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Unit 18th Aust. Fld Regt. Date and Time.—From 1st November 1942 To 4th November 1942.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Gin Gin W.A	1.11.42	0900	Church Parade	Appendix A.
		1000	Washing and maintenance	
		1330	Organised sport. Cricket team supplied by R.H.Q. beat team from 2nd Aust. Survey Bty.	
"	2-3. 11/42		Training as laid down in Syllabus. Attention being given to introduction of impromptu defense considerations in course of training. Construction of fire break around unit lines expedited due to rapid drying off of grass and surface growth.	Appendix A.
"	4.11.42.		Training as for 3/11/42. All guns have been finished by L.A.D. who were removing and grafting loose liners. Work on fire-break continuing. Unit originally intended to move to Gin Gin Arty. Range for live ammo. field firing practice.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Gin Gin. W.A.	4.11.42		and anti-tank practice, but due to the bush fire menace incurred by rapidly drying vegetation the practice was suspended until a safe range could be found.	
"	5.11.42		Arrangements having been made to use the Arty. range south of Fremantle, preparations for move, and firing practice, were carried out, remainder of personnel on limited training.	
		1400	Issue of movement order to move to range.	
"	6.11.42	0800	Main body of regt. moved out as set out in Admin. inst. No. 9. Part of personnel required remained in camp and proceeded with normal training.	Appendix B.
			Main body bivouaced Rockingham 1:63360. 770.120.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Gin Gin (R.H.Q. + maintenance party)	7.11.42	0600-1500	Normal daily programme, including P.T. four-hour field exercise (infantry), elementary sig. flag drill, construction of fire break.	
		1530	Swimming parade to Lake Bambum (Gin Gin 1-6,3,360) 88.12.	
Rockingham Biv. (main body.)	"		Batteries B.C. O. C. C.C. parties moved to arty. range and conducted troop and battery shoots. Moving back to bivouac area when completed.	
Gin Gin	8.11.42	0900	Church Parade.	
		1000	camp maintenance and washing.	
		1330	Cricket team from R.H.Q. and bty. maintenance parties beat team from 4th bty 104 Anti-tank regt.	
Rockingham Bivouac Area	"	0800	All guns in regt. fitted with A/Tank telescopes. Taken to zeroing range for zeroing of A/Tank sights.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Rockingham W.A. (Bivouac area)	8.11.42	1400	Swimming parade, Indian Ocean.	
Gin Gin	9.11.42		Maintenance parties training in musketry, A/Gas, bayonet drill, morse. Construction of fire break around camp.	
Rockingham Bivouac Area	"		A/Tank shoot by regiment using one gun from each battery. guns used were those giving best results in zeroing on previous day. Sand-filled shells used. "C" troop, 60 battery won competition for best A/Tank troop, and No 10 subsection commanded by Bdr. Walsh won the prize of £3 for the best sub-section. "C" troop being selected on their performance to carry out the demonstration on the following day.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Gin Gin	10.11.42	0845	Maintenance party on fieldcraft. Morse training. further work on fire-break.	
Rockingham	"	1000	One section "C" Tp. carried out a demonstration of the possibility of 25 pdrs. as a close support weapon, using it as a mortar, range approx. 800x demonstration attended by Major-Gen. Lloyd, Brig. Dyke, Brig Fewtrell.	
Gin Gin	11.11.42	1030	Armistice Day Church Parade. 2 mins. silence at 1100 hours.	Appendix C.
		1330	Route march to Lake Bambun. Afternoon's swimming march back after mess.	
Rockingham	"	1000	Demonstration (competitive) of A/Tank shooting by one sub-section each, 18th and 7th Field Regts. No 10 subsection, representing the 18th, performed the best shoot.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Rockingham K6	11.11.42	1900	Batteries occupied positions on range for divisional shoot next day.	
Gin Gin K6	12.11.42	0845	maintenance party training on musketry, A/gas. fieldcraft.	
		1330	Morse training, maintenance of camp area and vehicles in camp. Work on fire-break.	
Rockingham K6	"	1000	Regt. was placed on divisional grid and was allotted two targets M.T.1 and M.T.2. both were fired on as divisional concentrations. The regt. was congratulated by the Div. Commander, Major-General K. Lloyd on its performance.	Appendix D
			Regt returned to bivouac area and maintenanced guns.	
Gin Gin K6	13.11.42	0730	Advance party left for Strawberry to construct new camp.	
		0845	exercise in fieldcraft and section leading.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Gin Gin K6	13.11.42	1330	Morse, distance judging, construction of fire break.	Appendix. E.
Rockingham K6	13.11.42		Regt. moved with 7th Field and 13th bty of 104 A/Tk. Regt. and marched (wheeled) through Perth, leaving 7th Fld and 13th A/Tank battery outside Perth, proceeding thence to Gin Gin.	
Gin Gin K6	14.11.42		Maintenance of guns, M.T etc. checking of stores.	Appendix A.
K6	15.11.42	0915	Regt. Church parade.	" "
			Regt. commenced working 24 hours daily.	
K6	16-18.11.42		Continuous deployment exercises for all batteries	" "
K6	19.11.42		All btys returned to camp by 0600, preparations	
			started for movement to new camp at Strawberry.	
		2000	All batteries moved out on night occupation	
K6	20.11.42	0845	Bty training in small arms, A/A defence.	
		2000	night training for three hours on weak points.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Gin Gin	21.11.42		Refresher training of regt. in A/Gas, small arms, A/A.	
"	22.11.42	0800	Regt. less a camp maintenance party moved by route march to Lake Bambun for a day's sport, church parade being conducted on the lake shore by Padre Manny, the regtl. padre. Midday and evening meal were eaten there, and regt. moved back to camp by M.T at 1930 hours. Sports programme included a regtl. championship of 80^x.	Appendix F
"	23.11.42		Training as for day 1 Training Syllabus 23-30 Nov.	Appendix A
	24.11.42		Loading of Ammunition, stores, clean up of area, striking of tents ready for move next morning. All tents to be taken, all improvements to camp effected by unit to remain.	
"	25.11.42	0400	Reveille, breakfast, loading of cooking apparatus.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Gin Gin	25.11.42		Regt. moved in two convoys to Strawberry. Light convoy moved at 0610, heavy at 0700. Small mishaps on march were one 59 tractor rolled over a small embankment, one W.D pushed in radiator, and two with mechanical defects, in a 200 mile run. Two A.A.S.C. vehicles moved with heavy convoy, one with light, and these refuelled vehicles as needed. Last vehicle reached new camp area approx. 0400 26/11/42.	Appendix C.
Strawberry	26-27.11.42		Pitching tents, constructing ammunition dumps, digging latrines, finishing work started by advance party. Work interrupted by occasional bushfire fighting. Camp area was burnt partially during time advance party was in occupation.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Strawberry	28-30.11.42		Cleaning dead timber from lines, burning off of dried grass, construction of camp facilities. One bty. each day moving to Port Denison, 2 miles south of Dongara, for a day's swimming, 60 bty 28th, 59 on 29th, 61 on 30th, a proportion of R.H.Q going with each battery.	
"	30.11.42.		Bren Gun instruction classes restarted after move.	
			Routine orders.	Appendix H
			W. 3008	" I
			W. 3009's	" J
			Weekly I Reports	" K.
			Reports on Rubber Exercise	" L.
			Documents relative to 2 Div - 4 Div. change over.	" M.

