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ANTI AIRCRAFT GROUP

3RD DISTRICT
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Army Form C.2118
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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES, Date and Time.—From 1st. Jan. '42 To 31st. January 1942.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Williamstown Racecourse,	1. 1. 42	0900	Lt. Col. J.H. McConkey Commander A.A. Defences	
			Capt. H.L. Burrowes Staff Capt. A.A. Defences,	
			Lieut. H.L. McKay Asst. " " " "	
			W.O.I G.A. Johnston R.S.M.	
			S/Sgt. F.N. KING (Attached).	
			S/Sgt J ROTHERFORD, PAY SERGEANT	
			Orderly Room Staff, Sgt. Orr, Sgt. Ganley, Bdr. Johnston	
			Gnr. Dooley. 6 O.R's on Strength	
	2. 1. 42.		Nil.	
	3. 1. 42		Nil.	
	4. 1. 42	2100	Message received that unidentified plane sighted over Currie	
			King Island. Gun and searchlight stations advised. This message	
			was received 20 hrs. after the plane had been sighted.	
	5. 1. 42.		Nil.	
	6. 1. 42.	1400	C.O. and Staff Captain visit South Werribee.	

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	6. 1. 42.		to view two new types of mountings for 3.7" A.A. Guns. These mounting can be positioned in approx. 48 hours. It is the opinion of the C.O. that with certain modifications which would prevent "creep" the mountings would be effective.	
	7. 1. 42.		NIL	
	8. 1. 42.		NIL.	
	9. 1. 42.		A.A. Defences Operational Instruction No.3 (Copy attached) in operation.	
	10. 1. 42.		Nil.	
	11. 1. 42.		Nil.	
	12. 1. 42.		Nil.	
	13. 1. 42.		Nil.	
	14. 1. 42.		Nil.	
	15. 1. 42.	1000	C.O. and Staff Captain visit Coode Island to inspect a new forward ~~over~~ AREA sight, designed by Capt. A. Jones O.C. 4th. A.A. Battery, for attachment to 3.7" A.A. Guns. It is the opinion of C.O. that a sight such as designed is absolutely necessary for the engagement of close flying and diving targets. The sight was later viewed by C.C.R.A. and D. of A. One sight is in course of construction at Mechanist shop, Maribyrnong Camp and will be further tested.	

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	16. 1. 42.	0900-1230	D. of A. visits War Stations accompanied by C.O. A.A. Defences.	
	16. 1. 42.	1100.	Staff Captain visits Yallourn.	
		1030	Advise received to transfer 1 Off. & 12 O.Rs. to 23 A.A. Bty. as reinforcements.	
		"	Advise received to transfer 32 O.Rs. to R R.D. for transfer to 7 M.D. as R.D.F. operators.	
		"	Advise received to transfer 17 O.Rs. to R.R.D. for transfer to 7 M.D. as Gen.Set attendants.	
	17. 1. 42.	1300-1430	Letter received from C.C.R.A. re formation and raising of 28 A.A. Bty.	
	18. 1. 42.		V.D.C. exercises. V.D.C. took up positions of defence adjacent to War Stations. Coode Is. invaded by paratroops. With the aid of A.A. Artillery the invaders were repulsed. Two R.A.A.F. Wirraways co-operated.	
	19. 1. 42.		Order rec. to prepare 3 Off. and 54 O.Rs. for transfer to another State. Force to be known as "Monteith Shadow".	
	20. 1. 42.		Laverton A.A. Station Closed down. Guns and instruments prepared for packing, and shipping.	
	20. 1. 42.		C.O. writes to H.Q. R.A.A. S. Comd. stating standard of training at present, of A.A. Btys. Letter attached.	
	22. 1. 42.		"Monteith Shadow" force congregated on W'stown War Station awaiting order to move. Captain Cook in charge. H.Q. A.A. Defences now under H.Q. Melb. L. of C.	
			C.O. A.A. Defences ~~converses~~ CONFERS with Brig. Luxton.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	23/1/42. to 25.1.42.	0700	Staff Captain visits Yallourn.	
	23.1.42.		C.O. visits Maribyrnong camp and several A.A.S.L. detachments in the field.	
	23.1.42.	1950.	Message received - Air raid impending - all Units advised. One undentified plane sighted at Inverlock (V) and four unidentified planes sighted at Gordon (V).	
		1040	All clear.	
	24.1.42.	1900	Message received from Melb. L. of C. re construction of earth works for protection against blast and splinters.	
	24. 1. 42.	1900	Message received from Melb. L. of C. re revoking existing lanes of exit and entry.	
	25.1. 42.	0900	Brigadier D.A. Luxton and Col. N. Balfe visit this H.Q. and later visit the War Stations, accompanied by the C.O.	
		2000	Staff Captain returns from Yallourn.	
	26. 1. 42.		Nil.	
	27. 1. 42.		"Monteith Shadow" force moved from W'stown War Station and congregated at Royal Park R.D.	
	28. 1.42.		No. 2 Station at Yallourn manned with two 3.7" guns.	
	29. 1. 42.		Two 3.7" guns, together with H.&R. Finder and Ring Sight telescope returned to Ordnance for packing and shipment.	

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	30/1/42		Ten O.Rs. transferred to Caulfield prior to transfer to 7 M.D.	
	31/1/42.		A training Cadre for 28 A.A.Bty. commence intensive training at North Williamstown under Capt. G.B. Maltby O.C. 28 A.A. Bty.	

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ARMY FORM W.3011 (BOOKS of 100).

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Recourse
(Unit.)

Date of last A.F. W.3011 rendered 19/Dec 1942 Number of sheets attached to this return 3.

CASUALTY RETURN—OTHER RANKS.

Detail of casualties to other ranks which have occurred since last return. The detail should include all battle casualties, accidents, admission to and discharge from hospital, casualty clearing station, etc. Promotion (acting, temporary, local or substantive). Transfers, postings, attachments, etc., courts-martial, field punishment, forfeiture of pay, etc. Leave of absence, particulars of marriage and birth or death of children, alteration in next of kin with postal address, transfers to "X" List and any other items affecting a soldier's service.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Nature and Date of Casualty.	Date.	Remarks. (In the case of casualties from wounds or disease, any available information for communication to relatives should be stated.)
V12543	Sig.	Davies L.A.	S. Land Sigs.	Trans. to H.Q. AA Defence	21/1/42	

(Date 21/1/- 1942

[signature] (Signature of Commander.)

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Recourse (Unit.)

South Command.
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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Williamstown Racecourse

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ARMY FORM W.3011 (BOOKS of 100).

Date of last A.F. W.3011 rendered 24/1/42 19..... Number of sheets attached to this return 4

..... (Unit.)

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Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Nature and Date of Casualty.	Date.	Remarks. (In the case of casualties from wounds or disease, any available information for communication to relatives should be stated.)
				Hospital Transfers		
V9731	Bdr	Truman F. G.	H.Q.A.A. Defences	Transferred to 115 G.H. Heidelberg 22/1/42.	22/1/42.	
				Hospital Admissions		
"	"	" "		Admitted to Camp Hospital Mt Kinney (foot injury) 18/1/42	18/1/42.	

(Date Jan 31st 1942.

[signature]
(Signature of Commander.)
D.E.

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse
(Unit.)

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No. 1

A.A. DEFENCES MELBOURNE & YALLOURN.

A.A.D. SECRET 141/42. OPERATIONAL INSTRUCTION. No. 3.

1. Only personnel who have passed actual tests to the satisfaction of Unit Commanders, will man operational telephones.

2. During the period "Lights Out" to "Reveille" personnel manning operational phones will be of rank of Corporal or Bombardier at least.

3. At all times Duty Officer I/C Operations will be available (if required) to speak on operational phone with NOT more than 15 seconds delay.

4. Officer I/C Operations and G.P.O. will, at all times, be familiar with text of operational messages affecting operations during their period of duty, irrespective of time of receipt of such messages.

5. MESSAGES - OUT.
(a) All Op. messages will be written on message Form, appropriately referenced, by Op. Duty Officer.
(b) Time of origin will be included, message will conclude with word "ACK", and will be signed.
(c) When phone orderly has relayed message he will initial and file same.
(d) Duty Officer will make suitable entries on A.A.D. Form 12.
(e) Acknowledgements will be noted on back of message form.
(f) It will be the responsibility of Duty Officer to check acknowledgements and ensure that they are complete NOT more than five minutes after T.O.O. of each message.

6. MESSAGES - IN.

(a) All Op. messages received will be written in duplicate on Message Form.
(b) Phone orderly will note time of receipt and initial same.
(c) Phone orderly will hand both copies to Duty Officer immediately.
(d) Duty Officer will ensure that G.P.O. receives one copy which will be kept at the Command Post for G.P.O's reference.
(e) Duty Officer will personally sign back of second copy, make appropriate entries on A.A.D. Form 13, instruct phone orderly to acknowledge, and this second copy will then be filed.

7. The following Code Names issued Dec. 27th. 1941 will be used with Op. Messages:-

H.Q. A.A. Defences		GUKI
4 A.A. Bty -	COODE IS.	NIBO (1)
	NTH. WILLIAMSTOWN	NIBO (2)
10 A.A.BTY -	BRAYBROOK	KOGA (1)
	NTH. ESSENDON	KOGA (2)
	LAVERTON	KOGA (3)
11 A.A.BTY.-	YALLOURN.	NUDO
53 A.A.Coy.-	MARIBYRNONG	NOTI
64 A.A.COY.-	"	FUFO
65 A.A.COY.-	"	LURI

8. The following prefixes to Orig. No. will be used with all Op. Messages:-

H.Q. A.A. Defences	-	A.A.O.
A.A.Coys. H.Q. M'nong	-	M.O.
COODE ISLAND	-	C.I.O.
NTH. WILLIAMSTOWN	-	N.W.O.
BRAYBROOK	-	B.O.
NTH. ESSENDON	-	N.E.O.
LAVERTON	-	L.O.
YALLOURN	-	Y.O.

P.T.O.

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9. The above instructions will become operative as from 0900 hrs. Saturday 10 JAN. 1942.

10. Acknowledge.

Capt.
Staff Capt. A.A. Defences.

Distribution.	Copy No.
Comd. A.A. Defences.	1.
53rd. A.A. Coy.	2, 3, 4,
64th. A.A. Coy.	5, 6, 7,
65th. A.A. Coy.	8, 9, 10,
4th. A.A. Bty.	11, 12, 13,
10th. A.A. Bty.	14, 15, 16,
11th. A.A. Bty.	17, 18, 19,
File.	20, 21, 22.
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No. 2

H.Q.A.A.Defences,
Williamstown Racecourse,
January 20th. 1942.

SECRET.

H.Q.R.A.A.
S.COMD.

TRAINING etc., A.A. BATTERIES.

It is necessary to report that the continued demands on A.A. Batteries for personnel have brought about the present position that the A.A. Batteries cannot be considered to be of any use for active service - any attempt to engage an aircraft would be farcical. This position will maintain for a considerable time. There are not sufficient N.C.O. instructors of reasonable standard of knowledge left to train recruits and while O.C's are naturally making every effort to recoup the position, limitations of personal endurance are now in evidence. The superimposing of an additional Battery (28) only serves to create an additional burden to no purpose whatever, unless the appearance of A.A. guns with untrained crews as a "token" is expected to delude either the civilian population or hostile forces with a semblance of effective defences.

These defences have supplied and will have supplied by 31 JAN. 18 Officer of all ranks out of an establishment of 24. The replacements will absorb all the possible 1st. appointments (one recommendation which will be forwarded shortly was a MESS Orderly 12 months ago); 34 Sgts. have been provided out of establishment of 42 (the balance are or will be commissioned); 46 Bdrs. have been provided out of establishment of 66 and practically the whole of specialists available - those not sent away have been promoted to N.C.O. rank. Approximately 360 O.R. have been provided from strength of 620 and of the balance left after taking out administrati personnel, Cooks, orderlies and the like, each Battery has approximately50 gunners from which junior N.C.O's can be found if personnel are suitable for promotion, but must be trained for their ranks. Unfortunately the majority of the balance left are "duds" excluded from previous drafts.

It will be appreciated that the demand for "fully trained" personnel for the most recent contingent cannot be complied with unless N.C.O's are to be disrated for the purpose.

This H.Q. arranged the transfer of 2 00 men from A.A. Coys on 23 DEC. and has received 100 recruits from R.R.D. the past fortnight. These men together with the "duds" referred toabove are now the sole source of supply for further demands and if further sections must be supplied they will be untrained both in respect of N.C.O's and men.

The proposal to conduct A.A. practice will be postponed for at least two months - the provision of the latest draft - even though it involved only 3 N.C.O'xs and 15 Gunners from each Battery renders a shoot a waste of ammunition at this juncture.

It is strongly recommended that the raising of 28 A.A. Battery be postponed for at least 6 weeks to two months and that Laverton A.A. Station (now closed) stay closed until 28 A.A. Battery is raised and can take it over - it has been an undue burden on 10 A.A. Bty.

Lt. Col. McConkey.
COMMANDER A.A.Defences.

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A.A. DEFENCES. UNIT H.Q.A.A.Defences.

(COPY) OPERATIONAL MESSAGE LOG -- IN.

Serial No.	Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Message.	Action Taken.
M.O.1	FUFO	Jan.10	1415	Change of position of A.A.S.L. (two only)	Ack. by Lt. McKay.
N.E.O.1	KOGA1	" 11	1805	Wackett Trainers N.W. of position height 5600'	KOGA (2) told that these planes were outside the prohibited area.
	LAVERTON	" 12	0920	Hawker Demon - Laverton C.A.C. Flinders Mon.Tues. Wed. Thurs. at 0930 return 1130.	Relayed to NIBO 1 & 2.
	"	"	1230	B24 U.S.A. Liberator to Acherfield.	To Nibo 1 & 2 & Koga 1 & 2.
	NIBO	"	1500	Two Curtiss P-40 due 0520 Z	" " " " " " & FUFO
M.O.3	NOTI	" 15	1825	Aircraft co-op. with S'lights scheduled for tonight (15 Jan.) cancelled.	Ack.
C101	NIBO 1	" 18	0330	(EXERCISE ONLY) Station attacked by 2 enemy aircraft Mitsubishi type. Engaged anddriven off. Casualties Nil. Slight damage to barracks.	Relayed to L. of C.
C103	NIBO 1	" "	0430	Ex. Only. V.D.C. occupied position 0400hrs.	" " " " "
C104	" "	" "	0450	" " V.D.C. report Paratroops on flat ½ mile North of station. Some engaged by 3.7 guns.	" " " " "
	" "	" "	0545	Ex.only. Paratroops attacking along river bank from South. Heavily engaged by 3.7 guns, L.M.G. & rifles.	" " " " "
C107	" "	" "	0550	Reinforcements not required enemy completely annihilated.	" " " " "
M.O.4	FUFO	" "	1500	Sed.No.1. H.Q. now at 879385	
Control	KOGA				
D.24	A.A.D.	" 23	1020	4 aircraft unidentified seen from GORDON flying low N. direction 4 miles away travelling West Seen 1010	
D.24.	"	" "	1015	One monoplane seen Medium height sighted N.W. near coast at Inverloch.	
D.24.	"	" "	1040	All Clear.	
8.	L.of C.	" 24	1930	Air restrictions Gazetted 19/3/41 revoked. New instructions introduced effective 2400 25 Jan.	No action taken on either message as Units have these matters under control.
9	"	" 24	"	Necessity of protection against blast & splinters. Provide necessary earth work protection.	
	"	" 27	1305	Five Ansons searching from Cape Otway bet. bearings 188 & 278 to depth of 100 miles. Commenced 0800L.	
M.O.6.	M'nong.	" 27	1750	R.A.A.F. aircraft co-operating from approx. 2100hrs. to 2230 hrs. 27/1/42.	GUKI
4.	"	" 18	1455	Further to M.O.1 of 10 JAN. No.1 Section H.Q. established at Melb. 879385 as from 1700 hrs. 15 Jan.	GUKI
A.704	L. of C.	" 31	1755	L.1/1/2. 4 Ansons carrying out diverging search from Wilson Prom. between bearings 063 and 143 depth 150 miles seaward of datum 2000 Z/31. L.2/1/20 4 Ansons carrying out diverging search from Cape Liptrap between bearings 210 & 270 depth 150 miles seaward off datum 0145 Z/1/420.	

