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SEPTEMBER TO  
DECEMBER 1942

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69 ANTI AIRCRAFT  
COMPANY - R.A.E.

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## WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Army Form C. 2118  
(adapted.)

H. 100M 2/42

Unit 69th Aust A.A. Coy. R.ADate and Time.—From 1st Sept 42 To 10th Oct 42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
WHYALLA	2nd Sept 42.		Completion of a Directing Station (sandbag), forward on Burrock Hill.	<i>MAN</i>
"	4th Sept 42		Unit received the following equipment :- 1. Generator Sets 18 K.W; 100v: S/L: Ruston Hornsby. 2. Trailers, Two Wheeled 18 K.W. No 1: Mk 11.	2 Off. 2 Off. <i>MAN</i>
"	9th Sept 42		Unit received a visit by Maj S Stevens and Maj Jorgensen, of "G" Branch.	<i>MAN</i>
"	18th Sept 42		Received the following equipment :- 1. Projectors A.A. 90 cm: Mk VI. 2. Locators Sound Mk 111 <sup>XX</sup> 3. Technical Stores.	1 Off. 2 Off. <i>MAN</i>
"	20th Sept 42		Installation completed of Projector at Quarry Site. Commenced aircraft co-operation with three beams.	<i>MAN</i>
"	21st Sept 42		Visit by Lieut Butler, Area Sigs, re D.E.L., and Administration	'P.M.G.' communications <i>MAN</i>
"	1st Oct 42.		Visit by Capt Pattison, 2nd Adv Base Postal Service, re postal arrangements of Unit.	<i>MAN</i>



Unit

Army Form W. 3009  
(page 2)Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in  
Part A of Army Form W. 3009

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT										REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED										REMARKS
	W.Os. Class I	W.Os. Class II	W.Os. Class III	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S., or Colour-Sergeants	Staff Sergeants	Sergeants	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals	Technicians, Privates Guardsmen, Fumblers, &c.	TOTAL	W.Os. Class I	W.Os. Class II	W.Os. Class III	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S., or Colour-Sergeants	Sergeants	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals	Technicians, Privates Guardsmen, Fumblers, &c.	TOTAL		
Bricklayers .. .. .																					
Butchers .. .. .																					
Carpenters and Joiners ..																					
Clerks .. .. .																					
Cooks .. .. .																					
Despatch Riders .. ..																					
Drivers I.C. (Tracked) ..																					
"    (Wheeled) .. ..																					
Drivers-Mechanics .. ..																					
Drivers-Operators .. ..																					
Electricians .. .. .																					
Equipment Repairers ..																					
Farriers .. .. .																					
Fitters .. .. .																					
Machine Gunners .. ..																					
Masons .. .. .																					
Motor Mechanics .. ..																					
Pioneers, Infantry (other than tradesmen) .. ..																					
Plumbers and Pipefitters ..																					
Range Takers .. .. .																					
Saddlers & Harness Makers																					
Saddle Tree Makers .. ..																					
Sanitary and Water Duties																					
Signallers .. .. .																					
Storemen, technical .. ..																					
Tailors .. .. .																					
Wheelers .. .. .																					
General duty personnel ..																					
TOTALS (to agree with Col- umns 3 and 4 of Part A)																					

Unit

Signature of Commander

Date of Despatch

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

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60 9946 Coy (Unit) Whalla 19 (Date)

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

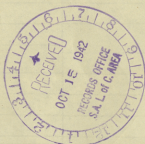
\* These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

816 included in Period Strength 26

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

AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL



### FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

69th Aust. A.A. Coy. R.A.E. (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
		716		

Officers QUITTED during week.

[illegible]

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

[illegible]

## PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

## (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
		716			

(Signature of Commander)

(Date of Despatch)

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



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## 69th Aust. A. A. Coy. R.A.C. (Unit)

\* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary

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

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

(III) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

69th Aust. A.A. Coy. R.A.E.  
(Unit)

(Signature of Commander)

(Date of Despatch)

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



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(Adapted)  
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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.)

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS

[illegible]

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

Rank	Name and Initials	Corps	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known)
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Army Form W.2008  
(Adapted)  
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## PART A—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

\* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary

Officers JOINED during week.

Officers QUITTED during week.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

(Unit)

(Signature of Commander)

(Date of Despatch)

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

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

## FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

69th Aust. A. A. Coy. R.A.E. (Unit) 2nd Coy 1942 (Date)

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

## Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Food enough service upon authorized establishment (containing attached).	Supplies to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (G.e. definite on establishment).
W/O's Class I.			
W/O's Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sergeants			
Staff Sergeants			1
Sergeants	1		
Corporals	3		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	27 27		11
TOTALS	31	*	* 12

\*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W-2002.

## Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

[illegible]

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

[illegible]

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

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

69th Aust. A.A. Coy. R.A.E. Unit.

