conditions they are not expected until early tomorrow.

2. Alternative Hy Gun Site.
An area for the alternative hy position was selected by Maj MOSELEY. This site is on low ground and, with your approval, it is proposed that no work be done until late March when dry conditions can be expected. The site, when constructed, should be below ground, and when completed, is suggested as the main position. The present above ground site would then become the subsidiary and alternative site.

3. Maps.
The only maps of the area held here are:
a. FITZROY CROSSING 8m to 1 in.
b. R A A F 600 ft to 1 in.
The former are of too small a scale to give pinpoint map rzefs and although the latter is gridded, I understand that you have a differently gridded copy.
Attached hereto, therefore, is a gridded map, scale 400 yds to the inch. We hold a copy and in future will give you references in terms of this map.

4. Weather.
This weeks weather has been hot and dry. FITZROY RIVER is very low and road between here and BROOME is dry. All tracks are badly rutted and rough, due to the heavy traffic and earlier rains.

5. Meteorological Data.
This is required for accurate shooting by hy guns. No RAAF facilities at present exist here. The information is of vital importance and it would be appreciated if steps be taken to make data available here.

6. Camouflage.
Difficulty is being experienced in obtaining camouflage material, scrim being unavailable when we left PERTH.
Spinifex is being used to garnish nets, but requires continual replacement. Indents have been placed for light green paint which can be sprayed on the spinifex to preserve the colour. Your assistance in expediting the supply of paint and despatch to us, preferably by air, would be appreciated.

7. Canteen.
The staff to man the A.D.C.S. unit here is expected next trip KOOLINDA but by that time, road conditions may prevent supplies coming in. In the meantime, all troops are suffering from the lack of supplementary rations, for which A.D.C.S. is the only source of supply.

8. RAAF Liaison.
In conjunction with CO 40 ZEC, RAAF ops officer here and hy AA officers, the following system of warnings and Radar plots has been provisionally arranged.

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8. RAAF.Liaison.(contd)

a. On an Air Raid Warning (eithereRed or Yellow) being issued to this area,RAAF sigs here will open a listening watch with 324 Radar (approx 50 miles away)

b. RAAF Ops Room here will lpot the course of the A/C indicated.Since plots will be received in code (RAWTC) they will beapprox 3 or 4 minutes old by the time they appear on the RAAF plotting table.

c. When our G.L.is put on the air,plots will be made on our own plotting table.

d. By comparing our own and RAAF plots,a decision can be made as to whether or not our G.L.is in fact on correct target.On this decision,the AADC bases his order to engage.

There are several points arising from this conferene which require clarifying.I should be glad of an early opportunity to discuss these difficulties with you and obtain your decision.

9. Personnel.

a. Due to lack of technical knowledge and experience in AA generally,Lieut Percy is of limited value in action to the hy troop.If this officer is to remain permanently in 140 Bty his nomination in an early school is recommended.

b. In my absence,Capt Forsyth would presumably become AADC in this area by virtue of seniority.Owing to the above officer's inexperience,however,I have appointed Lieut Basset to take over in an emergency.

Capt Forsyth's lack of all but elementary AA knowledge should be rectified as soon as possible by a school,either heavy or light.

R. Coggins
.....Capt.

Mar diary.

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152 Aust Lt AA Bty
Camp 314
AUSTRALIA.

16 Jan 44

BROOMEANBAH 3 Weekly Report No 4. 16 Jan 44.

1. Hy AA.

As indicated in earlier signals, hy guns are now fully operational and able to engage at all methods of control. G.L. is functioning perfectly, despite rough handling during the journey here. It is assumed that on Capt Silke's return, arrangements will be made from your end for calibration to be carried out.

G.O.R. has been established close to RAAF Ops Room, and is functioning as from today. The building used is a 16'x 14' pre-fabricated hut with external sand bag protection. All functions of gunsite plotting are performed here and close liaison with RAAF can be maintained. Distance from hy gun site is approx 1500 yds.

2. Lt AA

Alternative gunsites will be commenced this week, if, as anticipated, empty bitumen drums become available.

3. Maintenance.

All efforts to obtain cleaning rags having failed, I have authorised the release of a quantity of U.S. clothing from the 152 Bty "Q" Store. This is irregular and likely to earn a "please explain" from D.A.D.O.S., but is justified by operational needs.

4. Medical.

The R.M.O. states that the big majority of men on daily sick parades are from 140 Bty and Workshops- men who spent a long period at Potshot. In most cases, states the R.M.O., no functional cause for sickness exists, and the trouble is mainly a mental state due to a years tropical service without relief.

Home leave for ex Potshot personnel is an urgent need.

5. Weather.

Hot and dry all this week with temperatures over 110 degrees every day. Fitzroy River is very low, and all tracks are firm and dry .

6. Canteen.

There is still no indication of when we may expect an A.D.C.S. establishment here. Our urgent requirements have so far been obtained from Broome by road, but the wet season, already overdue, will soon make this means of transport impossible.

7. "KOOLINDA" Shipment.

A signal received yesterday from Broome states that one truck load of AA equipment awaits collection there. It seems that this must have been shipped from Perth and that the "Koolinda" did not call at Potshot this trip. A large quantity of 140 Bty and workshops equipment still awaits shipment at that port.

8. Meteorological Data.

A signal from 73 O.B.U. indicates that met. infm. will be wirelessed to us several times daily. Since Corruna Downs is 390 miles away, their data cannot be considered satisfactory for this area. At the best, it will only be useful as a general guide.

A small met section here is the only solution.

R. Higgins
.....Capt.
O.C. 152 Aust Lt AA Bty.

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Camp 314
AUSTRALIA.

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Weekly Report - NOONKANBAH - No.5. 23 Jan 44.

1. Boot Repairs.

Some immediate arrangement is necessary for repairing boots. There are at present, approx 370 AMF personnel in this area necessitating the services of at least one full time tradesman. If one man and equipment cannot be posted here, we shall be obliged to send boots to Perth. If RHQ repairer cannot be made available, could efforts be made, please, to obtain a man from some other source.

2. R.A.A.F. .50 MG.

Three sets of twin .50 MG on AA mountings have been sited in RAAF camp site area. The siting was designed primarily to protect RAAF Ops Room and our own GOR. No crews are yet trained to man these guns, but RAAF have this matter in hand. Since the crews comprise RAAF admn personnel, it is not expected that the guns will materially strengthen the AA defences.

3. Canteen.

The A.D.C.S. issuing point is now functioning, approx 40 tons of supplies having arrived this week plus canteen staff.

4. Visiting Officers.

The following officers visited the area this week.

DAD Amenities.	3 Aust Corps.
Deputy Commissioner.	ACF.
DDS.	3 Aust Corps.
Catering Supervisor.	3 Aust Corps.

4 AASC officers to "purge" the local DID.

Local conditions rather shocked these gentlemen and an immediate improvement has been promised in amenities and supply.

5. POTSHOT. Equipment.

No advice has yet been received of shipment of 140 Bty and Workshops eqipment, a great deal of which is still at Potshot. This equipment is urgently needed here. Could action be taken, please, with a view to expediting shipment.

6. Weather.

Temperatures of up to 117 were experienced this week. Daily dust storms made conditions difficult. A little rain fell on Friday evening, but was insufficient to do more than lay the dust for half a day. Roads to Broome and Derby are hard and dry.

R. Leggo Capt.

O.C. 152 Aust Lt AA Bty.

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Unit 102 Aust AA Regt Date and Time.—From 1 Feb 44 To 29 Feb 44

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	1 Feb 44		Posting of Officers :—	
			R.H.Q. CO Lt Col J W Rhoden 2 i/c Major K Dyer	
			O.C. Capt G B Fincham, Adjt Lieut N G Samson	
			I.O Lieut A L Bird, R.M.O Capt F W Tomlinson	
			Chaplain - Chaplain (4th class) K Pither	
			151 Bty Bty Comd Capt K P Wood, Bty Capt Capt	
			G W Marden Bty Sub-Lieut D. B Jenkins T Comds	
			Lieut K J Gillespie Gf Plain. T Ldrs Lieut K Robinson	
			Sf Braham	
			152 Bty Bty Comd Capt R Coggins, Bty Capt	
			Capt N A Forsyth Bty Lieut Lieut L J Perry T Comds	
			Capt W Dell Lieut E J Cox T Ldrs Lieut A J Whilley	
			Lieut L L K Shaw.	
			140 Bty Bty Comd Major Davidson Bty Capt	

MAR 17 1944

J Rhoden Lt.-Col
CO. 102 AUST AA. REGT.

CO. 102 AUST AA. REGT. Lt.-Col

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	Feb 44		Posting of Officers	
			140 Bty Bty Capt Capt G K Richards	
			Bty Sub Lieut S J Bassetti Tp Comds	
			Lieuts G H Foster J S Stubbs G. P O's Lieuts	
			J C Davies A E Barnes R L Kelley S Haymes	
			F G Gelder C A Lenanton J W Moran	
			X List Capt R A Bidstrup Lieut C K Thomas	
			Supernumary Lieut R C Mowber Lieut N J Dix B	

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Unit 102 AUST AA REGT Date and Time.—From 1 Feb 44 To 29 Feb 44

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
CORUNNA DOWNS	1 Feb	0800	R.H.Q site laid out and start made on construction of Mess Hut Latrines Showers and other necessary buildings. Building programme rather difficult to carry out owing to lack of essential materials. C.O. returns from visit to NOONKANBAH with OC 140 Bty	B
	2 Feb	0708	A C47 flew over area at 7000-10000 feet and was followed SOUTH by Radar for 120 miles. This was an hostile act but order to fire was NOT given as plane was recognised as C47	B
	3 Feb	2130	Under supervision of C.O an emergency manning of the defenses was carried out Detachments reacted very favorably Hy guns in action in 2 min.	B

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CORUNNA DOWNS	4 Feb		All ranks in & HQ engaged in constructional work on Camp Site CO visits area and inspects progress of work	
	5 Feb		CO is informed that 85 Fighter Sqn is to be based at DERBY as a result CO flies to DERBY to recce airstrip in view of possibility of a troop of light guns of this Regt being allocated to defence	
	6 Feb		CO returns from visit to DERBY and writes report on visit	Report Appended.
	7 Feb		CO inspects Hy/Bty and later visits R HQ area where ORs mess and other buildings are taking shape	
	8 Feb	2000 H	Night firing practice carried out by guns in area AOC Air Comdr Brownell was present with CO AOC was very impressed	

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CORUNNA DOWNS	9 Feb		C.O. inspected B Tp 151 Aust LAA Bty and R.H.Q area.	B
	10 Feb		CO inspects MT of Lt Tp. Conference between CO AADC and OC Lt Tp on ~~Sgt~~ Sileing of Browning 0.5 HMGs CO recces new sites. CO inspects Hy Bty transport and Tp HQ site	B
	11 Feb		CO attended conference with AADC and Offrs and NCOs of Hy Bty on new points in drill brought back from School of Arty by Sgt Seeley CO carries out recce with AADC and Lieut Gillespie and selects TKA range	B
	12 Feb		CO departs for PERTH to inspect Regtl LAA defense at PEARCE and GUILFORD airfields and to discuss point of policy with RAA and rear HQ of Regt	B

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
CORUNNA DOWNS	13 Feb 44		Sunday. As all essential works in area have been completed a stand down is granted. Tps are happy despite slight sickness due to heat. A concert was given in RAAF hangar by A.E.S party. A semi classical programme received a tumultuous reception.	
	14 Feb 44		RHQ now functioning as such. Vehicles grounded for maintenance. Morale of troops is high but they are very worried over non arrival of mail. Planes are arriving daily from the SOUTH with empty space and No mail. A.E.S programme repeated again an outstanding success. More of this type of Concert is needed. CO visits RAAF and confers with C.C.R.A. on outstanding problems. Visited B.HQ 151 Bty inspected unit transport and Bty and Tp HQs.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
CORUNNA DOWNS	15 Feb 44		R.M.O. makes hurried visit to area from NOONKANBAH Primary object to consult with RAAF doctors at request of AOC Inspects hygiene arrangements and Water Supply of RAQ expresses himself as very satisfied DACG (OPD) arrives in area visits MARBLE BAR. CO attended DADOS Corps Troops discussed question of additional bootmaker CORUNNA DOWNS and type of transport required attended DADST conferred on rations at CORUNNA DOWNS and NOONKANBAH conferred with B.G.S 3 AUST CORPS on question of administration in NORSEC area and relation between Comd NORSEC and COMD 102 REGT Conferred with Majors Gill and Duffy on question of Camp accommodation and additional bootmaker attended Comforts Fund Commissioner and YMCA on question	

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CORUNNA DOWNS			Provision of further amenities and non arrival of papers on this area	A
	16 Feb		R.M.O leaves to return to NOONKANBAH C.O visited AT p 152 Bty inspected T.HQ and unit MT and gun sites one section gun drill was good Rifles and vehicles in good condition	B
	17 Feb		Advice received Capt Forsyth Bty Capt 152 Bty admitted to 110 AGH. CO visited PEARCE and inspected Gun sites, Gun Drill and Small Arms Gun Drill NOT of same standard as that of 152 Bty	B
	18 Feb		Signal from NORSEC advises that Japs used anti Radar devises successfully in aircraft on Marshall Islands on night 15/16 Feb 44 C.O attended Amenities Office discussed provision	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
CORUNNA DOWNS			of amenities and obtained more Cricket	
			Balls Inspected remaining guns of 152 Bty B	
PERTH	19 Feb		CO visited CORPS HQ to arrange for alternative	
			RHQ and conferred with Brig Lawrence on	
			provision of Water Visited RAAF HQ Western	
			area and discussed with aerodrome	
			defense officer siting of new .5 HMG pits. He to	
			instruct DOI to build pits where indicated	
			by us at CORUNNA	
CORUNNA DOWNS	20 Feb		Major Dyer left by plane for PERTH en	
			route to AA School SYDNEY	
	21 Feb		CO visited BHQ 151 Bty discussed with Capt	
			Wood Tk A shoot to be done by 151 & 152 Btys and	
			temporary appointment Lieut Jenkins as TC ATP 152 Bty	

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PERTH	22 Feb	0500	CO left PERTH at 0500 arrived BROOME 1700 hrs	
			via Carnarvon Polshot Pt Hedland. Conferred	
			with Group Captain Mitchell SASO Western Area	
			on provision of Vultee Vengeance for 2 days.	
			each month at Corunna Downs and Noonkanbah	
BROOME	23 Feb	0445	CO departs BROOME at 0445H arrives NOONKANBAH	
			at 0700 confers with Capt Coggins and RMO on	
			local matters Departed NOONKANBAH 0800	
			arrived CORUNNA at 1030H	
CORUNNA, TOWNS	24 Feb		Inspection of area by CO conference with	
			CO 750BU on siteing of 0.5 HMGs conference with	
			OC Wk/Shops and OC No 2 Sec W/Shops in connection	
			with report on RADAR by Major Davidson	

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CORUNNA DOWNS	25 Feb		CO attends shoot by BTP 140 AUST Hy AA Bty	
	26 Feb		CO leaves for NOONKANBAH to assume duties of AADC in absence of Capt R Coggins in hospital and pending arrival of Capt K P Wood to take over duties of AADC. Heavy rain falls at night, but, despite the elements pictures are shown to a large and appreciative audience	
	27 Feb		Sunday Stand down.	
	28 Feb		All RAQ vehicles grounded for maintenance	
	~~29 Feb~~		Survey Party from 4 AUST Svy Bty arrives to Survey and Map Area of CORUNNA DOWNS	
	29 Feb		F Rig 22 Aust Fde Park Coy arrives to put down bores in RHQ and to AAF Radar area	

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART I. 3 Feb 44.
by

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199. OFFENCES - NATIVES AND LEPROSY. CRO 1414.

Further to CRO 1095 of 2 Aug 43 reproduced in RRO 431/43 attention is again directed to the Native Administration Act, 1905 - 1936.

Para 46 (I) states :-

"Any person (Except a native) -

(a) who habitually lives with natives or with any native not his wife or husband; or
(b) who cohabits with or has sexual intercourse with any native who is not his wife or husband, shall be guilty of an offence against this Act, and shall be liable to imprisonment for a period not more than two years or to a penalty not more than one hundred pounds".

Para 45 (I) states :-

"Any person who sells, supplies, or gives any fermented spirituous, or other intoxicating liquor, in any quantity whatsoever, either alone or mixed with any other substance or any opium, to any native shall be guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a penalty not exceeding one hundred pounds, or to any term of imprisonment not exceeding six months, or to both."

Apart from legal penalties, personnel who have intimacy with native women are exposing themselves to the risk of leprosy an unprecedented number of cases of which disease have been discovered throughout the North West.

The far reaching and devastating effects of this disease may develop in years to come causing great sorrow to the soldiers concerned and to their families. The undesirability of fraternising with native women is to be impressed on all ranks.

200. MEDICAL FITNESS - TROPICAL SERVICE. CRO 1415.

(a) A practice has arisen of referring in correspondence and instructions to personnel being "medically fit for tropical service".

(b) The medical classification are laid down in CRO A 546/42 reproduced below and in the case of members classified A 2 or B it is indicated that the disability will be stated.

(c) (i) The term "unfit for tropical service" is considered to be unsuitable. A large part of Australia is tropical in the sense that it lies within the tropics, but many places within the tropics (e.g. on the Atherton Tableland) cannot be regarded as insalubrious.

(ii) Moreover certain postings in Australia which would not involve service in the tropics may involve service under extremely austere conditions.

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200. MEDICAL FITNESS - TROPICAL SERVICE.(Cont).

(d) (i) Any member who is medically classified A 2 is medically fit for specific duties in any locality.

(ii) Any member who is medically classified B is medically fit to carry out certain duties which require only restricted medical fitness. Each case must be considered individually in relation not only to the locality in which the member is to serve, but also to the type of duty and the conditions under which he will live. It is to be noted that a member who has had Blackwater Fever is specifically excluded from serving in malarious areas.

(e) The following directions are given :-

(i) The term "unfit for tropical service" will not be used.

(ii) On any medical examination of a member in respect of whom an entry "unfit for tropical service" has been recorded in his Pay Book (WF 5) and Record of Service Book (AAB 33), or either of them, the examining medical officer will delete that entry, and insert a note "Deleted", which he will sign.

(iii) When on medical reclassification any member is medically classified B and his disability renders him unfit for service outside Australia, the restrictive nature of his disability will be entered in para 4 of AAF D 1 (b), and, after confirmation, in nominal roll and AAB 33. In addition the term "unfit for service outside Australia" will be entered.

(iv) Where any member medically classified B has been found "unfit for service outside Australia" the following instructions apply :-

(a) If he is serving outside Australia he will be returned to Australia for re-allocation.

(b) If he is serving in Australia he will not be moved outside Australia. If the unit with which he is serving is ordered outside Australia he will be marched out for re-allocation.