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Serial No.	Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Message.	Action Taken.
A.A.O. 1	W'stown.	Jan.11	1205	Monospar VH-UAZ Coode to Essendon 1300hrs. & returning 1715hrs.	Relayed to all stations.
A.A.O. 2	"	" 12	0930	Hawker Demon flying from Laverton to C.A.C. & then to Flinders every MON.TUES. WED. & THURS. returning same route 1130. Ack.	" " Nibo 1 & 2.
A.A.O. 3.	"	" "	1235	B.24. U.S.A. Liberator Laverton 1245hrs. to Acherfield.	Nibo 1 & 2 KOGA 1 & 2.
" 4.	"	" "	1525	Two Curtiss P-40's due at Laverton 0520Z.	" " " " " " & FUFO
" 5.	"	"	1715	D.C.3. Test flight 2030hrs. Tasmania 0430	" " " NOTI & LURI
" 6	"	"	1835	Beaufort ex. Sydney landing Essendon 1930	Relayed to Essendon.
" 7.	"	"	2215	Ref. A.A.O.5 Substitute 2220 ret.2300 for 2030 ret. 2100.	All Stations.
" 8.	"	15	1645	Aircraft co-op. tonight Wirraway	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2.
" 9.	"	17.	2045	Aircraft Co-op. 0300 - 0430 18 Jan. 2 Wirraways.	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2 NOTI FUFO LURI
" 10.	"	18.	0345	EXERCISE ONLY. Coode Island station attacked by enemy aircraft. Mitsubishi type. Engaged and driven off. Caualties nil. Slight damage to Barracks.	L. of C.
" 11.	"		0402	EX. ONLY. Enemy aircraft bombed the docks. Engaged by Coode Is. No results.	L. of C.
" 12.	"	18.	0405	EX. ONLY. V.D.C. arrived Braybrook. Have taken up defensive positions.	L. of C.
" 13.	"		0430.	V.D.C. Occupied position Coode Is. 0400.	L. of C.
" 14.	"		0455.	V.D.C. Coode Is. report paratroops ½ mile north of Station. Zone engaged by 3.7" guns.	L. of C.
" 15.	"		0545	Paratroops attacking Coode Is. station along river bank form South. Heavily engaged by 3.7 guns. L.M.G. and rifles from Coode Is.	L. of C.
" 16.	"	"	0550	Reinforcements available from A.A. Coys. is required. State requirements.	Nibo. (1)
" 17.	"		0550	Enemy completely annihilated, Coode Wsland War Station.	L. of C.
" 18.	"	"	0615.	Nibo (1) Attacked by paratroops dawn. Enemy completely annihilated.	Nibo 2, Koga 1 & 2.
" 19.	"	"	1100	Wackett Bomber A.1000-3 Air Force markings operating Port Phillip Bay Area, 1100-1230 hrs.	Nibo 1 & 2.
" 20.	"	20.	2200	Dragon Rapide - Pt. Cook - Essendon 2230	" " " Koga 1 & 2 NOTI FUFO LURI
" 21	"	21.	1250	Bomber leaving C.A.C. at 1300hrs.	" " "
" 22.	"	"	1435	Fairchild A.36/2. Melb area. 1500-1630.	
" 23.	"	22.	0930	8 Ansons - Vic. Docks 1330-1615 today.	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1.

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Serial No.	Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Message.	Action Taken.
A.A.O.24	W'stown	Jan.22	1000	VH-UZJ testing lanes of entrance and exit.	Advised Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2.
" 25.	"	" 23	0950	Air raid warning. Unconfirmed report.	All advised.
" 26.	"	" "	1000	All clear.	" "
" 27.	"	" 23	1730	Air co-operation 2115 - 2245 tonight.	" "
" 28.	"	" 27	1720	Three yellow wackett trainers carrying out practice landings Essendon from 2100hrs. 27 Jan. to 0230hrs. 28 Jan.	Koga 2 and FUFO.
" 29.	"	" 27.	1755	R.A.A.F. co-operating from 2100hrs. to 2230 hrs. 27 Jan.	Nibo 1 & 2. Koga 1 & 2.
" 30.	"	" 29	1010	R.A.A.F. Essendon carrying out night flying 2130 -0230.	Koga 2 and FUFO.
" 31.	"	" "	1835	Searchlight co-operation 1 Wirraway 2100-2315 hrs.	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2.
" 32.	"	" "	2030	No searchlight co-op. tonight.	" " " " " "
" 33.	"	" 31	1350	Firchild in restricted area 1500hrs.	" " " " " " FUFO.

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TO BE MADE UP TO AND FOR SATURDAY IN EACH WEEK.

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War Diary

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

H.Q., A.A. DEFENCE
WILLIAMSTOWN R'COURSE (Unit)

3 JAN 1942
VII/1940/1313/1.

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
..... *			
..... *			
Lieut.-Colonels			
Majors			
Captains			
Lieutenants			
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
Totals			

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Major Lt Col.	[illegible]	McKinley J.A.	H.Q. A.A. Defence	Yes.	
Lt Capt.	[illegible]	Burrows A.L.	" "	"	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Lt.	[illegible]	McKay A.L.	H.Q. R.A.A.	[illegible]	[illegible]

H.Q., A.A. DEFENCE
WILLIAMSTOWN R'COURSE
(Unit.)

3 JAN 1942
(Date of Despatch.)

[illegible]
(Signature of Commander.)

[illegible]
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

H.Q., A.A. DEFENCE
WILLIAMSTOWN R'COURSE (*Unit*)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors			
Captains	1		
Lieutenants			
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
Totals	2	—	—

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Major Lt. Col.	V10104	McConkey J. H.	H.Q.A.A. Defences	Yes.	
Lt. Capt.	V9982	Burrowes H. L.	" "	"	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Lieut.	V70698	McKay H. L.	H.Q.R.A.A.	27/9/41	Administrator

H.Q., A.A. DEFENCE
WILLIAMSTOWN R'COURSE

(Unit.)

10 JAN 1942

(Date of Despatch.)

[signature]
(Signature of Commander.)

Fourth Command

(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

17 JAN 1942

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse (*Unit*)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors			
Captains	1		
Lieutenants			
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
Totals	2		

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Major					
Lt. Col	V10104	McConkey J A	H Q A A Defences Yes		
Lt. Capt	V9982	Burrowes A L	"	"	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Lieut	V70698	McKay A L	H Q R A A	27/9/41	Administrative

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse
(Unit.)

19 JAN 1942
(Date of Despatch.)

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(Signature of Commander.)

South Command Sec
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse (*Unit*)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors			
Captains	1		
Lieutenants			
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
Totals	2		

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Major Lt Col	71004	McConkey J H	H.Q. A.A. Defences	Yes	
Lt Capt	77982	Burrowes H L	"	"	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Lieut	70698	McKay H L	28 A.A. Bty	27/9/41	Administrative

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse
24/1/42

(Unit.)

(Date of Despatch.)

(Signature of Commander.)

South Command

(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

31/1/42

W/E VI/1940/13E/1

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels	/		
Majors			
Captains	/		
Lieutenants			
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
Totals			

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Major L.D. Col	V10104	McConkey J.H.	H.Q.A.A. Defences	Yes	
Lt/Capt	V9952	Burrowes H.L.	"	"	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Lieut	V7069	McKay H.L.	28 A.A. Bty	27/9/42	Administrative

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse

(Unit.)

(Signature of Commander.)

(Date of Despatch.)

Comm. A.A. Defences

(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse (Unit) 31/1/42 19 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.) W/E. VI/1940/13 F/1

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Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants	2		
Corporals	2		1
Troopers, Privates, &c.	6		–
TOTALS	10	*	* 1

*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
W.O. I Johnston G.A.	A.I.C.		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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

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H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse
Unit.

PART D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Rivetters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
			R.S.M.		1			
			M.O. Cranley		1			
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)					2			

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse
Unit.

Date of Despatch 3 JAN 1942

Signature of Commander. Wm Cranley Lt Col
Staff Commandant

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

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H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES (Unit) 3 JAN 1942 19..... (Date).
Williamstown Racecourse

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.) VII/1940/13B/1.

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			1
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants	2		
Corporals	2		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	5		1
TOTALS	9	* —	* 2

*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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

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H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse Unit.

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PART D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Rivetters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors (Bdr)		1
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)								1

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse
Unit.

[signature]
Signature of Commander

Date of Despatch 1/2/41.

South Command
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES (Unit) 10 JAN 1942 19 (Date).
Williamstown Racecourse

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

VI/1940/13F/1

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants	2		
Corporals	2		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	5		1
TOTALS	9	* —	* 1

*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
W.O. I			
Johnston L.G.A.	A.I.C.		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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

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Williamstown Racecourse
Unit.

PART D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Rivetters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
			M.O'Orderly		1			
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)								

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse
Unit.

Date of Despatch 10 JAN 1942

Signature of Commander.

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

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H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES (Unit) 17/1/42 19 (Date).

Williamstown Records

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.) VI/1940/13 P/1

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants	2		
Corporals	2		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	5		1
TOTALS	9	*	* 1

*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
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Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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

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H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse ..... Unit.

PART D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Rivetters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
			M.O. Orderly		1			
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)								

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse ..... Unit.

Date of Despatch 19/1/42

Signature of Commander

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

War Diary

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse

..... (Unit) Jun 24th 1942 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.) VI/1940/13A/1

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
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Troopers, Privates, &c.	5		1
TOTALS	9	* —	* 1

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Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
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Johnston G.A.	A.I.C.		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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

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H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse
Unit.

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Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
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Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
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Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
			M O Orderly		1.			
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)								

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H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse
Unit.

Date of Despatch 24/1/42

[signature]
Signature of Commander.

South Commander
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

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Unit H.Q. A.A. Defences. *Date and Time.—From* Feb. 1st. 1942. *To* Feb. 28th. 1942.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Williamstown Racecourse	1/2/42	0900hrs.	Lt.Col. J.H. McConkey — Commander A.A. Defences.	
			Capt. H.L. Burrowes — Staff Captain A.A. Defences	
			Lieut. H.L. McKay — Assist. Staff Capt.	
			W.O.(1) G.A.Johnston — R.S.M.	
			S/Sgt. F.N. King	
			S/Sgt. J. Rutherford — A.A.P.C.	
			Orderly Room Staff, Sgt. R A.Orr, Sgt. R. Ganley, Bdr. F.G.	
			Truman, Bdr. G.W. Johnston and 6 O.R's.	
	2/2/42	0900	C.O. Lt.Col. J.H.McConkey visits Yallourn Station. Officers instructed to raise standard of training.	
		1100	W.O.(II) McDonald and S/Sgt. King visit Yallourn for purpose of instructing Battery personnel in bayonet training. Visit to be for one week.	
		2000	~~Brig. Luxton, Col. Balfe accompanied by the Staff Captain~~ Capt. H. Burrowes visit Coode Is. and A.A.SL. H.Q. Yarraville.	
	3/2/42	1400	Col. McConkey returns from Yallourn.	
	4/2/42	1000	Major J. Kelly Q Bracnh visits War Stations and A.A.S.L. Stations examining Machine Guns and Machine Gun Parts.	

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Unit H.Q. A.A. Defences, Date and Time.—From Feb. 1st. '42 To Feb. 28th. '42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	5/2/42		Col. L. Barker, D. of A. visits Coode Is. re new Forward Area sights. It was decided to have manufactured a number of sights of the Army design. This sight however contains the same principle as that designed by Capt. Jones.	
	6/2/42		Nil.	
	7/2/42	2330.	At request of Flight Checking Officer, Essendon several searchlight beams were exposed to assit a civil Douglas aircraft which, it was suspected, was experiencing difficulty in navigation.	
	8/2/42.	1700	Advice received from Yallourn that Brig. Luxton and Staff Officers inspected Defences of Yallourn.	
	9/2/42	0800	Forward area sights constructed by R.A.A.F. mechanists fitted to two 3.7" guns at Nth. Essendon. As the predictor for this stations is undergoing extensive repair the station is in action with Forward Area sights only. It is considered that fair accurany could be obtained for heights up to 5,000 feet.	
			The 3"20cwt. Case I Sec. from Essendon is now in action at LAVERTON. There is no Height and Range Finder available for this Section.	
	10/2/42		Nil.	
	11/2/42		Nil.	

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Unit H.Q. A.A. Defences *Date and Time.—From* Feb. 1st.'42 *To* Feb. 28th. '42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Williamstown	12/2/42	1400	C.O. attends meeting of L.D.C. Committee. Nothing to report.	
		1500	In reference to a message from Army H.Q. to Base S. Comd. re alleged untrained A.A. personnel being sent to Northern Stations. C.O. visited Base H.Q. C.O. took with him H.Q. A.A. Defences letter No.2577 of 12 Feb. Copy of which is attached.	
	13/2/42	1100	Telephone communication received advising C.O., Lt.Col.J.H. McConkey to visit Sydney for one week commencing Mon.16th. Feb. Purpose of visit. Inspection of A.A. Defences Sydney.	
	14/2/42.		Nil.	
	15/2/42	1800	Message received from Yallourn that an unidentified plane flew over Power House and was fired on by the stations. The plane was subsequently identified through Laverton as an Airspeed Oxford from that Station en route to SALE.	
	16/2/42	1830	C.O. A.A. Defences leaves Melbourne for Sydney.	
	17/2/42	1500	Staff Captain, Capt. H.L. Burrowes visits Yallourn to view training of 11th. A.A. Battery.	
		1920.	The following message was received through H.Q. Melb. L. of C. No. O.C.2. "No shooting to take place unless Battery is satisfied plane acting in hostile manner. This to operate until Feb.23rd. when new regulations will be promulgated.	

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Unit H.Q. A.A. Defences *Date and Time.—From* Feb. 1st. !42 *To* Feb. 28th. !42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	17/2/42		This H.Q. regards this message as very unsatisfactory and one which renders A.A. Defences Melbourne and Yallourn inoperative unless bombs are actually dropped. A request was forwarded from this H.Q. asking for a definition of "hostile manner" and "does straight line flight of unidentified plane constitute hostile manner". A telephone communication was rec. from Melb. L. of C. stating that S.Comd. would not give a definition of hostile manner. A letter has since been written asking for clarification in the matter.	
	18/2/42.	0830	Approx. 50 personnel from Melbourne University Rifles join 28th. Battery at Williamstown Rifle Range.	
		1900	Staff Captain returns from Yallourn.	
	19/2/42		Nil	
	20/2/42		Nil	
	21/2/42		Nil.	
	22/2/42	1700	Telephone message received stating that 1 Off.(Captain) and 18 O.R. from A.A.S.L. to transfer to 8 M.D. To enter Caulfield at 1000hrs. 22/2/42.	
	23/2/42	1200	C.O. A.A. Defences returns from visit to A.A. Defences Sydney	
		1600	C.O. visits H.Q. L. Of C. to discuss new orders for engagement of aircraft.	

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Unit H.Q. A.A. Defences. *Date and Time.—From* Feb. 1st. '42 *To* Feb. 28th. '42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	24/2/42	2255	Message received that unidentified plane sighted Anglesea 2124, Lorne 2130. The message was received at this H.Q. 1½hrs. after the plane was sighted. At a speed of 200 m.p.h. the plane could have travelled 300 miles during that time.	
	25/2/42	0900	C.O. communicates with Air Commodore Boyce by phone re expiditing passing on of massages to this H.Q.	
	26/2/42.	1000	New fire orders issued to Batteries.	
		0700	Aircraft seen by one of staff who described it as float plane biplane type. Reports received later from R.A.A.F. observers aroused suspicions that it may have been a Japanese T97, Serial 45.	
		1000	Message received by phone that 40 O.Rs. R.A.E. be prepared to move to 8 M.D. on 27 FEB.	
		1400	C.O. attends meeting of Local Defence Planning Committee.	
		1500	Word received re A.A. Practice shoot at Werribee 2nd.Mar.-6th.Mar.	
	27/2/42	0700	C.O. leaves Melb. with Col.Balfe G.S.O. H.Q. Melb.. L. of C. to visit Yallourn for one day.	
		1500	This H.Q. acquainted with suspected movements of Japanese whalers. Units warned that extraordinary precautions be exercised and all leave except special leave be cancelled.	
		1600	A scheme is now in operation whereby barrages can be laid over vulnerable areas. Operational Instruction No.4 issued by A.A.D. covers this barrage scheme.	

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Unit H.Q. A.A. Defences Date and Time.—From Feb. 1st. '42 To Feb. 28th. '42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	28/2/42	0245	Message received from Coode Is. that an unidentified plane had been fired upon. Four rounds were fired before the plane was obscured by cloud bank. Information received later indicated that this plane was probably an Airspeed Oxford.	

Lieut. Colonel.
COMD. A. A. DEFENCES

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War Diary

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES (Unit) 7/2/42 19 (Date).
Williamstown Racecourse

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.) W/E VI/1940/1315/1

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants	2		
Corporals	2		1
Troopers, Privates, &c.	6		—
TOTALS	10	*	* 1

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Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
WO I Johnston G.A.	A.I.C.		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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

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Williamstown Racecourse ..... Unit.

