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Army Form C 2118.
(adapted.)Unit AA Ops Room Kembla Date and Time.—From 1 Jan 44 To 31 Jan 44

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Kembla	1944			
	3 Jan	1600	Lt-Col Mooy visited site to arrange for night air co-operation.	
		2200	Air co-operation with 4 Beauforts from Camden.	
	4 Jan	1000-	2 Wirraways for air co-operation	
		1114		
	5 Jan	1002-	1 Wirraway for air co-operation	
		1124		
		1730	Direct communication from GOR to Boronia installed, Aaira exchange being eliminated.	
	6 Jan	0948-	1 Wirraway for air co-operation	
		1101		
	11 Jan	1104-	2 Wirraways for air co-operation	
		1125		
		1600	Major Vincent, Capt Moodie, Lieut Colledge visited site	
		0811	Unidentified plots received from Sydney, UF1068, 1372, course SW plots later identified as friendly by Sydney.	
	12 Jan	1030-	2 Wirraways for air co-operation.	
		1104		
		1100	Major Vidan (LHQ) and party visited site.	
	14 Jan 44	1357	Unidentified plots received from Sydney, TE6024, course S	
			Subsequent plots identified as a Sikorsky.	
	17 Jan	2046-	Air co-operation, 1 Beaufort flying at 10000 ft.	
		2204		
	18 Jan		Air co-operation cancelled through bad weather.	

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Unit AA Ops Room (Kembla)

Date and Time.—From 1 Feb 44 To 29 Feb 44

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Unanderra	Feb 1	1030	Capt Basser visited site for medical inspection of personnel	
	2	1215	Lt-Col Mooy and Major Nance visited site re state a/c movements.	
	8	1615	Capt Moodie and Capt Gosling visited site re late air movements.	
	9	1130	Rang Bankstown inquiring about air co-op	
		1600	Air co-op cancelled	
	10	1158	All air movements will be sent from Liason officer Fighter Section instead of 21. Air co-op cancelled, bad weather.	
	11		Lt-Col Mooy rang about early cancellations of air co-op, at Camden. He instructed the GDO to ring Camden to make arrangements to have cancellations delayed until 1900 hrs.	
	12	1530	Lt-Col Mooy visited site to deliver 2 Height Slide Rules (Convertors)	
	15	1045	Indicator Board was delivered	
		1000-1040	1 Wirraway for air co-op	
	16		Unusually heavy in regard to the number of a/c through area with reasonably good Case B. Plotting by both S/L Btys.	
	17	1030	Lt-Col Mooy visited site re new equipment	
		1430	Lt-Col Mooy visited site re new equipment	
	18	1100	Lt-Col Mooy visited site re new equipment alteration to Ops Room to accommodate new equipment. He also drew attention to the recent amendment to AA Proc Instn. which stresses the necessity of "God-legging" planes around high ground when carrying out "Homing drill".	
	19		Intensive training on new equipment.	
	21	1545	Lieut Shankly marched out to Kembla AA Group. General complaint made to AA Sigs re poor communication set-up at C2.	
	22	1400	2 O/rs marched out to 8 Aust Hy AA Bty on draft.	
	23		Message received from Liason Officer to the effect that Hq Flight at Richmond was disbanding on 24 inst. thereby preventing any further co-operation from that quarter.	
		0102	Nowra airfield made a call for assistance in homing one of their planes which was overdue and believed NE of area. Later Nowra	

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Unanderra			phoned to express thanks for assistance in prompt attention to the request and to advise that the plane was directed by the beams.	
	Feb 24	1525	Unidentified plot at TK3068 later advised at 1545 as friendly. Area placed on the condition of "extreme vigilance"	
	25	0930	Kembla AA Group advise that air co-operation had been arranged by Major Nance for two nights per week.	
		1705	Co-operation arranged for this night cancelled owing to weather conditions.	
	26	1600	Lt-Col Mooy visited site.	
	27		Projected co-operation arranged for night with 4 Ansons on Homing exercise cancelled. Planes failed to arrive in area	
	28		2 C/As marched out.	
	29	1500	Capt Gosling visited site re shoot (3.7") on Thursday, Saturday and Sunday.	
		1930	Capt Gosling visited site again for same purpose.	
		1600	Sgt Kerr attached to SLOR from 57 Aust SL Bty for training	