(c) He may be posted or moved to any part of Australia provided that a medical officer considers that having regard to the restrictive nature of his disability and the nature of his duties he can serve in the locality to which it is proposed to post or move him. In any doubtful case the member will be paraded to a medical officer who will be advised of the proposed posting and duties.

(d) "Australia" will include Horn Island and Thursday Island, and islands adjacent to the mainland, as well as Tasmania.

(v) Where any member medically classified B is about to be drafted for service outside Australia, he will be medically examined to determine his fitness for service outside Australia, having regard to his proposed posting and duties.

201. MEDICAL CLASSIFICATION OF PERSONNEL. GRO A 546.

1. The medical classification of personnel will be as follows :-

A.1 - Medically fit for all duties.
A.2 - Medically fit for all duties for which the particular disability is not a bar (a)
B. - Medically fit to carry out certain duties which require only restricted medical fitness. These duties will be shown in war establishments. (a).

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201. MEDICAL CLASSIFICATION OF PERSONNEL. (Cont).

C - Temporarily medically unfit. (b).
D - Medically unfit for military service.

Notes.- (a) Disability to be stated on AAF D 1 or D2 and entered in paybook until a Record of Service book is issued.
(b) Examining medical officer or board to indicate estimated period of unfitness.

202. HOME LEAVE PASSES. CRO 1418.

Several Home Leave Passes have been issued to members proceeding on Compassionate Leave beyond their Home Town.

Attention is drawn to GRO 598/43 para 111 wherein special authorization is given for free travel to a place beyond the member's Home Town provided the special authorization is given under the personal signature of the Formation Commander. Where such approval has been given a Duty Warrant (AAF T 1) and not a HL Pass is to be issued. The reason for issue and authority reference will be quoted on the AAF T 1.

Where a member is proceeding to his Home Town on Compassionate Leave and advantage is taken of GRO 598/43 by using a HL Pass therefor, it is not desired that the HL Pass be endorsed "Compassionate Leave".

203. LOSS OF WATCHES - BINOCULARS - COMPASSES - PISTOLS, ETC. CRO 1420.

The number of watches, compasses, pistols, etc, lost and stolen in the last few months, has grown out of all proportion, and it is considered that personnel are NOT taking sufficient care of the equipment on issue to them.

When this equipment is being carried on exercise, where possible, a lanyard or length of cord of some type will be used to secure the article to the webbing or clothing of the person, and when NOT in use, such equipment will be left in a secure place and NOT in unattended tents, etc.

This matter will be brought to the notice of all ranks and personnel warned that disciplinary action will be taken where any loss or theft occurs through the negligence on the part of the individual to whom the equipment is on issue.

204. WATER STERILIZING OUTFITS - CHLORINE TABLETS. CRO 1421.

Reports indicate the Chlorine Tablets in Water Sterilizing Outfits are crumbling. This deterioration does not necessarily impair sterilizing capacity of resultant powder though its efficacy may be reduced after six months from date of manufacture. For effective sterilization in individual water bottles, each water bottle requires the quantity of broken down tablets that can be heaped on a threepenny piece.

205. PUBLICATIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE AMF. GRO A 20.

1. No member of the AMF shall, save in pursuance of his military duty, write for publication in any form any matter dealing with or referring to any military subject, whether fact or fictional unless preparation and publication thereof have been approved by the Director General of Public Relations.

2. GRO A 582/1943 shall be read in conjunction with this order.

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206. UNIT CENSORSHIP.

(a) ARO 192 is cancelled.
(b) Separate instns will be issued.

207. DISCIPLINE : SPEED OF VEHS.

(a) The following maximum speeds are laid down and will be observed by sub-units in areas except as provided in sub para (b) hereof.

1. Within the limits of an airfield. : 20 MPH.
2. Outside the limits of an airfield. : 25 MPH.
3. The speed limits which are displayed on signs or notices in various areas.

(b) For those sub-units situated in the area of Rear RHQ, the instructions embodied in AQ 30 will apply.

(c) Disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

208. DISCIPLINE : RIDING PILLION.

(a) The practice of riding pillion on motor cycles will cease forthwith.

(b) Disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

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N O T I C E S.

DISTRICT RECORDS OFFICE, W AUST L OF C AREA - CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

DRO has now changed address from 108 Adelaide Tce. to Drill Hall, Lord Street, East Perth.

LOST.

1 - AAB 55A No. 106301 - 305. Any unit locating same please forward to these Headquarters.

One .303 Rifle No. 6256 believed to have occurred GOOMALLING - WONGAN HILLS Area. Any Unit locating same please advise HQ 3 Aust Corps.

DISTRIBUTION.

C.O.
Adjt.
BHQ and "A" Tp 151 Aust Lt AA Bty. (3).
"B" Tp 151 Aust Lt AA Bty.
BHQ and "B" Tp 140 Aust Hy AA Bty. (3).
"A" Tp 140 Aust Hy AA Bty.
BHQ and "B" Tp 152 Aust Lt AA Bty. (3)
"A" Tp 152 Aust Lt AA Bty.
Sig Sec Attached.
Workshop.
R.S.M.
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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

Serial No. 16.
Paras. 209-
6 Feb. 44.

by

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209. CLOTHING & EXPENDABLE STORES.

In order to eradicate the many misunderstandings and inconveniences which have been experienced by some sub-units because of doubts existing as to who is actually responsible for the supply of clothing and expendable stores, the following instructions will be adopted forthwith :

Each B.Q.M.S. will be responsible for the supply of the above-mentioned items to the various sub-units of this Regt which are in his particular area.

210. AAB 83 - CARE OF.

(a) It has been brought to notice that some members are not carrying their AAB 83's in the cover provided with the result that the books are becoming mutilated and defaced.

(b) It is to be impressed on all ranks that the loss, destruction or defacement of an AAB 83 by a wilful act or by negligence or the unauthorized alteration of any information contained therein is an offence in respect of which a charge will lie under AA 40.

(c) If an AAB 83 should become defaced or destroyed simply by reason of the fact that it has not been kept in its cover it is clearly the result of negligence, and will be dealt with accordingly.

211. INCLUSION OF CENSORABLE MATTER IN CORRESPONDENCE..EXTRACT FROM GRO 627.

(a) It is the responsibility of officers commanding sub-units to ensure that all ranks under their command are acquainted with current Field Censorship Instructions.

(b) All ranks are forbidden to include in their correspondence information clas ed as censorable matter under current Field Censorship Instructions, notwithstanding that such correspondence is to be submitted to a franking officer or a censhrship authority.

212. VENEREAL DISEASE - EFFECT ON PAY. GRO F 33.

Preliminary.-

1. Approval has been given for the amendment of War Financial (Military Forces) Regulation 25 to provide that no forfeiture of pay will be incurred by a member -

(a) for the first thirty-five days of his absence after the 31st January, 1944, as the result of venereal disease acquired by him on the first occasion as defined in para 3 hereof and including any days of absence as a result of a relapse from a disease acquired on any such first occasion, provided that the total number of days of absence as a result of such first occasion and any such relapse does not exceed thirty five days.

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212. VENEREAL DISEASE - EFFECT ON PAY. GRO F 33 (Cont).

1. (b) acquiring venereal disease while acting in the course of his duty; or

(c) who is suffering from a congenital form of venereal disease

Commencement.-

2. The approval so far as it relates to sub-para (a) of para 1 of this order will take effect on and from the 1st February, 1944, and so far as it relates to sub-paras (b) and (c) of that paragraph will operate as from 6th October, 1939.

Interpretation.-

3. For the purpose of this order, the term "first occasion" when used in connection with venereal disease will mean -

(a) the first occasion on which a venereal disease is diagnosed after 31st January, 1944;

(b) in the case of a member who was on 1st February, 1944, absent from duty by reason of the disease diagnosed prior to that date - the venereal disease for which he is being treated; or

(c) in the case of a member who, subsequent to the 31st January, 1944, is absent from duty through a relapse from the venereal disease diagnosed prior to the 1st February, 1944 - the relapse from which he is then suffering whichever first occurs.

Transfers and Re-enlistment.-

4. No account will be taken of any absence through venereal disease of a member -

(a) whilst serving with the Royal Australian Navy or the Royal Australian Air Force, or

(b) during any previous period of service with the AMF under an earlier appointment or enlistment.

Records.-

5. Directions regarding casualty advice to be submitted by medical units will be included in an amendment to "Instruction to Medical Officers". Instructions regarding method of promulgation in routine orders, Part II, will be issued by the Officer-in-Charge, 2nd Echelon, LHQ.

213. SOLDIERS VISITING NATIONAL SERVICE OFFICES (MAN POWER). CRO 1425.

Complaints have been received that numbers of serving personnel visit National Service Office to interview Manpower Officials on matters relative to discharge or granting of leave. Attention is drawn to ASO 5/7 (g) and 4/14.

Under no circumstances will units or members communicate direct with DDGMP either by letter or in person. Manpower officials cannot supply information to serving personnel and therefore such enquiries are a waste of the time of the soldier and of the official. All requests for information will be directed to soldier's CO or if marched out from his unit to the CO of the Depot to which he last reported.

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214. LEGAL SERVICE BUREAU FOR MEMBERS OF THE FORCES. CRO 1426.

Free legal advice on all legal matters and practical assistance in matters arising under the National Security Regulations are now available to members of the Forces at the Commonwealth Crown Solicitor's Office, Atlas Building, 8 The Esplanade, Perth, (telephone number B.5658) from whom further particulars in regard thereto may be obtained.

215. MEDICAL STORES - INSTRUCTIONS FOR INDENTING AND WRITING-OFF. (FIELD ACCOUNTING UNITS). CRO 1428.

(a) Upon completion of action under 3 Aust Corps RO 1373, 20 Dec 43, all units covered by that order will comply with the under-mentioned instructions.

(i) All issues for Non-Expendable items will be made only upon the submission of the appropriate Write-off, Return Vouchers or written approval of DDMS.

(ii) Every Write-off Voucher (AAF D 51) and Return Voucher (AAF D5[illegible] will be accompanied by separate Requisitions (AAF D50) if replacement is required, showing only those items covered by AAF's D 51 and D 56 above. Expendable items will not be included on Requisitions for Non-Expendable items, where replacement only is required.

(iii) All items returned to store on AAF D 56 will be despatched without delay, and covered by a Packing Note in the case, quoting the D56 number. The latter should be posted with the AAF D 50. No issue will be made until the returned goods are received into store. Correct nomenclature and item numbers MUST be shown on all forms (AAF D 50, D 51 and D 56

(iv) Where units require replacements for components of Medical Equipment Panniers, the AAF D 50 will clearly show which Pannier the item is required to complete. If possible the Store Number of the Pannier should be quoted.

(v) Where a Non-Expendable item cannot be supplied from Store against a Write-off, Units will NOT submit further requisitions. The item will be supplied automatically, as soon as received into Store.

(vi) When action is being taken under GRO A 392/43, to write-off and immediate replacement is required, AAF D 50 will be certified by the CO of the Unit, that action is being taken under that GRO. The Write-off will follow as soon as all queries have been investigated.

(vii) All applications for Write-off will be forwarded direct from Units to Medical Store, where provisional adjustment will be made, and forwarded to appropriate authorities for approval of Write-off.

(b) Paras (ii), (iii), (iv), (vi) and (vii) above will also apply to all other units who are not under Field Accountancy, and are still keeping Ledger Accounts.

216. REFRIGERATORS - MAINTENANCE OF. CRO 1429.

(a) CRE Div or Senior Engr Officer of Formation will be responsible for the maintenance of refrigerators issued to units of Field Formations.

(b) Where necessary technical assistance will be given to CRE etc by AEME.

(c) Supplies of refrigerant gas or spare parts for refrigeration units will in future be supplied from Engr dumps on the authority of CRE etc formation.

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216. REFRIGERATORS - MAINTENANCE OF. CRO 1429 (Cont).

(d) The greatest care will be taken to ensure that refrigerant gases are NOT allowed to escape when a refrigerator is dismantled during movement.

(e) All sub-units issued with replacement refrigerant will return the empty gas bottles to the nearest engr dump immediately the gas has been placed in the plant.

(f) Any sub-unit now holding gas bottles will -

(i) Advise the nearest engr dump on all full or partly filled bottles held.

(ii) Return all empty bottles forthwith.

217. PROTECTION AGAINST FIRES. CRO 1430.

(a) In future fire protection exercises will be routine procedure in all Camps and Army installations. Sub-Unit Comds will forthwith institute Unit Fire Drill and a regular inspection of unit fire fighting equipment, which will be carried out at least once per month.

(b) Any technical advise which may be required in connection with fire fighting equipment can be obtained from the CRE or DCRE located nearest the unit concerned.

(c) Attention is directed to Standing Orders Army Fire Regulations (Australia) and amendment No. 1 thereto.

218. INDENTS FOR ORDNANCE STORES. CRO 1432.

(a) All indents for Ordnance Stores submitted prior to and including the 31st Dec 43 are to be cancelled. Units that still require stores demanded before that date will re-indent in the normal manner.

(b) This does not cancel deficiencies shown on WETs or E2 (a)s.

219. TRUCKS 400-GALL WATER - PUMP EPEX No. 2A. CRO 1433.

(a) Pumps EPEX No. 2A fitted to early deliveries of the above-mentioned vehicles are subject to certain defects and will be replaced by the modified pump EPEX No. 2A/L.

(b) All Trucks 400-gall Water in depot and in the hands of units will be inspected immediately. Returns will be submitted by sub-units to reach these HQ by 10 Feb 44 showing the number of Pumps EPEX No. 2A held.

(c) The letter "L" on the modified pump is clearly stamped on a prepared surface in ½" type directly after the embossed name.

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1. 1st Feb 44.

by.
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220. RELIGION IN THE ARMY. GRO A 37.

The Commander-in-Chief directs the attention of all ranks to the importance of religion in the Army and the right of every soldier to the free exercise of his religious convictions. Freedom of worship is a right vouchsafed to him by the constitution of the Commonwealth and this right is in no way impaired by his subjection to military law, and it is specifically preserved by the provisions of the Australian Military Regulations and Orders.

2. Chaplains appointed to units or to the headquarters of formations are the logical consultants of commanders in all matters relating to religion in the command and in matters involving morale, morality and public religious observances. Chaplains are trained specialists and commanders of all grades will render to them every practical aid to ass ist in the more perfect performance of their duties. This responsibility of commanders is a very real one and must be exercised with a care at least equal to responsibility for other activities.

3. Freedom of conscience will at all times be safeguarded and no soldier will be compelled under any circumstances to attend a religious service which violates his religious convictions. Conscientious objectors will not be compelled to attend any service at all. When personnel are paraded for religious services, a clear order will be given enabling each individual soldier to exercise his free will in the matter of attendance or non-attendance. The Commander-in-Chief orders that this freedom be untrammelled, and the execution of this order is to have the personal attention of all commanders.

221. DISCHARGE FROM A.M.F.

The attention of sub-units is drawn to RROs 117,118, 177 and 194 all of which deal with the discharge to industry of members of the AMF. It is apparent that the adm staffs of s ub-units are not familiarising themselves with these orders, which are purely and simply for their guidance, with the result that certain applications must be returned to the sub-unit concerned for further information.

It is pointed out that it is useless this HQ forwarding any applications to L of C Areas unless they contain the fullest information as prescribed by the above RROs particularly 177 part C.

The failure to s ubmit reports correctly after having the procedure published for guidance, is sheer neglect, and shows thoughtlessness not only for other HQs but also for those members whose applications for discharge are being forwarded.

Sub Unit Comds will ensure that no applications for discharge are submitted to this HQ before satisfying themselves that all information likely to be of assistance to DDGMP is contained therein.

222. HYGIENE AND SANITATION.

Hygiene and Sanitation is NOT solely the responsibility of a few specialists and personnel who from time to time may be nominated to perform such duties : It is emphasized that Hygiene and sanitation is the responsibility of every individual member, who, therefore, is bound to practice the most stringent personal and general hygiene and to encourage a similar spirit among his fellow members.

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223. SNAKE BITE.

Owing to the fact that there is in certain areas a venemous snake known as the Deaf Adder it is imperative that all ranks become thoroughly conversant with the method of treatment. All venomous snakes in these areas will leave one or two puncture marks, according to the angle from which it has struck. Snakes leaving 3 or more puncture marks are not venomous; but treatment should be got as soon as possible.

TREATMENT FOR SNAKE BITE.

A. After having been bitten do not exert yourself by running or walking.
B. If the bite is on a limb apply a ligature as quickly as possible. (Apply ligature as tight as possible above bite).
C. Wash the bitten area with water. If there is no water available use saliva or urine.
D. Grasp flesh around bite with thumb and first finger and with a knife or razor blade make an incision through each puncture. Incision should be made along the limb, about ⅜" to ½" long and ¼" to ⅜" deep.
E. Encourage bleeding by massaging from ligature to bite, or by sucking if mouth and lips are free from sores and cracks.
F. Medical Officer should be got to patient as soon as possible.
G. If medical aid has not arrived within 30 minutes a fresh ligature must be applied above or below the first ligature which can then be rewashed.
H. Try to identify the type of snake.

In the treatment of snake bite time is the big factor; so make certain you know what to do.

224. CO-ORDINATION OF TRANSPORT.

(a) In order to save as much wear and tear on vehicles as possible the following arrangements for the purchase of canteen supplies will be adopted forthwith.

(i) On each Thursday a vehicle will be made available which sub-unit canteen NCO's will utilize for the purchase of their requirements.
(ii) On each second Monday commencing Feb 28 a vehicle will leave to return money over from pay sub-unit canteen NCOs may also utilize this vehicle.
(iii) No other vehicle whatever will leave the area without the express permission of RHQ, unless operationally required.

(b) For particulars as to time and place of departure which may of necessity vary from time to time, sub-units will contact the O.C. Lieut A.L. BIRD, at RHQ.

(c) This order applies to those sub-units in the area of RHQ.

225. REQUISITIONS FOR PAY.

Requisitions for pay in future will be lodged at RHQ on the Thursday preceding the day on which the money is required.

226. ECONOMY OF STATIONERY.

Many enclosures from sub-units are being sent to this and no doubt other HQs which are sealed without using an economy sticker. Attention is drawn to ASO chapter 13 part 7 (c) which states : "It is essential that formations units etc take every care to ensure that no stationery is wasted". Sub-units will ensure that in future, all envelopes are sealed with the abovementioned stickers and that other methods of economy in the use of stationery are put into practice.

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227. CANCELLATION OF RRO.

RRO 46/43 is cancelled.

228. CORRIGENDUM.

(a) RRO 223 is amended as follows :-

(i) By deleting para (g) and inserting -

(g) If medical aid has NOT arrived in 20 minutes release ligature for 30 seconds and then reapply.

(ii) By inserting after (h) new para -

(i) Keep patient awake and encourage him. He will be frightened, and must be cheered up.

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1.

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by
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229. WASHING AREA - RHQ PERSONNEL.

All washing involving the use of fire will be done in the area containing the sign WASHING situated between the men's kitchen and latrine.

GRO 077/42.

230. INVENTIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS TO MILITARY EQUIPMENT, etc - PROCEDURE.

GRO 0 77/1942 is amended by GRO A 46/1944.

(1) by omitting para 5 and inserting in its stead the following :-

(a) Proposals or inventions by serving personnel may be submitted direct by the proposer or inventor to the Army Inventions Directorate through the normal unit, etc., censorship channels. Censoring officers will be responsible that security is not infringed and, if considered necessary in the interests of security, will arrange for communications to be forwarded through official, instead of normal postal, channels.

(b) Proposals or inventions should be addressed to the branch of the Army Inventions Directorate in the State in which serving personnel are stationed, addresses being as under :-

Victoria (Head Office) - 31 Spring Street, Melbourne.
New South Wales - 117 Pitt Street, Sydney; or
C/o Newcastle Aero Club, Box 4, Broadmeadow.
Queensland. - Colonial Mutual Building, Queen St., Brisbane.
South Australia. - 232 North Terrace, Adelaide.
Western Australia. - Gledden Buildings, Hay St., Perth.

Personnel stationed in Tasmania, Northern Territory, Australian Capital Territory or outside of Australia will submit their proposals or inventions to the Victorian address.

(c) All submissions under this heading will be made to the Army Inventions Directorate in the same manner as for inventions.

(ii) IDEAS AND REQUIREMENTS.

(a) The "user" personnel in the Army are often the ones best fitted to think of the requirements in regard to new equipment or developments to existing equipments.

(b) It is the duty of every soldier to put forward his ideas in this respect. Whilst in many cases the "user" or other soldier can only think of the idea and has not the solution, one of the express purposes of the Army Inventions Directorate is to endeavour to provide the means of development if such idea appears a suitable Army requirement.

231. RE-DESIGNATION OF PAMPHLETS. GO 7 PART 2 1944.

(a) The title of the pamphlets in the series "Directions for the Use of Anti-Aircraft Artillery Instruments" is to be changed. In future, all pamphlets in this series will be known as "Instrument Drills."

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231. RE-DESIGNATION OF PAMPHLETS. GO 7 PART 2 1944 (Cont).

(b) The new titles of these pamphlets are now :-

Original No	New Title.
1.	Instrument Drill for Predictor, AA, No. 1.
2.	Instrument Drill for Height and Range-Finder No. 2.
4.	Instrument Drill for Telescope Identification, AA.
5.	Instrument Drill for Kine-Theodolite.
7.	Instrument Drill for Predictor, AA, No. 2.
8.	Instrument Drill for Height and Range Finder, No. 3.
9.	Instrument Drill for Height and Range-Finder, No. 8.
10.	Instrument Drill for Height and Range-Finder, Nos 10 and 10A.
11.	Instrument Drill for Height and Range Finder No. 9.
12.	Instrument Drill for Height and Range Finder No. 11.
13.	Instrument Drill for Equipment Radar, AA, No. 1. Mark II.
14.	Instrument Drill for Equipment Radar, AA, No. 1. Marks I and I*.

(c) Holders of these pamphlets will amend the titles accordingly.

(d) Indents for these pamphlets will

RRO 232 is amended as follows :-
By inserting after para (a) the following sub-paras.

(i) The breaking down of service or enemy ammunition in any way, other than that authorised by training publications, hand books, regulations in existence or instructions issued from HQ is strictly forbidden.
(ii) The breaking down of any service or enemy ammunition by unauthorised persons is prohibited.
(iii) If information is required on the internal construction of any type of service ammunition, reference can be made to Inspecting Ordnance officers posted to HQ of Corps or L of C Areas.
(iv) Enemy ammunition will normally be broken down or demolished by RAE units (preferably bomb disposal units) under instructions from formation etc. headquarters.

[illegible] discharging firearms from trains without instructions, contrary to "SOs for Movement within Australia and its Territories."

The danger of such irresponsible action to life and property is to be brought to the notice of all ranks and the strictest control exercised concerning ammunition.

234. VENEREAL DISEASE - EFFECT ON PAY ADJUSTMENTS OF PAST FORFEITURES. CRO. 1437.

Action for adjustment of pay under CRO F39/44 will be initiated by soldier by application through his OC to this HQ thence to the Records office of L of C Area of enlistment for checking against members clinical records.
If such records disclose that the disease was contracted in the course of duty or was of congenital form action will be taken to effect a corrigenda.

On promulgation in RO Part II the necessary credit will be entered in soldier's pay book.

235. OUT OF GUAGE VEHICLES. CRO 1441.

In view of the limited shipping accomodation available for movement of vehicles, it is most essential that the correct measurements and weights be given when submitting particulars of "out of guage" vehicles.

If the information supplied is incorrect considerable inconvenience and loss of space is caused.

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9.	Instrument Drill for Height and Range-Finder, No. 8.
10.	Instrument Drill for Height and Range-Finder, Nos 10 and 10A.
11.	Instrument Drill for Height and Range Finder No. 9.
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(d) Indents for these pamphlets will continue to refer to the former as well as the new title.

232. BREAKING DOWN OF SERVICE OR ENEMY AMMUNITION. GRO 1435.

(a) Attention is drawn to GRO 6341/43 which states :-

(b) It has come to the notice of these HQs that instructions contained in the GRO are not being complied with. It is pointed out that breaking down of service ammunition by units (including RAE bomb disposal) is not permitted, except as laid down in para 1 of the abovementioned GRO.

233. SHOOTING FROM TRAINS. GRO 1436.

Instances have been reported of personnel discharging firearms from trains without instructions, contrary to "SOs for Movement within Australia and its Territories."

The danger of such irresponsible action to life and property is to be brought to the notice of all ranks and the strictest control exercised concerning ammunition.

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236. HL 1 AND HL 2 PASSES. CRO 1442.

Many instances have occurred recently where units have not filled in Home Leave passes in every detail.

Unit designation and Railway Station names will be shown in all cases, as it is considered by LHQ that the possible sourse of leakage of information in non-operational areas, caused through the unit and Railway Station being shown on the passes is not sufficiently serious to warrant any alteration to the original practice.

237. 5 AUST BASE WKSHOPS AEME - NUNGARIN. CRO 1443.

The attention of all units is directed to the fact that 9 Aust Adv Wkshop AEME and 5 Aust Tank Wkshop Coy AEME have been disbanded and replaced by 5 Aust Base Wkshops AEME which unit is now functioning at NUNGARIN.

238. DADOS CORPS TROOPS - TELEPHONE NUMBERS.

Telephone numbers notified in 3 Aust Corps CS/0507/6 of 27 Jan 44 have been withdrawn and new numbers allotted.

The new numbers for this office are :-

F 1556 F1557 F1558 F1559 F1550

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N O T I C E S.

FIRST AID CENTRE - PERTH.

The Joint State Council V.A.D. is establishing at 569a Hay Street Perth a First Aid Centre for the treatment of minor injuries of all service men and women on leave in the Perth area.

The centre will be opened during the second week in February and will operate from 0945 to 2100 hrs each day.

AUSTRALIAN COMFORTS FUND.

The Australian Comforts Fund advise that they have forwarded per Air Freight 6 doz copies of "West Australian" newspaper of the 3/2/44 to 9/2/44 inclusive, for distribution among your personnel.

This action is gratefully acknowledged.

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ADDENDUM :-

239. SEASONAL LEAVE.

HQ 3 Aust Corps advise that the restriction on leave involving interstate travel has been re-imposed by LHQ.

Seasonal leave involving interstate travel will therefore not be granted.

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1.

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240. 3 AUST CORPS ADMINISTRATION INSTRUCTION Q 45. TYRE "BLEEDING" AND UNDER-INFLATION.

1. Information has been received that the practice of "bleeding", or reducing pressure of tyres during the hot weather, has become prevalent, and in most instances the drivers have been incorrectly instructed to do so by their Transport Officers.

2. Attention is drawn to Mech Circ 324, para 9, which states - "letting the air out of 'hot' tyres (bleeding) to counteract the air pressure rise has serious effects on the tyres and must not be practiced." However, it is permissable in extreme cases to reduce the 'hot' pressure to a lever not less than 20% higher than the prescribed 'cold' pressure.

3. It is reported from units operating in northern areas that many tyres have broken down or been rendered unfit for further service through lack of knowledge by personnel in the operation of pneumatic tyres in rough road conditions and high prevailing atmospheric temperatures.

4. Tyres should never be 'bled' during or immediately after operation. Tyres heat as they roll, and heat causes air to expand, increasing the pressure. Bleeding reduces air pressure, not the temperature. Bleeding actually makes the tyre run hotter, and may cause sudden complete tyre failure. When a bled tyre cools, it is dangerously underinflated, and generally facilities are not available for re-inflation.

5. The following explanation of heat generation and pressure rises will be of interest to all transport units concerned, and will assist them in understanding the functions of a tyre under load, operating in high temperatures :-

"Pressure rises are due to :-

(a) Internal heat developed by friction due to the tyre deflection (flexing)

(b) Additional heat due to increasing atmospheric temperature during the day.

It will be found that the pressure build-up due to (a) takes place within 10 to 15 miles running, even when atmospheric temperature is comparatively low (around 70° - 80° F) and not increasing, and subsequent increase in pressure due to increasing day temperature (b) will be relatively slight. In general, under full rated load conditions, pressure increase to the extent of approximately 15% may be observed, due to (a), with subsequent increases of 7% due to (b). From this it is obvious that the greater proportion of temperature rise and hence pressure rise is due to flexing, and not due to atmospheric temperature".

6. The above information will be usefull in proving that pressures as laid down in Mech Circ 324 (11 Feb 43) must be maintained at all times, and under extreme conditions more consideration must be given to the reduction in load and speed, which govern any flexing of a tyre.

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240. 3 AU.T CORPS ADMINISTRATION INSTRUCTION Q 45. TYRE "BLEEDING" AND UNDER-INFLATION. (Cont).

7. Finally, attention is again drawn to the most important point mentioned in para 2. WHEN TYRE PRESSURES HAVE RISEN DUE TO THE EFFECTS OF FLEXURE AND ATMOSPHERIC TEMPERATURE, NEVER BLEED PRESSURES BELOW NORMAL PLUS 20%.

8. A certificate to the effect that the substance of this order has been brought to the notice of all officers NCOs and drivers will be fwded by sub-unit comds to reach this HQ NOT later than 15 Mar 44.

241. WESTERN AUSTRALIA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS : 29 APR 44 : SERVICE VOTING ARRANGEMENTS. CRO 1459.

(a) All sub-units (x) will furnish a return to reach these HQ by 7 Mar 44 giving the following information :-

(i) Estimate of personnel eligible to vote at the above elections showing :-

(a) such personnel on effective strength of sub-unit; and
(b) such personnel on "X" list of sub-unit.

(ii) Army number, rank and name of sub-unit presiding officer (commissioned rank where possible) and assistant presiding officers where the latter are necessary;

(NOTE : The scale of allotment is one presiding officer for 250 personnel eligible to vote with an assistant presiding officer for each additional 250 personnel or reasonable part thereof. Small units located in close proximity to each other may be grouped by mutual consent, these HQ to be so advised).

(iii) Location and nature of a suitable place for voting to take place (e.g. hall, or tent in unit lines, etc).

(b) (i) Any member of the Military Forces who is not under the age of 21 years, being a natural born or naturalised subject of His Majesty and not subject to any legal incapacity, provided he or she is qualified and enrolled as an elector, is eligible to vote.

(ii) To be qualified as an elector, the member of the Military Forces must :-

(a) have a legal or equitable freehold estate in possession, situate in the Electoral Province, of the clear value of £50 sterling; or
(b) being a householder, within the Province, be occupying any dwelling house of the clear annual value of £17 sterling; or
(c) have a leasehold estate in possession, situate within the Province of the clear annual value of £17 sterling; or
(d) hold a lease or license from the crown to depasture, occupy, cultivate or mine upon Crown lands within the Province at a rental of not less than £10 per annum; or
(e) have his or her name on the Electoral List of any Municipality in respect of property within the Province of the annual ratable value of not less than £17; or
(f) have his or her name on the Electoral List of any Road Board District in respect of property within the Province of the ratable value of not less than £17.

(x) For the purposes of this order, sub-unit means a gun defended area, that is, Camp 314, Camp 319 and Metropolitan area.

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241. WESTERN AUSTRALIA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS : 29 APR 44 : SERVICE VOTING ARRANGEMENTS. (Cont). CRO 1459.

(iii) Only electors who are qualified as above and enrolled as such are entitled to vote.

(c) Sub-Units will be supplied with adequate balloting material and complete instructions.

(d) (i) Subunits will ensure that all personnel eligible to vote to be granted leave on 29 Apr 44 are given an opportunity to record their votes prior to being granted such leave.
(ii) Personnel already on leave on 29 Apr 44 may vote at special polling booths to be established at locations to be notified later.

(e) Sub-unit comds will be personnally responsible for the return DIRECT TO STATE ELECTORAL OFFICE, PERTH of all votes cast by personnel.

(f) The following will be responsible for the supervision of polling arrangements, taking prior action to ensure that instructions are understood by units under their command, the return mentioned in para (a) above being rendered promptly, and ensuring that action is taken by units in acc ordance with para (f) above :-

HQ 2 Aust Div (AIF).
HQ 1 Aust Armd Bde Gp.
HQ RAA 3 Aust Corps.
HQ Fremantle Fortress.
HQ Western Feinft Trg Centre.
Area Comd Northern Sector WA.
HQ RAE 3 Aust Corps.
HQ 15 Aust L of C Sigs.
DDST.
DDMS.

242. LOSS OF EQUIPMENT BY PERSONNEL TRAVELLING BY RAIL. CRO 1461.

(a) From the volume of enquiries received by RTOs and the amount of equipment found on trains, it is apparent that personnel are NOT taking sufficient care with their equipment when travelling, especially when changing trains, and at break of gauge points.
(b) This serious laxity requires immediate attention, and all personnel will be warned that such losses through negligence will be dealt with by disciplinary action against the offender.

243. CLOTHING AND NECESSARIES - PERSONNEL EVACUATED TO HOSPITAL. (ACR 241/9/[illegible].CRO 1462.

(a) Clothing and Necessaries accompanying personnel evacuated to Hospital will be confined to items comprised in the authorised scale of issue. No objection will be raised to private effects being included provided the total can be carried in 1 Bag Kit Universal.
(b) Surplus private effects, including suit cases, will be retained in Unit QM Store or forwarded to Kit Store as appropriate.
(c) Owing to insufficient storage accomodation being available, blankets will NOT accompany personnel and will be withdrawn prior to evacuation to hospital.

244. FUZES, TIME, MECHANICAL - FAILURES IN BARRELS OF 3.7-in AA. GRO 0 50.

1. Trials have shown that there is a relationship between barrel wear and the incidence of blinds in 3.7-in barrels when using fuzes, time, mechanical, Nos. 207 and 208.

2. An upper wear limit of 0.135-in at 1-in from commencement of rifling has been set for the use of these fuzes. This figure is set out in DME Technical Instruction No. 501-2, Appendix A, condemning limit for mean wear at 1-in from C of R.

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244. FUZES, TIME, MECHANICAL - FAILURES IN BARRELS OF 3.7-in AA. (Cont).

3. Where barrels are found to have a mean wear of greater than 0.135-i at 1-in from C of R, they will be sentenced by an EME as serviceabl for use with fuzes, time, No. 199 only.

4. Barrels thus sentenced will, on confirmation of sentence by the Director of Mechanical Engineering, be returned to ordnance depots for issue to station using igniferous time fuzes.

245. BADGES OF RANK. CRO 1449.

Instances have been reported of personnel wearing badges of rank to which they are not entitled.

No badges other than those authorised in War Scale of Clothing and Necessaries will be worn.

Disciplinary action will be taken against all offenders.

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N O T I C E S.

LOST : (a) 1 Pistol No. 768235. Anyone locating, please advise these HQ.

(b) One .303 Rifle No. 82262 between CHIDLOWS and YANCHEP. Anyone locating same please advise these HQ.

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Receipt of a quantity of comforts, which have been distributed to all ranks, is gratefully acknowledged.

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART I.

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BY
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246. MEDALS - PROVISIONAL ORDER FOR ISSUE OF THE AFRICA STAR, RIBBON AND CLASPS. GRO A 30.

1. The ribbon of the Africa Star will be worn immediately after the ribbons of prior war medals.

2. (a) Officers a nd other ranks of the Australian Military Forces will be eligible for the Star.

(b) To qualify for an award, an individual must have been on the strength of a unit or formation in a qualifying command, as defined in para 6 (b), at some time between the dates appropriate to that command, as shown in that sub-paragraph.

3. (a) The Africa Star is instituted for service in certain operational commands in the Middle East and Africa, from the date of the entry of Italy into the war on 10th June 1940, up to the date of cessation of operations against the enemy in North Africa on 12 May 1943 both dates inclusive.

(b) Service in the following will qualify for the award.

Operation.	From.	To.
(i) North Africa - (Troops under Africa Force Headquarters and Middle East Command, excluding formations not west of the Suez Canal and the Red Sea.	10th June, 1940.	12th May, 1943.
(ii) Abyssinia (including attacks on Moyale, Elwak and Kassala), Italian Somaliland and Eritrea. (All troops in these operations under the command of General Cunningham and General Platt.)	10th June, 1940	27th Nov, 1941.
(iii) British Somaliland.	4th August, 1940	19th August, 1940.
(iv) Malta.	10th June, 1940	12th May 1943.

4. Clasps to the Africa Star.- A silver emblem, in the form of an arabic "8" for personnel of the Eighth Army and in the form of an Arabic "I" for personnel of the First Army, will be worn on the ribbon to denote the award of a clasp to the Africa Star. This award will be restricted to service in the Eighth or First Armies, respectively, in the period from 23rd October, 1942, to 12 May 1943, both dates inclusive. Only one clasp will be granted to any individual. In the event of double qualification, the clasp for the Army in which qualifying service was initiated will be worn.

5. (a) Any member who considers himself entitled, may make application to his OC in the form attached as Appendix "A".

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5. (b) The application will be forwarded in duplicate to these HQ by 15 Mar 44. One copy will be retained by these HQ and the other copy sent to the Records Office of the L of C Area of enlistment. Sub-Units will provide their own forms.

(c) The CO will complete the endorsement on each application to show whether it is approved or not.

6. When an application has been endorsed showing that the member may wear the ribbon such application will be forwarded to the sub-unit concerned when the member's OC will cause an entry to be made on the inside of the back cover of the member's Record of Service Book (AAB 83) as follows :-

"Approved to wear ribbon of Africa Star (with ..... Army Clasp), subject ot later verification by 2nd Echelon, LHQ."

The officer authenticating the entry will sign it and write after his signature his army number and appointment.

7. The temporary authority issued by the CO for the wearing of the ribbon does not constitute an authority for an award of the star, which, in all cases, is subject to later verification by 2nd Echelon, LHQ.

8. Diciplinary action will be taken against any member who, without reasonable cause, makes any untrue statement in connection with an application under para 5 of this order.