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H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse
..... Unit.

[signature]
..... Signature of Commander.

H.Q. Mech. L. of Lock Commander
..... Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

Date of Despatch 8 FEB 1942

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES (Unit) 14/12/42 19 (Date).
Williamstown Racecourse

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Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

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JOHNSTON G7	A.I.C.		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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

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Williamstown Racecourse
Unit.

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Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Rivetters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors (Boys)		1.
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)								

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse
Unit.

L. Woodroffe Capt
Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch

H.Q. No 1 A.A. Area.
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse (Unit) 21-2-1942 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.) VI/1940/13R/1

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants	2		
Corporals	2		1
Troopers, Privates, &c.	6		—
TOTALS	10	*	* 1

*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
W.O. I			
Johnston G.A.	A.I.C.		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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

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H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse
Unit.

PART D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Rivetters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors (Bar)		1
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)								

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse
Unit.

[signature] Capt.
Signature of Commander.

H. Q. Kelb. L. of C.
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

Date of Despatch

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

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H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES (Unit) 28 FEB 1942 19 (Date).
Williamstown Racecourse

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.) VI/1940/13F/1.

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants	2		
Corporals	2		1
Troopers, Privates, &c.	6		—
TOTALS	10	*	* 1

*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
W/O 1			
Johnston Sgt	A.I.C.		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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

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H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES ..... Unit.
Williamstown Racecourse

PART D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Rivetters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors (Bar)		1
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)								

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse
28 FEB 1942
..... Unit.

Date of Despatch .....

..... Signature of Commander.

H.Q. Coast Defences

..... Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

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H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse (Unit)

W/E
VT/1940/1387/1

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors			
Captains	1		
Lieutenants			
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
Totals	2		

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Major					
A/L Col.	7[illegible]	McCONKEY J.H.	HQAA Defences	Yes	
Lieut.					
A/Capt.	7[illegible]982	BURROWES H.L.	" "	"	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Lieut.	7[illegible]0698	McKAY H.L.	28 AA Bty.	27/9/[illegible]	Administrative

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse
(Unit.)

8 FEB 1942
(Date of Despatch.)

[signature]
(Signature of Commander.)

HQ Mett. Lt. Commander
South Commander
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES (Unit)
Williamstown Racecourse

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors			
Captains	1		
Lieutenants			
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
Totals	2		

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Major H/Lt Col	V10104	McCONKEY J.H.	H.Q. A.A. Defences	Yes.	
Lieut Capt.	V9952	BURROWES H.L.	" "	Yes	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Lieut	V70695	McKAY H.L.	28 A.A. Bde.	27/7/41	Administrative

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse
(Unit.)

John McConkey
(Signature of Commander.)

(Date of Despatch.)

H.Q. Melb. L. of C. Ld
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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VI/1940/1313/1

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse (*Unit*)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors			
Captains	1		
Lieutenants			
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
Totals	2		

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Major					
Lieut					

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Lieut					

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse (*Unit.*)

(*Signature of Commander.*)

(*Date of Despatch.*)

H Q Melb L of C
(*Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.*)

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

28 FEB 1942

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse (Unit)

VI/1940/13 R/1.

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors			
Captains	1		
Lieutenants			
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
Totals	2		

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Major					
A/Lt Col	110104	McConkey J.H.	HQ AA Defences	Yes	
Lieut					
1/Capt	79952	Burrowes W.L.	" "	"	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Lieut.	170698	McKay W.L.	28 AA Bdy	27/1/42	Administr

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse
28 FEB 1942

(Unit.)

(Date of Despatch.)

H.L. McKay Lieut
(Signature of Commander.)

H.Q. Melb L.of C.
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse

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(Books of 100)

Date of last A.F. W.3010 rendered 19/2/ 1942 Number of sheets attached to this return 4.

.....(Unit.)

CASUALTY RETURN—OFFICERS

Detail of casualties to officers which have occurred since last return. The detail should include all battle casualties, accidents, admission to and discharge from hospital, casualty clearing station, &c. Promotions (acting, temporary, local or substantive), transfers, postings, attachments, &c., courts-martial, leave of absence, particulars of marriage and birth or death of children, alteration in next-of-kin with postal address, transfers to "X" List and any other items connected with an officer's service.

Rank	Personal Number	Name and Initials	Corps	Nature and date of casualty	Date	Remarks. (In the case of casualties from wounds or disease, any available information for communication to relatives should be stated)
			Strength decrease.			
Lt Col.	V10104.	McConkey. J.H.	HQ AA Defences.	Attachment to AA Defence C. Comd.	17 Feb 42.	
			Strength increase			
Lt Col.	V10104.	McConkey. J.H.	H.Q. AA Defence	Rejoined unit. —	23 Feb 42	

Signature of Commanding Officer.

Date 24 Feb 42.

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse

(Unit.)

South Command.

(Bde. Divn. Area with which Unit is serving).

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Williamstown Racecourse (Unit.)

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CASUALTY RETURN—OFFICERS

Detail of casualties to officers which have occurred since last return. The detail should include all battle casualties, accidents, admission to and discharge from hospital, casualty clearing station, &c. Promotions (acting, temporary, local or substantive), transfers, postings, attachments, &c., courts-martial, leave of absence, particulars of marriage and birth or death of children, alteration in next-of-kin with postal address, transfers to "X" List and any other items connected with an officer's service.

Rank	Personal Number	Name and Initials	Corps	Nature and date of casualty	Date	Remarks. (In the case of casualties from wounds or disease, any available information for communication to relatives should be stated)
		A.I.F. and R.A.A.F. Reserves.				
Vicar. HQ						
Lt. Col.	V10104.	McCanbey. J.H.	HQ AA Defence	Volunteered A.I.F.	14/8/41.	
Capt.	V9982	Burrows. H.L.	"	" " " "	14/8/41.	

Signature of Commanding Officer.

Date 19/8/41

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse (Unit.)

Sault Command
(Bde. Divn. Area with which Unit is serving).

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Williamstown Racecourse

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(Unit.)

CASUALTY RETURN—OTHER RANKS.

Detail of casualties to other ranks which have occurred since last return. The detail should include all battle casualties, accidents, admission to and discharge from hospital, casualty clearing station, etc. Promotion (acting, temporary, local or substantive). Transfers, postings, attachments, etc., courts-martial, field punishment, forfeiture of pay, etc. Leave of absence, particulars of marriage and birth or death of children, alteration in next of kin with postal address, transfers to "X" List and any other items affecting a soldier's service.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Nature and Date of Casualty.	Date.	Remarks. (In the case of casualties from wounds or disease, any available information for communication to relatives should be stated.)
			ENLISTMENTS.			
			A.I.F and RAAF. Reserve.			
V13688	Sgt.	ORR. R.A.	H.Q. AA Defences	Volunteered RAAF.	11/9/41	
V.9735.	L/Bdr.	LESLIE. C.E.	" " "	" " A.I.F.	7/10/41	

(Date 19 Feb 19 42.)

(Signature of Commander.) Lt Col.

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse
South Command.

(Unit.)

(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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ARMY FORM W.3011 (BOOKS of 100).

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse

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(Unit.)

CASUALTY RETURN—OTHER RANKS.

Detail of casualties to other ranks which have occurred since last return. The detail should include all battle casualties, accidents, admission to and discharge from hospital, casualty clearing station, etc. Promotion (acting, temporary, local or substantive). Transfers, postings, attachments, etc., courts-martial, field punishment, forfeiture of pay, etc. Leave of absence, particulars of marriage and birth or death of children, alteration in next of kin with postal address, transfers to "X" List and any other items affecting a soldier's service.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Nature and Date of Casualty.	Date.	Remarks. (In the case of casualties from wounds or disease, any available information for communication to relatives should be stated.)
		ENLISTMENTS.				
		A.I.F and RAAF. Reserve.				
V13688	Sgt.	ORR. R.A.	H.Q. Aft Defences.	Reinstated RAAF.	11/9/41	
V.9735.	L/Bdr.	LESLIE. C.E.	" " "	" " A.I.F.	7/10/41	

(Date 19 Feb 19 42.)

(Signature of Commander.) Lt Col.

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse
South Command.
(Unit.)

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				Strength Increase		
7713.	Pte	Truman F. G.	H.Q. A.A. Defences.	Rejoined Unit from 115 G.H. 5/2/42	5/2/42	

(Date Feb. 7th 1942

(Signature of Commander.)

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Williamstown Racecourse (Unit.)

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Williamstown 969 Switch 20.

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H.Q. A.A. Defences,
Williamstown Racecourse,
Feb. 12th. 1942.

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H.Q. Base,
S. COMD.

UNTRAINED A.A. PERSONNEL.

Ref. message A.6364 Army H.Q. to Base S. Comd. of 11 Feb.

"Representation to the Minister strongly protesting
"against alleged untrained A.A. Personnel now at
"Royal Park being sent to tropical Territories.
"Urgent investigation and report desired."

It is assumed that this refers to personnel provided for "Monteiths Shadow" Force raised vide. SM.1130 of 20 JAN. '42. Many of these men were untrained. This was due to the demands made on 4th., 10th. & 11th. A.A. Batteries for personnel for Northern Stations. The position was :- at 13 Dec. '41.

Effective strength of Offrs. and O.R.	Offrs.	O.R.
	22.	686.

Personnel supplied since 13 Dec. :-	Off.	O.R.
23 A.A. Bty.	9	212
14 A.A. Bty.	2	72
16 A.A. Bty.	2	72
12 A.A. Bty.	1	5
R.D.F. Units.		32
H.Q.A.A. 7 M.D.		10
"Monteiths Force"	2	54
	16	457
Promotions to fill Officers & N.C.Os. vacancies prior to "Monteiths Force"		100 (18 Off. 82 N.C.Os.)
Total personnel (O.Rs.) supplied & promoted		559
Balance O.R. left.		129
		686

129
82
371
265

Consequently at the time "Monteiths Force" was raised, 265 O.Rs. (89 NCOs. & 176 rank and file) trained and part trained, (of whom 90(approx) were A.A.L.M.O. personnel not required for any of these drafts) were available for this force. Of the personnel supplied for "Monteiths Force" the average had about one months technical training, some less and a few considerably more. The Officer detailed by A.H.Q. to take command, Captain Wook, (Staff Corps), (himself completely untrained in A.A. Gunnery), took objection to some of the men and he was informed by Staff Captain in the presence of O.Cs. 4th. & 10th. Batteries that he could take the pick of any men available in either Battery and the exchange of a few men was effected, but at the time it was clearly stressed that he could not expect to get any higher standard of training than already provided. After provision of all these drafts and replacing Officers and NCOs. each Battery had approximately 12 gunners left who had had any training (excluding A.A.L.M.O. personnel).
The gravity of the position so far as the manning of these A.A. Defences is concerned, was reported to C.C.R.A. S. Comd. on 20 JAN. prior to raising of "Monteiths Force".

(Copy to H.Q. Melb. L. of C. for information).

Lt. Col.
Commander A.A. Defences.

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ANTI - AIRCRAFT DEFENCES. S E C R E T.

A.A.D. S/183/42

MELBOURNE - YALLOURN.

ORDERS FOR ENGAGEMENT OF AIRCRAFT.

Ref. Maps.

MELBOURNE. 1" - 1 Mile SHEET.
SUNBURY " " "
YAN YEAN " " "
RINGWOOD " " "
MOE " " "

1. Restricted Flying Areas.

(a) MELBOURNE.(CIVIL)

An area within a radius of 15 miles from GELLIBRAND LIGHT (955288).

(b) MELBOURNE. (R.A.A.F.)

An area within a radius of 15 miles from GELLIBRAND LIGHT (955288) excluding the segment of this circle which lies to the West of 850 Grid.

Lanes of exit and entrance to ESSENDON aerodrome (940473) (RA.A.F. and CIVIL) are 2000 yards wide on
(i) True bearing 147 deg. from ESSENDON aerodrome
(ii) " " 293 deg. " " "

Lane of exit and entrance from FISHERMENS BEND aerodrome (953348) 2000 yards wide.
True bearing 147 deg. from FISHERMENS BEND aerodrome.

(c) YALLOURN.

An area within a radius of 5 miles from POWER STATION. (R.A.A.F. Fighter aircraft only may fly over this area and then must "warn in" through C.D.H. which will advise A.A. Ops.)

2. NO CIVIL aircraft may at any time fly in the restricted flying areas save on the lanes of exit and entrance and then at a height NOT exceeding 1500 feet or below the cloud base which ever is the lower. Prior notification of the movement of aircraft over restricted areas must be given.

3. R.A.A.F. Aircraft are subject to restrictions as follows:-

(a) Non-Operational flying - as for Civil aircraft (para 2)
(b) Operational and training flying - as for Civil Aircraft (para 2).
(c) Operational and training aircraft engaged in training - as for civil aircraft (para 2).
(d) Operational Flying:-
(i) Fighter and G.R. Role NOT to enter restricted areas unless prior warning has been given to Ground Defences.
(ii) Bomber role - Prohibited from flying over restricted areas.
(iii)A.C. Role - " " " " " "

4. RECOGNITION SIGNALS. If an aircraft is mistakenly engaged by A.A. Defences or inadvertently flies in A.A. Gun defended areas under conditions prejudicial to visual identification the two star cartridge may be used during the day and the letter of the period by night. The former method may be used by night if the latter is of no avail.
In addition to the use of signals, aircraft may be considered friendly provided there is no evidence of hostile character if -
(1) Flying on a lane of exit or entrance at a height NOT greater than 1500 feet or below the cloud base whichever is the lower.
(ii) Flying in line astern on a level course.
(iii)Flying with undercarriage down.
If an aircraft is engaged by A.A.S.L's. the letter of the period is to be signalled by the aircraft. If the A.A.S.Ls. do NOT dowse the two star cartridge is to be fired by the aircraftbut only in real emergency.

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5. G.P.O's will therefore engage by fire :-

(a) Any aircraft recognised as hostile,

(b) Any aircraft acting in a hostile manner which is NOT clearly recognised as friendly. Acts which can be construed as "hostile" are:-

(i) Dropping flares over land (within 50 miles of the coast) or sea (within 10 miles of the coast, except by direct arrangement with the local Combined Defence Headquarters (or Fire Control Commander, where a C.D.H. does not exist) giving at least 48 hours notice.

(ii) Opening machine-gun fire on ground, sea or air targets (except when flying over a prescribed air firing range).

(iii) Dropping any type of explosive or incendiary missile, whether parachute borne or not (except when flying over a prescribed bombing range).

(iv) Dropping parachutists except from an aircraft obviously out of control.

(v) Power diving on a defended point with undercarriage retracted (except when friendly aircraft are co-operating with our own defences for pretice purposes).

(vi) The movement of any aircraft in a restricted or prohibited area (except when in restricted areas prior notification is given to the Combined Defence Headquarters concerned, or when the aircraft is recognised as friendly).

NOTE. The above list is not to be regarded as complete, but rather as a general guide.

H.W. Combes
Lt. Col.
Commander A.A. Defences.

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H.Q. S. COMD.	6
H.Q. L. of C. Area	2
H.Q. A.A. Defences	4
4 A.A. BTY.	6
10 A.A. Battery	6
11 A.A. Battery	6
28 A.A. Battery	6
53 A.A. Company	1
64 A.A. Company	1
65 A.A. Company	1
C.O. RA.A.F. Laverton	2
C.O. R.A.A.F. Point Cook	2
C.O. E.F.T. R.A.A.F. Essendon	2
C.O. E.F.T. R.A.A.F. Sale	2
F.C.O. Essendon	1
C.A.C. Fishermons Bend	1
A.P.C. Fishermons Bend	1
Spares	12

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H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES. OPERATIONAL INSTRUCTION No.4.

A.A. BARRAGE TABLES - A.A. DEFENCES MELBOURNE.

1. Herewith:-
   (a) Orders for the Engagement of Aircraft by Barrage Fire.
   (b) Barrage Table for A.A. Defences Melbourne.
   (c) Pro formas for barrage data to be used for the control of fire from each gun station.

2. (a) BARRAGE TABLE - A.A. DEFENCES, MELBOURNE:

This table shows the location to be covered by A.A. Barrage. A map reference is given for each location and a zone letter. The area of each zone is determined by a circle with a radius of 450 yards with the map reference as its centre. The gun stations, listed in column 4, are responsible for firing the barrage covering the various zones. Guns will fire the barrage at maximum rate of fire, for the period stated in column 5. Barrage will sweep slowly to and fro across zones. The gun stations set out in column 6 are responsible for the control of barrage fire over the respective zones.