Signature of Commander \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Despatch 2nd Oct 42

*Bde., Den., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.*



### FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

69th Aust. A.A. Coy. R.A.E. (Unit) 25 HCO 1942 (Date)

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

## Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail	Forward strength on active within authorized establishments (including attached)	Report to Establishment	Reimbursements required (i.e. deficit in establishments)
W.O.s Class I.			
W.O.s Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sergeants			
Staff Sergeants			4
Sergeants	1		
Corporals	3		
Troopers, Privates, etc.	27		11
TOTALS	31	*	12

\*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W-3609.

## Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail	Unit and Stage to which they belong	Detail	Unit and Stage to which they belong
		716	

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

[illegible]

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

Detail of Specialist Tradesmen, etc.	Percentage to General Tradesmen, etc.	Detail of Specialist Tradesmen, etc.	Percentage to General Tradesmen, etc.	Detail of Specialist Tradesmen, etc.	Percentage to General Tradesmen, etc.
Amusement Examines		Fire Control Operators		Panel Builders	
Amusement Artificers		Fitters		Farmers, Makers	
Amusements		Fitters and Turners		Pharmacists	
Artillery, Artillery		Fitters, Cycle		Photographers, dry plate	
Autom		Fitters, Service		Photographers, wet plate	
Bakers		Fitters' Mates		Photo Writers	
Battery Sweepers		Fitters, N.Y.		Photo Lenses	
Battery Comdr's, Asst.		Fitters' Railway Signal		Plumbers	
Blacksmiths		Fitters, Signal		Printers, Numbers	
Bismakers		Grocers		Printers	
Bookbinder		Gro Lovers		Railroad Mechanic	
Bridges		G.P.O. Assistants		Railroypikes	
Chambers, Mailer		Gas Operators		Ramps, Drivers	
Carpenter and Joiner		Hammocks		Riggers	
Clerks		Height Takers		Riveters	
Clerks, Engineering		Helio Operators		Sailors	
Clerks, Supply		Instrument Mechanics		Sailor Free Makers	
Clerks, Technical		Instrument, Mechanism, Foreign		Saw Doctors	
Clockmakers		Instrument, Optician		Scavengers	
Coolmakers		Intelligence Dates		Seamakers	
Couriers		Joiners		Signalmen	
Cooks		Leather Binders		Signwriters	
Cooks, Hospital		Limeuses		Solders, Stationary Engine	
Cupersmiths		Lithographers, Signals		Sprayers, Technical	
Dance Club, Orchestra		Lithographers		Surveyors	
Dental, Dentists		Machinists		Surveyors, Engineering	
Dismounts		Mechanics		Tailors	
Dismountmen		Messengers		Tailors, Mercantile	
Dismountmen, Architectural		Mechanics, Dental		Tailors, Retailers	
Dismountmen, Mechanical		Mechanics, M.T.		Tinsmiths	
Dismountmen, Signal		Mechanics, Typewriter		Toolmakers	
Dismountmen, Topographical		Mechanics, Wireman		Turners	
Driver, Mechanic		Militarists		Valentines	
Driver, Quartermaster		Mixers		Vapor, Doctors	
Drivers, Transportation Plant		Molders		Watchmakers	
Electrical Fitters		Moving Bedmen		Welders	
Electricians		Moving Conduits (Metal)		Welders	
Electricians, Exp. Train		Mixers, Painted		Wall, Doors	
Electricians, Signal		Obstruction Post Associates		Washers	
Engine, Artillery		Ordnance, Arm, Ammunition		Whitewashers	
Engine, Marine L.V.		Optician, Signal		Winches	
Equipment Repairmen		Opticians		Woodmen	
Farmers		Painters			

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

69th Aust. A.A. Coy. R.A.E. Unit

Date of Despatch 25 Apr 42

Signature of Commander

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



69 ANTI AIRCRAFT COMPANY. (Unit) 18<sup>th</sup> Div 1947 (Date)

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

\*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W-2010.

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69 ANTI-AIRCRAFT COMPANY.

Unit.

Date of Despatch 18 Sept 42.

Signature of Commander

## WHYALLA

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

## FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

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

## Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Period enough current copies authorized enrollment (enrollment attached).	Refugee to Establishment.	Refugees required (i.e. Refugee on enrollment).
W.O.s Class I.			
W.O.s Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sergeants			
Staff Sergeants			1
Sergeants	1		
Corporals	3		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	28		10
TOTALS	30	* 46	* 13

\*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W2003

## Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

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

[illegible]