9. No member will wear the ribbon of the Africa Star or any clasp thereof unless the approval for him to wear the same is verified by a duly authenticated entry in his Record of Service Book, in accordance with para 3 of this order.

10. A free issue of 2½ inches of the material, sufficient to make up two medal ribbons, and of two clasps, will be made to all ranks who are temporarily authorized to wear the ribbon in accordance with para 6 Pending availability of full supplies of ribbon, the initial issue will be 1¼ inches only, and indents will be submitted for this quantity only. When the ribbon is worn without the medal, it will be ⅜-inch in length.

11. Clasps to the Africa Star. - The "8" and "1" emblems are plated with rhodium before issue, and will preserve the polish for a long time unless badly scratched. To clean, wipe the emblems with a damp cloth No metal polish of any kind should be used.

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ADDENDUM.

The attention of all Sub-Unit comds is directed to para 16 of GRO A 30/44.

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APPENDIX "A".

AFRICA STAR.

Claim for award of :-

(a) Africa Star.
(b) Africa Star with First Army Clasp.
(c) Africa Sta r with Eighth Army Clasp.

(Only one of the above categories may be claimed. Delete those categories not applicable.) Award of the Africa Star removes all entitlement to the 1939/1943 Star.

Unit.....

Number.....Rank.....Name.....

Certificate of Claimant.-

I certify that I am entitled to the award of the AFRICA STAR as above by virtue of the following service :-

Unit.	Place.	Date.	
		From.	To.

Ranks held at date of qualification. ø.....

ø. State substantive and any temporary or acting rank.

Signature.....

Published in Part II Orders. ø. Approved) to wear ribbon
ø. Not approved) of Africa Star
(Date stamp of 2nd Echelon). (with.....(with clasp), subject to later verification by LHQ, 2nd Echelon.

ø. (Delete words not applicable.)

Date.....

Signature of C.O.....

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HQ RAA
3 Aust Corps. (AIF).

VISIT BY COMD 102 AUST AA REGT TO N.W. 5/6 FEB 44.

I desire to report that I visited the following places on the dates shown :-

5 Feb 44 1230 hrs Airborne CORUNNA DOWNS - 1500 hrs DERBY Airfield - Reconnoitred airfield and dispersal areas and possible sites for Lt AA defence if required. I do NOT agree with the proposed siting in the last recce report.
1630 hrs BROOME - Contacted OC Tps re air transport of essential stores for NOONKANBAH and he was arranging for priority stores to be flown in the shuttle service.

Contacted F/L HEBDON O.C. 40 ZFC with reference to no reports being received from Radar stations re passage of high flying A/C over CORUNNA DOWNS. Arranged with him that in addition to other local precautions which he promised to institute, that 40 ZFC would immediately notify Ops room CORUNNA DOWNS and NOONKANBAH when any A/C would be flying high although not routed over or near these airfields.

He also informed me that both beach defence guns were in position and camouflaged at BROOME and that one gun was in position at Cape Levique and that he was taking out explosives to make a pit for the other gun this week. Fighter Sec HQ is also to be established here.

6 Feb 44 0430 hrs Airborne BROOME - 0530 hrs arrived NOONKANBAH conferred with AADC re priority of equipment ex Ardent and other regimental matters. Tiger Moth is now available here for co-operation and my use on visits to Cape Levique. Calibration is held up here pending arrival of AEME expert from Eastern States. I am instructed by OC 102 Aust AA Workshop that this is on authority DDME.

NOONKANBAH has had 5 inches of rain this week and all construction work has been stopped. BHQ site was 1 ft under water. Fitzroy River had risen 41 feet. Hy AA gun site has been thinned out.

0630 hrs Airborne NOONKANBAH

0945 hrs Arrived CORUNNA DOWNS.

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SECURITY STANDING ORDERS - RHQ 102 AUST AA REGT.(AIF).

1. APPOINTMENT.

The Security Officer for RHQ 102 Aust AA Regt is the Orderly Officer Lieut A.L. BIRD to whom all reports and matters affecting security will be referred immediately.

2. VEHICLES.

(a) Military vehicles from other HQs or Units will not stay in the vicinity of RHQ longer than is necessary to perform their respective duties.
(b) Civilian vehicles will not be permitted in the RHQ area, (which will include RHQ vehicle park) without an authorised pass from this HQ, or permission from an officer. All vehicles in the area, will be properly dispersed at all times.

3. STRANGERS.

(a) It is the duty of any member who discovers unrecognised strangers, military or civil, who wish to enter the area, to conduct them to the security officer, or, if he is not present, to any other office.

4. LOSSES.

(a) The loss of identity cards, pay books or any secret or security documents will be reported to the Unit Security Officer immediately.
(b) It is the responsibility of all ranks to take due precautions against theft or loss of personal property or equipment.

5. DOCUMENTS.

Secret or Security documents when not actually in use, will be kept under lock and key where possible, otherwise in some secure place.

6. DESTRUCTION OF USED PAPERS.

(a) All waste paper, old letters or drafts of letters, will be burnt every morning by those allotted to cleaning out offices, rooms and tents.
(b) This does not include brown paper or newspapers, which may be used to conserve paper.
(Care will be taken to erase any addresses or security information before use again.
(c) Routine orders, Standing Orders, notices etc will not be left lying around, but will be placed on the notice boards provided.
(d) When vacating any area where RHQ is stationed, care will be taken by all ranks to see that no orders documents, or papers are left lying around.

7. CORRESPONDENCE & TELEGRAMS.

(a) Letters written by personnel must bear the soldiers particulars on the top right hand corner or each letter. The flap or back of the envelope will not be written on.
(b) Correct address for letters is :-
No.....
Name.....
R.H.Q. [illegible],
102 Aust AA Regt. Camp 319.
AUSTRALIA.
(c) Post Cards and parcels will bear the No Rank and Name ONLY of the soldier. Unit will not be shown. The nature of the contents will be shown on parcels.
(d) Telegrams will be endorsed with No. Rank, and Name of soldier ONLY.

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7. CORRESPONDENCE & TELEGRAMS. (CONT).

(e) All ranks are forbidden to post letters, parcels, post cards or correspondence of any nature or despatch telegrams through civilian post offices or civilian channels.

(f) All correspondence (except Green Envelopes) and telegrams will be censored regimentally.

(g) Green Envelopes are not an automatic issue, but a privilege issued by the COs authority, and will only be posted at weekly intervals. The certificate signed by the soldier at the foot of a green envelope will bear his usual signature, which will NOT include his No. Rank or Unit.
Attention is drawn to the fact that only matters of a private or family nature will be written in letters contained in green envelopes and if anything contravening this is detected by Base Censors disciplinary action will be taken. Green Envelopes may contain 3 unsealed stamped and addressed letters, the green envelope, itself being sealed ad addressed to the Base Censor. When there is only one letter, it will be addressed in the usual way. All green envelopes must bear the Unit censor stamp.

(h) Reference to Military subjects which might be of use to the enemy will not be made in letters, in conversation in public places, over the telephone, or any broadcasting system.

(i) The receipt of any letters from strangers, (such as persons wishing to be pen friends etc.) circulars or propaganda will not be replied to, but will be reported to the Unit Security Officer immediately.

8. CODE NAMES.

In forward areas or when instructed, Code Names will be used for all communications, care being taken not to associate the particular code in any way with its meaning.

9. DEBATES ETC.

(a) Military personnel will NOT take part in any public Debates, discussions, or Conferences of a Military nature, unless in performance of their duty.

(b) Contributions by Military Personnel, to any paper, magazine, or bulletin are forbidden unless censored by the proper authorities.

10. PHOTOGRAPHY.

(a) All ranks who have cameras may in future use them subject to the following.

(b) An officer will be appointed in each Unit to be Offr i/c Photography for the purpose of this section such officer will be the orderly Offr. He will maintain a register showing the number make and description of every camera held in the Unit together with the number, rank and name of its possessor.

(c) All officers and ORs will be responsible for ensuring that cameras in their possession are registered with the Offr i/c photography.

(d) Cameras will be withdrawn prior to departure of personnel to an active theatre of operations.

(e) The CO may at any time order the withdrawal of cameras for security reasons.

(f) The CO may if he thinks fit approve of the retention of cameras by not more than 5 members of the Regt for official photographical purposes.

(g) Films of photographs taken by officers and ORs for non-official purposes will be forwarded to an approved photographer for processing.

(h) Photographs (other than those taken for official purposes), which, if captured, would be of value to the enemy, are prohibited.

11. DIARIES MAPS ETC.

When going into action against the enemy, every officer, NCO and OR will ensure that he is not carrying any letters, documents, maps, photography, diaries etc, which would be of value to the enemy if captured.

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12. FIRES - PREVENTION OF.

Care will be taken by all ranks for the prevention of fires, not only within the area, but in all places, whether personnel are on duty or leave.
Cigarette butts should be stubbed before throwing away, and caution should be used with petrol and inflammables.

13. P.O.W.

(a) If taken prisoner all ranks are instructed to give No. Rank and Name ONLY.
(b) NO other information of any kind will be given to the enemy. It is the duty of every soldier to endeavour to escape, and in so doing, or while held a prisoner, to gain any information that is possible, regarding the enemy.
Remember that you will be dealing with a cunning enemy, whose aims can be defeated by the individual vigilance of all ranks.

14. GENERAL.

(a) It is the duty of all ranks to check rumours and to refrain from passing them on.
(b) Any suspicious incidents or encounter will be reported without delay to the U.S.O. or in his absence, any other officer.
(c) All matters of Intelligence or Security, however small should be advised to the U.S.O.

15. APPLICATION TO BTYS.

In so far as these Standing Orders may be applicable to Btys and Detached Troops of this Unit they will apply to such Btys and Detached Troops.

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CAMP STANDING ORDERS :- CAMP 319.

1. ORDERS AND INSTRUCTIONS.

It is the duty of all ranks to read the NOTICE BOARDS at least once a day and thoroughly acquaint themselves with all orders and instructions which appear thereon.

2. ROUTINE.

The following routine will be observed.

REVEILLE.	0530 hrs.
ROLL CALL.	0700 "
BREAKFAST.	0615 "
SICK PARADE.	0705 "
STAND DOWN.	1200 "
LUNCH.	1215 "
STAND DOWN.	1700 "
TEA.	1715 "
RETREAT.	1730 "
PICQUET MOUNTING.	1900 "
LIGHTS OUT.	2130 "

3. CALLS AND WARNINGS.

Whistles will be sounded by RSM and ~~Sgt~~ Orderly Sgts at appropriate times. Quarter hour and five minute warnings will be sounded before all parades.

Quarter Warning.	3 Blasts.
Five minute warning.	2 Blasts.
Stand Down.	1 Blast.

4. DAILY DUTIES.

Lists will be published showing personnel allotted for duties each day and will be supervised by the RSM.

5. GUARDS AND PIQUETS.

Guards and piquets will carry out their duties as set out in para 28 of these orders.

6. TENTS AND LIVING QUARTERS.

All tents and living quarters will be kept neat and clean at all times. Each morning tents etc will be tidied ready for inspection by 0730 and will be kept in that condition until 1700 hrs. Towels must be kept clean and will be hung on a line within the tent. Nothing else may be hung on these lines. The Camp area will be kept clean and free from litter.

7. DRESS. (A) SUMMER.

All ranks unless engaged on fatigues, duties or PT will wear :-

Shorts or trousers KD., Boots AB and puttees (or Anklets web where puttees have not been issued) Hats Khaki fur, turned down. (Caps SD will be worn by drivers MT ONLY WHEN ON DUTY DRIVING). It is pointed out that sunburning to such an extent that the member cannot perform his military duties will be regarded as a self inflicted wound.

8. GAMBLING.

Gambling in any form is not permitted in the Camp area.

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9. OBSCENE LANGUAGE.

Disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

10. SICK PARADES.

At the roll call parade daily the names of all personnel reporting sick will be taken by AAMC NCO or OS who will prepare all necessary A46s Sick Parades will be held daily at 0705 hrs. Soldiers marked "No Duty" or "Sedentary Duty" will not leave the camp area without permission.

11. INJURIES.

All cases of injuries must be reported at once to the Duty officer, the Adjt or AAMC NCO, together with the names and statement of witnesses. This applies to injuries received whilst on leave as well as those received on duty.

12. VENEREAL, CONTAGIOUS & INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

Any man suspecting himself to be suffering from VD or any other contagious disease will report immediately to the AAMC NCO or appropriate RAP. Any concealment or attempt thereat will be severely dealt with.

13. AIRING OF BLANKETS.

Blankets will be aired in fine weather as ordered.

14. GOVERNMENT STORES, PROPERTY & EQUIPMENT.

All losses or damage to above must be reported immediately to the Adjt, Quarter Master or duty officer.

15. MAIL.

INWARD mail on arrival will be sorted by the Postal Sgt and collected by sub-units. OUTWARD mail will be deposited at sub-unit orderly room with the envelope unsealed. No soldier is allowed to send any matter through the post unless it has been censored. Sub-Units will arrange for its despatch to the Postal Sgt.

ADDRESS. No.....Rank.....Name.....
RHQ. 102 Aust AA Regt,
Camp 319.
AUSTRALIA.

16. PRECAUTION AGAINST FIRE.

All personnel are referred to the precautions against fire as set out in CAMP FIRE ORDERS.

17. MOTOR TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT CONTROL.

The following speed limits will be observed :-

1. WITHIN THE LIMITS OF AN AIRFIELD. 20 MPH.
2. OUTSIDE THE LIMITS OF AN AIRFIELD. 25 MPH.
3. WITHIN THE CAMP AREA. (RHQ) 5 MPH.
4. THE SPEED LIMITS WHICH ARE DISPLAYED ON SIGNS OR NOTICES IN VARIOUS AREAS.

18. HYGIENE AND SANITATION.

Pollution of ground will be treated as an offence. Tent flaps and walls will be rolled inwards during fine weather.

19. SECURITY. All ranks are warned against divulging any information regarding the disposition of troops and equipment, or any other service matters. All ranks are referred to Regimental Security Standing Orders.

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20. LATRINES.

The lids of latrine seats will be kept closed when not in use. Newspaper will not be left lying around, and all toilet paper will be used economically and kept tidily.

21. P.A.D.

All ranks are referred to Camp Standing Orders for Protection against Gas and Air Raids.

INTOXICATING LIQUOR.

22. No intoxicating liquor will be carried into or consumed in the Camp Area or places controlled by the CO., other than in the officers & Sergeants' messes and such places as may from time to time be prescribed for the consumption by ORs of beer purchased from the Canteen.

23. CAMP BOUNDS.

No person will be permitted to proceed more than 5 miles from RHQ area without the permission of an officer.

RAAF airfield and camp area is out of bounds to all ranks, and no person is to proceed into RAAF area unless on a specific duty connected with the RAAF or in that area.

24. CANTEEN.

The hours of opening and closing of the Canteen are as follows and they will be strictly observed.

Dry Section.	1230 hrs.	-	1300 hrs.
" "	1800 hrs.	-	2000 hrs.
Wet Section.	1800 hrs.	-	2000 hrs.

No member of and above the rank of L/Sgt will use the wet section of the canteen and action will be taken against any offenders. Until further notice the ration of beer in the wet section is 1 bottle per man per day.

25. OFFICERS' SGTS' AND ORS' MESSES AND KITCHENS.

Offrs' Sgts' and ORs' Messes and Kitchens are OUT OF BOUNDS to ORs unless in the course of duty or as a necessary incident to a Mess Parade.

26. SYNCHRONISATION OF WATCHES.

All watches will be synchronised at 0730 hrs each morning.

27. PASSAGE OF STOCK.

It is the duty of all ranks to take all reasonable steps necessary to prevent the passage through the Camp Area of sheep, cattle or any other stock.

28. GENERAL ORDERS FOR PROWLER PICKETS.

(a) Patrol the area in which the guns and vehicles for which they are responsible are dispersed. Care must be taken not to observe a regular beat, but vary the course of their patrol.

(b) Move quietly on their patrol and NOT leave the area of their patrol unless properly relieved.

(c) Protect all Government property in the vicinity of their posts.

(d) Not allow any unauthorised person in the area of their patrols.

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(e) If any difficulty should be encountered in dealing with any occurrence, whenever possible call out the picquet without delay, rather than attempt to deal with a difficult situation themselves.

(f) Repeat their orders to the duty officer when required.

(g) The picquet will keep on the alert and take particular notice of any lights or fires, including the bearings and distance if possible to where they were observed. Any such occurrences will be immediately reported to the duty officer.

(h) The member of the picquet who is on last shift will attend to the following details :-

(i) At 0500 light the kitchen fires.
(ii) At 0505 awaken the cooks.
(iii) At 0515 awaken the R.S.M.

NOTE:- If any difficulty is experienced in accepting the credentials of any person challenged the Piquet will call for the NCO of the Picquet but will not leave his area.

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STANDING ORDERS - CAMP FIRE ORDERS.

ALARM. Any person detecting a fire in the Camp Area will immediately sound the nearest fire alarm, and take any steps possible to put out the fire and remove any records, stores, equipment etc. endangered to a place of safety.

METHOD OF SOUNDING ALARM. The fire alarm will be sounded by one or both of the following methods :-

(a) By a succession of long and short blasts on a whistle.
(b) By beating on the fire alarm gong.

NCO I/C PICQUET. On the Fire Alarm sounding the NCO i/c picquet will proceed immediately to the scene of the fire, and will take charge of the fire fighting operations until the arrival of the duty officer.

DUTY OFFICER. The duty officer, on the Fire Alarm sounding will immediately proceed to the scene of the fire and will take charge of fire fighting operations. As requisite he will detail fatigue parties and issue instructions regarding the use of fire fighting equipment available in the Camp.

PERSONNEL NOT ON DUTY. On the Fire Alarm being sounded, all personnel not on duty will parade complete with hats and boots, under the Senior officer or NCO, and will await orders. This parade will not be dismissed without the authority of the duty officer.

OIL, FORAGE STORES, OFFICES ETC. NCOs in charge of offices, Forage Oil or Expense Stores, tents or buildings, are responsible that all personnel employed therein, are acquainted with the position of the nearest fire fighting equipment and the correct procedure in regard to their use.

NAKED LIGHT. Naked lights, kerosene or petrol lamps will not be used in any Forage, Oil or Expense Stores, without the permission of the Commanding Officer.

TENTS. Unattended lighted lamps or lanterns will not be left in tents. Lighted lanterns will not be suspended from tents or ridge poles.

BURNING OF REFUSE ETC. When cleaning of the Camp Area necessitates the burning of refuse etc., the NCO in charge of fatigue party is responsible that such refuse is burnt only in that area as defined in RRO 225, and will ensure that a strict watch is kept on any lighted material or spark carried away from the fire. No fire will be left unattended until completely extinguished. In windy or gusty weather, no burning of refuse, authorised incinerators excepted will be undertaken without the permission of the duty officer.