Messages calling for barrage fire will be made to H.Q. A.A. Defences - e.g.
"NIBO (2) firing barrage zone A 3000"
H.Q. A .A. Defences will then order other gun stations concerned (ref. column 4) to fire barrage e.g.
"To KOGA (1)
Fire barrage zone A.3000 "

Should the control O.P. gun station (ref. column 6) consider the barrage - say 1000 feet too low - it will then call H.Q. A.A. Defences e.g.
"NIBO (2) raising barrage zone A. to 4000 feet".

(b) The following points will be carefully noted:-
(a) The control O.P. will make its own decisions to open fire, at the same time advising H.Q. A.A. Defences so that fire can be called for, from other stations (ref. column 4).

(b) The Control O.P. will make its own decision to raise or lower the height of the barrage according to the observations of the G.P.O., and will, of course, advise H.Q.

(c) If the Control O.P. considers the barrage should stop before, or continue after, the standard period of time as stated in column 5, he will advise H.Q. A.A. Defences e.g.
"Stop barrage zone A."
or
"Continue barrage zone A" for a second period".

3. Pro forma for Barrage data
Batteries will be responsible for the preparation of barrage data, copy of which will be held at each gun and by G.P.O. One copy will be forwarded to this H.Q.

4. The attached pro formas are largely self explanatory. Any matters requiring clarification will be referred to this H.Q. IMMEDIATELY.

5. All barrage data will be prepared I M M E D I A T E L Y.

6. Ack.

27 FEB 1942

R. Burrowes Capt.
Staff Capt. A.A. Defences.

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ORDERS FOR THE ENGAGEMENT OF AIRCRAFT

BY BARRAGE FIRE.

H.Q.A.A.Defences.
Williamstown R'course.
27 Feb. '42.

A.A. DEFENCES MELBOURNE.

1. Provided that a G.P.O. has NOT already committed his section to an active engagement which he considers to be of greater importance, A.A. Barrages, as set out in Barrage Tables (Refer H.Q.A.A. Defences Op. Inst No.4.) will be fired:-

(a) When ordered by H.Q.A.A. Defences.

(b) When an attack on any zone within range has been observed.

2. Ack.

Capt.
for J.H.McCONKEY.
Lt.Col.
Commander.A.A.Defences.

Distribution:-	Copy Nos.
H.Q. S. COMD.	1.2.3.4.5.6.
H.Q. L. of C Area.	7.8.
H.Q.A.A.Defences.	9.10.11.12.
4.A.A. Bty.	13.14.15.16.17.18.
10.A.A. Bty.	19.20.21.22.23.24
11.A.A.Bty.	25.26.27.28.29.30
28.A.A.Bty.	31.32.33.34.35.36
53.A.A.Coy.	37
64.A.A.Coy.	38
65.A.A.Coy.	39
Spares.	40.41.42.43.44.45 46.47.48.49.50.51

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Appendix "A" to H.Q. A.A. Defences
Operational Instruction No.4. (Feb.27th.'42).
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Ref. Maps:- MELBOURNE 1" - 1 Mile SHEET.
SUNBURY " " " "

- BARRAGE TABLE.-

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Zone.	Place.	Map Reference	A.A. STATION Responsible	PERIOD Minutes	CONTROL O.P.	REMARKS.
A	C.O.R. Depot PAISLEY	M875325	Braybrook Williamstown	5	Williamstown	(a) Map reference is the centre of a circle 450 yards radius (b) Barrage will swing across the circle containing the V.A.
B.	SPOTSWOOD	M935335	Coode Is. Williamstown	5	Coode Is.	
C.	NEWPORT	M925330	Coode Is. Williamstown	5	Williamstown	
D.	C.A.C. AERODROME	M954350	Coode Is. Williamstown	5	Coode Is.	
E.	PORT MELBOURNE	M970330	Coode Is. Williamstown	5	Coode Is.	
F.	VICTORIA DOCKS	M985362	Coode Is. Williamstown	5	Coode Is.	
G.	M'NONG ORD. FACTORY	M930415	Braybrook Coode Is. Essendon	5	Essendon	
H.	M'NONG AMN. FACTORY	M933400	Braybrook Coode Is. Essendon	5	Essendon	
I.	ESSENDON AERODROME	S940474	Essendon	5	Essendon or F.C.O. Essendon Aerodrome	
J.	ALTONA	M845282	Laverton	5	Laverton	
K.	DERRIMUT	M796361	Laverton	5	Laverton	
L.	WILLIAMSTOWN DOCKS.	M952305	Coode Is. Williamstown	5	Coode Is.	

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BARRAGE DATA - A.A. DEFENCES. MELBOURNE. SECRET.

From BRAYBROOK.

A.	1000	2000	3000	4000	5000	6000	7000	8000	9000	10000
Q.E.	5° 22'	8° 24'	12° 36'	18° 49'	24° 42'					
FUZE	5.25	7.25	9.50	10.75	11.75					
BEARING	Slow sweeps between 185° and 192°									
B.	1000	2000	3000	4000	5000	6000	7000	8000	9000	10000
Q.E.										
FUZE										
BEARING.										
C D etc.	) as above									

NOTE. The Q.E., Fuse, and Bearing data above are only examples - they are not accurate figures.

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OPERATIONAL MESSAGE LOG -- OUT.

Serial No.	Place	Date	Hour.	Summary of Message.	Action Taken.
A.A.O.34	W'stown	Feb.1	1300	Monospar VU-UAZ leaving Coode 1300hrs. for Essendon	Nibo 1 & 2. Koga 1 & 2.
35	"	" 1	1940	Beaufort testing from Fisher.Bend. Three miles radius, height 4-5000 ft. Time 1945hrs. to 2030 hrs. Ack.	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2.
36	"	" 3	0800	Four seaplanes biplane type painted blue grey with twin floats will be catapulted from U.S.S. Phoenix 0900hrs. to 1130 hrs. 3 Feb. Area of flight Port Phillip Bay. Ack.	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2 FUFO.
37	"	" 3	1415	R.A.A.F. Douglas flying restricted area. 1500hrs.	" " " " " " NOTI FUFO LURI.
38	"	" 3	1600	Wackett Trainers, Essendon 2130 - 0230 (4)	Koga 2 Noti Fufo Luri
39	"	3	2005	Avro Anson flying in city area tonight between 2100 and 2130. Request lights do not engage beyond identification.	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2 Noti Fufo, Luri.
40	"	4	0235	D.C.3 VH-ABR due Essendon from Adelaide 0325hrs.	Koga 1 & 2
41	"	4	0827	Beaufort Bomber L.4448 leaving Fisher.Bend for Sydney 0830hrs. Ack.	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2.
42.		5	1315	TwoU.S. Seaplanes expect to take off from water at Port. Melb. at 1330hrs. today and land same place 1430 hrs. Flying over Port Phillip Bay	Nibo 1 & 2
43.	"			American aircraft twin float seaplanes flying P.P. Bay area 1430 hrs. today.	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2. Noti Fufo Luri.
44a.		6	1740	Air co-op. 2100 - 2230 tonight.	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2.
45	"	8	1012	U.S. Phoenix exercising seaplanes Hobsons Bay 1015-1130	All stations advised.
46.	"	8	1715	Wirraway Monday over Melbourne 0730 - 0830 Height 2000 - 6000 feet.	" " "
47.	"	10	1220	Hawker Demon, Lav. Fisher. Bend. Flinders 1315	Nibo 1 & 2.
48.	"		2313	Ist. Douglas trying to find way thru' clouds to make a landing at Essendon.	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2 Noti.
49.	"	10	2315	Ist. Douglas now landed at Essendon.	" " " " "
50.	"	11	0645	Douglas testing from Essendon over City area for approx. 5 to 10 min.	Nibo 1 Koga 2.
51.	"	11	0920	Vega Gull replacing Hawker Demon on Flight to Flinders	Nibo I andnl.
52.	"		1100	Regulations for blackout to be observed.	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2 Noti Fufo Luri.
53.	"	11	1940	Planes in area during blackout carrying observation party	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2 Noti Fufo Luri.
54.	"	12	0930	Four seaplanes operating from U.S.S. Phoenix between 0930 - 1100hrs. over Pt.Phillip.	All Stations.
55.	"		0950	Flight of Kitty Hawks arriving Laverton today.	All stations advised.

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OPERATIONAL MESSAGE LOG -- OUT.

Ml No.	Place	Date	Hour.	Summary of Message.	Action Taken.
A.A.O. 56.	W'stown	Feb.12	1444	EXERCISE ONLY. Jap. Bombers & fighters flying high over Queenscliff 1430 hrs. Northerly direction Considered air attack imminent.	To KOGA 1 as an exercise. Lieut. McKay is observing.
57.	"	12	1515	R.A.A.F. practicing landings Essendon 2100hrs. 12/2/42 to 0200hrs. 13/2/42.	FUFO.
58.	"	"	1730	Air co-op. R.A.A.F. Wirraway.	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2.
59.		"	2140	Douglas VH AB2 arriving Essendon 2150. Lockheed arriving Essendon 0100	Koga 1 & 2.
6 0.	"	14		14 Kittyhawks from Sale 0945 hrs.	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2 Noti Fufo Luri.
61.	"	14		" " " " " "	NUDO
62.	"		1940	Air co-op. 2115-2300 REARWIN H.W. Monoplane	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2.
63.	"	15	0404	Douglas leaving Essendon for Adelaide immediately.	Koga 2.
64.	"	15	1140	V.H-DOW arrive Laverton 1520. Junkers Machine	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2 Noti Fufo Luri.
65.	"		1655	10 Kittyhawks Laverton 1700hrs.	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2 Noti Fufo Luri.
66.	"		1900	Air co-oper tonight 2115-2300 REARWIN	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 &2
67.	"	16	0940	Anson W.2564 leaving Laverton 100hrs. for Radio Calibration Tests. 2000 - 7000 feet.	" " " "
68.	"	16	1340	Anson carrying out Photography, low altitude Docks area today	Nibo 1 & 2.
69.	"	16	1420	Practice landings Essendon aerodrome from 2130 hrs. 16/2/42 to dawn 17/2/42. Ack.	Koga 2 Fufo.
70.	"	17.	1025	Ref. A.A.O. 67 of 16th. Repeat as for 17th.	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2.
71.	"		1835	Air co-op. 2100-2300 WIRRAWAY	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2
72.	"		1930	No shooting to take place unless plane acting in hostile manner. This to operate until Feb. 23. When new regulations will be promulgated.	" " " "
73.	"		2040	Ref. your O.G.2 of 17th. a definition is requested of "Hostile manner". Does straight line flight of unidentified plane constitute hostile manner. T.C. Rusden.	Admn. Command.
74.	"	18	1015	C.A.C. Bomber on testing flights in area. 1015 hrs. to 1145 hrs. Ack.	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2. Fufo.
75.	"		1335	Ref. A.A.O. 67. Repeat as for 18th.	" " " "
76.	"	19	1435	Vega Gull from Sydney expected arrive Laverton about 1550 hrs. Ack.	" " " " Fufo.
77.	"	20	1440	Capt. Young flying Beaufort L.4448 to Macedon from Fishermans Bend 1500 returning approx. 1700. Ack.	" " " " "

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A.A. DEFENCES. UNIT. H.Q. A.A. Defences. A.A.D. Form,12.

OPERATIONAL MESSAGE LOG. — OUT.

Serial No.	Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Message.	Action taken.
A.A.O. 78.	W'stown	Feb.20		R.A.A.F. night landing practices tonight commencing 2130 hrs. Ack.	Koga 2 Fufo.
79.	"	21	1125	Wackett Bomber tests - Diving C.A.C. factory from 10000 feet along Lav-C.A.C. Lane.	Nibo. 1 & 2 Koga 1.
80.	"		1220	Fairchild restricted area 1330 1 hour	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2 Fufo.
81.	"	22	1405	C.A.C. Bomber to Laverton via lane. Will dive on C.A.C. aerodrome from 10000ft. thence over Bay and back to lane. Leaving aerodrome immediately returning approx. 1530. Ack.	" " " " "
82.	"	22	1945	High wing monoplane VH-ACZ color black & yellow leaving Essendon for Coode Is. 1950hrs. Ack.	" " " " "
83.	"	24	1005	R.A.A.F. advise Vega Gull replaced Hawker Demon on Laverton - C.A.C. - Flinders Route.	" " " "
84.	"		1550	Beaufort bomber Fisher. Bend 1600hrs.	" " " " 1
85.	"		1740	Air co-op. tonight R.A.A.F.	" " " "
86.	"		1750	R.A.A.F. night landing practices tonight Essendon area, commencing 2100hrs.	Koga 2 Fufo.
87.	"		2225	5 Lockheed Hudsons due Laverton from Mallacoota approx. 2240.	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2 Fufo.
88.	"		2245	Three LiberatorBombers departing Laverton 2330/24, 0030/25, 0130/25.	Koga 1 & 2 Nibo 1 & 2 Fufo.
89.	"		2300	Unidentified plane sighted Anglesea 2124, Lorne 2130, sighted again Lorne 2140 flying towards Geelong	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2 Fufo.
90.		25	1330	Beaufort testing Essendon area. " going Sydney 1430 ack.	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2
91.			1515	Avro Anson W1961 examining Shipping Williamstown area 1545	Nibo 1 &2
92.	"	25	1620	American NA-047 over Laverton & Melbourne. area avoiding prohibited area 1700-1900	Nibo 2 Koga 1 & 2 Fufo.
93.	"	26	0700	American single float biplane making reconn. from American war ship. Ack.	Nibo 2 Koga 2. Fufo.
94.	"		0935	Beaufort T.9560 short flight 0945 " L.4448 - Sydney 1000	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2.
95.	"	26	1350	Camouflaged Anson leaving Laverton 1415. Taking photographs of ships at Pt. Melb. from low heights.Ak.	Nibo 1 & 2
96.	"		1745	Air co-operation with R.A.A.F. 2100-2300 Probably Wirraway.	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2.

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A.A.O. 97	W'stown.	Feb.26	2135	Douglas from Sydney 2155	Nibo 1 & 2. Koga 1 & 2.
98	"			" " Hobart 2250	Koga 1 & 2 Nibo 1 & 2.
98.	"	27	0015	Unidentified aircraft King Is. 2150 hrs. Indications of gun fire. Last heard 2235.	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2 Fufo Nudo.
99	"		0815	Two unidentified aircraft seen S.W. of Lorne travelling N.W. at 0755. Description Yellow single engine L.W. monoplane, blunt nose. Wings tapered both edges, 1 rudder fin. wheels visible. Ack.	" " " " Fufo Nudo.
100	"		1700	All Units will observe extraordinary precautions until further notice. All leave other than special leave is cancelled.	" " " " "
101	"	28	0925	Four American aircraft operating over Bay 0930 - 1130 28 Feb. 1942.	" " " " & 3 Fufo.
102	"		1203	Ref. A.A.O. 101 of 28th. All aircraft now returned to Base. Ack.	" " " " " "
103	"		1345	B17 leaving Laverton 1415 for Deniliquin & return 1730	" " " " "
104			1425	Beaufort leaving C.A.C. 1430 hrs. on bearing 147.	Nibo 1 & 2.
105			1730	Air co-operation 2100-2300 "REARWIN"	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2.
106	"		1730	6 Ansons due Laverton 2230	" " " "
				1 " " " 2130	" " " "
				1 Douglas due 2215	
107	"		1925	Beaufort testing C.A.C.	" " " 1
108	"		2015	3 Douglas D.C. 2 & 1 Lockheed Electra expected arrive Essendon bet. 2200 & 2300.	Nibo 2 and Koga 2
109	"		2320	Two Ansons due Laverton 2230 now overdue, Locality now near Daylesford. Expected Laverton 2345 approx.	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2.