W. C. D. Rigney
Lt.-Col.
Commanding 18 Fd. Regt.

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TRAINING PROGRAMME - 1 TO 8 NOV. '42

Date	Hour	Staff	Drivers	Sigs	Gunners
Nov. 1	~~XXXX~~				
	0900	ALL	Church Parade. Washing & Maintenance Pdes.		
	1330	ALL	Organised Sport		
Nov. 2	0615-0645	ALL	P.T.		
	0845-1215	ALL	Bty. miniature deployment - Timed contest for Troops		
		Fire Plan	~~Kkkk~~ Camflg. & weapon tng.	Full communications manned	Gun Drill etc.
	1315-1545	with Gnrs. A/Tk. Tng.	(LMG & TSMG (Map Reading	Group working W/T. Morse speed - buzzer & lamp	A/Tk. Drill
	1545-1645	ALL	Task maintenance		
Nov. 3	0615-0645	ALL	P.T.		
	0845-1215	Posn Correction) Corr. of moment) Timed Gun programmes)	Guards & Sentries TOET - A/Gas Dvg Sigs. on foot	Arty Code Map Reading 30 mins Morse Speed	Gun Drill incl. A/Tk Cmflg & digging of emplacements
	1315-1545	ALL	Bty. miniature deployment with linked shoots. Tank alerts. (Vehs. to be used as tanks)		
	1545-1645	ALL	Task maintenance.		
Nov. 4	0615-0645	ALL	P.T.		
	0845-1215	Guards & Sentries Map Reading L.R. & A/S.	Musketry Tng. Weapon Pits TOET - Rifle	Group working W/T. Morse Speed Test Cable laying & jointing	Section competition (a) Coming into action (b) Erection of Cmflg. (c) Recording Z.L. (d) Switches (e) Digging of emplacements
	1315-1545	ALL	Occupation of posn, all-round defence, engagement of tanks. Note: To include construction of gun emplacements, digging in MT, organ of position for night, prowler guards, patrols etc.		
5 Nov.) 6 Nov.)			Zeroing of sights. Remainder engaged in indiv. tng.		Sigs: Morse & Group working Staff: Fire plans, instruments Dvrs.: Weapon Tng. Mobile defence
7 Nov.			Arty. Practice - A/Tk. Series.		
8 Nov.			Arty. Practice - Tp. & Bty. Series.		

Notes : (1) Min. Ranging daily at 1800 hrs.
(2) Each Bty. to ensure 44 Sigs as a minimum at Sig, Tng

APPENDIX A

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18 AUST FD REGT

WEEKLY TRAINING SYLLABUS - 14 NOV. 42 to 22 NOV. 42

Saturday 14 Nov	Maintenance - checking stores - washing guns - NIGHT: All officers 1930 -Promulgation of C.R.A's conference, criticism and points for correction revealed at Rockingham exercise.
Sunday 15 Nov	Regt parade 0845 . Church Parades 0915 . Regt news & announcements. 59 and 60 Bty recce parties for night occup at 1600. - 2 officers from 61 Bty report to 60 Bty as umpires - 61 Bty to detail 2 parties, each 2 officers 40 O/Rs , to move on foot as enemy - Object: To test security in 59 & 60. - Night movement, light and noise discipline, all Batteries.
Monday 16 Nov	59 & 60 Bty Range Area, 61 Bty same detail with change of personnel as for night 15/16. Balance 61, night compass march.
Tuesday 17 Nov	60 Bty return to camp 0600. 61 recce parties for night occupation at 1600.
Wednesday 18 Nov	59 and 61 Bty Range Area - 60 Bty will carry out training night 17/18, 18/19 and supply details of officers and O/Rs as above.
Thursday 19 Nov	59 Bty return to camp 0600. - 60 recce parties for night occupation at 1600.
Friday 20 Nov	~~61 Bty Range Area -~~ ~~59 Bty will carry out training night 19/20, 20/21 and supply details of officers and O/Rs as above.~~ 56 Bn Instructors Will conduct Bren gun classes for 12 N.C.Os each Bty 4 RHQ.
Saturday 21 Nov	~~60 & 61 Bty return to camp - All Btys maintenance Guns, stores and M/T.~~ Continuance of Bren Classes
Sunday 22 Nov	~~Church - Organised Sport - Washing~~

SPECIAL INSTRUCTION : Care of M/T must be guided in on foot when visibility is bad.

Exercises will teach : Light and noise discipline, planned rest periods, as exercises will be continuous day and night. Use of guides in night O.Ps., Q And A during continuous ops, night tasks for staff and guns, night cable laying, night moves into unrecced positions.

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WEEKLY TRAINING SYLLABUS

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TRAINING PROGRAMME - 23 TO 30 NOV. '42

Day	Time	Gunners	Staff	Sigs	Drivers
Day 1	0900-1200	Gun Drill TOET Gas	Director Traverse	Group Working R/T & W/T 30 mins Morse	Guards & Sentries Musketry
	1330-1545	TOET - Rifle	10 line U C	10 Line U C	Task Maintenance - Quiz
	1545-1645		Task Maintenance for all -	Inspection by officers	
Day 2	0900-1200	Musketry A/Tk Drill	Quick barrage & Regtl concentrations	Morse - 10 Line U C Guards & Sentries	TOET - Gas
	1330-1545	Gun Drill	TOET - Rifle	TOET - Gas	Foot & Rifle Drill
	1545-1645		Task maintenance - officers to inspect.		
Day 3	0900-1200	Gun Drill Guards & Sentries	Quick barrages etc	Group working R/T & W/T	TOET - Rifle
	1330-1545	A/Tk Drill	TOET - Gas	10 Line U C	Guards & Sentries
	1545-1645		Task maintenance - officers to inspect		
Day 4	0900-1200	Musketry Gun Drill	Director Traverse	Foot & Rifle Drill Musketry - 30 mins Morse	Task maintenance - Recapit.
	1330-1545	A/Tk Drill	Foot & Rifle Drill Guards & Sentries	TOET - Rifle	Driving Signals
	1545-1645		Task maintenance - officers to inspect		
Day 5	0900-1200		Church pde. Washing & maintenance pdes.		
	1330		Organised Sport		
			Note Specialist Tests for acks, sigs & layers		

DAYS 6, 7 & 8 Reserved as required

Remarks :
(1) All officers 1830 hrs nightly - half Director Traverse - Half Bren Gun - under Bty arrangements
(2) 4 groups each of 3 NCOs per Bty and 2 from RHQ to be detailed daily for Bren Gun Inst. as follows :-
(a) 0900-1030 (b) 1030-1200 (c) 1330-1500 (d) 1515-1645
If NCOs not available suitable O/Rs will be substituted. Roster if necessary will be repeated.
(3) Commn. TEWTS will be held with G Sec, X, H, 1R & 1G per Bty on morning of Day 2 & Day 4
(4) Driving Inst under Bty arrangements (2 periods) for all specialists Sigs, Acks & Layers
(5) Sigs Specialist Class under Regt Days 1 - 4. Allotment maximum 10 per Bty.
(6) All personnel to do TOET Gas & Rifle during period. Extra periods to be arranged by Bty if required.
(7) - Sigs 1800 hrs Daily Handwriting and spelling

Cancelled by Maj. to Strawberry

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AUSTRALIAN COMFORTS FUND

From No.: APPENDIX C
Name:
Unit: War
Date:

CKA

Armistice Day Diary

11th November 1942

(a) 0700 Hrs Holy Communion
St Lukes GIN GIN

(b) 1025 Hrs Church Parade

RSM to notify (a) & (b) arrange

IN YOUR LETTER DO NOT REFER TO:
The name of your transport, or other transports in your convoy—dates of sailing—ports of call—destination, descriptions of troops, or other information which, if intercepted, will be of value to the enemy.