MATCHES & CIGARETTE BUTTS. The promiscuous discarding of lighted matches and cigarette butts is prohibited in the Camp Area. The NCO or man in charge of each tent, is responsible that due precautions ar taken in regard to smoking in tents, and will ensure that a depository is provided in the tent for used matches, cigarette butts, etc.

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OILED RAGS COTTON WASTE SPONGE CLOTHES ETC.

Oiled rags, cotton or other waste used for cleaning purposed being liable to spontaneous combustion, will under no consideration, be allowed to remain lying about on tent floors, stores, etc. Such material will be collected immediately after use, and placed in a metal receptacle, which will be kept out of doors. Oiled rags and waste will not be allowed to accumulate, but will be burnt at frequent intervals. Cotton sponge cloths which when dirty are liable to spontaneous combustion, will be kept in water until washed and cleaned.

PETROL, OILS, PAINTS, ETC.

Officers responsible for the safe custody of petrol, kerosene, oils, paints or other material of an inflammatory nature, will provide separate storage facilities for such stores, which will be segregated from other buildings and tents. Stores containing inflammatory materials will be conspicuously marked, and notices prohibiting smoking or the use of naked lights, will be conspicuously displayed outside.

MAINTENANCE OF FIRE FIGHTING EQUIPMENT.

The NCO in charge of each office store, tent, etc., in the immediate vicinity of which Fire Fighting Equipment is located, is responsible for the daily inspection of water or sand buckets, fire extinguishers etc., and will ensure that they are properly filled and in their correct place at all times. He will also, where provided ensure that the fire gong is complete with striker. Maintenance of Fire Fighting Equipment will be the responsibility of Gnr. N.C. PHILLIPS.

Fire Alarm Gongs, Buckets, Extinguishers, etc, will not be used for any other than Fire Fighting purposes, or removed from their authorised location without the authority of the duty officer expressed in writing.

EXTINGUISHING OF FIRES.

Any fires which may have been lit for any purpose whatsoever, will on the completion of the particular task for which they were lit be extinguished with WATER.

CANCELLATION OF PREVIOUS ORDERS.

All previous Standings Orders for the prevention of fire issued by this HQ are cancelled.

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POINTS FOR CONSIDERATION AT SCHOOL OF ARTY
AA COURSE.

1. How best may one Hy AA tp be deployed to cover effectively a V.A. against high flying attack?

2. Does an ineffective coverage constitute a deterrent defence?

3. What is deterrent defence ?

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102 AUST AA REGT - POINTS FOR CCRA'S CONFERENCE WITH MGRA.

Serial No.	Subject.	Purport.	Remarks Recommendations or MGRA's comments etc.
1.	Promotion of BCs.	In view of promotion of Maj. DAVIDSON may similar action be taken in respect of Capt. COGGINS O.C. 152 Aust Lt AA Bty and Capt. WOOD O.C. 151 Aust Lt AA Bty.	
2.	Promotion of Tp Comds.	May recommendations be now submitted for promotions to Capt.	
3.	RADAR.	In view of the unsatisfactory position re plots from RAAF Air Stations at COOMMA DOWNS and NOONKANBAH and the fact that there is only 1 RDF AA No. 1. MK II set at each of the above places could the RDF equipment of 138 Hy Bty be sent forward to these stations to assist - 140 Aust Hy AA Bty can man them.	
4.	EQUIPMENT. Instruments Fire Control.	Can a spare predictor and computor be made available for each troop where bty is split into two far distant areas.	
5.	2.75 K.V.A. Coventry Climax/ Generator set.	To be added to WET of Hy AA Bty to replace batteries rotary converter.for electrical transmission predictor to guns.	
6.	Windows Infinity/ adjusting for Height finder.	Not yet received by 140 Aust Hy AA Bty.	
7.	IFF MK III	Not received. In view of role of this Regt can some priority be given.	
8.	Mechanical Fuzes.	In view of wide area to be covered by one troop sited singly. Can mechanically fuzed amn be provided for this Regt.	
9.	Drill Rounds / Drill Cartridges/	None available in this area. Can they be provided.	
10.	30 line cordless switch boards.	In view of operational role of this Regt and climatic conditions under which it is operating it is considered essential that these be provided.	

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Serial No.	Subject.	Purport.	Remarks Recommendations or MCRA's comments etc.
11.	3.7 Amn.	Can all amm provied for this Regt be flashless.	
12.	Bty Surveyor.	If none available in 3 Aust Corps area can one be provided from another formation. Unit operating in unmapped country.	
13.	Kerrison Predictors MK III and associated stores.	When will they be made available for all guns in accordance with new WET. At present only two per Bty.	
14.	3-ton water truck.	Provision of this for RHQ is considered essential in view of the wide deployment of a higher establishment regt. RHQ has at present an 80 gallon trailer which has frequently to provide all water for RHQ and attached sig and Workshop HQ. All Bty and Tp water trucks are overworked.	

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POINTS FOR C.C.R.A.

1. Three stage 2 pumps for Hy Bty.

2. Provision of 50% coverage in Signal cable.

3. Air Movement.

4. Provision of effective headgear.

5. Mail.

6. Papers.

7. Amenities.

8. Censorship.

9. CL Spares. To be held in Bty.

10. Boot repairs from DADOS in Corunna Downs.

11. Razor blades for Noonkanbah.

12. Establishing of Ord. Fd Pk with Workshop at Corunna Downs.

13. Fresh Food and vegetables. Unsatisfactory position. No eggs.

14. High flying A/C setting in false height.

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102 AUST AA REGT TRAINING DIRECTIVE No. 3.

1. Training for month of March 44 throughout the Regt will be carried out as follows :-

(a) Gun Drill series will be carried out during the dawn and dusk stand-to, and Det Comds will ensure that all members of the dets including drivers can carry out any duties on the guns.

(b) Every opportunity will be taken on the approach of planes to the airfield for laying practice with FAS, predictor, seen and unseen methods; GOR will ascertain the ETA of planes and warn gun sites accordingly. During these practice guns will NOT be loaded. All planes will be used for practice.

(c) Austen Gun Training.

(d) A conversion course for offrs and NCOs down to rank of Sgt of 151 and 152 Aust Lt AA Btys will be carried out. Syllabus of trg for this course will be submitted as follows :-

(i) NOONKANBAH - Lieut STUBBS who will detail instrs.
(ii) CORUNNA DOWNS - Major. F.H. DAVIDSON who will detail instructors.

(e) Rifle Drill.

(f) Tk/A shooting for Lt AA guns.

(g) Firing practice with A/C co-operation - dates to be notified later.

(h) A/C identification 1 hour per week.

2. Detailed syllabus of trg in duplicate will be prepared by AADC to reach this HQ by 1 Jan 44.

Lt Col.
Comd 102 Aust AA Regt. (AIF).
J.W. RHODEN.

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

6/44 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 5/2/1944. RHQ 102 Aust AA Regt. (AIF) (Unit)

W.E. 11/25/2. OFFRS. 5 O.R's. 35 + OFFRS. 2 O.R's. 8 ATT. BY W.E.
Plus Canteen L/Sgt.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.					ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.	DETAIL.	Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
			1	W.Os. Class I.	A.A.M.C.	2			
				W.Os. Class II.	A.A.C.C.	3			
				Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.	A.A.P.C.	1			
			1	Staff Sergeants	A.A.O.C.	1			
			4	Sergeants	POSTAL.	1			
			4	Corporals					
		6	31	Troopers, Privates, etc.					
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
*		6	41 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		8 *			*

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation 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.K. Forces, 10 N.Z. Forces.

Detail		C.M.P.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL
	A.I.F.	Under 19 Years.	19 Years and over.							
A Class	39		9				[redacted]	[redacted]		49
B(1) Class	1					[redacted]				
B(2)										

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.

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).

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PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 5/2/1944.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfts. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfts. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfts. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfts. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				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				Rangetakers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Rivetters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predicter Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computors								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	1	1	
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors	2	2	
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanisers			
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)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				R.S.M.	1	1	
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers	1	1		S/Sgt FCIA	1	1	
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	5	5		Sgt.	1	1	
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply				Batmen.	3	5	(a)
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				" Dvrs.	5	5	
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers				Dvrs. M.T.	5	5	
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors				Hyg. Duty.	1	1	
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks				M.C.Os.	5	6	
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies				Telephonists	3	3	
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED R.A.W.K.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				Gen Duties.	-	3	-
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, M.T.				Canteen L/Sgt	1	1	
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics	1	-	NR	ATT W.E.			
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant				A.A.M.C.	2	2	
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.				A.A.C.C.	3	3	
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers				A.A.O.C.	1	1	
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers				A.A.P.C.	1	1	
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates				POSTAL.	1	1	
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD	7	6		Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	44 *	49 *	

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised trades or specialists 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. "Reints. 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.

5 Feb. 44.
Date of Despatch

Adjt 102 Aust AA Regt. (AIF).
Signature of Commander

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(a) Batmen to attached supernumerary officers.

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 5./.2../1944. (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1 Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	2 Army Number.	3 Surname.	4 Initials.	5 Posting.	6 Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	7 If not present with Unit, state how employed.	8 Date of Detachment.
Lt Col.	VX 13726	RHODEN.	J.W.	C.O.	Yes.		
Capt T/Major.	VX 14121	DYER.	K.	2 i/c	"		
Lieut.	VX117227	SAMSON.	N.G.	Adjt.	"		
Lieut T/Capt.	VX111045	FINCHAM.	G.B.	R.Q.M	"		
Lieut	VX112068	BIRD.	A.L.	I.O.	"		
Capt.	WX 33485	TOMLINSON.	W.F.	R.M.O	"		
Chaplain 4th Class	TX 687	PITHER.	K.	Padre	"		

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.
Lieut T/Capt	WX33890	DAVISON. G.R.	109 Aust Lt AA Regt.		SUPERNUMERARY. AUTH : HQ RAA 3 Aust Corps memo IB/18222 of 27 Nov 43.
Lieut.	WX33877	DIX. N.J.			

Date of Despatch

for Signature of Commander

Truth—7/43.

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

151 BTY. 44/1/1 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 5/2/1944. 102 AUST. AA REGT (AIF) (Unit)

W.E. 11/12/5/2. OFFRS. 7 O.R's. 209 + OFFRS. — O.R's. 9 ATT. BY W.E.

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'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.
				*					
				*					
				Lieut.-Colonels					
	1	-	-	Majors					
	1	-	2	Captains					
		1	4	Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
	2	1	6						

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).	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.	A CLASS	6									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.

X LIST ~~OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK.~~

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
WX 33888.	MAJOR.	LAWRANCE G.M.	SCHOOL OF ARTY. RANDWICK. NSW.		22 NOV. 43.
VX 43237.	LIEUT.	ROWE A.F.	11C. AGH. HOLLYWOOD.		24 SEPT. 43.
VX 104236.	LIEUT.	BRAHAM S.J.	SCHOOL OF ARTY. RANDWICK. NSW.		10 JAN. 44.

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

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44/1/1 (Serial No.)

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 5/2/1944. (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1 Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	2 Army Number.	3 Surname.	4 Initials.	5 Posting.	6 Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	7 If not present with Unit, state how employed.	8 Date of Detachment.
LIEUT. T/CAPT.	VX 111043.	WOOD.	K.P.	A/O.C.	YES.		
LIEUT. T/CAPT.	VX 111064.	MASLEN.	G.W.	BTY. CAPT.	YES.		
LIEUT.	VX 111062.	JENKINS.	D.C.	BTY. LIEUT.	YES.		
LIEUT.	VX 111059.	PLAIN.	G.J.	A.TK. COMDR.	YES.		
LIEUT.	VX 104231.	GILLESPIE.	K.J.	A.TK. COMDR.	YES.		
LIEUT.	WX 29221.	ROBINSON.	K.E.	A.TK. LEADER.	YES.		

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 February 1944
Date of Despatch

K.P. Wood Capt
Signature of Commander

Truth—7/43.

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

44/1 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 5/2/1944, 151 BTY. 102 AUST. AA REGT (Unit)

W.E. 11/25/2. OFFRS. 7 O.R's. 209 + OFFRS. — O.R's. 9 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.					ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.	DETAIL.	Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
				W.Os. Class I.	AACC.	9	1	(SURPLUS. T/T COOK TO BE TRANSFERRED TO 9 AUST. LINE. SEC.)	
	1	-	2	W.Os. Class II.					
	-	-	1	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
				Staff Sergeants	AAMC.	1	-		
	3		13	Sergeants					
	-	-	14	Corporals					
	5	-	170	Troopers, Privates, etc.					
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
*	9	-	200	* Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		10 *	1		*

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation 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.K. Forces, 10 N.Z. Forces.

Detail		C.M.F.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
	A.I.F.	Under 19 Years.	19 Years and over.							
A	176		34				[redacted]	[redacted]		210.
B(1)										
B(2)						[redacted]				

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.

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).

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PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 5/2/1944.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfts. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfts. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfts. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfts. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				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				Rangetakers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters		1(a)		Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computors								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	1	1	-
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd'rs. 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 Mcd.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				B.S.M. WO II	1	1	-
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers				T.S.M. WO II	2	1	NR
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	4	2	NR	BQMS.	1	1	-
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply				SECTION. SGTS.	4	3	NR
[redacted]nics, Instrument				Instrument Operator	24	8	NR	Clerks, Technical				GUN. SGTS.	12	10	NR
[redacted]nics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers				GUN. BDRS.	12	12	-
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors				BDR. M.T.	1	1	-
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks				NON. SPEC. GNRS.	107	131	-
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				AACC.	8	9	-
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				AAMC.	1	1	-
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics	15	6	NR				
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers	1	1	-				
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers	24	21	NR				
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD	24	8	NR	CARRIED FORWARD	68	39	NR	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	218	210 *	NR *

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised trades or specialists 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. "Reints. 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.

5th February 1944
Date of Despatch

K.F. Watt Capt
Signature of Commander

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(a) W 39468 Gnr POPE L.

Is non-trade grouped T.G.II painter with trade test certificate

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

RHQ 102 Aust ...6../.44. (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 5 / 2 /194 4 AA Regt. (AIF) (Unit)

W.E. 111/25/2. OFFRS. 5 O.R's. 35 + OFFRS. 2 O.R's. 8 ATT. BY W.E.

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'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.
				*					
				*					
			1	Lieut.-Colonels					
			1	Majors					
	1	-	1	Captains	A.A.M.C.	1			
		1	2	Lieutenants	A.A.Ch.D.	1			
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
	1	1	5			2			

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).

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.
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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).
VX36241	Capt.	BIDSTRUP. R.A.	LHQ Sch of Arty Course 47.

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Unit 102 Aust AA Regt Date and Time.—From 1 Mar 44 To 31 Mar 44

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Corunna Downs	1 Mar 44	0600	Posting of Officers:- R.H.Q. Comd. Lt Col J W Rhoden E.D.	
			2 i/c Major K Dyer, Adjt. Lieut N G Samson. Q.M Capt	
			G B Fincham. 10 Lt A L Bird; Chaplain Chap 4th Class	
			K Pither,	
			140 Hy AA Bty OC Major F A Davidson 2 i/c Capt G K Richards	
			Bty Sub-Lieut S J Bussett. Tp Offrs Lieut C Forster C Davies	
			Chevanton S Haynes R Kelley Lieut Stubbs Burns	
			Moran Gelder	
			151 LAA Bty OC Capt K P Wood 2 i/c Capt G W Maslen	
			Tp Comds Lieut G J Plain K J Gillespie Tp Lieut Lieut	
			J Braham K Robinson Bty Lieut Lt D C Jenkins	
			152 LAA Bty OC Capt R Coggins 2 i/c Capt N Forsyth	
			Bty Lieut Lieut J H Percy Troop Comds Capt W Dell	
			Lt E L Cox Tp Lds Lieut Whiley and E L Shaw.	

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Corunna Downs	1 Mar 44	0900	"F" Rig 22 Aust Fd Coy RAE arrives in area to sink bores at RHQ site and other positions in area Camp 319. Survey Party No 2 Sec 4 Aust Survey Bty commences mapping of area	B
	2 Mar 44		RHQ area inspected by Wing Cmdr J Oxer CO 4 MRS expresses himself delighted at standard of hygiene attained in area. Boring party starts work and is down 15 feet by 1700 hrs	B
	3 Mar		RHQ visited by CO 750 BU Flt Lt Jolley and Doctor Flt/Lt Weaver. Boring section makes good progress	B
	4 Mar.		CO Stice at Noonkanbah. Boring section strikes water at 29 feet quantity not good	B
	5 Mar		CO returns from Noonkanbah and Broome after inspecting Beach Guns at Broome and Cape Levigue	B

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CORUNNA DOWNS	5 Mar		Guns unable to fire as essential parts have not been sent.	
	6 Mar		Information obtained that Jap Task force concentrated at SINGAPORE thought to be for move against India or west coast of Australia	
	7 Mar		Information obtained by I.O that flying restrictions applied at Drysdale and that strike by Liberators expected from this Base	
	8 Mar	0900	Advice received that B24 will arrive 2300 H to carry out recce "Mission concealed" Planes cannot find base and finally arrives at 0900 430 H	
	9 Mar.		B24 leaves on recce at 0900 "Mission concealed" due back at 2038 H. At 2235 it lands at Port Hedland owing to weather and inability to find Airstrip at Corunna	

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CORUNNA DOWNS	9 Mar		Plane is damaged on landing. Overdue Signal sent at 2138	B
	10 Mar		Second B24 arrives from FENTON to complete recce. Continuous stream of C47's arrive during day load bombs and SAA and depart for Polshot.	B
	11 Mar	0530	B24 leaves on recce at 0530 "Mission concealed" C47's arrive load bombs and depart. B24 arrives back from mission No sightings	B
	12 Mar		B24 arrives from Hedland this plane landed there on 11 Mar. RAAF pyrotechnic store burgled during night	B
	13 Mar		Major EL Cook SO1 RAA 3 AUST Corps visited area to inspect AA defences B24 on recce Mission concealed No information has been released of results of any flights. Major Harbetrick USAAF accompanied by F/Lt Jolly	B

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CORUNNA DOWNS			CO 750 BU visits RHQ	B
	14 Mar		B24's of strike force commence arriving at Corunna Downs. Col Bussey CO a Bomber Group USAAF and Major Harbetuck visit RHQ	B
	15 Mar		1800 hrs Strike force of 19 B24 aircraft take off from airstrip to carry out bombing raid on Sourabaya. CO present at briefing CO accompanied by IO and adjt is present at take off	B
	16 Mar		All planes of strike force return safely to their base raid 50% effective CO present at interrogation	B
	17 Mar		16 B24 aircraft take off to attack SOURABAYA again	B
	18 Mar		All planes of strike force return safely to base after most effective raid. 3 Spitfires arrive to give fighter cover in event of Jap retaliatory raid	B

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CORUNNA DOWNS	18 Mar		CO inspects area from 6000 feet in Fox Moth	B
	19 Mar		Spitfires give valuable cooperation in laying practice for gunners. Planes of strike force return to their base. CO, AADC and CO 750BU inspect camouflage of area from Liberator at height of 15,000 feet	B
	20 Mar		CO inspects area CORUNNA DOWNS	B
	21 Mar		Aerial photos of area CORUNNA DOWNS arrive, depth of tone and definition dissapointing.	B
	22 Mar		Boring Plant closes down on bore at RHQ site depth 87' flow 120 gal/hour. Moves to another location. Btg 140 Bty hold calibration shoot. CO attends observations by 2 AUST Survey Sec	B
	23 Mar		CO leaves for Perth to inspect AA defences Pearce and Guilford. Arrived Pearce 1215A	B

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Corunna Downs	23 Mar		CO confers with Major Charles AADC Pearce and inspects guns of 171 Bty. Confers with Capt Coggins rear HQ B	
PERTH	24 Mar		Conference with SO1 RAA Staff Capt and 10 RA at RAA. CO inspected transport Btys 152 Bty B	
PERTH	25 Mar		CO inspected guns and Camp sites Btys 152 Bty B	
Corunna Downs	26 Mar		Concert by eminent pianist LAC Phillip Hargreaves and associate artists. B	
	27 Mar		CO confers with CCRA and AADC Fremantle 1612H unidentified plane 20 miles from airstrip later identified as civil plane from Marble Bar. Concert by Phillip Hargreaves repeated B	
	28 Mar		CO inspected transport Gun Sites Camp Sites Btys 152 Bty B	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
PERTH	29 Mar		CO confers with CCRA and later with DDMS re medical services CORUNNA DOWNS and NOONKANBAH	B
CORUNNA DOWNS	30 Mar		Normal Duties	B
PEARCE	31 Mar		CO departs Pearce on return trip stays night at MEEKATHARRA.	B

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OC 151 Aust Lt AA Bty
OC 152 Aust Lt AA Bty

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Adv HQ 102 AUST AA REGT(AIF)
Camp 319
AUSTRALIA.