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O.B.1	Melb.L.ofC.	11/2/42	1050	Message re Black out regulations	All stations advised.
O.B.2	L. of C.	12/2/42	0915	U.S.S. Phoenix to operate 4 seaplanes over P.P.B.	To all stations.
	L. of C.	13/2/42	1237	TIN FISH located off Kembla at 0940 L/13	No action.
O.G. 2	L. of C.	17/2/42	1920	No shooting to take place unless Battery is satisfied plane acting in hostile manner. This to operate until Feb. 23rd. when new regulations will be promulgated.	All stations advised.
	L. of C.	27/2/42	0015	Unidentified aircraft King Island 2150. Indications of gunfire. Last heard 2235.	All stations advised.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Williamstown R'course	1/3/42	0900	Lt. Col. J.H. McConkey — Commander A.A. Defences.	
			Capt. H.L. Burrowes — Staff Captain	
			Lieut. H.L. McKay — Assist. Staff Capt.	
			W.O. (1) G.A. Johnston — R.S.M.	
			S/Sgt. F.N. King.	
			S/Sgt. J. Rutherford — A.A.P.C.	
			Orderly Room Staff, Sgt. R.A. Orr, Sgt. Ganley, Bdr. Johnston Bdr. Truman and 6 O.R's.	
	2/3/42.	0900	A.A. Practice shoot with 3.7" guns commences on A.A. Range	
			Sth. Werribee. 4th. 10th., 11th. & 28th. A.A. Batteries shooting. Target used was a drogue. Some sections revealed a higher standard of training and efficiency than others.	
			On the first days shoot the drogue was twice brought down.	
		1230	Lt. G.H. Nash from 11th. Bty. attached H.Q. as I.O.	
	3/3/42	0900	Practice shoot continued. Personnel from 4th. & 10th. Bty moved to Yallourn to man stations there while 11th. Bty. move to Melb. for practice.	
		0900	Capt. H. Woodward R.A.S.C. (ex Hong Kong) attached to this H.Q. pending appointment to some other unit.	
	4/3/42	0900	As a defect had developed in the plane towing the drogue, Practice shoot postponed.	
	5/3/42	1400	Practice shoot continued. Drogue again shot down.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Williamstown	5/3/42	2100	Night shoot postponed because of rain. It was decided to use ammunition allocated for night shoot in further day practice.	
	6/3/42	0900	Lt. Larkin from 3 A.A. Bty. Singapore attached this H.Q. pending appointment to some other Unit.	
		1400	Practice shoot continued. Drogue again shot down. Taken as a whole and considering that the Batteries were, in Dec. last, depleted of all but about 20 trained men, the practice was of a satisfactory standard.	
	7/3/42		H.Q. A.A. D. Training Instruction No. 8 issued.	
	8/3/42		Nil	
	9/3/42	1400	An attempt was made to proof the 3.7" mountings at Coode Is. For this purpose some special rounds of paper shot ammunition were used. Three rounds were fired from No.1 Gun and one round from No.2. It was then observed that the inner surfaces of the liners of both guns were severely damaged The lands of the gun were very much battered. An effort to pass a guage plug through the bore had the following result:- No.1 Gun - would move 18" up the bore. 2. " - would not enter the bore. It would appear that the shot inside one projectile consisted of steel pellets instead of lead pellets. How steel pellets came to be in the projectile should be the subject of exhausting enquiries. Two new liners had to be placed in the guns.	
	10/3/42		Nil.	
	11/3/42		Nil.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Williamstown	12/3/42		C.O. visits Laverton and arranges programme for air co-operation between A.A. Defences and R.A.A.F. Two Hawker Demons have been placed at disposal of A.A.	
	13/3/42		Nil	
	14/3/42		Nil.	
	15/3/42	1045	Unidentified plane flying in prohibited area engaged by Nth. Williamstown gun station. Fifteen rounds were fired. No other stations engaged this plane as they were able to identify it as an American O.47. No reason for the 'planes presence in the restircted area has been given this H.Q. The number of aircraft failing to observe the restrictions is fairly large. These breeches cause considerable inconvenience on gun stations as alarms are raised when planes are sighted without a "warning in" having been received.	
	16/3/42	1600	L.M.G. Section 11th. A.A. Bty. moved to Melb. to take part in L.M.G. practice with drogue target.	
	17/3/42		Weather conditions bad. L.M.G. Shoot postponed.	
	18/3/42		L.M.G. shoot completed by 3 batteries and 11th. A.A. Bty. returned to Yallourn.	
		1400	Party of Identification specialists from all batteries visit Laverton to study types of aircraft.	
			A.A. Coys. complete L.M.G. shoot at Sth. Werribee.	
	19/3/42		C.O. visits Yallourn to view works in progress.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Williamstown R'course,	20/3/42	1500	C.O. returns from Yallourn.	
			Major Hughes Hallett and Capt. Jorgensen from "G" Branch Army H.Q. visit War Stations.	
	21/3/42		Nil	
	22/3/42	2100	Letter received from H.Q. Melb. L. of C. stating that aircraft in groups of less than three were not to be engaged unless acting in hostile manner.	
	23/3/42	1430	C.O. confers with Brig. Luxton and Major Hughes Hallett re formation of Light A.A. Regiment.	
	24/3/42		Nil	
	25/3/42	1100	Instructions received that personnelto mann A.A. equipment on visiting ships are to be quartered on Coode Is.	
	26/3/42		Nil	
	27/3/42		Nil	
	28/3/42	1000	C.O. visits Queenscliff to select site for 2 3"20cwt. guns ex. Laverton.	
		1700	Lt. Nash leaves for Sydney to attend School on Aircraft Identification.	
	29/3/42		Nil	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Williamstown R'course	30/3/42	0900	C.O. and Staff Captain visit Anglesea to view Artillery Shoot with 18 pdr. and 4.5 Howitzers.	
		1700	C.O. advised from A.H.Q. that 30th. and 31st. A.A. Btys. and an additional Sect. to be included in 4 A.A. Bty.	
	31/3/42	1000	Battery Commanders attend conference at H.Q. re Officers and personnel for new Batteries.	

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H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES. TRAINING INSTRUCTION No.8.

Four matters requiring MORE ATTENTION. March 7th. 1942.

1. CONFIDENCE IN EQUIPMENT. After witnessing and taking part in the recent practice shoot, all ranks should have considerable confidence in the equipment used. This confidence can be further increased by giving all personnel extra and more detailed instruction in their equipment and its functions.

2. Thorough TRAINING.
A.A. Training must now become more thorough and more attentive to detail. There are many rough spots to be eliminated before gun sections could be classed A.1. G.P.Os. and Nos.1 must be more flexible i.e. they must be prepared to meet calmly and easily, situations which are not laid down in Vol.1. Changes in methods of fire control should be effected smoothly and without flurry. Men must be trained with more insistence on DETAIL.

3. DISCIPLINE.
High standards of discipline must be achieved. Putting it very briefly, those in command must at all times have 100% control; and must have so impressed and trained those under them, that they will willingly and expertly follow any lead given. But remember A LEAD MUST BE GIVEN. Make your own mind up - don't wait for something to happen. Discipline, then, depends on leadership. The qualities of leadership are many and are covered fully in many publications. In some men they are very apparent - these men should be studied and imitated.

4. THE AGRESSIVE SPIRIT.
The agressive spirit is more than ever necessary today. Don't wait to be attacked - hit first; and if you are hit back then hit again - and harder. The development and fostering of the agressive spirit should have high priority in all training programmes. "Hardening training" will assist. In this regard very little has been done by Officers to implement H.Q. A.A. Defences Tng. Inst. No.6 issued 6 Oct. 1941. The activities outlined in para 2 Tng. Inst. No.6 are to be included in all syllabi from this date on. Periods covering (a) to (f) could be allotted after 1630 hrs. so as not to interfere with normal A.A. Training. Regarding bayonet drill (para g) - at least three hours per week will be done by all ranks. Dummies and "mad minute" course will be constructed immediately. Trained bayonet instructors can be made available to Units by this H.Q. for advice regarding the construction of bayonet courses, dummies, training sticks etc. and for instructional purposes. One other point about this "Agressive Spirit". Use it not only against the Japanese, but against anyone or anything which threatens to interfere with the efficiency of your Unit or your Section. Many difficulties not initiated by our external enemies, are constantly arising - they must be overcome. In this regard, if you are sure of your ground, be no respecter of persons, customs or obsolete and obstructive "rules and regulations".

5. Remember then,
   (a) Instil in your men maximum confidence in their equipment,
   (b) Let no detail, however minute, be overlooked in Training.
   (c) Achieve discipline by leadership and example.
   (d) Be agressive yourself and infuse into your men an agressive, off ensive spirit.

R. Barrow
Capt.
Staff Capt. A.A. Defences.

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110	W'stown	1.3.42	1350	Liberator arriving ex SYDNEY about 1300	"	"	"	"
111	"	"	"	Seagull from RATHMINES arriving LAVERTON about 1700	"	"	"	" Fufo
112	"	"	1357	Douglas from SYDNEY expected arrive LAVERTON 2115 hrs	"	"	"	" "
113	"	"	1930	Fortress expected arrive MELBOURNE 2100 hrs	"	"	"	" "
114	"	"	2015	Three Lockeed Hudsons expected arrive LAVERTON 2400 hrs				
115	"	2/3/42	0855	4 Seaplane Single Float Biplane Radial engine leaving S S "HONOLULU" 0930 returning 1130 hrs	"	"		
116	"	"	0935	Hawker Demon flys daily to FISHERMANS Bend & Flinders returning approx 1130 using lane bearing 222° for Fishermans Bend	"	"	"	"
117	"	"	1105	Beaufort L 4448 leaving C A C on bearing 147° 1110 hrs returning approx 1300 hrs	"			
118	"	"	1305	Ref A A O 115 All American Planes back on Ship @ Wackett Trainers & Wirraways being ferried C A C LAVERTON on bearing 222° @ 1 Flying Fortress due LAVERTON 1550.1 B 18 (American) Due LAVERTON 1600 app.				
119	"	"	1640	Air co-operation with R A A F.Wirraways from approx 2030 hrs tonight	"	"	"	"
120	"	"	1800	Beaufort testing over Fishermans Bend aerodrome 1810 hrs @ 5000 ft	"	2	"	"

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121	W'stown	2/3/42	1800	Three Hudsons expected arrive LAVERTON 2400 hrs 3 Mar	Nibo 1 Nibo 2 Koga 1 Koga 2 Fufo
122	"	3/3/42	0714	Douglas landing at ESSENDON.Returning from start'	" "
				ADELAIDE trip. Engine trouble. Ack	
123	"	"	1030	Catalina flying boat arriving. Landing at W'stown	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2
				Time of arrival indefinite. Ack	S S HONOLULU advised
124	"	"	1135	Beaufort testing from 1155-1210 hrs over Fishermans	Nibo 1 Nibo 2 Koga 1
				Bend No T 9562	
125	"	"	1555	Douglas leaving ESSENDON 1630 ret.2330	Koga 2
126	"	"	1640	Air co-operation with R A A F Wirraway from approx 2100	" " " "
				2300 hrs tonight	
127	"	"	1655	3 Hudson aircraft will fly between LAVERTON & WERRIBEE	" " "
				from 2100-2330 hrs tonight	
128	"	"	2015	Electra leaving ESSENDON for ADELAIDE 0100/4 Mar	" "
129	"	"	2250	7 Flying Fortresses leaving LAVERTON 2359 Course N W.	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2 SS "HONOLULU"
130	"	4/3/42	0900	Beauforts will be flying between C A C & LAVERTON and	
				returning . Course 222° from C A C	" "
131	"	"	1120	Report received from C D H Queenscliff Graded D 1 Plane	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2 Nudo
				heard flying very high out to sea off BARWON HEADS but	Fufo.
				unseen.Then heard three loud explosions & a short sharp	
				burst that sounded like M G fire. Ack	

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132	W'stown	4/3/42	1340	Air co-operating with R A A F Wirraway for W'stown,	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2 SS"HONOLULU"
				Coode Is & Braybrook Stations from approx 1400-1530hrs	Maribyrnong
133	"	"	1445	R A A F Wirraway on photographic flight over Olympic	
				Park flying between 2000 & 10,000 from approx 1500-1630	Nibo 1 & 2 USS "HONOLULU"advised
134	"	"	1640	Douglas aircraft from ADELAIDE due 2030 hrs .	Koga 1 & 2
				" " " SYDNEY " 2115 hrs	" " "
135	"	"	1640	Four Airspeed Oxfords will operate within circle of 5	
				mile radius of PT COOK between 2030 hrs 4 Mar & 0600 5	Mar.Nibo 2 USS"HONOLULU
136	"	"	1615	Several Anson Aircraft operating between LAVERTON and	
				WARRNAMBOOL . Last plane expected back LAVERTON 2030.	Nibo 2.
				Twenty five Airspeed Oxfords will be operating between	
				GEELONG & BACCHUS MARSH from 2230hrs 4 Mar - 0600 hrs 5 Mar.	
137	"	"	1615	Same text as A A O 136	Koga 1 & 2 Nibo 1
138	"	"	1640	" " " " 135	Nibo 1 Koga 1 & 2.
139	"	"	1905	Avro Anson flying NHILL to Deniliquin & returning ETA	
				NHILL 2330 .	Nibo 1 Nibo 2
				Two Wirraways leaving CANBERRA for LAVERTON flying	USS HONOLULU.
				5000" ETA 1940.	" " Koga 1 & 2 Fufo
140	"	"	1945	6 Kittyhawks arriving LAVERTON from CANBERRA ETA 1950	" " " " "
141	"	"	2055	2 Wirraways / reported previously. One made forced landing at DEER	" " " " "
				PARK. Now taking off for LAVERTON. Ack	

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142	W'stown	4/3/42	2200	.Doglas aircraft previously reported arriving from SYDNEY ETA 2115 behind schedule.Now expected to arrive 2212 hrs.Ack	Koga 1 & 2
143	"	5/3/42	0830	Fairchild flying to FLINDERS 0900 instead of usual Hawker Demon	Nibo 1 & 2 " "
144	"		0945	Beaufort aircraft will be flying between LAVERTON & C A C during morning .	" "
146	"	"	1610	Anson immediately leaving to photograph W'stown Docks Flying at 1000 ft.	
147	"	"	1700	One American 047A(Description Pregnant Wirraway)due LAVERTON 1815/5 . One Flying Fortress Due LAVERTON midnight.One Dutch Lockheed due LAVERTON midnight	" "
148	"	"	1700	Kittyhawks in flights of eight will patrol Port Phillip Bay protecting shipping from dawn till dark March 6 . Will also operate P P Heads locality from dawn till approx 1400 hrs March 7. Ack	" " " "
146	"	"	1130	Douglas DC 3 departing SYDNEY 2115 hrs ETA ESSENDON not given. Ack	" "
145	"	"	0940	Nine Kittyhawks arriving LAVERTON from CANBERRA 1040 hrs	" " " " Fufo
149	"	"	2125	D C 3 arrive ESSENDON 2140.Depart 2200.Lockheed arrive ESSENDON 2200 from BROKEN HILL	" "

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150	W'stown	5/3/42	2340	DC3 arrive ESSENDON approx 0040 6/3/42	Koga 1 & 2
151	"	6/3/42	0855	4 Seaplanes from USShips taking off 0930 returning 1130.	Nibo 1 & 2 " "
152	"	"	0925	Vega Gull flying LAVERTON to C A C 1000 hrs.	" "
153	"	"	1355	Douglas aircraft A 30-11 flying direct COODE Is.C A C Aeordrome.Thence to KYNETON.ETA C A C indefinite.	" " " " USS"HONOLULU"
154	"	"	1400	1 DC 2 aircraft VH-USY leave SYDNEY for ESSENDON via CANBERRA.ETD 2115. ETA not given	" "
155	"	"	1510	RAAF Wirraway on photographic flight over COODE 'S this afternoon	" " USS"HONOLULU"
156	"	"	1540	Beuafort L 4448 testing C A C area from 1550-1620.	" " "
157	"	"	1655	2 Anson aircraft operating in area return LAVERTON 2300	" "
158	"	"	1710	Air co-op tonight 2100-2300	" " " Koga 1 & 2
159	"	"	1955	Six Ansons flying LAVERTON area 2130-2300 tonight	" "
160	"	"	2150	Six Ansons from SALE due LAVERTON 2330	" " " "
161	"	7/3/42	0710	Beaufort aircraft leaving Fishermans Bend for SYDNEY Reg L 444' at 0730	" "
162	"	"	1000	1 Douglas PERTH-ESSENDON ETA 2030.1 Douglas SYDNEY-ESSENDON ETA 2115. 1 Douglas ESSENDON-HOBART ETD 1800	" "
163	"	"	1345	2 Avro Anson aircraft flying on search out to sea.One landing SALE,other returning LAVERTON about 2045 hrs	" " Nudo

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164	W'stown	7/3/42	1835	2 American aircraft type not disclosed landed CEDUNA SA	
				1600 hrs. Proceeding to LAVERTON ETA not given .	All stations advised
165	"	"	1955	Further to A A O 164 2 American B 17E type aircraft	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2 Fufo
				landed CEDUNA SA 1600 & remaining overnight.Further	
				details as to ETA LAVERTON 8/3/42 to follow	
166	"	"	2030	1 DC 2 aircraft flying between PARAFIELD & ESSENDON ETA	
				ESSENDON 2050 hrs	" "
167	"	"	2140	American B 17 departing LAVERTON 0400/8 for MORNINGTON	
				thence to YALLOURN & searching seawards.ETA LAVERTON 1000	" " " " Yallourn
168	"	"	2210	2 American B 17 type aircraft fyling direct MALLACOOTA	
				1 Avro Anson Aircraft departed SALE 2230 hrs via CAPE	
				LIPTRAP & CAPE SCHANK to LAVERTON ETA 2359 hrs	" " " " Nudo
169	"	8/3/42	0222	American B 17 type aircraft departing LAVERTON 0430	
				for MALLACOOTA. Proceeding seaward to MORNINGTON thence	
				east sticking coast 25 - 30 miles south BAIRNSDALE.Ack	"
170	"	"	1040	Dutch Lockheed trying to land ESSENDON.Lost in cloud.	" " " "
				May not observe lane	
171	"	"	2000	Oxford engaged exercises 2030/8 to 0500/9.DC2 ESSENDON 2115.	" " " "
172	"	9/3/42	0920	Fairchild replacing Hawker Demon on low C A C - FLINDERS	
				run today	" "