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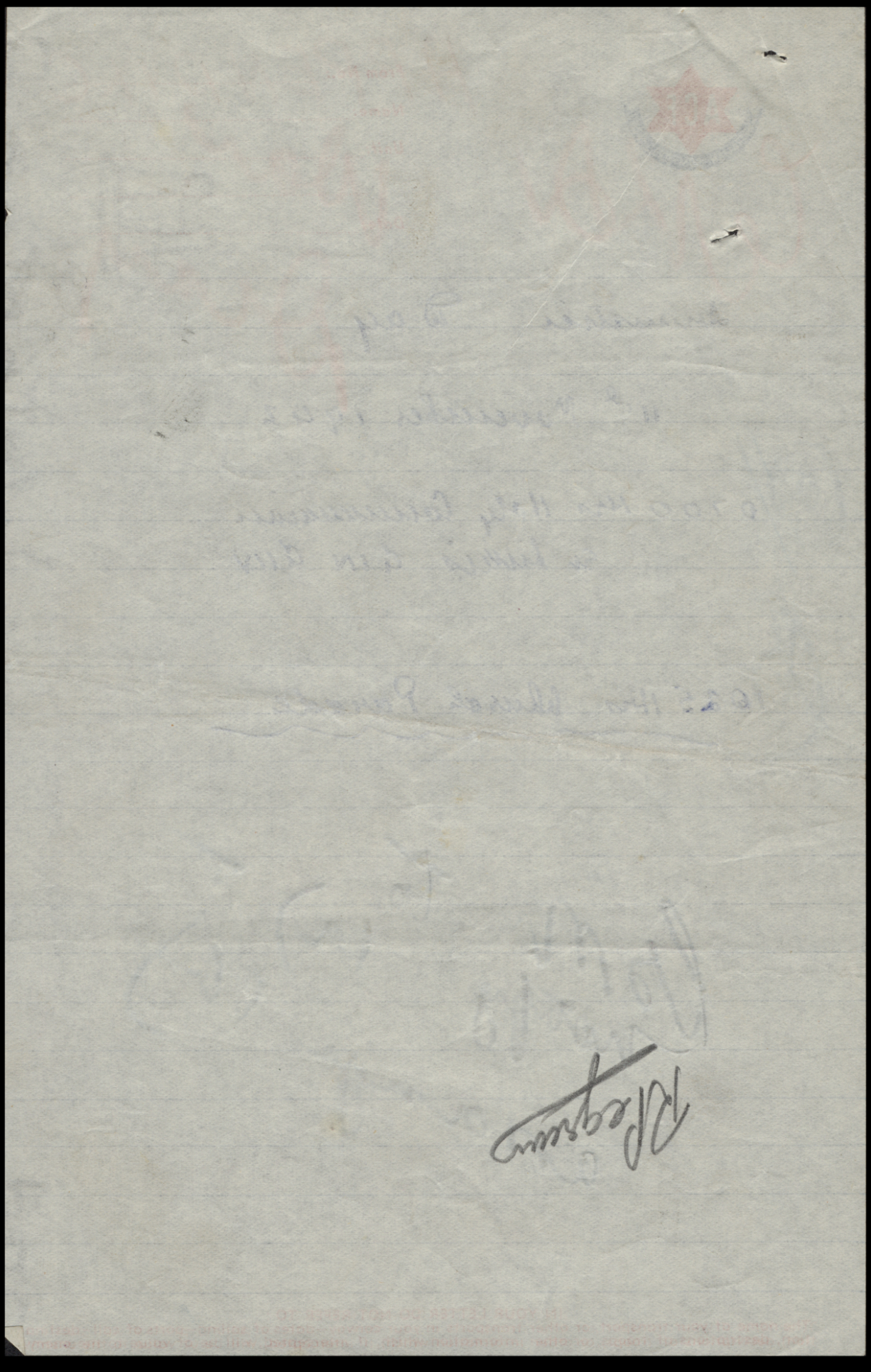

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60 Bty

APPENDIX D



1:25000
taken from
Rockingham 1" – 1 mile
Zone 1.
divisional fire
plan trace.

T_1	A	375100	998633
	B	375500	998633
T_2	A	374875	999533
	B	375078	999533

ZERO HOUR – No [illegible]

APPENDIX "B" (15)

War Diaries

18 AUST. FD REGT

ADMIN. INST. No. 9

MOVEMENT TO ROCKINGHAM AREA.

Ref. Maps.
PERTH Strat.
FREMANTLE 1 in.
ROCKINGHAM 1 in.

1. INTENTION : 18 Aust. Fd. Regt. will move to bivouac area south of POINT JAMES, west of ROCKINGHAM RD. to carry out Range Practice.

2. ROUTE : GINGIN – LUCHEA – BULLSBROOK – UPPER SWAN – CAVERSHAM GUILDFORD – GT. EASTERN HIGHWAY – CANNING HIGHWAY to 773381 – thence south to Rd. Junc 768323 – south via HAMILTON ROAD to Rd. Junc. 768274 – west to ROCKINGHAM RD at 760272 – southvia ROCKINGHAM RD, to Rd. Junc. 768153 where guides will lead to Bty. areas.

3. S.P. : Ry Crossing GINGIN

4. VTM : Normal

5. MIH : 12

6. TIMINGS : as under

Serial No.	Date	Sub. Unit	Time past SP.	TCP 1 LUCHEA	TCP 2 Rly Crossing –GUILDFORD	TCP 3 Junc. 773349	Remarks
1	6 Nov 42	59 Bty	0800	0925	1130	1255	2 Blocks per Bty; B Ech with A3 and LAD regimented to move as separate coln 18 MIH Start time 1000.
2	"	60	0807	0932	1137	1302	
3	"	61	0814	0939	1144	1309	
4	"	B Ech.	1000	1057	1221	1321	

Note (i) TCP's to be established by an officer detailed as under:–
No.1 59 Bty; No.2 60 Bty; No.3 61 Bty.

7. GUIDES : Bd 59 Bty to post guides at rd junc via UPPER SWAN and FREMANTLE 773381 and 768323.

8. HALTS : 10 mins at 0930 and 1100hrs.

9. DRESS : Shirts and shorts battle order. Pack only will be carried. Other gear will be stored under Bty arrangements.

10. PROTECTION : 1 AA LMG per Bty to be carried in K – 1000 rds SAA in bulk.

11. Following personnel and vehs will move:–

	RHQ	Per Bty.
Officers	4	All
Gnr. Nos	1	58
Acks	1	9
Dvrs.	3	25
Artificers	1	3
T.S.Mns.	1	2
M.T. NCOs	1	5
Cooks	1	3
Batmen	2	4
Sigs	2	36

Vehs

R.H.Q. Z, Q1, Q4, A3, LAD

Per Bty. K, K, H, 2G & 2R, 3T
L3 & 2Q trucks
8 Tractors

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	R.H.Q	PER DTY
L.A.D.	5	-
AAMC	1	1
Storemen etc	3	3
	20	143

Total Approx 1430

D.S.M. will be O.C. B1 party remaining in camp. D.S.M. will report to Adjutant for instructions with nominal roll of these personnel by 1800 hrs. 5 Nov.'42

12. RATIONS : as arranged by Q.M.

13. AMN. : Practice amn only will be carried. W.E. amn will be guarded in lines under Dty. arrangements.

ACK

MODE OF ISSUE : Safe hand

TIME OF SIG : 1400 hrs.

Date : 5 Nov 42

Signed E K Stewart Capt.
(E.K.Stewart) Adjutant 18 Aust. Fd. Regt.
Date 5 Nov.,'42

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H.Q. R.A.A. 2 Aust Div.
AUSTRALIA.
12 Nov 42

MARCH THROUGH PERTH
by
R.A.A. 2 AUST. DIV.
on
13 NOV. 1942.

APPENDIX E

1. ROUTE.

RIVERSIDE DRIVE - SPRING STREET - MOUNT STREET - ST.GEORGES TERRACE - BARRACK STREET - HAY ST - WILLIAM ST - MURRAY ST - BARRACK ST - WELLINGTON ST - BARRETT ST - ADELAIDE TERRACE - CAUSEWAY.

2. S.P. Road junc - BARRACK ST - RIVERSIDE DRIVE.

3. TIME TO PASS S.P.

1300 hrs, 13 NOV 42.

4. UNITS TAKING PART.

(a) 7 Aust Fd. Regt.
(b) 18 Aust Fd. Regt.
(c) 104 Aust A.Tk. Regt.

5. VEHS.

(a) 7 Aust Fd. Regt:

C.O.
Bty Comds
Bty Capts
All Tp Comds
1 Sig veh. per tp.
24 guns and tractors.