30 Mar 44.

RETURNS, STATES, ETC.

Ref this HQ memo 43/10/20 of 20 Sep 43.

1. Set forth in the above memo were instructions regarding the rendition by sub-units of certain routine returns, states, etc.

2. Owing to the peculiar deployment of this Regt, our memo referred to is inapplicable and is hereby cancelled with the following in its stead.

(a) W3006 - STRENGTH STATE.

Btys will prepare as at 0600 hrs Sat each week and forward direct to DRO, HQ RAA 3 Aust Corps, HQ 3 Aust Corps, and copy for this HQ.

(b) W3008, W3009 - FIELD RETURNS OFFRS & ORs.

These will be prepared by Btys as at 0600 hrs Sat each week and forwarded to DRO, HQ RAA 3 Aust Corps, HQ 3 Aust Corps, and copy for this HQ.
On the first Sat of each month 2 extra copies will be prepared for the War Diary.

(c) W3010, W3011, W3012. - CASUALTY RETURNS.

Btys will prepare their own Casualty Returns and forward direct to DRO with copy for this HQ.

(d) DISPOSITION STATE.

Btys will prepare as at 0600 hrs Sat each week and forward to this HQ.

(e) AWL RETURNS.

The AWL Return required by ASO 9/18 to be forwarded on Sat each week to DAPM 3 Aust Corps will be prepared by this HQ. for the Regt.

(f) MEDICAL EXAMINATION AND PHOTOGRAPHING AMF.

To enable this HQ to consolidate and forward by the prescribed date, this return is to be prepared and forwarded by Btys to reach this HQ not later than 14th day of each month.

(g) B2069 - OFFENCE REPORTS.

Btys will prepare as at 0600 hrs Sat each week and forward to DRO and LSO 3 Aust Corps, with copy for this HQ

(h) MANNING DETAILS.

A complete Manning Detail for each Bty will be prepared and forwarded to reach this HQ not later than 14 Apr 44. Amendments thereto will be forwarded to this HQ as at 0600 hrs Sat each week.

(i) AMENITIES REPORT.

To be prepared by Btys and forwarded to DAD Amenities 3 Aust Corps by not later than the 5th day of each month, with copy for this HQ.

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Adv RHQ
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Camp 319.
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20 Mar 44.

102 AUST AA REGT TRAINING DIRECTIVE No. 4.

1. Training for month of April 44 throughout the Regt will be carried out as follows :-

(a) Gun Drill series will be carried out during the dawn and dusk stand-to, and Det Comds will ensure that all members of the dets including drivers can carry out any duties on the guns.

(b) Every opportunity will be taken on the approach of planes to the airfield for laying practice with PAS, Predictor, seen and unseen methods; COR will ascertain the ETA of planes and warn gun sites accordingly. During these practices guns will NOT be loaded. All planes will be used for practice.

(c) Bren Gun Training.-
Arrangements will be made with RAAF Station Comds for use of RAAF ranges for firing practices.

(d) A conversion course for Offrs and NCOs down to rank of Sgt of 151 And 152 Aust Lt AA Btys will be continued at CORUNNA DOWNS and NOONKANBAH.

(e) Bayonet Training.

(f) Tk/A shooting for Lt AA guns.

(g) Firing practice with A/C co-operation - dates to be notified later.

(h) A/C identification 1 hour per week.

(i) Mobile gun drill for Lt and Hy AA guns.

(j) Map reading and identification of target course for all NCOs down to rank of Bdr will be carried out.

2. Detailed syllabus of trg in duplicate will be prepared by AADC to reach this HQ by 1 Apr 44.

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J.W. RHODEN.

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AADC Corunna Downs.	2.
AADC Pearce.	3.
AADC Guildford.	4.
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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1 — Serial No. 21
Paras 247 - 260.
BY — 8 Mar 44

Lt Col J.W. RHODEN E.D. RAA.
Comd 102 Aust AA Regt (AIF).

247. RAIL CONSIGNMENT OF EMPTY RETURNABLE CONTAINERS - BISCUIT TINS ETC. CRO 1468

When consigning empty return containers, biscuit tins, ice cream barrels etc, by rail it is most important that in addition to the address of the consignee, the label should show station from where consigned. In the case of static units or YMCA and other philanthropic organizations, sender's name should also be shown.

248. INCLUSION OF UNAUTHORISED ITEMS IN KITS DEPOSITED IN KIT STORES. CRO 1470

A serious fire which recently occurred at an Aust Kit Store, resulted in the total destruction of many thousands of kitbags and their contents, and partial loss of the contents of many others.

During the fire violent explosions occurred which indicate that ammunition had been deposited in kits. These explosions interfered with the firefighting and added to the spread of the conflagration.

This flagrant disregard of instructions has led to the destruction not only of a large quantity of Govt property, but also the personal possessions of troops which were left in their kits for safe keeping. The loss to the individual soldier is to be deplored and is viewed with grave concern.

Attention is directed to para 2 (a) of GRO Q 178/42 which reads :-

"No inflamables, explosives or loot of any description will be deposited in any kit store."

Severe disciplinary action will be taken against all ranks where this instruction is not complied with.

249. MEDICAL - BLOOD GROUPINGS. CRO 1478.

In future all Service blood groupings will be done by 110 (P) Mil Hosp instead of by 5 Aust Blood and Serum Preparation Unit.

Arrangements for collection of specimens should be made with Pathology department, 110 (P) Mil Hosp.

CRO 1479.

250. TRANSFER OF WAR EQUIPMENT TABLE SECTION TO DDOS 3 AUST CORPS STAFF.

War Equipment Table Section and control has recently been transferred from HQ 7 Aust Adv Ord Depot to DDOS Staff HQ 3 Aust Corps. (AIF).

Enquiries and information relative to WET Section may be obtained from the latter office.

251. TO FOLLOW ACTION VOL G 12s. CRO 1480.

"To Follow" action for items of VOL will be discontinued at 5 Aust Ord Veh Park as from 29 Feb 44 and deficiencies existing at that date and on current releases will be indented for by Units on the appropriate Ordnance Depot.

VOL items after issue will be recorded on ADOS, etc, formation and unit copies of G 12s as previously.

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252. AMMUNITION FOR TRAINING. CRO 1472.

An allotment of .380-in and .455-in Revolver Ammunition will be made to Units on the following scale :-

.380 10 rounds per .380 Pistol on unit charge.
.455 200 rounds per . 455Pistol on unit charge.

Sub-Units will submit requisitions through the normal channels quoting this order as an authority.

253. SUPPLIES FOR OFFICERS' AND SERGEANTS' MESSES AND UNIT CANTEENS. GRO Q 66.

Liquor.-

1. The Australian Army Canteens Service is the sole authority through which supplies of liquor for an officers' or sergeants' mess or unit canteen will be purchased.

2. The purchase of liquor for a mess or unit canteen through any other channel is prohibited.

3. In no circumstances, will liquor purchased in the name of an officers' or sergeants' mess be sold or disposed of to any person other than a member of such mess. Beer for sale in unit canteen will be purchased separately in the name of the Unit canteen requiring it.

Canteen Goods.

4. In no circumstances, will goods purchased from the Australian Army Canteens Service in the name of an Officers' or sergeants' mess be sold or disposed of to any person other than a member of such mess. Goods for sale in a Unit Canteen will be purchased separately in the name of the unit canteen requiring them.

254. WEARING OF SHORTS. GRO O 68.

1. Shorts will not be worn in tropical areas outside Australia or on the mainland of Australia north of 20° south latitude (excepting Northern Territory) or in Tasmania.

2. Shorts will be withdrawn from personnel stationed in, or before proceeding to, areas referred to in para 1 (except in Northern Territory).

255. LIQUOR AT ENTERTAINMENTS.

(a) It has been brought to notice that members have been carrying and drinking intoxicating liquor at the RAAF hanger whilst films are being shown.

(b) This practice will cease forthwith.

(c) It is to impressed on all ranks that intoxicating liquor may be taken only in the places provided (canteens etc) or elsewhere with the express permission of the CO or AADC

(d) Contravention of this order is an offence in respect of which disciplinary action will be taken.

256. PUGGAREES, WEB EQUIPMENT AND GAITERS. CRO 1473.

All white puggarees will be removed forthwith and replaced with Bands Hat Khaki unless unit arrangements can be made for such puggarees to be effectively dyed a khaki colour or replaced with khaki puggarees.

Owing to the prevalence of personnel wearing bleached equipment which is forbidden the attention of all Comds is directed to the instructions for cleaning contained in GRO O 657/42.

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257. PASSOVER LEAVE FOR HEBREW PERSONNEL. CRO 1474.

Leave may be granted under paragraph 28 of GRO A 598/43 to Hebrew members for the observance of the Jewish Passover. Where practicable, the leave will be of a duration which will enable the member to spend the time from sunset on 7 Apr until senset on 9 Apr at his home (or the nearest Syna gogue if the home is too far distant

258. TRAVEL BY TRAIN - CONDUCT OF SERVICE PERSONNEL. CRO 1475.

Attention is drawn to the dangerous practice of Service personnel walking along footboards of coaches while train is in motion.

On the night of 21 Feb 44 a member of the Defence Forces while attempting to do so, fell and sustained injuries which proved fatal.

Strong disciplinary action will be taken against any person found guilty of this offence.

259. RAILWAY DAM - MERREDIN. CRO 1476.

The Merredin Railway Dam is out of bounds to all troops. Bathing in this dam is strictly prohibited.

260. VEHICLES AT RAAF ON DUTY.

(a) The attention of all ranks is drawn to RAAF standing orders Part I para 16 (iv) which states :-

"Vehicles are NOT to be driven on runways taxiways or bituminised surface roads."

(b) It is to be noted that the area of the hanger and the track leading thereto are taxiways whilst an aircraft is there, and the only vehicle to proceed to the hanger is that of the AMF duty officer meeting the aircraft.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES. Serial No. 22.
Paras 261 - 270.
ROUTINE ORDERS PART I. 13 Mar. 44.

BY
Lt Col J.W. RHODEN E.D. RAA.
Comd 102 Aust AA Regt. (AIF)

261. GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING AMMUNITION. GRO O 51/44.

1. The attention of all ranks is drawn to the following extracts from the above GRO.

2. (a) Use of .45-in TSMG ammunition with .455-in MK VI revolver.

(i) Cases have been reported in which .455-in pistols, revolver Mk VI, have been damaged through the use of .45-in TSMG ammunition, which is a rimless type.

(ii) American manufactured .45-in Smith and Wesson revolvers have been issued to the service and the use of .45-in TSMG ammunition is permissible under certain circumstances namely, in conjunction with two small clips that are issued to retain the ammunition in the cylinder.

(iii) The .455-in pistol revolver, which is a standard service issue revolver, can only be used in conjunction with .455-in Mk VI ammunition. Its use with .45-in ammunition is expressly forbidden.

(b) Modification of .38-in pistols to fire 9-mm parabellum ammunition.

(i) Attempts to fire 9-mm parabellum SAA in .38-in pistols will result in barrel failures after approximately 25 rounds. Therefore, 9-mm SAA will not be fired from pistols of .38-calibre, nor will any modification be made to these pistols in order to make them accept 9-mm ammunition.

(ii) Disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

(c) Grenades, No 36M - destruction of blinds.

(i) Due to the possible occurrences of hangfires, as a result of slow burning fuzes, it is essential that an interval of fifteen minutes (not five minutes, as previously published) be allowed to elapse before action is taken to destroy blind 36M grenades.

(ii) An amendment to Small Arms Training, Volume I, Pamphlet No. 13, "Grenades", incorporating the above change to existing procedure, will be issued in the near future. In the meantime, action will be taken to ensure that this order is brought to the notice of all ranks.

(d) Ammunition - unauthorized tampering with :-

(i) A report recently received from an IOO shows conclusively that fuzes, percussion, DA No 251, fitted to 40 mm HE ammunition, had been tampered with whilst on issue to a unit. In each case where the fuze had been tampered with, prematures would definitely have occurred if the round had been fired.

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261. GENERAL INSTRUCTION REGARDING AMMUNITION. GRO O 51. (Cont).

(d) (ii) It cannot be too strongly stressed that on no account may ammunition of any nature be tampered with or dealt with by officers and other ranks of formations or units except as laid down in the authorized drill books, regulations or standing orders covering the subject. Commanding officers will be held responsible that this instruction is strictly complied with.
Failure to comply with this instruction must eventually lead to loss of life, efficiency and valuable equipment.

3. A certificate to the effect that GRO O 51/44 has been perused by all officers will be rendered to these HQ by 6 Apr 44.

4. The substance of this order will be impressed on all ranks.

262. RELEASE TO INDUSTRY.

(a) Reference is again made to CRO 1380 reproduced in RRO 177 on 4 Jan 44.

(b) It is pointed out that, although the information required by this RRO may be contained in a member's application, it must also appear in the report thereof.

(c) Serious prejudice has been caused, not only to adm staffs by continually having to refer applications back to sub-units; but to members whose applications are being forwarded because of the non-observance of the above referred to orders.

(d) Sub-unit comds should personally ensure that the adm personnel concerned thoroughly familiarise themselves with this order.

263. LINGUISTS. HQ RAA 3 Aust Corps. memo II/20893.

1. A return is required for record purposes, of all offrs and ORs who are proficient and capable of being used as interrogators and/or translators in the following languages :-

DUTCH, MALAY, JAPANESE, PORTUGUESE, (incl dialects).

2. Separate lists should be prepared under each of the following categories :-

(a) SPEAK FLUENTLY, READ and WRITE
(b) READ and WRITE.

3. Army number rank, name, nationality and age will be given with respect to each person listed under (a) and (b) above.

4. Return to reach these HQ by 7 Apr 44.

264. TIME LIMIT ON TRUNK LINE CALLS. CRO 1483.

Owing to the limited trunk line facilities available for Army use in Australia, it has been decided to restrict trunk line calls to a normal limit of six minutes, with a final extension of three minutes, where such is absolutely necessary.

265. ADDRESSES OF PROPHYLACTIC ABLUTION CENTRES : L OF C AREAS AND SUB AREAS. CRO 1486.

(a) Reference CRO 1315 of 23 Nov 43 and Appendix "A" issued therewith The Prophylactic Ablution Centre established at GERALDTON has been closed down.
(b) The following USN Prophylactic Stations will furnish prophylactic treatment to all AMF personnel in uniform.-

919 Hay Street, PERTH.
Queen Street, FREMANTLE.

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266. MEDICAL STORES - DEPOT STOCKTAKING. CRO 1487.

The WA L of C Area Depot of Med & Vet Stores will be closed for the issue and receipt of stores from 0530 hrs Tuesday 7 Mar to 0830 hrs Wednesday 15 Mar 44 inclusive. Urgent requirements only will be supplied.

267. SPEEDING OFFENCES. CRO 1489.

(a) Traffic checks for the month of Feb reveal the number of speeding offences to be extremely high.

(b) It is also noticed that COs of units show a tendency to treat this type of offence far too leniently.

(c) Speeding offences are not to be treated lightly and should be the subject of severe disciplinary action.

268. RETURN OF ACQUITTED ORDNANCE ISSUE VOUCHERS. CRO 1490.

(a) The failure of sub-units to acquit and return promptly the No.3 copy of the Issue Vouchers is causing concern and a great deal of inconvenience to Internal Checking Section of 7 Aust Adv Ord Depot.

(b) OsC of sub-units will ensure that all outstanding vouchers are acquitted immediately and that no delay occurs in returning No. 3 Copy of the Issue Voucher (AF G982D) through ADOS etc as soon as the stores concerned have been received.

269. COMMUNICATIONS : USE OF SIGNAL EQUIPMENT.

(a) Telephones.

(i) The efficient functioning of communications with the limited equipment available presents considerable difficulty and therefore, it behoves every individual to use same with the utmost economy and intelligence.

(ii) Owing to the fact that party lines have to be installed in certain areas, it is possible that on certain occasions 2 or more persons may be waiting to use the line, and if protracted and pointless conversations go on, efficiency must be impaired.

(iii) It is requested that, before ringing a subscriber on a party line, the phone is raised to the ear to ensure that no others are using the line at the time. If the telephone is rung whilst two others are using the line, they will become automatically cut off.

(iv) When ringing the phone, short rings with a distinct pause between should be used. This saves confusion as to how many rings there actually were.

(b) ABC 2128.

(i) Many instructions have from time to time been issued on the use of the message form; but it is apparent that they are being disregarded.

(ii) The most common errors are :-

(a) Reference to a former message in the text instead of in the space "In Reply To Number".
(b) Placing of full stops at end of text.
(c) Verbosity in compilation.
(d) Lack of originator's number and time or origin.
(e) Faulty time designations. e.g. at 0900 on 20 Mar 44 instead of : at 200900H.

(c) The above instruction will be impressed on all ranks and particularly those personnel manning switchboards.

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270. COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF'S CARD.

The Commander-in-Chief, Australian Military Forces, awarded "Commander-in-Chief's Card" to the undermentioned member of this unit for acts of bravery and distinguished service in the South-West Pacific Area during 1943.-

VX 25419 Gnr. AMPT. M.A.

Lt. Adjt.
for Lt Col.
Comd 102 Aust AA Regt. (AIF).
N.G. SAMSON.