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173	W'stown	9/3/42	0950	RAAF Wirraway on meteorological flight between 0800-0900 every morning. Height up to 16000 ft	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2 advised
173a	"	"	1440	1 Airspeed Oxford 1 Wirraway PT COOK to SALE ETD 1330.	Nudo
174	"	"	1600	1 DC2 Aircraft from SYDNEY due LAVERTON 2115. 1 Douglas aircraft leavong ESSENDON for DARWIN 0400/10 via ADELAIDE	" "
175	"	"	1925	Night flying for 9/3. 3 Hudson aircraft from SALE making circuits & landings in local areas from 2000-2230 hrs.	"
176	"	"	2315	3 Hudson aircraft searching 200 miles seawards from 0930/10 from WILSONS PROM. 3 Hudson aircraft searching 230 miles seawards from CAPE SCHANK 1330/10.	"
177	"	10/3/42	1030	1 Lockheed Dutch Lodestar aircraft arriving ESSENDON immediately	" "
179	"	"	1430	DC 2 A 30-11 departed PT COOK 1335/10 for MT GAMBIER returning 1700 hrs .	" "
178	"	"	1430	Airspeed Oxfords & Wirraways making circuits & landings within circle of 1 mile radius of PT COOK from 2030-0515/11.	All stations advised
180	"	"	1800	Beuafort flying 6000ft 2 mile radius aero.	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2 "
181	"	"	1830	NEI DC2 due LAVERTON approx 1900 hrs	" " " " "
182	"	"	1910	Wirraway due LAVERTON from SALE 1930	" "
183	"	"	2145	Lockheed from ADELAIDE due ESSENDON 0100/11	" " " " "
184	"	11/3/42	0905	American Flying Boat from ADELAIDE ETA.1100 hrs	" " " " "

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185	W'stown	11/3/42	0955	7 Avro Anson aircraft departing LAVERTON for BARWON	
				Heads and SALE. Returning to LAVERTON 2130 hrs ETD 1400	
186	"	"	1055	2 American P 39 & 2 P40s LAVERTON to C A C Aero 1150 hrs	Nibo 1 & 2 advised
187	"	"	1235	Blanfort aircraft testing within 2 mile radius C A C	
				aerodrome from approx 1245-1315.Heights up to 6000 ft	" " Koga 1 "
188	"	"	1320	2 Aerocobra P 39 aircraft LAVERTON to C A C 1330 hrs	" "
189	"	"	1445	R A A F Wirraway on photographic flight over University	
				bldgs aera from 1530-1700 Height 3-4000 ft. ack	" " " &V2 "
190	"	"	1810	1 DC 2 Aircraft PERTH to ESSENDON ETA 2030 hrs. L	
				Lockheed Hudson CANBERRA to ESSENDON ETA 1925 hrs	" " "
191	"	"	1830	7 Avro Ansons leaving ~~for~~ SALE for LAVERTON via YANACKIE	
				& BARWON HEADS ETA 2130 hrs. Night flying from PT COOK	
				circuits & landings in local area from 2030/11-0600/12.	
				Night flying by 3 Hudson operating from LAVERTON to	
				WARRNAMBOOL via CHARLTON & return. 1st leaving 2000 hrs	
				returning 0001/12.2nd leaving 2015hrs return 0015/12 3rd leaving 2020 hrs returning 1025 hrs/12.	" " " " "
				Hudson aircraft flying circuits & landings LAVERTON ~~WERRIBEE area 2030/11-0600/12.~~	
				1 DC5 aircraft departing MASCOT 1725 hrs for LAVERTON ETA 2025 hrs. Air co-operation with ~~RAAF Hawker~~ Demon from 2100-2230 hrs tonight	
192	"	"	1940	1 Douglas DC2 from PARAFIELD to ESSENDON ETA 0100 hrs	" "

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193	W'stown	12/3/42	1100	2 Dutch Catalina flyingboats landing W'stown approx 1300 hrs. 1 Catalina & 1 Dornier 3 engine Dutch flying boats landing W'stown approx 1500 hrs	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2 advised
194	"	"	1130	RAAF Wirraway from C A C to LAVERTON immediately 2 Wirraways from CAC to LAVERTON approx 1330 hrs.	" " "
195	"	"	1545	Wirraway conducting air photography in eastern portion of restricted area 2000-5000 ft. ack	" " " " "
196	"	"	1820	1 Lockheed aircraft flying MILDURA to ESSENDON ETA 2150 hrs. 3 Lockheed Hudson aircraft operating from LAVERTON via WARRNAMBOOL to LAVERTON returning approx 0001-0030 hrs 13. L Wirraway providing Searchlight co-op from 1930-2100. 1 B-24 aircraft departing LAVERTON approx 2000 hrs for DALY WATERS.	" " " " "
197	"	"	2020	1 Lockheed ~~Hudson~~ Lodestar from ADELAIDE to ESSENDON ETA 2025 hrs	" " " " Fufo "
198	"	"	2025	1 Lockheed Electra arrive 2105 ESSENDON from MILDURA 1 Lockheed Lodestar from PARAFIELD to ESSENDON ETA 2100. No LD 914	" " " " "
199	"	"	2310	B-17 departing LAVERTON for DALY WATERS immediately	" " " " "
200	"	13/3/42	0825	Wirraway carrying out co-operation with Ships PORT MELBOURNE height 6000 ft from 0900-1030 hrs.ack	" " " " " "
201	"	"	0829	Wirraway carrying out photograhpic eastern portion restricted area about 3000 ft 0845-0945 approx.ack	" " " " " "
202	"	"	1020	Hawker Demon flying for air co-operation 1030-1130 & 1430-1600,2030-2230. Air co-operation will be given daily at these times. Demons from now on.	" " " " "

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203	W'stown	13/3/42	1030	Dutch Glen Martin aircraft probably type 167 Twin engine bomber monoplane arriving LAVERTON from PARAFIELD. Time of arrival indefinite.	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2 advised
204	"	"	1255	Wirraway from CAC flying eastern portion of restricted area at bearings 90°&145° from approx 1300 - 1500 hrs	" " " " "
205	"	"	1550	Wirraway flying at 14000 ft over city & suburbs on photographic flight from 1600-1730 hrs	" " " " Fufo "
206	"	"	1655	RAAF Wirraways & Airspeed Oxfords flying circuits & landings local areas from PT COOK 2030-0515/14 3 Lockheed Hudson aircraft from LAVERTON via CHARLTON & WARRNAMBOOL to LAVERTON. Leaving 2000 hrs returning approx 0030/14. 1 Wirraway flying CANBERRA to LAVERTON ETA 1945. 3 Wirraways from PT COOK via GEELONG, BACCHUS MARSH to PT COOK. ETD 2030. ETA 06000. 1 Boeing B 18 leaving PARAFIELD for LAVERTON ETD 1720 ETA 2050	" " " " " "
207	"	"	?	?1 American type 047 aircraft on circuits & landings LAVERTON area.	" "
208	"	"	2305	1 B-17 American aircraft left ALICE SPRINGS 2118 hrs destination indefinite. Possibly bound for LAVERTON ETA 2330 hrs	" " " " " "
209	"	14/3/42	0915	Wirraway from CAC on photographic flight over E. suburbs	" " " " " "
210	"	"	1510	2 Wirraways on photographic work over city area 1530-1630 hrs. One flying 2000 ft one 4000 ft	" " " " "
211	"	"	1530	Wirraway from CAC on photo flight	" " " " "
212	"	"	1950	3 Hudsons LAVERTON area 2030-2359. DC2 due ESSENDON 2030, 2 DC2s due ESSENDON 2130. HUDSON for S A 0330/15	" " " " "
213	"	15/3/42	1430	Plane engaged this morning now identified as N/A observation plane type 0-47	" " " " " "

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214	W'stown	15/3/42	1610	Ten P40s left BANKSTOWN 0320/Z for LAVERTON ETA 1750	Nibo 1& 2 Koga 1 @ 2 advised
215	"	"	1810	Lockheed Lodestar from PARAFIELD ETA ESSENDON 1900	" " " " Fufo "
216	"	"	2022	Night flying be tween 2015-/15 & 0100/16 at height not above 2000 ft within 2 mile radius of aerodrome Wackett trainers & Tiger Moths to be used.	" " " " " "
217	"	16/3/42	0132	2 Dutch Lodestars leaving ESSENDON 0600 hrs for ADELAIDE	" " " " " "
218	"	"	0900	Moth going to FLINDERS to engage in Naval operations	" "
219	"	"	1045	10 American P40s departed BANKSTOWN for LAVERTONETA 1200	" " " " "
220	"	"	1335	2 Wirraways & 1 CA 4 from FISHERMANS Bend to LAVERTON 1345 hrs. Returning approx 1530 hrs	" "
221	"	"	1655	Night flying by 4 Airspeed Oxfords from PT COOK. ~~Circuits & landings from 2030/16-0600/17.~~	" " " " " "
222	"	"	1835	Beaufort T 9564 leaving CAC Circuits & landings	" " " " "
223	"	"	1910	Beaufort from CAC to LAVERTON. ack	" "
224	"	"	1920	1 Lockheed "10" Markings UZO from BROKEN HILL to ESSENDON.ETA 2300. No night flying by Oxfords	" " " " "
225	"	"	2200	DC2-ADELAIDE due 2230.Lockheed leaving ESSENDON 0400/17	" " "
226	"	17/3/42	0750	DC2 bound for ADELAIDE left ESSENDON 0710 returning from DAYLESFORD thought to be engine trouble.ack	" " " "
227	"	"	1935	1 Douglas DC3 leaving ESSENDON for ALICE SPRINGS 2200	" " " " " "
228	"	"	2145	Douglas DC3 previously reported leaving ESSENDON 2200 hrs now leaving 2359 hrs	" " " " " "
229	"	18/3/42	1100	Catalina flying boat from W'stown to ROSE BAY direct. flying through restriceted area over ESSENDON ETD 1130	" " " " "

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230	W'stown	18/3/42	1430	1 Dutch Lockheed Lodestar or DC5 Markings P-ADD due ESSENDON 1430. 1 Monospar leaving ESSENDON 1440 hrs Markings VH-UTH	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2 advised
231	"	"	1445	Beaufort L 4448 on landings & take offs 1545 hrs from CAC aerodrome	" " " " "
232	"	"	1455	1 CA4 from FISHERMANS BEND to LAVERTON & return. leaving F B 1455 hrs	" " " " "
233	"	"	1615	1 DC3 VH-ABR from OODNADATTA ALICE SPRINGS due ESSENDON 2330 hrs	" " " " Fufo "
234	"	"	1626	Four Airspeed Oxfords making circuits & landings in PT GOOK area from 2030 hrs until 0600/19	" " " " " "
235	"	"	1835	Electra landing ESSENDON 1905. ANSETTS Lockheed 10' landing ESSENDON 0330/19 DC3 ABR leaving ESSENDON for Tas 0530/19.	" " " " "
236	"	"	2100	DC2 due ESSENDON 2215 hrs, one aircraft probably Fortress due ESSENDON 2230, DC3 due ESSENDON 2330 hrs	ack " " " " "
237	"	19/3/42	0355	Lockheed 10 due ESSENDON 0330 noe arriving 0550	ack " " " "
238	"	"	0855	Kittyhawk leaving LAVERTON 0900 flying to FISHERMANS BEND	" " " " "
239	"	"	1035	Beaufort aircraft from CAC operating in mock attack on FISHERMANS BEND from height of 5000ft & diving on CAC buildings. Taking off immediately	" " " " "
240	"	"	1055 Wirraway	on photo flight over MARIBYRNONG camp approx 1130 hrs. Height up to 4000ft.	" " " " " "
241	"	"	1140	Wirraway on photography over University ETD 1135 hrs	" " " " "
242	"	"	1245	Beaufort aircraft testing within 2 mile radius of C A C aerodrome immediately	" " " " "
243	"	"	1420	Experimental kite barrage being flown over S W corner MARIBYRNONG factory 1500hrs.	" " " " " "

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244	W'stown	19/3/42	1710	5 Avro "Ansons on search seawards from LAVERTON via WILSONS PROM. ETA LAVERTON 1845. Airspeed Oxfords making circuits & landings from PT COOK from 2030 - 0600/20. Avro Anson leaving MALLACOOTA for LAVERTON ETD 2030 ETA 2359hrs. Avro Anson leaving MT GAMBIER for LAVERTON ETD 2130 ETA 0100/20.	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2 Fufo advised
245	"	"	1748	2 Avro Ansons departing ESSENDON for MT GAMBIER via DIGGERS REST ETD 1750 hrs	" " "
246	"	"	1905	4 Lockheed Hudsons flying circuits & landings in LAVERTON aerodrome area from 2030 -2359 hrs	" " " " " "
247	"	"	1850	From S/M DWYER M Depot advising that training being carried on tonight Hydrogen balloons lighted being released. Four balloons, 1 each at ¼ hr intervals, commencing approx 2000-2030. Warn all stations	" " " " " "
248	"	"	2145	Test flight from ESSENDON by Douglas DC3 along traffic lanes in restriceted area approx 2230 hrs	" " " " " "
249	"	20/3/42	1130	Wirraway in special test 2 mile radius C A C area. Test involves during 8000 ft	" " " "
250	"	"	1145	C A C ferrying planes to LAVERTON throughout the day	" " "
251	"	"	1335	Wirraway on special test flight over 2 mile radius C A C ~~aerodrome~~. ~~Height 8000'~~ 1345 hrs	" " " " "
252	"	"	1400	Beaufort aircraft testing over 2 mile radius C A C area 1415 hrs Height up to 5000ft	" " " " "
253	"	"	1523	B-24 American Liberator flying within 20 mile radius of MELBOURNE at heights from 4000 - 10,000ft from approx 1530-1830hrs	" " " " "
254	"	"	1556	Miss LYELL on photographic flight from ESSENDON over Docks, Munitions factories & ALTONA are as. Operating immediately	" " " " "

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255	W'stown	20/3/42	1717	Night flying by Wackett trainers & Tiger Moths from ESSENDON within 2 m radius of ESSENDON Aero from 2015 -0400.21 at height below 2000ft	Nibo 1 & 2 Koag 1 & 2 Fufo advised
256	"	"	1740	Hudsons on night flying exercises LAVERTON & WERRIBEE area 200-2400. For ESSENDON only Tiger Moth due at ESSENDON 1845 hrs	" " " " "
257	"	"	1940	American 047 on flight near LAVERTON.Lockheed Hudson leaving LAVERTON 2130 for SWAN HILL ret.2359	" " " " "
258	"	"	0800	Dutch Catalina Flying Boat landing W'stown 0900 hrs	" " " " "
259	"	"	0935	B-24 Liberator flying 25 mile radius MELBOURNE between 6-7000' from 0930-1200 hrs	" " " " "
260	"	21/3/42	1040	RAAF Fairchild on photo flight over GEELONG,MARIBYRNONG W'STOWN,FISHERMANS BEND areas from 1400-1700 hrs.ack	" " " " "
261	"	21/3/42	1305	Miss LYELL carrying out camouflage photo flight over area 1400 - 1630 hrs today	" " " " "
262	"	"	1350	Sopwith Pup VH-UCK leaving FISHERMANS BEND for ESSENDON 1400 hrs	" " " "
263	"	"	1420	Wirraways being ferried between C A C-LAVERTON 1415-1700	" " "
	"	"	1720	Sopwith Pup VH-UCK departing ESSENDON for Fishermans Bend ~~immediately~~	" " " "
264	"	"	1848	Gipsy Moth Minor DENILIQUIN to PT COOK ETA 2315 hrs DC2 PERTH to ESSENDON ETA 2030 hrs. Lockheed A16.98 PARAFIELD to LAVERTON ETA 1930 hrs.Percival Vega Gull 837-1 PARAFIELD to LAVERTON ETA 1905 hrs	" " " " " "
265	"	"	1921	1 DC2 VH-USY PARAFIELD to ESSENDON ETA 1905 hrs 1 DC2 VH-UXJ " " " " 2115 hrs	" " " " " "
266	"	22/3/42	0930	Dutch PBY.F/B Y-45 departing W'stown 1000 hrs. Destination ROSE BAY,SYDNEY	" " " " "