(b) 18 Aust Fd. Regt.

As above, but only 22 guns and tractors.

(c) 104 Aust A.Tk. Regt.

C.O.
Bty Comds
Bty Capts
Tp Comds
12 guns on porteos.

6. SPEED.

15 m.p.h.

7. DISTANCES.

15 yds between vehs.
25 " " tps
50 " " btys.
75 " " Regts.

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8. FORMING UP.

Vehs will form up along RIVERSIDE DRIVE with head of coln opp. Swan River Rowing Club.

9. INTERCOMM.

Each Regt to net on one frequency R/T.

10. To allow for all vehs to form up within area laid down, distances between vehs will be 10 yds. On moving, distances between vehs, tps and Regts will be as para 7 above.

Ian F. Macpherson
MAJOR
(IAN F. MACPHERSON) B.M. R.A.A.
2 AUST. DIV.

DISTN.

7 Aust Fd. Regt.
18 Aust Fd. Regt.
104 Aust A.Tk. Regt.
2 Aust Div. (for infm)
B.M.
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HQ RAA 2 Aust Div,
AUSTRALIA.

14 Nov,42.

CO, 7 Aust Fd Regt.
18 Aust Fd Regt.
104 Aust A Tk Regt.

ARTY MARCH THROUGH PERTH - 13 NOV,42.

1. With ref to the arty march through PERTH on 13 Nov,42.

2. The GOC 2 Aust Div has asked the CRA to express to COs Regts, and the personnel under their comd, his appreciation of the general turn out of all ranks and the steadiness and standard of driving shown during the march.

Ian F. Macpherson Major.
(Ian F Macpherson) BM RAA 2 Aust Div.

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AR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

(Erase heading not required).

APPENDIX F

Date and Time.—From ..... *To* .....

Summary of Events and Information	Re
Swimming Programme Sunday 22-11-42	
1100 Church parade.	
1145 Troop Championship. 80x	
1215 Troop relay. 80x	
1230 Breast stroke championship 80x	
1245 Volley Ball RHQ v. 60 Bty 59 bty v 61 Bty.	
1300 Midday Meal.	
1400 Backstroke championship 80x	
1415 Regt. championship, 1st and from each troop.	
1445 Volley Ball Final. RHQ v. 58 Bty.	
1515 220x championship.	
1530 Officers relay (battery and RHQ 1 team each)	
1600 4 40x championship	
1615 Novelty under water swim	
1630 Diving competition.	

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APPENDIX G

[illegible] AUST FD REGT

ADMIN. INSTRUCTION NO. 10

MOVEMENT [illegible] GINGIN TO STRAWBERRY

Ref Maps : PERTH Strat
MOORA Strat
PERENJORI Strat
DONGARRA [illegible]

SECRET

Copy No. 15

1. 18 Aust Fd Regt with 14 Aust A/Tk Bty will move from Gingin to STRAWBERRY by road on 25 Nov. '42 and by rail on 27 Nov., '42.

2. RAIL MOVEMENT: (a) 3 carriers each with escort of 2 O/Rs will move on train E3 ex GINGIN 1000 hrs 27 Nov. '42 arriving STRAWBERRY 2125 hrs.

(b) QM will contact OC Train E3 at 56 Bn by 24 Nov. and arrange detaching of carrier party to 56 Bn.

(c) Carrier escort party will be warned by Btys and QM about observing train discipline and instructed against moving from one truck to another while train is in motion.

(d) Each carrier will carry one LMG and 500 rds SAA for AA defence.

3. RD MOVEMENT: March Table - see appx "A" attached.

4. RD DISCIPLINE: Special attention is drawn to 2 Aust Div instns for Movement by MT of 17 Nov. 42 issued to all officers. Special attention will be paid to neatness of stowage, dress, cleanliness of troops and equipment, seating of personnel and general conduct of troops.

5. BLOCKS Block Nos. will be displayed on windscreens of all vehicles

6. ROUTE CARD: Each block leader will be provided with a copy of attached route card.

7. SYNCHRONISATION OF WATCHES: O.O. will synchronise with 5 Bde Sig Office by 0515 hrs 25 Nov., '42 and will be responsible for synchronising with all blocks before moving.

8. POL All vehs will depart with tanks and all reserve drums filled. Refilling will be carried out during long halt.

9. RATIONS: Unconsumed portion of days ration for 25 Nov., '42 will be carried and meal will be prepared for long halt under Bty arrangements.

10. WATER : All ranks will move with full water bottles. Economy will be exercised in use of water.

11. DRESS : Shorts & shirts, battle order, Hats Khaki fur felt.

12. TENTAGE AND ACCOMMODATION STORES : Will be carried to Scale "A" Portable showers and palliasses will be carried.

13. AMENITIES : All permanent installations and developed amenities will be handed over to incoming unit intact.

14. FIRE PRECAUTIONS: All ranks will be warned of the grave risk of bush fires in new area. Unit fire orders will be srtictly observed. They will be read to all ranks on day of arrival and thereafter once per fortnight.

15. CUTTING OF TIMBER: Standing timber will not be cut under any circumstances. Timber in other areas will not be cut nor firewood removed without the Adjt's permission. Authorised Timber and Scrub cutting areas will be notified.

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16. LAYOUT AND DEVELOPMENT OF AREAS : Will proceed in accordance with the plan to be notified by 2 I/C. Track discipline will be strictly observed and main roads gravelled as early as possible. Only incinerators of downdraft type will be used. It is suggested that all tents, meat houses and mess-huts be dug in. Strict water discipline will be practised at all times. Further directions will be issued regarding development of frontage.

17. CAMP HYGIENE: Will be strictly observed. Open holds will NOT be permitted for refuse, waste water, etc. Fouling of ground will be treated as a serious offence and disciplinary action will be taken against all offenders. Btys will ensure that evacuated camp lines are left in a thoroughly clean and tidy condition.

18. HANDING AND TAKING OVER : QM will ensure that AAF P.3 forms are completed prior to movement out and immediately on arrival. Copies of both certificates will be forwarded to 5 Inf Bde by 0600 hrs 26 Nov., 42

19. FLY AND MOSQUITO ERADICATION : Btys are warned that severe consequences may result from inadequate fly control. Special attention will be devoted to elimination of fly and mosquito posts.

ACK

Issued by Orderly

Signed at 1600 hrs 23 Nov., 42

Signed .....per Stewart.....Capt
(E.H. Stewart) Adjutant 18 Aust Wd Regt

DISTRIBUTION (Incl Appx "A")

O.C. 14 Aust A/Tk Bty	1
" 59 Bty	2
" 60 Bty	3
" 61 Bty	4
O.C.	5
O.C. "G" Sec Sigs.	6
O.C. 220 L.A.D.	7
O.C. "E" Sec 2/5 Dental Unit	8
Adjt	9
QM	10
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Appx. "A" to 18 AUST.FIELD REGIMENT Admin Instn No.10

SECRET
Copy No.

SP - MOOLIABEENEE Stn.
Dispersal Pt - DONGARRA 322379
Camp Site - 9th 319375
Distance to SP - 8.2 miles.

ROUTE : MEEKATHARA Rd - MOORA - thence via MOORA-GERALTON Rd to STRAWBERRY
VTM : 13.5 (88x between vehs - 440x between blocks.)
MTH : Scr. 8A 20 (av 21.8 mph) Scr. 8B 15 mph.