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART I. 28 Mar 44.

War Diary

BY
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271. AMENDMENT TO ASO's. CRO 1496.

Chapter 15, Para 10.

Delete Sub Para (A(i)) and substitute the following :-

(A) (i) The officer commanding will submit to ADOS, etc, fourteen days prior to the day of firing, an indent in quadruplicate for sufficient SAA to fire all required practices, for checking against unit entitlement for the current period. Three copies will then be forwarded to the Range Superintendent. No requisition for Trg Amn will be recognised by him unless certified by ADOS etc., as being within the unit entitlement for the current period.

Chapter 15, Para 10.

Delete Sub Para (D) and substitute the following :-

(D) Units will not carry more than three months trg amn at any time, and any trg amn in excess of entitlement will be immediately returned to the depot except in the case of a unit intending to fire practices on the SWANBOURNE Rifle Range where up to six months entitlement may be allowed.

272. ADDRESSING OF OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE. CRO 1497.

Units should take particular care to see that the correct Postal address is shown at the head of all correspondence, particularly in the case of Units using fixed addresses. Any variation whatsoever will cause delay in delivery.

Units using fixed addresses are :-

FIXED DEFENCES, TRAINING UNITS, HOSPITALS AND ALL/OTHER STATIONARY ESTABLISHMENTS. (See CRO Q 174/1942.).

The same care is also required in the addressing of envelopes for despatching of mail.

273. CARE IN THE USE OF OFFICE CLAG. CRO 1498.

A brand of "Clag" which is at present in use contains as a preservative a small amount of a certain chemical to which some skins are sensitive. Frequent contact of those skins with the "Clag" may lead to irritation or to the development of a rash. This is more prone to occur when the paste is permitted to dry on the skin. It is desired, therefore, that personnel should exercise particular care not to allow the "Clag" to come into contact with the skin of their fingers and at all times, when applying "Clag" to any surface, to use the brush supplied for the purpose.

274. ARMY XMAS BOOK. GRO G 76.

1. As the demand for the 1943 Army Xmas Book (Khaki and Green) has reached the maximum number than can be produced, further orders will not be placed by members.

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274. 1943 ARMY XMAS BOOK. GRO G 78 (Cont).

2. Orders which have been received by the Officer-in-charge, Military History Section, or which are now in transit will be delivered in their turn as quickly as supplies can be obtained from the printer.

3. After orders now in transit have been received, the Officer-in-charge, Military History Section, will furnish to units which have placed orders a forecast of the dates of delivery of orders which have not yet been despatched.

275. REPORTING OF ACCIDENTS. GRO Q 83.

1. Where the driver of an Army vehicle is concerned in an accident, he will forthwith report particulars of the accident to his unit by the most expeditious means available. This report will be made in all cases, irrespective of the amount of damage either to the army vehicle or to the other vehicle, person or property concerned in the accident.

2. The accident, if it involves damage however slight to any civilian vehicle, person or property, will be reported to a member of the police force or, if no member of the police force is at the scene of the accident, to the nearest police station.

3. The report of the accident to the civil police will be in accordance with the following pro forma :-

Report of accident to be furnished to the Civil Police.

Particulars of accident.

(1) Army number, rank, name and unit of driver concerned -

.....

(2) Number of army vehicle concerned.....

(3) Date of Accident.....

(4) Time of Accident.....

(5) Place of accident (stating street or other suitable landmark.

.....

(6) Nature of accident.....
(e.g., collision, running down pedestrian, etc).

(7) Names and addresses, if known, of any other person and the registered numbers of any other vehicles involved in the accident.....

(8) Names of any witnesses of the accident (including military personnel) if required by State Law.....

4. Each HQ L of C area will ensure that a short statement of the Motor and Traffic Laws, applicable to its area and relating to the reporting of accidents by the drivers of motor vehicles, is compiled, and will issue copies thereof to all formations in or moving in to its area. Such formation will ensure that the contents of such statement are brought to the notice of all drivers of motor vehicles under their command.

5. The driver of other member of the forces concerned in or witnessing the accident will not give any information other than as particularised above to the police or any other person or sign any statement unless the law of the State in which the accident occurred requires it. Drivers will make themselves familiar with and comply with the law of the State in which they are stationed, insofar as it relates to the notification of accidents and the giving of information concerning them.

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275. REPORTING OF ACCIDENTS. GRO Q 83 (Cont).

6. It is imperative that the substance of this order be impressed on all drivers.

276. WOUND STRIPES. GRO O 86.

1. The wearing of wound stripes by members of the AMF, in accordance with this order, is authorised.

2. For the purpose of this order, a member will be deemed to be wounded only if he is listed as wounded in unit routine orders, Part II, in a classification establishing the wound as a battle casualty.

3. One gold stripe may be worn to denote each occasion on which a member is wounded during the present war.

4. One red stripe may be worn to denote a wound or wounds received during previous wars. Only one such red stripe may be worn, irrespective of the number of occasions on which the member was wounded.

5. When wound stripes are worn, they will comply with the following:-

(a) they will be embroidered, $1\frac{7}{8}$ inches long and 5/32 inch wide;

(b) they may be worn on shirts and safari jackets having long sleeves, greatcoats and cloth and drill jackets;

(c) they will be vertical and $\frac{1}{4}$ inch apart and placed centrally on the outer side of the left sleeve;

(d) on officers' pattern jackets, the lower end of the stripes will be one inch above the point of the cuff;

(e) on other articles of clothing on which they may be worn the lower end of the stripes will be four inches above the bottom of the sleeve;

(f) when a red stripe is worn, it will be the rearmost;

(g) only wound stripes as issued will be worn;

(h) the scale of issue will be as promulgated in GRO O 205/43.

6. Indents for wound stripes may be submitted to ordnance depots through the normal channels.

277. DISCS, IDENTITY, STAINLESS STEEL. GRO O 87.

1. (a) Stainless steel identity discs will be issued to and worn by all ranks of the AMF, instead of identity discs made of compressed fibre. Units will immediately submit indents for the number required.

(b) Compressed fibre identity discs will continue to be attached to respirators.

2. Compressed fibre identity discs will be withdrawn from members at the time of issue of stainless steel identity discs and will then be burnt under the supervision of an officer.

3. Identity discs will be worn only on the cord provided or on a leather lace. Beads or chains used for identity discs are likely to be "souvenired" by the enemy, resulting in complete loss of identity discs.

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278. MECHANICAL VEHICLES - USE OF GEARS AS BRAKES. GRO 0 89.

1. The practice of approaching at high speed and then changing down to a lower gear, while still at comparatively high speed, in order to obtain the necess ary deceleration when slowing down for any purpose, e.g. stopping, entering gateways, negotiating corners etc., is still prevalent.

This practice, which is forbidden, produces excessive engine speeds, causes unnecessary strain on the vehicle transmission system and is a contributing factor to rapid tyre wear.

279. TECH STORES : ACCURATE DATA SHOWING HOLDINGS OF.

1. (a) For some time now wkshop sections have had difficulty in preparing reports, locating and inspecting sub-unit equipment, due to insufficient information from "Q" Sections as to the number and type of equipment the Battery actually has in the area.

2. (a) All sub-units will forthwith prepare a schedule showing the detail of equipment held as at 31 Mar 44 on the following lines :-

(i) No of rifles held (to include Marks and Types).
No of SMGs (Austen, Thompson, Owen, etc).
No of AA LMGs (Bren or Lewis, etc).
AA Equipments (3.7", 40mm).
GLs.
No of Gen Sets (2.75 KVA, 15 KVA).
No of Cables.
No of Binoculars.
No of Compasses.
No of Pistols (.38, .45, 32)
No of Watches (GS and Stop).
etc.

(ii) ALL EQUIPMENT TO SHOW NUMBERS AND MARKS (if any), and holdings against WE Entitlements.

(b) (i) The number of rifles held to be shown with other equipment and supported by a list showing Rifle No and name of soldier to whom issued.

(ii) Vehicles need only be shown thus :-

VEHICLE No.	TYPE	WE	HELD	MAKE
67404	15-cwt 4x4	4	2	CVT

3. OsC wkshop sections will verify statements, and arrange that monthly amendments to lists be made in writing on 28th day of each month.

4. The above requirements will be prepared in duplicate, one copy to HQ 102 Aust AA Regt Wkshop, and the other to the particular wkshop section functioning with the sub-unit.

5. These HQ to be advised of action complete by 25 Apr 44.

Lt.
C/a. .....for Lt Col.
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ROUTINE ORDERS PART I. 23 Mar 44.

BY
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280. LEAVE CREDITS. GRO 1502.

(a) Attention is drawn to GRO A 598/43, para 4, and para 22 as amended in GRO's issued 5 Nov 43.
(b) It is emphasised that leave credits under abovequoted paras accrue only for period of service in SWP Zone.
(c) All sub-units of 102 Aust AA Regt will have leave records checked and adjusted and advise this HQ action complete by signal not later than 6 Apr 44.

281. ACCRUED ANNUAL RECREATION LEAVE AND HOLIDAYS : GRO 598/43 Part X. CRO 1503.

(a) The practice of forwarding AAFs A 88 to DRO for checking as to leave entitlement of FTD personnel will cease forthwith. No difficulty should be experienced in computing entitlement of leave under GRO 598/43 Part X from Sub unit records.
(b) It will be noted that only those personnel who were called up for FTD prior to 14 Apr 42 and members of the PMF are entitled to leave under this section.

282. PROFICIENCY PAY. CRO 1505.

(a) It would appear that some delay has occurred in the payment of proficiency pay pursuant to GRO F 660/43. This delay may be attributable to units not taking action to test personnel in accordance with GRO G 769/43 or not furnishing the necessary casualty returns. It is also possible that delay has occurred in DRO's in regard to the promulgation of Part II orders.
(b) In order that no further delay may occur, LHQ approval has been given to anticipate amendments to GRO G 769/43 to provide that :-

(i) A soldier will be entitled to proficiency pay under the provisions of the abovementioned GRO, if his CO certifies that he is proficient in the duties allotted to him in the Arm or Branch of the Service to which he belongs.
(ii) A soldier who is granted proficiency pay in accordance with the foregoing provision, will be required to pass a prescribed examination at the first available opportunity after the date of being granted proficiency pay. If a soldier fails to pass the prescribed examination, his proficiency pay will cease as from the date of such failure and will not be restored until he qualifies.

(c) Casualty Returns will be submitted by units showing the names and regimental particulars of members whom the CO has certified to be proficient, and specifying the date upon which the payment of proficiency pay is to commence. (LHQ 34783).

283. WAR SCALES OF CLOTHING AND NECESSARIES FOR ALL RANKS ON FULL TIME DUTY - AMF (Other than Women's Services). CRO 1506.

Amendments to GRO C 205/43, as amended, War Scales of Clothing and Necessaries as above, may be anticipated as follows :-

(a) Anklets Web
Note "(b)" . delete and insert instead.
"(b) Gaiters SD will be issued in lieu until stocks are exhausted to personnel in units of L of C Areas in AUSTRALIA excluding NORTHERN TERRITORY."

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283. WAR SCALES OF CLOTHING AND NECESSARIES FOR ALL RANKS ON FULL TIME DUTY - AMF (Other than Women's Services). GRO 1506 (Cont).

(b) Shirts, Military, worsted.
Note "(q)" - delete and insert instead.

"(q) In Winter months shirts, khaki, worsted, with detached collar, will be issued in lieu until stocks are exhausted. In Summer months [illegible] may be issued under Scale "A" in lieu of shirts, military, khaki. Will not be issued to personnel in possession of shirts, flannel, grey or shirts, khaki, worsted, with detached collar, until these last are due for replacement.

284. WAR SCLAES OF CLOTHING AND NECESSARIES FOR ALL RANKS (MALE) ON FULL TIME DUTY (INCLUDING VDC) - AMF. GRO 1507.

(a) Revised scales are shortly to be published which will consolidate GRO's, as amended, dealing with scales as above and with the disposal of clothing on movement from one area to another.
(b) Publications of these scales and cancellation of GRO O 612/43 "Jackets, SD, Trousers SD, and Greatcoats - Deposit in Kit Stores", may be anticipated in respect of the following instructions which will apply forthwith.
(c) Clothing - Disposal of surplus on movement from areas where Scale "A" applies to areas where Scale "B" applies.

(i) When personnel are to proceed to areas where Scale "B" (Tropical) Scale of Clothing and Necessaries applies, each member will place articles of other than service origin in his Bag, kit universal.
(ii) Each member will place his surplus Scale "A" clothing, viz :-

Greatcoat	1	Singlets, wool	2
Jacket, SD	1	Drawers, wool	2 prs.
Trousers, SD	1 pr.		

in a sandbag, Where issue of additional jacket and trousers SD, or jacket SD and breeches MS, has been made, such garments will be returned to RSD.

(iii) To each Bag, kit, universal and Sandbags will be attached a label (A.F W 3387) on which will appear member's Army No., Rank, Name and Unit. Each article of clothing placed in the sandbag will be clearly marked with the Army No. only of the owner. A packing Slip (AAB 66) showing his Army No., Rank, Name and Unit, and a list of the articles enclosed, will be placed by each member in the sandbag.
(iv) Units will be responsible that Bags, kit, universal and Sandbags are deposited with Aust Kit Stores in accordance with GRO Q 178/42. The surplus Scale "A" clothing contained in the sandbag will be dry cleaned or laundered before return to the individual.
(v) Where an individual soldier or small party is being moved to such areas, the last GDD, RRD, ARD or LTD through which the soldier or small party passes will ensure that the items referred to are dealt with as in sub-para (c) (ii) and (iii) above and not carried forward with the manner handed in to RSDs.

(d) Clothing - Issues of Scale "A" to personnel proceeding from Tropical areas.

(i) Personnel proceeding from areas where Scale "B" applies, on duty, leave or transfer to areas where Scale "A" applies, will obtain clothing previously deposited with Aust Kit Stores and will receive items of clothing and necessaries to bring their issues up to Scale "A" after taking into consideration articles deposited with Aust Kit Stores.
(ii) Issues will be made from unit stocks, if stocks are held, or from an RRD, ARD, LTD or Staging Camp.

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284. WAR SCALES OF CLOTHING AND NECESSARIES FOR ALL RANKS (MALE) ON FULL TIME DUTY (INCLUDING VDC) - AMF. (CRO 1507) (Cont).

(d) Clothing - Issues of Scale "A" to personnel proceeding from Tropical areas. (Cont).

(iii) Issues will not be made from unit stocks unless climatic conditions at the point of departure approximate to those existing at the time in the area to which personnel are proceeding.

(iv) If issues have not been made from unit stocks they will not be made until personnel reach an RRD, ARD, LTD or Staging Camp where climatic conditions approximate to those existing at the same time in the area to which personnel are proceeding. (LHQ B 14634).

285. DRESS ON LEAVE. CRO 1501.

ASO 8/3 and RRO 181 are cancelled and the following is substituted :-

"3. (a) Summer Dress and Winter Dress as defined in Appendix "A" hereof will be worn by all ranks of AMF at times and on occasions stated therein.

(b) Comds will inspect all troops proceeding on leave and ensure that -

(i) Personnel are wearing the prescribed dress;
(ii) Leave is NOT granted to personnel whose turnout is slovenly;
(iii) Badges and colour patches as authorised are worn correctly;
(iv) Hats are not creased or dented in other than the prescribed manner;
(v) Personnel on leave who have been given special authority to depart from standard dress for medical reasons have
vi See Addendum. such authority entered in AAB 83 and signed by CO.
(vii) Jerseys pullover, khaki, if worn, are worn over shirt but jerseys pullover, navy, if worn, are under shirt. Belt always outside.

(c) Provost and picquets are directed to take immediate action in respect of personnel improperly dressed.

(d) Uniform will be worn by all ranks of AMF at all times when on duty and on leave, except when actively participating in sport.

(e) Medal and decoration and service ribbons will be worn on all occasions on outer garment except greatcoats and raincoats.

(f) Caps will not be worn on leave except by Officers and WOs who may wear Caps SD Officers pattern. Caps SD ORs (DRs and MT Dvrs only) are intended for use on duty only.

(g) Ties will only be worn by Officers (except that WOs (1) PMF may wear ties when wearing KD or SD officers pattern).

(h) Bands, hat, khaki or khaki puggarees only will be worn with hats khaki fur felt. Disciplinary action is to be taken against offenders, in this direction.

(i) Web equipment or any part of it which has been whitened or bleached is not to be worn."

286. ANSWERING TELEPHONES.

(a) In order to assist callers, it is requested that, when answering a telephone, the name, appointment or sub-unit which the member represents be given. e.g.

(i) RHQ answering; or
(ii) Lieut SMITH answering; or
(iii) Orderly Officer answering.

(b) The practice of using the word "Hello" when answering a phone call will be discontinued.

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287. DYE FOR BLEACHED PUGGAREES.

Permission is given for the purchase with moneys from Sub-unit Trust A/c of suitable dye for the purpose of dyeing light colored puggarees khaki.

288. WATER CONTAINERS : VEHS.

1. In order to ensure that the water carried in containers on vehs is changed regularly the water will be emptied from them at each weekly inspection.

2. Officers inspecting vehicles are responsible that para 1 is effected.

ADDENDUM

DRESS ON LEAVE. CRO 1501.

(b) (vi) Personnel proceeding on leave in day wear are in possession of necessary articles of night wear when such leave expires after 2000 hrs or are wearing dress prescribed for night wear.

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NOTICES.

STOLEN.

Stolen from 18 Stirling Street PERTH 27 - 28 Feb 44 civilian push cycle Reg No 753 - Blue Bird make painted black, handle bars turned down, red rubber grips, property of W 243370 Cpl MONTEITH 5 Aust L of C Provost Coy.

May be located near a Military Camp in Metropolitan area. Information to DAPM W Aust L of C Area.

LOST.

Between PERTH and COLLIE via Coast Road, one Belt Web marked NX 86457 PAULING. T. Finder advise HQ 1 Aust Armd Bde.

STOLEN PROPERTY RECOVERED.

Binoculars, German 1.
Watch, Gents, Silver wristlet, 1 said to have been stolen from a camp in vicinity of Naval Base.

Will be returned to owners on proof of ownership.
Apply DAPM WA L of C Area.

RIFLES LOST AND FOUND.

(a) LOST :

Rifle No.	Unit.	Lost at.
20947	15 Aust Mot Regt.	Pt Walter.
P61287	11 Aust Tk A Regt.	Swanbourne Rifle Range.
C21907	112 Aust Tk A Regt.	Pt Walter.
96117 & P86078	2/11 Aust Armd Car Regt.	
8894	104 Aust Tk A Regt.	
Bolt only 3730	2/10 Aust Armd Regt.	COLLIE.

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SUMMER DRESS.

1 OCT - 30APR (Both dates inclusive - subject to alteration).

APPENDIX "A" to CRO 1501.