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267	W'stown	22/3/42	1935	2 Douglas planes leaving ESSENDON 1900hrs.Oxfords on night flying exercises from PT COOK 2000-2300. 3 Hudsons doing circuits & landings LAVERTON 2030-2359	Nibo 1 &n2 Koga 1 & 2 advised
268	"	23/3/42	1100	1 P400 Aerocobra left BANKSTOWN for LAVERTON ETA 1100 hrs	" " " " "
269	"	"	1205	B-24 Liberator flying 30 mile radius LAVERTON Aero height up to 7000ft.returnung approx 1300 hrs	" " " " "
270	"	"	1140	8 unidentified A/C sighted fyling W direction 5000ft from BALLARAT towards SKIPTON 1048 hrs report reliable	" " " " " "
271	"	"	1159	Re message AAO 270 Aircraft have now been identified as American proceeding to Mt GAMBIER	" " " " " "
272	"	"	1327	P 39 Aerocobra flying in local araes from LAVERTON outside restricted area from 1315-1400 hrs	" " " " "
273	"	"	1543	1 Wirraway on dive bombing practice from 10000 ft directly over C A C Aerodrome from 1545-1615 hrs	" " " " "
274	"	"	1735	Airspeed Oxfords in flights of three making circuits & landings at WERRIBEE from 2030L/23-0600L/24. Searchlight co-operation with Demon from 2030-2200 Airspeed Oxfords in flights of 3 making circuits & landings at PT COOK from 2030/23-0600/24. 1 DC2 from VH-UXJ due LAVERTON from PARAFIELD approx 2130L/23. 1 DC2 from PERTH to ESSENDON ETA 2030hrs. 1 DC2 PARAFIELD to ESSENDON ETA 1930 hrs	" " " " " "
275	"	"	1955	Searchlight co-operation with Hawker Demon cancelled for tonight.Will be supplied tomorrow night.	" " " " " "
276	"	24/3/42	1320	Wirraway testing in restricted area from 1315 hrs 1430hrs Height 3-4000 ft	" " " " "
277	"	"	1335	1 P39 due LAVERTON 1400 hrs from BANKSTOWN	" " " " "
278	"	"	1455	Wirraway on dive bombing practice over CAC Aero from 1000' From 1500-1530hrs.Willthen fly direct to LAVERTON Returning C A C 1600hrs	" " " " "

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279	W'stown	24/3/42	1630	1 Lockheed 10 departing ESSENDON for ADELAIDE 0400L/25.	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2 Fufo advised
280	"	"	2020	Liberator due LAVERTON 2100hrs. Ansett plane leaving ESSENDON for ADELAIDE 0330. Hawker Demons co-operating with armed ships at P.MELB 0915 for purpose of A A practice. Planes will dive on ships. ack	" " " " "
281	"	25/3/42	0515	Plane reported near SAN REMO at 0440 travelling East. C C Cchecked with all dromes & none had plane in air at that time. Plane treated as unidentified.	Nudo "
282	"	"	0805	Ref AAO 280. Substitute Wirraways for Hawker Demons.	" " " " "
283	"	"	1015	Miss LYELL making diving attacks all stations from approx 1030-1130 hrs today	" " " " "
284	"	"	1133	1 Beaufort A/C leaving C A C 'drome for SYDNEY 1140	" " " " "
285	"	"	1230	1 Vega Gull A 36-2 on aerial recce over P PHILLIP BAY ~~from 1400-1630hrs. 1 Wirraway A20-27 departed BANKSTOWN~~ for LAVERTON ETA 1330 hrs	" " " " "
286	"	"	1426	1 P40 due LAVERTON from BANKSTOWN ETTA 1420 hrs	" " " " "
287	"	"	1455	Beuafort T9568 on test flight of 30 minutes duration over A P C'drome	" " " " "
288	"	"	1508	Ref AAO 285 Fairchild A 36-2 instead of Vega Gull. ~~1 P-39 due LAVERTON from BANKSTOWN~~ 1554 hrs	" " " " "
289	"	"	1600	Wirraways co-operating with armed ships at P MELB at 0915 each day from 25-29 Mar incl.	" " " " "
290	"	"	1830	Night flying from PT COOK. Circuits & landings by 3 Airspeed Oxfords in local areas from 2000-0600L/26. 3 Airspeed Oxfords circuits & landings at WERRIBEE from 2000 hrs to 0600L/26. 1 DC2 PERTH to ESSENDON ETA 2030 hrs. No searchlight c-op tonight.	" " " " " "

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291	W'stown	25/3/42	?	One Seagull A25 carrying out exercises in vicinity. P MELB between 0830-0930hrsL/26. Ref AAO 290.DC2 due ESSENDON 2030hrs now due 0155L/26.	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2 Fufo advised
292	"	"	2003	American Lockheed Lodestar flying within 4 mile radius of ESSENDON 'drome at 2000 ft from 2015-2330 hrs	" " " " " "
293	"	26/3/42	1015	Dutch PBY4 F/B departing W'stown for RATHMINES 1030. American markings on maim planes & Dutch markings on hull	" " " " "
294	"	"	1210	Dutch A/C possibly Lodestar Lockheed.MarkingsPK.ADD due ESSENDON 1215 hrs	" " " " "
295	"	"		DC2 due ESSENDON 2330	" " " " "
296	"	27/3/42	0025	DC2 referred to in AAO 296 ETA ESSENDON now 1300hrs	" "
297	"	"	0715	DH 86 from ESSENDON to LAVERTON ETD 0720.	
298	"	"	1455	1 B 17E on local flying from LAVERTON 1445 hrs to 1615 1 Beaufort A/C T9544 testing over C A C 'drome 1500-1530 hrs	" " " " "
299	"	"	1840	DH88 from KING Is to ESSENDON ETA 1940 hrs DC5 from CANBERRA " " " 1920 hrs	" " " " " "
300	"	"	1845	Ref AAO 289.Diving attacks by Wirraways to be extended to include Destroyers,Armd Merc ship cruisers at VIC DOCKS	" " " " "
301	"	28/3/42	1200	Beauforts testing FISHERMANS BEND area between 1200-1300	" " " " "
302	"	"	1200	Fairchild doing camouflage work from 1400-1530 hrs	" " " " "
303	"	"	1510	Beaufirts testing F/Bend between 1515-1615	" " " " "
304	"	"	1950	1 DC2 due ESSENDON 2030 & 1 DC2 due 2045	" " " " "
305	"	"	2125	3 Hudsons out on exercises due to return LAVERTON 2230-2330.DC2 due ESSENDON 2230. ack	" " " " "
306	"	29/3/42	1335	P40 leaving LAVERTON for Fishermans Bend at 1400,ack	" " "

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307	W'stown	29/3/42	1915	Wirraway due LAVERTON 1935.3Hudsons returning LAVERTON 2225.Oxfords from PTCOOK exercising circuits & landings 2000-0200/30.DC2 due ESSENDON 2030.DC2 due ESSENDON 2045.DC2 due ESSENDON 2240	Nibo 1 & 2 Koga 1 & 2 advised
308	"	"	1945	Ref AA0 307 DC2 due at 2035 & 2045 will not arrive till 2145 & 2200.	" " " " "
309	"	30/3/42	1655	Red circles in insignia of American A/C will now be painted white.This is to notified to all troops	" " " " " " by message forms
310	"	"	1812	Douglas D 62 ETA LAVERTON 2045. 4 Ansons practicing night landings.PT COOK 1900-0700 hrs,ack	" " " " " advised
311	"	31/3/42	1650	Oxfords practicing night landings from PT COOK 1900 -0600. 1 DC2 ETA ESSENDON 2030.1 DC2 ETA ESSENDON 2045.	" " " " " "
312	"	"	1803	Beaufort testing from FISHERMANS BEND up to 5000 ft before dark tonight.	" " " " " "
313	"	"	1814	Air Co-op with RAAF from 2030 to 2200 hrs tonight	" " " " "
314	"	"	1925	DC2 ADELAIDE to ESSENDON ETA 1925.	" " " " " "

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Williamstown, Victoria

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A.F. W.3010
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Date of last A.F. W.3010 rendered 16—3—1942 Number of sheets attached to this return 1.

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CASUALTY RETURN—OFFICERS

Detail of casualties to officers which have occurred since last return. The detail should include all battle casualties, accidents, admission to and discharge from hospital, casualty clearing station, &c. Promotions (acting, temporary, local or substantive), transfers, postings, attachments, &c., courts-martial, leave of absence, particulars of marriage and birth or death of children, alteration in next-of-kin with postal address, transfers to "X" List and any other items connected with an officer's service.

Rank	Personal Number	Name and Initials	Corps	Nature and date of casualty	Date	Remarks. (In the case of casualties from wounds or disease, any available information for communication to relatives should be stated)
Lieut	VX51449.	Nash. G.H.	2nd Fd Eng Depots.	Strength Decrease Detached to Aircraft Recognition Instruction Course Sydney.	26/3/42	

Signature of Commanding Officer.

Date 26-3-42.

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown, Victoria
(Unit.)

South Command.

(Bde. Divn. Area with which Unit is serving).

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(Unit.)

CASUALTY RETURN—OTHER RANKS.

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Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Nature and Date of Casualty.	Date.	Remarks. (In the case of casualties from wounds or disease, any available information for communication to relatives should be stated.)
				Strength Increase		
V9731.	Bdr	Lemman F. G.	H.Q.A.A. Defences.	Rejoined Unit from Camp Hospital M'bnong. 26/3/42	26/3/42	
				Strength Decrease		
VX56782	Gnr	Bouchier H.N.	~~28 AA Bty~~ H.Q.A.A. Defences	Transferred to 28 AA Bty 27/3/42	27/3/42.	
				Hospital Admissions		
V9731	Bdr	Lemman F. G.	H.Q.A.A. Defences	Admitted to Camp Hospital M'bnong. 27/3/42	27/3/42.	

(Date March 28th 1942.

[signature] (Signature of Commander.)

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Williamstown Racecource

South Command (Unit.)

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Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Nature and Date of Casualty.	Date.	Remarks. (In the case of casualties from wounds or disease, any available information for communication to relatives should be stated.)
				Promotion.		
V11140.	Gnr.	Prince. W.W.	H.Q.A.A. Defence	To be L/Bdr as from	25-3-42	

(Date 25 — 3 - 1942

J H McCuskey
(Signature of Commander.)
L Coy

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse
(Unit.)

South Command
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Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Nature and Date of Casualty.	Date.	Remarks. (In the case of casualties from wounds or disease, any available information for communication to relatives should be stated.)
				Strength Decrease.		
V10314	Gnr.	Fraser A.S.	H.Q AA Defences.	Trans to Aeria Sig.	23/3/42.	
				Strength Increase		
VX56782	Gnr.	Bouchier, H.N.	28 AA Bty.	Taken on strength	23/3/42.	

(Date 23/3/42 19)

(Signature of Commander.)

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South Command.

(Unit.)

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Williamstown Racecourse (Unit.)

CASUALTY RETURN—OFFICERS

Detail of casualties to officers which have occurred since last return. The detail should include all battle casualties, accidents, admission to and discharge from hospital, casualty clearing station, &c. Promotions (acting, temporary, local or substantive), transfers, postings, attachments, &c., courts-martial, leave of absence, particulars of marriage and birth or death of children, alteration in next-of-kin with postal address, transfers to "X" List and any other items connected with an officer's service.

Rank	Personal Number	Name and Initials	Corps	Nature and date of casualty	Date	Remarks. (In the case of casualties from wounds or disease, any available information for communication to relatives should be stated)
				Strength Decrease.		
Lieut.	103019	Larkin W.H.	3 A.A. Bty. R.A. Singapore.	Detached to 4th A.A. Bty.	16/3/42	

Signature of Commanding Officer.

Date March 21st 1942

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES (Unit.)
Williamstown Racecourse

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CASUALTY RETURN—OTHER RANKS.

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Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Nature and Date of Casualty.	Date.	Remarks. (In the case of casualties from wounds or disease, any available information for communication to relatives should be stated.)
				Hospital Admission		
V/9731	Bdr.	Truman F. G.	H.Q.A.A. Defences.	Admitted to Maribyrnong Camp Hospital 18/3/42.	18/3/42.	

(Date Mar. 19th 1942.

H L McKay Lieut for (Signature of Commander.)

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse (Unit.)

South Command
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Rank	Personal Number	Name and Initials	Corps	Nature and date of casualty	Date	Remarks. (In the case of casualties from wounds or disease, any available information for communication to relatives should be stated)
Lieut.	103019.	Larkin. W.H.	3 AA Regt. R.A. Singapore	Attached to H.Q. AAD pending drafting.	6 March '42	

[signature]
Signature of Commanding Officer.

Date 6 March 1942.

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse
.....(Unit.)

South Command.
(Bde. Divn. Area with which Unit is serving).

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H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels			
Majors			
Captains			
Lieutenants			
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
Totals			

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Capt.	Woodward H.	RASC RDF	3/3/42	Pending re drafting
Lieut.	Karkin W H	RA	6/3/42	" " "
Lieut.	Nash G H	2nd Fd Eng Regt	3/3/42	

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse
(Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels			
Majors			
Captains			
Lieutenants			
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
Totals			

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Capt.	Wheatland H.	RASC RTF	3/4/40	Leaving on duties
Lieut.	Kratzer W.H.	RTF	4/4/40	" "
Lieut.	Hart G.H.	2nd Bd Hyg Bd	2/4/40	

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.

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H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse (*Unit*)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 **Posted** strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors			
Captains	1		
Lieutenants	1		
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
Totals	3		

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Major T/Lt Col	V10104	McCONKEY J.H.	H.Q.A.A. Defences	Yes	
Lieut. T/Capt.	V9982	BURROWE'S H.L.	"	"	
Lieut.	V70698	McKAY H.L.	"	"	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Lieut.	VX67449	G.H. NASH.	2 Fd Tng Regt	3/3/42	Administrative
Capt.	67789	H. WOODWARD	R.A.S.C. (ex. Hong Kong.	3/3/42	Kindly Re Drafting
Lieut.	103019	W.H. LARKIN.	3 AA Bty RA (Singapore).	6/3/42.	"

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse
(Unit.)

14/3/42.
(Date of Despatch.)

for H.L. McKay Lieut
(Signature of Commander.)

Lond'L Command.
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21-3-42

V1/1940/1317/1

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES (Unit)
Williamstown Racecourse

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors			
Captains	1		
Lieutenants	1		
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
Totals	3		

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut	WH LARKIN	3AA BTY RA SINGAPORE	17/3/42	Transferred to 42AA6 Bty

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1 Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	2 Personal Number.	3 Name and Initials.	4 Corps.	5 Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	6 If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Major					
Lieut					
Lieut					
Lieut

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse (Unit)

28-3-42
V1/1940/18A/1.

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors			
Captains	1		
Lieutenants	1		
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
Totals	3		

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Major T/Lt Col.	V10104	McCONKEY J.H.	H.Q. A.A. Defences	Yes.	
Lieut T/Capt.	V9982	BURROWES H.L.	"	"	
Lieut	V70698	McKAY H.L.	"	"	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Lieut	VX51449	G.H. NASH	2 Fd Tng Reg.	3/3/42	Acting I.O.
Capt.	67789	H. WOODWARD	R.A.S.C. (ex Hong Kong)	3/3/42	Pending Drafting

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecource

(Unit.)

28/3/42

(Date of Despatch.)

John McConkey
(Signature of Commander.)

South Commander

(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES (Unit) 7-3- 19 4- (Date).
Williamstown Racecourse

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.) VI/1940/1317/1

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants	2		
Corporals	2		1
Troopers, Privates, &c.	6		—
TOTALS	10	*	* 1

*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
W.O. I			
Johnston G.H.	A.I.C.		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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

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Williamstown Racecourse
Unit.

PART D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Rivetters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors (Batt)		1
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)								

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse
Unit.

Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 10 MAR 1942

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse

(Unit) 14—3—1944 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.) VI/1940/137/1.

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants	7		
Corporals	2		7
Troopers, Privates, &c.	6		1
TOTALS	10	*	* 1

*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
W.O.I			
JOHNSTON. G.H.	A.I.C.		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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

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H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse ..... Unit.

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PART D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

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Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Rivetters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators		1	Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)		1						

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse
..... Unit.

H. H. McKay Lieut
for Signature of Commander.

South Command.
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

Date of Despatch 14/3/42.