Scr. No.	Block	No. of Vehs	TIME PAST TCP 1 SP	TCP 2 WALEBING 422201	TCP 3 COOROW 402299	TCP 4 ARRINO 360353	Dispersal Point	Arr, camp site	HALTS
8A/i	14 A/Tk Bty.	8	0650	0930	1400	1602	1808	-	Short : 0750-0800
ii	do	6	0652	0932	1402	1604	1810	-	0950-1000
iii	R.H.Q. (Z, A1, S3, Q1, Q2.)	5	0654	0934	1404	1606	1812	1819	1450-1500
iv	59 Bty(Light vehs less X, K, RD)	11	0655	0935	1405	1607	1813	1820	1650-1700
v	60 Bty(Light vehs less X, K, RD)	12	0657	0937	1407	1609	1815	1822	1850-1900
vi	61 Bty(Light vehs less X, K, RF, Y)	10	0700	0940	1410	1612	1818	1825	2050-2100
vii	G Sec Sigs (Light vehs) less S3 with 2 AASC POL vehs & 1 veh L.A.D.	8	0703	0943	1413	1615	1821	1828	
8B/i	14 A/Tk Bty.	8	0710	1109	1644	1937	2258	-	Long (for meal):
ii	do	8	0713	1112	1647	1940	2301	-	
iii	E Tp 61 Bty with X	7	0716	1115	1650	1943	2304	2313	Scr. 8A - 1130-1300
iv	F Tp 61 Bty with RF	7	0718	1117	1652	1945	2306	2315	
v	61 Bty L & Q	7	0720	1119	1654	1947	2308	2317	Scr. 8B - 1150-1240
vi	C Tp 60 Bty with X	7	0723	1122	1657	1950	2311	2320	
vii	D Tp 60 Bty with RD	7	0725	1124	1659	1952	2313	2322	Note
viii	60 Bty L & Q	8	0727	1126	1701	1954	2315	2324	Intercomm: W/T Mobile Sets to be mounted in leading trucks in blocks 8A iv, v, vi, vii. All set on regtl frequency, Z control. Also in leaders trucks in blocks 8B iii, vi, ix, xii on 61 Bty frequency - O.C. 61 Bty's set control.
ix	A tp 59 Bty with X	7	0730	1129	1704	1957	2318	2327	
x	B Tp 59 Bty with RD	7	0732	1131	1706	1959	2320	2329	
xi	59 Bty L & Q	8	0734	1133	1708	2001	2322	2331	
xii	R.H.Q. (Sur 3, Sur.4, Q3, Q 4, Q5, Q6, A2, A3, 2 ASC POL)	10	0737	1136	1711	2004	2325	2334	
xiii	L.A.D. & G Sec heavy vehs with 2 vehs 56 Bn.	9	0740	1139	1714	2007	2328	2337	

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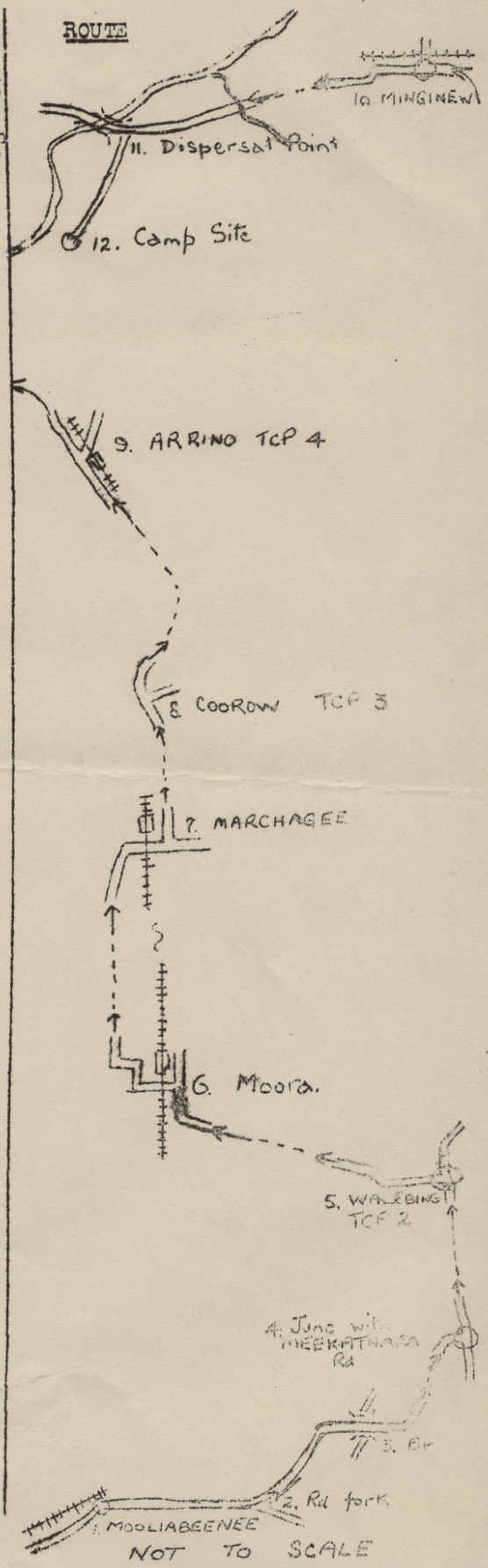
Seq. No.	Mileage	Distance Pt to Pt	Time Past Leadg Veh A	Time Past Leadg Veh B	Time Past (Block leadr to fillin at SP
12	202	2.2			
11	200	10.5	1808	2258	
10	189	22.5			
9	167	41.5	1602	1937	
8	125	23	1400	1644	
7	102	33			
6	69	13.4			
5	56	47.2	0930	1109	
4	8.8	4.3			
3	4.5	2.5			
2	2	2			
1	0	8.2	0650	0710	



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AUSTRALIAN MILITIA FORCES.

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1. Serial No. 18

Nos. 122 - 126

by

Lt-Col. W.A.Rigney, M.M. Commanding 18 Aust. Fd. Regt.

Australia 5 Nov., 1942

122. OUT OF BOUNDS - POSTAL ORDERLY'S TENT

The tent, and the area surrounding the tent, occupied by the Postal Orderly is out of bounds to all ranks.

Disciplinary action will be taken against any person found in these areas during the absence of the Postal Orderly.

123. "SOLDIERING ON"

1. "Soldiering On", of which further particulars are given in posters displayed is being published :-

(a) To provide Australian soldiers with an appropriate Xmas gift for their relatives and friends, and a memento of 1942 which officers and other ranks will themselves be glad to have.

(b) To commemorate the achievments of the Australian Army during 1942 and to record some of the highlights, grave or gay, of service in Malaya, the Middle East, and the South West Pacific Area.

2. The book is the work of Australian Soldiers.

3. It will be available by order at 5/6 per copy and IF released to booksellers will cost at least 7/6. Order forms are available at Battery Offices and should be completed as soon as possible.

124. TROOPS TRAVELLING BY TRAIN - INFRINGEMENT OF BY-LAW.

All ranks are warned against the dangerous practice of crossing from one platform to another at railway stations by walking across the rails instead of using overhead bridges where provided.

Disciplinary action will be taken in all future cases brought under notice.

125 PERSONNEL EVACUATED ON MEDICAL GROUNDS

Numerous cases have occurred recently where personnel have been evacuated to hospital or CCS., having with them their 3118s only. Sub-units will therefore ensure that ALL documents ACCOMPANY all cases to hospital.

126 PUNISHMENTS

N.263539 Gnr. F.S.Carberry, 59 Bty., was charged with being A.W.L. from 2200 hrs. 31/10/42 until 2200 hrs. 2/11/42. A.A.35(1) AWARD 7 days C.B. Notified of forfeiture of 2 days pay & allows. Date of Award 3/11/42

E.K.Stewart Capt

(E.K.Stewart) Adjutant 18 Aust. Fd.Rgt.

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Serial No. 19
Nos. 127 - 137

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

by

Lt-Col. W.A.Rigney, M.M. Commanding 18 Aust. Fd. Regt.

Australia 13 November, 1942

127. ROAD UNDER REPAIR - REDUCED SPEEDS

All ranks are warned that the MUCHEA - GINGIN RD. is undergoing repairs and that the speed of all vehicles using the road must be reduced to 15 m.p.h.

128. POSTAL - TELEGRAMS RELATING TO BETTING, ETC.

Telegrams containing matter either directly or indirectly relating to racing or any future sporting event will NOT be accepted.