Dress No.	Articles.	By whom worn.	Occasions when worn	Remarks.
No. 1 Shirts & Shorts (By day)	Caps SD Offrs. Hats (a) or Beret (e) Shirts, khaki. Jackets, Safari (h) Shorts, KD (d) Hose tops or stockings. Puttees, short; anklets, web or gaiters Belts, waist WE Boots AB.	Offrs, WOs I and II All ranks.	On leave to 2000 hrs.	Hats down. Sleeves rolled up.
No. 2. Shirts & Trousers (By day)	Caps SD Offrs. Hat (a) or Beret (e) Shirt, Khaki (c) Jackets safari (h) Trousers, KD (b) (d) Belts, waist WE Belts, waist, Sam Browne Boots AB. Tie (optional).	Offrs, WOs I and II All ranks. Offrs. & WOs 1. All ranks. Offrs.	On leave to 2000 hrs.	Hats down Sleeves up or down. Officers only may wear shoes. Officers only may wear shoes. Tie will be worn at dinner in mess.
No. 3. Shirts & Trousers (By night)	Caps, SD Offrs. Hat (a) or Beret (e) Jackets, safari. Shirt, khaki (c) Trousers, KD (b) (d) Belts, waist WE Belts, waist Sam Browne (g) Boots, AB Shoes. Tie.	Offrs, WOs I and II All ranks. Offrs. All Ranks. Offrs. Offrs.	On leave after 2000 hrs.	Hats up. Buttoned up at neck and with long sleeves rolled down/sleeves Tie will be worn at dinner in mess.
No. 4. Officers Pattern.	Caps, SD Offrs or Berets (e) Jackets, KD Belts WE or Sam Browne (g) Trousers KD Boots or shoes Shirt, khaki Collar and tie.	Offrs and WOs I (PMF) only	Will be worn by officers on all formal occasions, at official functions and when dining in hotels etc and WOs I (PMF) at all times when on leave.	With shoulder strap on formal occasions may be worn by officers

WINTER DRESS.

1 MAY - 30 SEPT (Both dates inclusive - subject to alteration.

Dress No.	Articles.	By whom worn.	Occasions when worn.	Remarks.
No. 1.	Caps, SD Offrs.	Offrs, WOs I & II		
	Hat (a) or Beret (e)	)		Hats up.
	Jacket, SD	)		
	Trousers, SD.	) All Ranks.	At all times whilst on leave.	
	Belt, Waist web	)		
	Belt, Same Browne (g)	Offrs, WOs I		
	Anklets, web (f)	) All		
	Boots, AB	) Ranks.		Offrs only may wear shoe in lieu of Boots AB and Anklets web.
No. 2.	Officers Pattern uniform may be worn on leave by Officers and WOs I (PMF) as an alternative dress as laid down by unit comds. On formal occasions this dress will be worn by all officers.			

(a) Horsed Cav units will wear Emu feathers 4" wide and reaching top of hat.
(b) For trousers KD substitute trousers AFV pattern with anklets web in Armd Formations.
(c) For shirt, khaki substitute shirt worsted and blouse AFV Pattern alternative in Armd Formation.
(d) For shorts khaki and trousers KD substitute Breeches Khaki (officers) and/or Breeches MS with leggings and spurs alternative in Horsed Cav units.
(e) As authorised for Armd Formations.
(f) Anklets web are optional for officers.
(g) Belts, Sam Browne may be worn by officers and WOs I as an alternative to Web, cloth or cotton belt vide GRO 794/43.
(h) Refer GRO A 606/42 as to who may wear. Jackets safari will not be worn at dinner in Officers' Messes but may be worn in Camp at night if buttoned up at neck and with long sleeves.

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART I.
BY
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289. ADVANCES OR OVERDRAWALS OF PAY. GRO F 101.

A sub-unit paying officer or pay representative will not make any payment that will cause the overdrawing of a member's pay book, except as set out hereunder :-

(a) A member whose paybook is overdrawn may be paid within the limit of the restricted drawing rate which has been endorsed in the paybook by a member of the AAPC.

(b) A formation paymaster or a depot paymaster may overpay a member to the extent of 75% of any estimated claim for travelling allowance on the written authority of the member's CO, and such overpayment will be adjusted by the member on payment of his claim for travelling allowance.

(c) A member proceeding on leave of more than 72 hours may be paid in advance against his credit earnings calculated to the date of expiration of such leave.

(d) A member may be paid in advance in special circumstances (for example, prior to embarkation or upon disembarkation) where such payment is authorised by instructions issued by LHQ. In exceptional circumstances, an advance against the security of deferred pay may be made where the necessary approval has been obtained in accordance with instructions issued by the Chief Finance Officer.

290. APPLICATION OF CLOTHES RATIONING TO THE ARMY. GRO F 102.

Reports from the Director of Rationing indicate that his Deputy Directors in the various States are still receiving applications for clothing coupons direct from individual members of the AMF. Such applications are contrary to GRO F 422/1943 and will cease. Personnel placed in circumstances of extreme necessity will follow the procedure laid down in that order.

291. PROVOST UNITS - COMPLETION TO WE CRO 1512.

It is advised that sufficient suitable volunteers for Aust Army Pro Corps have been selected. No further applications for transfer vide CRO 1265 of 26 Oct 43 are therefor required.

292. LEAVE : EASTER- 1944. CRO 1513

(a) Subject to operational requirements and such parades as may be deemed necessary for administrative purposes, Easter Friday (Good Friday), 7 Apr 44, will be observed as an additional rest day. Sufficient personnel will be retained on duty to enable all HQs to function.

(b) Personnel retained for duty on Easter Friday may be permitted to take Easter Saturday 8 Apr 44, or Easter Monday 10 Apr 44, as a rest day in lieu. (LHQ 35519)

293. PROTECTION OF SALVAGE MATERIALS. CRO 1527.

(a) In order to effect the maximum utilization of salvage materials such as tentage, clothing and other textiles, it is essential that they should be thoroughly dried before despatch and maintained in a dry condition during all stages of handling.

(b) In some cases proper care has not been taken, with the result that quantities of salvage materials have been rendered unfit for further use

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293. PROTECTION OF SALVAGE MATERIALS CRO 1517 (cont)

(c) The collection and proper handling of the maximum quantity of salvage materials is of extreme importance and co-operation of Formations and units is sought, to ensure that such materials are given as much protection and care in handling as operational conditions permit.

294. OUT OF BOUNDS - HOTEL PREMISES. CRO 1514.

The Rock Hotel, Bulla Bulling, has been placed out of bounds to all troops.

295. RETURN OF VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT TO ORDNANCE. CRO 1515.

(a) Over recent months an alarming amount of unnecessary work has had to be undertaken in Ord Veh Parks and RSD due to the failure of units to comply with CRO 923/43 .
(b) It is again stressed that before any equipment on charge to a unit is returned to RSD or any Ord Depot, or transferred to another unit, arrangements will be made for it to be inspected by an EME whose sentence should appear on the relevant G 1033s.
(c) In the case of vehicles being returned to Veh Park, these must in all cases be accompanied by a Veh Inspection Report (G4), carefully made out, showing final classification and signed by the inspecting EME.
(d) Wherever possible, vehicles and equipment should be passed through workshops prior to being returned to Ordnance. Units will also ensure that normal unit maintenance has been carried out before such vehicles or equipment are sent to workshops or returned to store.
(e) OCs sub units will be held responsible for ensuring strict compliance with this instruction.

296. RETURNABLE CONTAINERS. CRO 1516.

(a) Attention is drawn to CRO 780.
(b) Some units are still returning these containers to salvage. This practice is to cease immediately, and salvage depots have been instructed NOT to accept any such returnable containers from other than Supply Depots.
(c) OsC sub units will ensure that the above instruction is complied with, and debits raised for non return of containers will become a charge against the sub unit in all cases where this is not done.

297. EXPENSE STORES : TOILET PAPER. CRO 1518

Commencing 1 Apr 44 Scale of issue of Toilet Paper will be:)

3 rolls (of 500 sheets) per 200 men per day
12 rolls (of 500 sheets) per 200 female personnel per day.

298. MOVEMENT BY AIR TO NORTH WEST. CRO 1519.

All personnel proceeding to or from Northern Sector by Air will carry a cut meal, or meals, as necessary in accordance with the time of journey. Water bottles will be carried full.

299. TRAVEL CLAREMONT AND PERTH TO GERALDTON. CRO 1520

Personnel on leave or duty must utilize the accommodation arranged for service personnel on MIDLAND Railway Coy on Mondays Wednesdays and Thursdays of each week. Unless arranged with this HQs personnel will NOT travel to GERALDTON by the WONGAN HILLS Train.

300. DISCOUNTS : AA CANTEENS SERVICE. CRO 1521.

On and after 1 April 1944 Officers' and Sergeants' messes will receive 5% discount instead of 7½% as hitherto. Unit canteens will continue to receive 5% discount. Supplementary Rations will remain on the 7½% discount and are to be the only sales receiving this rate of discount.

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301. CITRUS JUICES - PEELING OF LACQUER IN TINS. CRO 1522.

(a) In the manufacture of canned lemon, orange, grape-fruit juices, and their blends, various amounts of oil from the peel are introduced into the juice.
(b) When the proportion of peel oil is unduly high, it may soften the internal lacquer of the cans and cause it to strip off.
(c) If any canned juices are found containing pieces of lacquer, such juice should not be discarded but should be strained and consumed (providing it is otherwise wholesome), as the lacquer is not toxic and does not effect the flaver and nutritional properties of the juice.

302. TYRES & TUBES - RETURN OF TO RSD. CRO 1526.

(a) In many instances, tyres and tubes are still being returned to RSD for inspection without tags for return tyres being attached.
(b) The attention of all sub units is drawn to GRO 0.452/43, para 2, which states:-
"The tags (G155) will be firmly fixed to all tyres returned by units to ordnance depots for inspection and/or repair."
(c) It is important that this practice and procedure be carried out, and where necessary sub units should requisition for supplies of tags from Stationery Depots.
(d) Tags (AAF G155) will be filled in with ink only as it has been found that details written in pencil become obliterated during transit.

Lieut Adjt.
for Lt Col.
Comd 102 Aust AA Regt (AIF).
N.G. SAMSON.

DISTRIBUTION.

C.O.)
Adjt)
BHQ and "A" Tp 151 Aust Lt AA Bty
"B" Tp 151 Aust Lt AA Bty
BHQ and "B" Tp 152 Aust Lt AA Bty
"A" Tp 152 Aust Lt AA Bty
BHQ and "B" Tp 140 Aust Hy AA Bty
"A" Tp 140 Aust Hy AA Bty
Sig Sec attached
Worshop
R.S.M.
D.R.O.
R.Q.M.
RHQ Notice Board.
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File.

(3) NOTICE.

(3) LOST:- In the vicinity of HQ "A" Troop 152 Aust Lt AA
(3) Bty one watch wristlet gents gold, octagonal shape. Finder please return to
(4) Lieut D.C. JENKINS.

(2)

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

RHQ 102 Aust
..10/..44 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 4 / 3 /194 4 AA Regt. (AIF) (Unit)

W.E.111/25/2. OFFRS. 5 O.R's. 35 + OFFRS. 2 O.R's. 8 ATT. BY W.E.

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'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.
			1	Lieut.-Colonels					
	1			Majors					
	1	-	1	Captains	A.A.M.C.	1			
		1	2	Lieutenants	A.A.Ch.D.	1			
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
NR	2	1	4			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.
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).	A*	A Class.	6									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).
VX 36241	Capt.	BIDSTRUP. R.A.	LHQ Sch of Arty Course No. 47.
VX 14121	Major	DYER. K.	" " " " " " 54.

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 4 / 3 /194 4. (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1 Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	2 Army Number.	3 Surname.	4 Initials.	5 Posting.	6 Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	7 If not present with Unit, state how employed.	8 Date of Detachment.
Lt Col	VX 13726	RHODEN.	J.W.	C.O.	Yes.		
				2 i/c	No.	"X" List.	
Lieut.	VX117227	SAMSON.	N.C.	Adjt	Yes.		
Lieut T/Capt.	VX111045	FINCHAM.	G.B.	RQM	Yes.		
Lieut.	VX112068	BIRD.	A.L.	I.O.	"		
Capt.	WX 33485	TOMLINSON.	W.F.	RMO	Yes.		
Chaplain 4th Class.	TX 687	PITHER.	K.	Padre	"		

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.
Lieut T/Capt	WX33890	DAVISON. G.R.	109 Aust Lt AA Regt.		SUPERNUMERARY AUTH : HQ RAA 3 Aust Corps memo IB/18222 of 27 Nov 43

4 Mar 44.
Date of Despatch

Lieut.
Adjt 102 Aust AA Regt. (AIF).
Signature of Commander

Truth—7/43.

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

RHQ 102 Aust AA
10 / 44 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 4 / 3 /1944 Regt. (AIF). (Unit)

W.E. 111 / 25 / 2. OFFRS. 5 O.R's. 35 + OFFRS. 2 O.R's. 8 ATT. BY W.E.
Plus Canteen L/Sgt.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.					ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.	DETAIL.	Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
			1	W.Os. Class I.	A.A.M.C.	2			
				W.Os. Class II.	A.A.C.C.	3			
				Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.	A.A.P.C.	1			
			1	Staff Sergeants	POSTAL.	1			
			4	Sergeants	A.A.O.C.	1			
			4	Corporals					
*		2	28	Troopers, Privates, etc.					
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
NR *	-	2	38 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		8 *			*

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation 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.K. Forces, 10 N.Z. Forces.

Detail		A.I.F.	C.M.P. Under 19 Years.	C.M.P. 19 Years and over.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
A	Class 36	—		9				[redacted]	[redacted]		46
B	Class 1										
	B(1)										
	B(2)						[redacted]				

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.

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).

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PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 4 / 3 /1944.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfts. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfts. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfts. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfts. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				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				Rangetakers			
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				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computors								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	1	1	
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors	2	2	
Dispensors				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. 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 Mod.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				R.S.M.	1	1	
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers	1	1		S/Sgt FCIA	1	1	
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	5	5		Sgt.	1	1	
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply				Batman.	3	4	(a)
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				" Dvrs.	5	5	
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers				Dvrs M.T.	5	5	
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors				Hyg Duty	1	1	
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks				T'phonists	3	3	
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies				M.C.Os.	5	6	
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				[redacted]			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				Gen Duties	-	1	
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				Cant L/Sgt	1	1	
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics	1	- NR		ATT W.E.			
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant				A.A.M.C.	2	2	
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.				A.A.C.C.	3	3	
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers				A.A.O.C.	1	1	
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers				A.A.P.C.	1	1	
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates				POSTAL.	1	1	
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD	7	6		Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	44	46 *	*

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorized trades or specialists 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. "Reinfts. 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.

4 Mar 44.
Date of Despatch

Lieut.
Adjt 102 Aust AA Regt. (AIF).
Signature of Commander

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(a) Batman to Supernumerary Officer.

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

44/5 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 4/3/1944. 151 BTY. 102 AUST AA REGT (AIF) (Unit)

W.E. 111/25/2. OFFRS. 7 O.R's. 209 + OFFRS. - O.R's. 9 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.					ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.	DETAIL.	Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
				W.Os. Class I.	AACC	8	-	-	
	1	-	2	W.Os. Class II.	AAMC	1	-	-	
	-	-	1	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
				Staff Sergeants					
	3	-	13	Sergeants					
	1	-	13	Corporals					
	4	-	171	Troopers, Privates, etc.					
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
*	9	-	200 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		9 *	-	-	*

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation 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.K. Forces, 16 N.Z. Forces.

Detail		A.I.P.	C.M.P. Under 19 Years.	C.M.P. 19 Years and over.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
A	CLASS	178		31				[redacted]	[redacted]		209.
B(1)											
B(2)							[redacted]				

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.

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).

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Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfts. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfts. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfts. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfts. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				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				Rangetakers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters		1	(a)	Rivetters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computors								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	1	1	-
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd'rs. 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)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				PSM. Wo II	1	1	-
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers				TSM Wo II	2	1	NR.
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	4	3	NR.	BAMS.	1	1	-
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply				SECTION SGTS	4	3	NR.
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator	24	8	NR	Clerks, Technical				GUN SGTS.	12	10	NR.
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers				GUN BDRS.	12	11	NR.
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors				BDR. M.T.	1	1	-
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks				NON SPEC CMKS	107	130	-
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				AACC	8	8	-
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				AAMC	1	1	-
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics	15	7	NR				
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers	1	1	-				
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers	24	21	NR				
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD	24	8	NR	CARRIED FORWARD	68	41	NR	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	218 *	209 *	NR *

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised trades or specialists 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. "Reqd. 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.

4 March 44
Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

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(a) W 39768. Gm Pope. W.

Is non-trade grouped to II painter with trade test certificate.

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At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 4/3/1944 151 BTY. 102 AUST AA REGT (AIF) (Unit)

W.E. 111/25/2. OFFRS. 7 O.R's. 209+ OFFRS. – O.R's. 9 ATT. BY W.E.

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'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.
				*					
				*					
				Lieut.-Colonels					
	1	–	–	Majors					
	1	–	2	Captains					
		1	4	Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
	2	1	6						

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).	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.	A CLASS	6									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.
WX 33877	LIEUT	DIX N.J.	109 TANK ATTACK REGT.	12 FEB 44	TAKEN ON STRENGTH AND POSTED AS BTY LIEUT. AUTH: HQ RAA 3 AUST CORPS MEMO: 18/20394 of 18 FEB 44.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
VX 111062	LIEUT	JENKINS. D.C.	152 Lt AA BTY.	28 FEB 44	ACTING TROOP COMDR OF A TP. 152 Lt AA BTY.

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

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
VX 43237	LIEUT	ROWE. A.F.	110. AGH. HOLLYWOOD. 24 SEPT 43.
VX 104236	LIEUT	BRAHAM. S.J.	SCHOOL OF ARTY. RANDWICK. NSW. 10 JAN 44

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

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

1 Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	2 Army Number.	3 Surname.	4 Initials.	5 Posting.	6 Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No)	7 If not present with Unit, state how employed.	8 Date of Detachment.
						TEMPORARILY DETACHED	
LIEUT T/CAPT	VX 111043	WOOD.	K.P.	A/O.C.	NO.	152 BTY AS RADC CAMP 314	2 MAR 44
LIEUT T/CAPT	VX 111064	MASLEN.	G.W.	BTY. CAPT.	NO.	LHQ SCHOOL OF MECH 2/2 MOB WING NORTHAM. SENIOR OFFICERS WING. NO.1. COURSE FROM 6 MAR – 18 MAR.	3 MAR 44
LIEUT	WX 33877	DIX	N.J.	BTY LIEUT	YES.		
LIEUT	VX 111059	PLAIN.	G.J.	A TP COMDR	YES.		
LIEUT	VX 104231	GILLESPIE.	K.J.	B TP COMDR	YES.		
LIEUT	WX 29221	ROBINSON.	K.E.	B TP LEADER	YES.		

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.

4 March 44
Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

Truth—7/43.

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