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H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES (Unit) 21-3-19 2 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

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Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants	2		
Corporals	2		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	6		1
TOTALS	10.	*	* 1

*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
W.O. I			
JOHNSTON G.A.	A.I.C.		
CPL. BURGESS K.	Sth Lond		
	Eng Depots (HQ)		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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

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H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES Unit.
Williamstown Racecourse

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Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Rivetters		
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Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics		1	Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
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Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)		1						

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H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse
Unit.

Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 21/3/42.

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

(Adapted)

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse (Unit) 28/3/42 19 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.) VI/1940/135/1.

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

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Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
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Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants	2		
Corporals	2		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	6		1
TOTALS	10	*	* 1.

*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
WO I Johnston G.A.	A.I.C.		
Cpl. Burgess K.	H.Q. Sth Comd Sig Depot		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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

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Williamstown Racecourse
Unit.

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Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
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Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Rivetters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
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Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
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Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
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Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)								

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
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H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse
Unit.

Signature of Commander.
South Command
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

Date of Despatch 28/3/42

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Unit HQ A A Defences Date and Time.—From 1 April 1942 To 30 April 1942.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Williamstown	1/4/42	0900	Staff : Lt Col J H McCONKEY. C AA D.	
			Capt H L BURROWES, Staff Capt	
			Lieut H L McKAY, F C I Instructor	
			Lieut G H NASH I O.	
			WO 1 G W JOHNSON. R S M	
			Capt WOODWARD. ex HONG KONG (attached only)	
			12 Other Ranks.	
		1400	Reconnaissance made for suitable Site for location of additional 4 gun section of 4 A A Bty. Site in ALBERT PARK, MELB selected.	
		1315	YALLOURN No 2 station fired 4 rounds at an unidentified plane in prohibited area - Plane later identified as friendly.	
		1930	Lt F SHORE AIF gave lecture to Battery Officers on the layout, organisation & operation of a Gun Operations Room.	
	2/4/42	1000	Arrangements made with Hirings to take over portion of ALBERT PARK Bowling Club to accommodate additional section of 4 A A Bty.	
	3/4/42		NIL	
	4/4/42		NIL	

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Unit HQ A A Defences Date and Time.—From 5/4/42 To 11/4/42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Williamstown	5/4/42	1000	Major HARPER RAE, 4 other officers & 13 O Rs returned from DARWIN.	
	6/4/4/2	1000	Major KENT AIF confers with C O re arrangement for role of 4 Aust Hy A A Bty AIF.	
		1400	Major KENT and party visit LAVERTON & Pt COOK area and select sites for two 4 gun sections.	
		1400	C O visits Southern Area to discuss establishment of Gun Operations Room in 3MD. Southern Area to reconnoitre for a suitable location.	
		1430	Lt NASH returned from School on Aircraft Identification, SYDNEY.	
	7/4/42	1600	Recon party decided that the Picture Theatre at PRESTON Town Hall most suitable place for G O R. Reconstruction work and installation work to commence immediately.	
	8/4/42	1400	C O and Staff Captain visit Gen STEELE .	
	9/4/42		NIL	
	10/4/42	1500	Portion of 2 Aust Hy AA Bty arrive & establish HQ at WILLIAMSTOWN. R/C.	
	11/4/42		NIL.	

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Unit HQ A A Defences Date and Time.—From 12/4/42 To 23/4/42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Williamstown	12/4/42	1400	Guns of 2 Aust Hy AA Bty arrive & take up positions for	
			protection of LAVERTON & Pt COOK. 3" 20 cwt guns withdrawn from LAVERTON and placed WILLIAMSTOWN R/R	✓
	13/4/42		Major REED and Major LARSEN from 6MD attached to A A Defences Melb, to study operational plans in existence.	✓
	14/4/42		Arrangements made to organise a School for training artificers & fitters from A A Batteries.	✓
	15/4/42		NIL	
	16/4/42		Arrangements made with HIRINGS and approval of G O C, Vic L of C Area received to take over dwelling in Royal Pde PARKVILLE	
			as a Head Quarters for A A Defences.	✓
	17/4/42	0930	Lieut R SPARGO, GSO lll HQ 7 Melb L of C Sub-Area visited HQ A A Defences & Gun Stations & several AASL Stations.	✓
	18/4/42		Lieut SPARGO again visited Searchlight Stations.	✓
	19/4/42		NIL.	
	20/4/42		C O and Staff Capt visit LAVERTON & POINT COOK.	✓
	21/4/42		NIL.	
	22/4/42		C O & Staff Capt confer with Brig D A LUXTON re various matters in A A Defences.	✓
	23/4/42		30 A A Bty raised & quartered at YALLOURN. Capt F R HAGAN in charge. Strength approx 130.	✓

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Unit HQ A A Defences *Date and Time.—From* 24/4/42 *To* 28/8/42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Williamstown	24/4/42		NIL	
	25/4/42		Lt BEDFORD 4 Aust Hy AA Bty lectures to Officers of AA Batteries on layout and operations of a G O R.	
	26/4/42		Capt BURROWES visits LAVERTON to arrange Air Co-operation between American Army Air Corps and A A. It was proposed that a Squadron of fast flying aircraft carry out a mock attack on AA Stations and "VPs" in MELB Area. No definite arrangements have yet been made.	
	27/4/42	0800	Section from 28 A A Bty with 3"20cwt case 1 equipment move to action station at QUEENSCLIFF.	
		0915	General PLANT G O C,Vic L of C Area and Major Gen DERHAM, G O C Vic L of C Forces visit A A Stations and AASL HQ.	
			Following this visit it is proposed to alter existing 3.7" gun emplacements,sinking them where possible.	
		1900	Secret Warning Order received that 4 Aust Hy AA Bty on 48 hours notice to move Northward.Guns from ALBERT PARK to be used at LAVERTON & POINT COOK.	
		2200	Message rec from Vic L of C informing this HQ that 3 Officers & 30 O Rs of 4 Aust Hy AA Bty remain in Melb & be replaced by personnel on strength AMF,AA Units.	
	28/4/42	1400	C O & Staff Captain visit ALBERT PARK re new A A mountings for 3/7" guns. The girders of these mountings are approx 22 ft long. It is considered by the C O that this is much too long & is therefore an unnecessary waste of steel. Girders 12 ft will be suitable.	

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Unit HQ A A Defences *Date and Time.—From* 28/4/42 *To* 30/4/42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Williamstown	28/4/42	2200	Message rec from Vic L of C that 4 Aust Hy A A Bty will move by sea. No move before 9 May,1942.	
	29/4/42	1330	C O & Staff Captain visit GEELONG to select a site for training camp for section of 30 A A Battery.	
	30/4/42		Preparations made for moving HQ A A Defences to 381 Royal Pde PARKVILLE.	

Lieut. Colonel
COMD. A. A. DEFEN

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse (Unit) 4/4/42 19 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.) VI/1940/13F/1

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Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	8		
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Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants	12		
Corporals	2		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	6		1
TOTALS	10	*	* 1

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Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
WO I		Posted against aut	
JOHNSTON G.A	A.I.C.	W.E. as R.S.M.	
CPL. BURGESS K.	HQ S COMD	To fill vacancy	
	TNG DEPOTS.	of Att KAE clerk.	
Kings			
Rutherford			

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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

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Unit.

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H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse
Unit.

D J McGinnis
Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 4/4/42

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Williamstown Racecourse
(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.) VI/1940/13A/1.

W.O.

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants	2		
Corporals	2		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	~~6~~ 7 AAO		~~1~~ AAO
TOTALS	~~10~~ 11	*	* ~~1~~ AAO

*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
BURGESS K. (PL.	HQ S. Comd Trng. Depots.	To fill vacancy of Att. R.A.E. Clerk.	
JOHNSTON G.A. WOT	A.I.C.	Posted against auth. W.E. Clerk.	
KING F.N. S/SGT.	6th I.T.D.		
RUTHERFORD J.	A.A.D.S.		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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

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H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES Unit.
Williamstown Racecourse

PART D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Rivetters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics		+	Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)								

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES Unit.
Williamstown Racecourse
Date of Despatch 11/4/42

[signature] Signature of Commander.
Fruit Command
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES (Unit) 18 April 1942 (Date).
Williamstown Racecourse

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

VI/1940/13F/1.

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	~~1~~ 16		
W.Os. Class II.	1		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants	2		
Corporals	2		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	7		
TOTALS	12	* —	* —

*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
Burgess K Cpl	H Q S Cond Trg Depot	To fill vacancy of att RAE Clerk	
King F N S/Sgt	6th I T B		
Rutherford J S/Sgt	NAPC		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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

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H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES ..... *Unit.*
Williamstown Racecourse

PART D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Rivetters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)								

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse ..... *Unit.*

Date of Despatch 18 April 42.

COMD. A.A. DEFENCES
Signature of Commander.

South Command
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse (Unit) 25 — 4 — 1942 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

VI/1940/135/1.

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.	1		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants	2		
Corporals	2		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	7		
TOTALS	12	*	*

*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
Burgess K. Cpl.	H.Q. S. Comd. Ing. Depots.	To fill vacancy of att. R.A.F. Clerk.	
Rutherford J. S/Sgt.	A.A.P.C.		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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

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H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse ..... Unit.

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PART D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Rivetters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)								

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse
Unit.

Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 25-4-44

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

25 APR 1942

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecource
VI/1940/131/1

(Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors			
Captains	1		
Lieutenants	1		
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
Totals	3		

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Capt.	67789 Woodward H.	R.A.S.C.	23/4/42	Re drafted by G.H.Q.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Major					
Lt/Col.	V10104	McConkey J.H.	HQAA Defences	Yes.	
Lieut.					
Capt.	V9982	Burrows H.L.	" "	"	
Lieut.	V70698	McKay H.L.	" "	"	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Lieut.	VX 51449	Nash G.H.	2 Fla Ing Regt.	3/3/42	Acting I.O.

H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES
Williamstown Racecourse
(Unit.)

25 APR 1942
(Date of Despatch.)

[signature]
(Signature of Commander.)

South Command
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

18/4/42.

HQ AA Defences (Unit)

V1/1944/135/1

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors			
Captains	1		
Lieutenants	1		
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
Totals	3		

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).
			1

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Major H/Col	V10104	McCarthy J H	HQ AA Defence	Yes	
Lt T/Capt	V9982	Burrows H L	HQ AA Defence	Yes	
Lieut	V10698	McKay H L	HQ AA Defence	Yes	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Lieut	VX 51449	Nash C H	2 AA Trng Regt	3/3/42	Acting I O
Capt	61779	Woodward H	RA	3/3/42	Lending re drafting

Nash Lt
for
COMD. AA. ...

(Unit.)

(Signature of Commander.)

18 April 1942

(Date of Despatch.)

Cont'l Command

(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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3rd District Records

(Unit.)

(Margin for Filing Purposes)

ARMY FORM W.3011 (BOOKS of 100).

Date of last A.F. W.3011 rendered 9 APRIL. 1942. Number of sheets attached to this return 3.

CASUALTY RETURN—OTHER RANKS.

Detail of casualties to other ranks which have occurred since last return. The detail should include all battle casualties, accidents, admission to and discharge from hospital, casualty clearing station, etc. Promotion (acting, temporary, local or substantive). Transfers, postings, attachments, etc., courts-martial, field punishment, forfeiture of pay, etc. Leave of absence, particulars of marriage and birth or death of children, alteration in next of kin with postal address, transfers to "X" List and any other items affecting a soldier's service.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Nature and Date of Casualty.	Date.	Remarks. (In the case of casualties from wounds or disease, any available information for communication to relatives should be stated.)
			STRENGTH DECREASE			
VP 35535	W.O.(1)	JOHNSTON. G.A.	H.Q. 4 A.D.	TRANS TO 112 LAA REGT.	8 APRIL '42.	

(Date 9 APRIL. 1942.)

(Signature of Commander.)

LtCol

South Command.

(Unit.)

(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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H.Q. AA Defence (Unit.)

CASUALTY RETURN—OTHER RANKS.

Detail of casualties to other ranks which have occurred since last return. The detail should include all battle casualties, accidents, admission to and discharge from hospital, casualty clearing station, etc. Promotion (acting, temporary, local or substantive). Transfers, postings, attachments, etc., courts-martial, field punishment, forfeiture of pay, etc. Leave of absence, particulars of marriage and birth or death of children, alteration in next of kin with postal address, transfers to " X " List and any other items affecting a soldier's service.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Nature and Date of Casualty.	Date.	Remarks. (In the case of casualties from wounds or disease, any available information for communication to relatives should be stated.)
			STRENGTH INCREASE			
V12521.	W.O.(II)	NAYLER. A.	10 AA Bty.	T.O.S. HQ AAD.	13/4/42.	

(Date 21 April 1942.

[signature] (Signature of Commander.) ACO

HQ AA DEFENCE WIDE (Unit.)

South Command. (Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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ARMY FORM W.3011 (BOOKS of 100)

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H.Q. AA Defences (Unit)

CASUALTY RETURN—OTHER RANKS.

Detail of casualties to other ranks which have occurred since last return. The detail should include all battle casualties, accidents, admission to and discharge from hospital, casualty clearing station, etc. Promotion (acting, temporary, local or substantive). Transfers, postings, attachments, etc., courts-martial, field punishment, forfeiture of pay, etc. Leave of absence, particulars of marriage and birth or death of children, alteration in next of kin with postal address, transfers to "X" List and any other items affecting a soldier's service.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Nature and Date of Casualty.	Date.	Remarks. (In the case of casualties from wounds or disease, any available information for communication to relatives should be stated.)
				STRENGTH INCREASE		
V9735.	L/Bd	Leslie C.E	H.Q AAD.	RETURNED TO UNIT FROM CAMP HOSPT MARIBYRNONG –	10-4-42.	

(Date 28 APRIL 1942

for H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES Williamstown Racecourse

(Signature of Commander.) (Unit.)

South Command.

(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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Q.A.A. DEFENCES (Unit.)

CASUALTY RETURN—OTHER RANKS.

Detail of casualties to other ranks which have occurred since last return. The detail should include all battle casualties, accidents, admission to and discharge from hospital, casualty clearing station, etc. Promotion (acting, temporary, local or substantive). Transfers, postings, attachments, etc., courts-martial, field punishment, forfeiture of pay, etc. Leave of absence, particulars of marriage and birth or death of children, alteration in next of kin with postal address, transfers to " X " List and any other items affecting a soldier's service.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Nature and Date of Casualty.	Date.	Remarks. (In the case of casualties from wounds or disease, any available information for communication to relatives should be stated.)
			STRENGTH DECREASE.			
5445.	S/SGT.	KING. F.N.	6 T.T.B.	DETACHED TO 30 AA BTY. TALLOWN.	24/4/42.	

(Date 24-4- 1942.

[signature]
(Signature of Commander.)
[illegible]

H.Q. A.A. [illegible]
Williamstown [illegible]
South Command. (Unit.)
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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ARMY FORM W.3011 (BOOKS of 100).

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H.Q. AA DEFENCES (Unit.)

CASUALTY RETURN—OTHER RANKS.

Detail of casualties to other ranks which have occurred since last return. The detail should include all battle casualties, accidents, admission to and discharge from hospital, casualty clearing station, etc. Promotion (acting, temporary, local or substantive). Transfers, postings, attachments, etc., courts-martial, field punishment, forfeiture of pay, etc. Leave of absence, particulars of marriage and birth or death of children, alteration in next of kin with postal address, transfers to "X" List and any other items affecting a soldier's service.

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				HOSPITAL TRANS.		
19731	Bdr.	Truman. F.G.	H.Q AAD.	TRANS TO 108 G.H FROM 115 G.H	24-4-42	

(Date 28 APRIL. 1942.

(Signature of Commander.)

HQ AA DEFENCES

SOUTH COMMAND

(Unit.)

South Command.

(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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			STRENGTH DECREASE			
V72543.	Cm.	DAVIES. L.A.	HQ AA.D.	TRANS TO BROADMEADOWS HOSPITAL	28/4/42	
			STRENGTH INCREASE			
V9731.	BDR.	TRUMAN. F.G.	H.Q. AAD.	RETURNED TO UNIT FROM 108 G.H. BALLARAT.	30/4/42.	

(Date 30/4/1942

[signature] (Signature of Commander.)

CAPT. S.C. H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES

H.Q. AA DEFENCES (Unit.)

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				Strength Increase		
V72540.	Gm.	Davis L. A.	H.Q. A.A. Defences.	Returned to Unit from 3 M.D. Camp Hospital Broadmeadows 13/5/42.	13/5/42	
				Strength Decrease		
V11440.	L/Bdr	Prince W. W.	H.Q. A.A. Defences	Evacuated to Camp Hospital Maribyrnong 15/5/42.	15/5/42.	

(Date May 15th 1942

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H.Q. A.A. Defences. (Unit.)

H.Q. Vic. Covering Forces. (Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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