129. PROVOST REPORTS - DRESS WHILST ON LEAVE

Many Provost reports are being received relative to irregularities of dress of personnel on leave.

All units will ensure that where it is necessary for the soldier to depart from the standard dress, whilst on leave, that fact and the reason will be clearly endorsed on the standard leave pass.

130. OUT OF BOUNDS - CANTEEN GINGIN TOWNSHIP

The canteens, both wet and dry, in township of Gingin are out of bounds to all troops who are served by canteens situated in or near unit lines.

131. MISUSE OF GARNISHING

It has been noticed that garnishing is being used for supporting nets to trees.

This practice MUST cease forthwith and garnishing now being used in this manner must be removed.

132. WASHING OF TRUCKS

The practice of washing trucks & other types of vehicles in GINGIN BROOK in centreeof township must cease forthwith.

Disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

133. M.T. SPEED LIMITS

Attention is again drawn to Speed Limits.

M.T. will NOT exceed 10 mph while passing unit lines.

Speed through the township of GINGIN will not exceed 15 mph

134. AERATED WATERS - BOTTLES OF

As from 11 Nov. '42 bottles of aerated waters from Defence Canteens will be sold for 7d and no refund will be made on bottles

/as previously

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as previously.

ALL bottles MUST be returned to the canteens as usual.

135. PERSONNEL TRAVELLING BY TRAIN

(a) Instructions have been issued to Railways that Army personnel in possession of Rail Warrants, HL1 and HL2, should not be issued with tickets or allowed to board trains until warrants or Home Leave Passes have been endorsed by RTO.

(b) In consequence, RTOs will examine all Movement Orders, Warrants and Home Leave Passes presented and, if in order, will endorse them and either exchange the Warrant for the necessary ticket or refer the holder to the ticket office.

(c) In the event of a warrant or Home Leave Pass not being in order, RTO will confiscate it, giving the holder a receipt, and forward report to HQ 4 Aust Movement Control Gp.

(d) Army personnel not on duty in Reserved Transportation Areas without Warrant, movement orders and/or Home Leave or other passes will be handed to Provost Section.

136. DISTRICT COURT MARTIAL

A D C M convened by the Comdr. T.D. HQ. NSW L of C Area was held at Sydney on 12 Oct., '42 for the trial of N.206109 Gunner A.BRIEN, 18 Aust. Fd Regt.

The accused was charged with desertion.

The accused pleaded not guilty. The Court found the accused Not guilty of desertion but guilty of absence without leave from a date in July, which the Court could not determine, until 1500 hrs. on 4 Oct., '42.

The Court sentenced the accused to undergo detention for 120 days.

The accused was in custody awaiting trial for 7 days.

The finding and sentence were duly confirmed on 27 Oct., '42 by the Comdr. T.D. HQ. NSW L of C Area.

The result of the trial was promulgated to the accused at Holsworthy on 31 Oct., '42.

137. PUNISHMENTS

N.169739 Gnr. YEOMANS, R.S., 61 Bty., was charged with being A.W.L. from 11/10/42 until 2345 hrs. 14/10/42. A.A.15 (1) AWARD 14 days detention. Forfeits 4 days pay.
DATE OF AWARD 15/10/42

N.352646 Gnr MARTIN, L.W. 61 Bty, was charged with being AWL from 11/10/42 until 2359 hrs. 14/10/42. A.A. Sec. 15 (1) AWARD. 14 days detention. Forfeits 4 days pay.
DATE OF AWARD. 15.10.42

N.351659 Gnr. LANE, C.D., 61 Bty., was charged with being AWL from 11/10/42 until 2359 hrs. 14/10/42. A.A. Sec. 15 (1) AWARD 14 days detention. Forfeits 4 days pay.
DATE OF AWARD 15/10/42

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES — Serial No.20
Nos. 138 -

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

by

Lt-Col. W.A.Rigney — Commanding 18 Aust. Fd. Regt.

Australia — 22 Nov., '42

138. DRESS - SUMMER

Reference 2 Aust Div R.O. 16/301, which authorised the temporary wearing of trousers SD in lieu of KD - pending issue of trousers KD, gaiters will not be worn with trousers when summer dress is being worn notwithstanding that trousers being worn are KD

139. CHRISTMAS GREETING TELEGRAMS

All Christmas Greeting Telegrams must reach Field Post Offices in time to be handed in at GPO Perth, not later than 19 Dec. '42, otherwise delivery cannot be guaranteed before Xmas.

140. CANOPY COVERS

Many instances have been noticed of MT being driven without Canopy Covers beigg properly secured. The resultant flapping is likely to result in most serious damage to the covers. Canvas, even for patching, is in such short supply that the utmost care must be taken in its care and preservation. Disciplinary action will be taken against all drivers exhibiting carelessness or disregard of orders.

141. INJURIES TO TROOPS TRAVELLING BY TROOP TRAINS.

Instances have been brought to notice of injuries being caused to troops travelling by troop trains.

OCs trains will instruct personnel that on no account must they allow any portion of their bodies to protrude from carriages or vehicles on which they are riding.

142. M.T. DRIVING

In order that wear of engines, transmission, brakes and tyres may be reduced to a minimum, and economy in petrol effected the following instructions are promulgated for the information of all concerned, and any breach will be made the subject of disciplinary action :-

(1) Rapid deceleration by changing into a lower gear when slowing down at corners or crossings, will cease. This form of driving, places an undue strain on engine and transmission and causes excess wear on tyres.

(2) Excessive use of brakes during normal driving is mainly due to bad driving and lack of anticipation. Constant and heavy wear is thereby imposed on both tyres and brakes, and this practice will cease.

143. CONSUMPTION OF SCHOOL DRINKING WATER

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143. CONSULPTION OF SCHOOL DRINKING WATER.

A complaint has been received about the excessive consumption of drinking water from a school in the dry area during the recent Corps exercise.

With the approach of warmer weather the drinking water position in country districts will become extremely acute, and as the resources available for children at schools in the dry area are already very restricted, under no circumstances will army personnel draw water from school tanks.

144. PROCEDURE IN THE CASE OF ACCIDENTS INVOLVING MECHANICAL VEHICLES

AAF G.13 para 23 is amended to read as follows :-

"Particulars of damage to other vehicles and/or property."
(Ref GRO Q.21)

145. REPAIRS TO VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT

All evacuations to workshops will be arranged through the LAD attached to the unit. The LAD will arrange necessary F.3As. for next echelon workshops and will act as liaison between unit and workshops.

146. SALVAGE DUMP -- OUT OF BOUNDS

Disciplinary action will be taken against any soldiers found in the vicinity of the Salvage dump except between the hours of 0845 -- 1215 and 1345 -- 1630.

147 DAMAGE TO CIVILIAN PROPERTY

In the above connection AIR&O 1383 & 1384 is [illegible] hereunder for the information & action of ranks.

1383. Orders to troops (1) Special orders on the following subjects will be issued to the troops by formation, etc. commanders before their entry on land under D.A. 69. If properly carried out by responsible officers, these orders will keep down avoidable damage.

(a) Damage to and loss of fruit, garden produce, or farm produce from allotments, gardens, orchards, or farm lands.
(b) Cutting of or other damage to trees.
(c) Destruction of or damage to hedges and fences of all kinds.
(d) Commission of nuisances.
(e) Officers' batmen (especially when in charge of horses)
(f) Improper filling in of latrines, ashpits etc.
(g) Clearing up of camps.
(h) Leaving broken glass.
(i) Duty of C.O.s to report damage done by troops or civs.
(k) Closing of gates or openings in fences.

(2) Gaps cut in fences must be closed temporarily immediately after use, in order to prevent stock straying, and care must be taken to shut gates for the same reason. Parties for this purpose will be told off prior to manoeuvres commencing. Officers failing to do this will be held personally responsible for damage.

(3) As the employees of civilian contractors often commit damage, especially in respect of broken bottles or glass, contractors should be cautioned on these points, and a penalty clause inserted in their contract.