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

Detail of Specialist, Trademark, etc.	Paygrade Pay	Paygrade Pay	Detail of Specialist, Trademark, etc.	Paygrade Pay	Paygrade Pay	Detail of Specialist, Trademark, etc.	Paygrade Pay	Paygrade Pay
Amusement Machines			Five Control Operators			Panel Builders		
Amusement Artificers			Fittins			Patron Makers		
Amusement			Fitters and Tappers			Placemakers		
Artillery, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Assess			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitters, Mains			Photo Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Photo Layers		
Battery Cordon, Asst.			Fitter's Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Produtor Makers		
Boltonmakers						Printers		
Bonklers			Gas Lamps			Refrigerator Mechanism		
Bridges			G.P.O. Apparatus			Refrigerators		
Cannage Machine			Gas Operators			Scrap Dealers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Signers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Sinners		
Clerks, Engineering			Holla Operators			Soldiers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanism			Soldier Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanism, Rupture			Sole Doctors		
Cordmakers			Instrument Operators			Acroyol		
Carpenters			Industrious Builders			Stonemasons		
Cordmakers			Jewels			Spectacles		
Cooks			Leather Binders			Spawners		
Cooks, Hospital			Lithomers			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Cypermiths			Lithomers, Signals			Stovermen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Operator			Lithographers			Survivors		
Digraph Makers			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dignities			Masks			Tailors		
Druggists			Mechanics			Tailors, Identification		
Druggistmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Trainers		
Druggistmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Troops Builders		
Druggistmen, Signal			Mechanism, Typewriter			Troopsills		
Druggistmen, Topographical			Mechanism, Wireless			Troopsmen		
Dress Mechanism			Millingmills			Troops		
Driver Operators			Mines			Violations		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Molders			Wagon Builders		
Electrical Fitters			Moving Operators			Watchmakers		
Electricians			Moving Operators (Metal)			Watermen		
Electricians, Eng. Tools			Nurses, Train			Welders		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Well Bowers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Winners		
Engine Tools T.O.			Operators, Signal			Winchmen		
Equipment Repairs			Opticians			Woodmen		
Farmers			Painters					

Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 5 of Part A.)

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) Authorized Trades or Specialisms not included in list above will be added as required in spaces below the

Unit

Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch

Rde., Dem., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.



## WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Army Form C. 2118  
(adapted.)

H. 100M 2/42

Unit 69 Aust A A Coy R AE

Date and Time.—From 1 Oct 42 To 30 Oct 42

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## WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C. 248  
(adapted.)

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H. 100N 2/42

Unit H.Q. 69th Aust.A.A.Coy.R.A.E) Date and Time.—From 1st November 1942 to 30th Nov. 42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
<u>ADMINISTRATION</u>				
	19th Nov.	-	Received authority for alteration of Order of Battle. Delete: 69th Aust. A.A.Coy. Substitute: H.Q. 69th Aust. A.A.Coy. - Type "B". 173 rd Aust. A.A. Section - Type "Y".	
<u>OPERATIONS.</u>				
	3 rd to 14th Nov 42.		Continuous strong winds prevented exposures of S. L's. for Coast Procedure.	
	1st to 30th Nov 42		No Aircraft Co - operation for night exercises.	

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13 JAN. 1943

## WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Army Form C. 2418  
(adapted.)

H. 100M 2142

Unit H.Q. 69th Aust. A.A. Coy. R.A.E. Date and Time.—From 1st Dec 42 To 31st Dec 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	5 Dec 42		Commenced A.A.S/L Emplacement at Quarry site.	<i>BBN</i>
	11 Dec 42		Received S.M.4424. Re-organisation of A.A. S/L Units. Received attached S.M.4498 from D.A.A.G. S.A.L. of C.Area. Closed down Quarry A.A.S/L Location.	<i>BBN</i>
	12 Dec 42		Complied with S.M.4498 attached.	<i>BBN</i>
	14 Dec 42		Visit by Lt. Col. Tolley & Capt. Lucas 9 C.R.E. Works.	
			Lieut. Sheppard joined Unit, transferred from 58th A.A.Coy. R.A.E.	<i>BBN</i>
	17th Dec 42		Lieut. Sheppard transferred back to 58th A.A.Coy. R.A.E.	<i>BBN</i>

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## WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C, 2418

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Unit H.Q. 69th Aust. A.A. Coy. R.A.E.

Date and Time.—From 1st Dec 42 To 31st Dec 42

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12th Dec 42.

69 AASL Coy  
CRE  
58 AASL Coy  
S. A. L of C Area Records  
DFO  
LTD

Personnel for 74 AASL Coy.

To complete raising of SA quota of personnel for 74 AASL Coy it has been found necessary to withdraw 11 personnel (sappers) from 69 AASL Coy (Whyalla).

OC 69 AASL Coy will accordingly take immediate action to select required personnel, who must be medically Class A. Personnel will be issued with tropical kit forthwith. It will be ensured that personnel selected have been X - rayed, inoculated vaccinated, blood grouped and photographed.

Draft will be concentrated forthwith at LTD under advice to Comdt LTD. All revalent transfer documents and Mob.3 will be in charge of Draft conducting NCO.

The provisions of GRO A 492 will be strictly followed. Certificate to this effect will be rendered by OC 69 AASL Coy.

Signed. R.N. Walkerden Capt.  
for Maj.  
DAAG. S. A. L of C Area.