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1384. CUTTING HEDGES AND FENCES. (1) Cutting gaps in hedges and [illegible] including wire fences, will only be resorted to when absolutely necessary, and then only by order of the senior officer on the spot.

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Much unnecessary expense will be saved by the observance of this rule.

(2) When preparing camping grounds, only authorised service experts, such as engineers, should be employed in cutting wire fences, or opening gaps in natural fences, and damage so done should be repaired at the earliest practicable moment.

(3) The senior officer on the spot should, when practicable, detail the engineers to repair damage done by troops. When this would materially interfere with the training of the troops, or for other reasons it cannot be arranged it may be found economical to make a contract with a fencer or a carpenter to repair all the minor damages.

(4) In every case where damage has been done to hedges and fences, it will immediately be reported to the president of the board with particulars of the nature, date, time, and place, and he will at once inspect the damage and note it for record.

148. PUNISHMENTS.

N.352532 Gnr. L.H.Everson, 61 Bty, was charged with A.W.L. Period 1 day. AA 15 (1) AWARD Fined £1 and notified of forfeiture of 1 days pay & allowances. DATE OF AWARD 2 Nov,'42

N.49470 L/Sgt. K.R.Smith, 61 Bty., was charged with Neglecting to obey a standing order. A.A. Sec 11 AWARD Revert to substantive rank. DATE OF AWARD 11 Nov,'42

N.242231 Gnr. E.A.Cox, 61 Bty, was charged with failing to obey an order given by his superior officer. AA Sec 9 (2) AWARD 7 days C.B. DATE OF AWARD 10.11.42

N.10925 Gnr. J.J.Tracey, 60 Bty., was charged with neglecting to obey a general order contrary to ASO 8/6. AA Sec11 AWARD Fined 10/- 14 days C.B. DATE OF AWARD 14.11.42

N.256699 Gnr. K.A.McAdam, 61 Bty., was charged with neglect to the prejudice of good order and military discipline. AA Sec. 40 AWARD Forfeiture of 14 days pay. DATE OF AWARD11 Nov.

N.263619 Gnr. J.C.P.Seary, 59 Bty, was charged with neglect to the prejudice of good order and military discipline AA Sec. 40 AWARD Forfeiture of 14 days pay. DATE OF AWARD 11 Nov.

N.276067 Gnr. K.Cox, 59 Bty. was charged with neglect to the prejudice of good order and military discipline. AA Sec 40 AWARD Forfeiture of 14 days pay. DATE OF AWARD 11.11.42

NX.84835 Gnr. N.C.Stephan, 60 Bty., was charged with
(1) Being found beyond the limits fixed by Regtl. Orders without a written leave pass. AA Sec 15 (3)
(2) Drunkeness. AA Sec 19
(3) Using insubordinate language to his superior officer.

AWARD Forfeiture of 28 days pay. DATE OF AWARD 14 Nov.'42

NX77911 Gnr. W.J.Greathead, 61 Bty, was charged with Conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline AA Sec 40. 14 days C.B. Forfeiture of 14 days pay. (AWARD) DATE OF AWARD 17 Nov.,'42

N.352718 Gnr. F.J.McIntyre, 61 Bty., was charged with neglect to the prejudice of good order and military discipline, AA Sec. 40. AWARD Admonished DATE OF AWARD. 17 Nov.,'42

N.303170 Gnr. A.J.Mitchell, 59 Bty., was charged with conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline, AA Sec. 40. AWARD Forfeiture of 14 days pay DATE 15 Nov.,'42

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PUNISHMENTS (Cont.)

N.352574 Gnr. R.W.Milstead, 61 Bty., was charged with neglect to the prejudice of good order and military discipline A.A. Sec. 40. AWARD Admonished DATE OF AWARD. 17.11.42

N.352710 Gnr. R.G.Sweeting, 61. Bty., was charged with Neglect to the prejudice of good order and military discipline A.A. Sec. 40 AWARD. Admonished DATE OF AWARD 17.11.42

N.352640 Gnr. W.J.Richardson, 61 Bty., was charged with Neglect to the prejudice of good order and military discipline A.A. Sec. 40. AWARD Admonished DATE OF AWARD 17.11.42

N.51020 A/Bdr. H.Nisbet, 61 Bty., was charged with neglect to the prejudice of good order and military discipline A.A.Sec. 40 AWARD. Ordered to revert to substantive rank DATE OF AWARD. 17.11.42

N.352518 Gnr. R.G.Miller, 61 Bty., was charged with disobeying a lawful command given by his superior officer. A.A. Sec 9 (2) AWARD 7 days C.B. DATE OF AWARD 15.11.42

N.352[illegible] Gnr. E.S.Callow, 59 Bty., was charged with [illegible] Period 1 day. AWARD 7 days C.B. DATE OF AWARD [illegible].42

N.350904 Gnr. W.A.Brew, 59 Bty., was charged with [illegible] Period 1 day. AWARD 7 days C.B. DATE OF AWARD 19.11.42

N.[illegible]00 Gnr. J.Stokoe, 60 Bty., was charged with Failing to appear at a place of parade ordered by his superior officer. AA Soc. 15 (2) AWARD 7 days C.B. DATE OF AWARD 20.11.42.

E.K.Stewart Capt
(E.K.Stewart) Adjutant 18 Aust Fd Regt.

? NOTICES

LOST in Gingin, Pushbike on 13 Nov., '42. Finder please report to R.H.Q.

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

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(Adapted)
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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

1 Aust Fd Regt (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	4		
Captains	5		
Lieutenants	15		
2nd Lieutenants	2		
Quartermasters	1		
Totals	28		

* 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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(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.)

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

APPENDIX I

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

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

18 Aust Fd. Regt (Unit)

WE 11/9a/3

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.)
WE			
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels 1	1		
Majors 4	2		2 (2 [illegible] submitted)
Captains 9	5		4
Lieutenants Assistant 1 / 26	1		
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters Captain 1	1		
Totals 42 / 4			

* 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	LOWRIE FD	Rad (m)	[illegible]	Transferred to [illegible] Rad [illegible] Corps

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

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

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

WE 11/14/3 18 Aust Fd Regt (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks. WE	**Posted** strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (*i.e.* deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels ... 1 ...	1		-
Majors ... ... 4 ...	4		2 (2 A 3th submitted
Captains ... ... 9 ...	8		4
Lieutenants ... Adjutant 1 ... 6	1 27	1	- (2 A 3th submitted
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters ... Captain 1 ...	1		
TOTALS ... ... 42 ...	37	1	6

* 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.	Appointment Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
LT. T/Maj Col	NX117616	RIGNEY WA	C.O.	YES	
LT T/MAJ	NX115706	GLEN AM	2 i/c	✓	
✓ T/Maj	NX117619	HILLYAR KNM	B.C.	✓	
✓ T/Capt	NX117621	OLSEN AE	✓	✓	
✓ ✓	NX117624	ADAMS NC	✓	✓	
✓ ✓	NX117620	OLSSON TC	Bty Capt	✓	
✓ ✓	NX117618	REDDIE PD	Q.M.	✓	
✓ ✓	NX117630	WOODWARD CW		NO	3 Corps Sig Trng Centre
✓ ✓	NX117637	STEWART EK	Adjutant	YES	
✓ ✓	NX117625	DALL RW	Bty Capt	✓	
LIEUT	NX117631	LORD RT	CPO	✓	
✓	NX117632	FURLEY SRP	✓	✓	
✓	NX117638	LAMB DL	Tp Comdr	✓	
✓	NX117634	BROWN G	✓	✓	
✓	NX117624	WOTHERSPOON KW	✓	✓	
✓	NX117627	TRELOAR TG	CPO	✓	
✓	NX117628	CARRUTHERS RC	BTY CAPT	✓	
✓	NX117628	COWIE WS	TP COMDR	✓	
✓	NX14751	WOODS LH		✓	
✓	NX117617	TRAVERS TT	Tp LDR	✓	
✓	NX33430	MONSEN H	Tp Comdr	✓	
✓	NX136250	SPANSWICK KL	Tp LDR	✓	
✓	NX72273	WALTON GS	G.P.O.	NO	No 2 Sig Refresher Course
✓	NX29066	LOWRIE FTI	✓	YES	
✓	NX117633	DAVIDSON WR	A/CPO	✓	
✓	NX117640	DEWS EV	C.P.O.	✓	
✓	NX117626	DOUGLAS FW	Tp Ldr	NO	No 2 Sig Refresher Course
✓	NX117641	EVANS RE	✓	YES	
✓	NX117623	HOLL RD	✓	✓	
✓	NX117629	NAPIER JE	✓	✓	
✓	NX117642	HORNEMAN WJ	C.P.O.	✓	
✓	NX117639	ASHMORE LT	WLO	✓	
✓	NX117636	POULTER RC	ACPO	✓	
✓	NX117622	HADLEY HE	RSO	✓	
✓	N50568	BURGIS BP	ACPO	NO	No 2 Sig Refresher Course
✓	NX117643	COOKE RW	IO	YES	
✓	NX117644	PHILLIPS AS	WLO		

(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.
CAPT	NX117615	FITZGERALD G	AAMC (m)	2.11.42	RMO.
✓	N393087	GARDNER WE	AAOC (m)	8.5.42	OC 220 LAD
✓	VX51089	ROBINSON N	DENTAL (AIF)	24.8.42	Edec 215 DENTAL
LIEUT	N53454	JENNINGS VR	2 Div Sigs	20.12.41	6 Sec Sigs Offrs
CHAPLAIN	NX118813	MANNY ON		31.8.42	CHAPLAIN

18 Aust Fd Rest
(Unit.)

W. A. Rigney
(Signature of Commander.)

14.11.42
(Date of Despatch.)

Commanding 18 Aust Fd Rest
RA 2 Dgs
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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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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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

WE 11/7A/3 18 Aust Fd Regt. (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks. WE	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (*i.e.* deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels ... 1	1		
Majors 4	2		2 (2 - A33's submitted
Captains 9	5		4
Adjutant 1	1		
Lieutenants ... 26	27	1	(2 A22's submitted
2nd Lieutenants	-		
Quartermasters Captain 1	1		
TOTALS 42	37	1	6

* 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.	FITZGERALD	AAMC (M)	2.11.42	R.M.O.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
CAPT	AITKENS	AAMC (M)	31.10.42	

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.
Lt-Col	N110[illegible]	RIGNEY WA.	CO	YES	
Maj	N[illegible]	GLEN AM.	2 i/c	✓	
✓	N[illegible]	HIMLYAR KNM	E.C.	✓	
Capt	N[illegible]	OLSEN AE	✓	✓	
✓	N[illegible]	ADAMS NC.	✓	✓	
✓	N[illegible]	OLSSON JC	BTY CAPT	✓	
✓	N[illegible]	REDDIE FD	Q.M.	✓	
✓	N[illegible]	WOODWARD CW		No	3 Corps Sorting Centre
✓	N[illegible]	STEWART ER	ADJUTANT	YES	
✓	N[illegible]	DANN RW	BTY CAPT	✓	
LIEUT	N[illegible]	LORD RB	CPO	✓	
✓	N[illegible]	FURLEY SRP	-	✓	
✓	N[illegible]	LAMB DL	TP COMDR	✓	
✓	N[illegible]	BROWN G	✓	✓	
✓	N[illegible]	WOTHERSPOON KW	✓	✓	
✓	N[illegible]	TRELOAR TG	G.P.O.	✓	
✓	N[illegible]	CARRUTHERS RC	BTY CAPT	✓	
✓	N[illegible]	COWIE WJ	TP LDR	✓	
✓	NX[illegible]	WOODS LH.	-	✓	
✓	N[illegible]	TRAVERS TT	TP LDR	✓	
✓	NX[illegible]	MONSEN H	TP COMDR	✓	
✓	NX[illegible]	STANSWICK RL	TP LDR	✓	
✓	NX[illegible]	WAINTON GS	GPO.	No	Corps Sig Officers Course
✓	NX[illegible]	HOWKIE FJ	-	YES	[illegible]
✓	N[illegible]	DAVIDSON WK	S/CPO	YES	
✓	N[illegible]	DEWS EV	G.P.O.	✓	
✓	N[illegible]	DOUGLAS FW	TP LDR	No	No 2 Sig Manchester Course
✓	N[illegible]	EVANS RE	✓	YES	
✓	N[illegible]	HOLM RD	✓	No	Pet. Med. Lt. 4th Bde Sig Coy
✓	N[illegible]	NAPIER TE	✓	No	✓ ✓ ✓
✓	N[illegible]	HORNEMAN NT	CPO.	YES	
✓	N[illegible]	ASHMORE LT.	WLO	No	✓ ✓ ✓
✓	N[illegible]	POULTER RC.	ACPO	YES	✓
✓	N[illegible]	HADLEY HE	RSO	✓	
✓	N[illegible]	BURGESS HP	ACPO	No	Non Signalmaster Course
✓	N[illegible]	COOKE NW	I.O.	YES	
✓	N[illegible]	PHILLIPS AS	WLO	No	Pet. Motor Wing SEYMOUR

(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.
CAPT	N[illegible]	FITZGERALD G	AAMC (Aus)	11.42	R.M.O.
✓	N[illegible]	GARDNER WE	AAOC (Aus)	6.5.42	OC 220 LAD
✓	N[illegible]	ROBINSON N	DENTAL (AIF)	5.6.42	[illegible] 9th DENTAL
LIEUT	N[illegible]	JENNINGS LR	ETN Sigs	20.12.41	G Sec Sigs Cdr.
CHAPLAIN	N[illegible]	MANNY ON	ADJT STAFF	1.6.42	CHAPLAIN rtd.

18 Aust Div Sig Regt
(Unit.)

7.11.42
(Date of Despatch.)

Lt Stewart Capt for Lt.-Col.
Commanding Officer.
(Signature of Commander.) AOD

AAA 2 Aust Div
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

18 Aust. Fd. Regt (Unit) 28 Nov 19 (Date)

WE 11/7A/3

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

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail. WE	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I. 1	-		1
W.Os. Class II. 10	5		5
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants 3	3		-
Staff Serjeants -	-		-
Serjeants 3↓	31		3
Corporals 8↓	81		3
Troopers, Privates, &c. 558	529	87	116
TOTALS 640	649	* 87	* 128

* 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.
1 Sgt	2 Div P/U		
1 Sgt 4 cpls 9	aa mb		
1 ✓ 2 cpls 25	G Sec Sigs		
1 Sgt 11 cpls 12	220 LAD		
1 Sgt 2 cpls 4	6 Sec 75 Pontoon		
1 cpl	aa Pb		

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).
NS0912	[illegible]	Bungeaks	[illegible]	ARD Northam
NS1080	[illegible]	Kelly J.	✓	✓

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18 Aust 2d Regt 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 TO ESTABLISHMENT.								REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.								REMARKS.
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.		
Bricklayers																	
Butchers																	
Carpenters and Joiners																	
Clerks																	
Despatch Riders																	
Draughtsmen (topo)																	
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.																	
Electricians																	
Farriers																	
Fitters																	
Masons																	
Painters and Decorators																	
Plumbers and Gasfitters																	
Saddlers and Harness Makers																	
Signallers																	
Storemen technical																	
Vickers Machine Gunners																	
Cooks														1			
Computers														1			
Mechanics MT.														8			
Observation Post Assistants														3			
Signallers														79			
Btry Surveyors														4			
Dvr Mechanics														6			
Equipment Repairers														2			
Technical Storemen														2			
Gun layers														12			
W.O.s + N.C.O.s									1	3		3	3				
General duty personnel							87										
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)							87	87	1	5		3	3	46	128		

18 Aust 2d Regt
Unit.

W. A. Rigney 2nd Lt.
Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 28.11.42

R.A.A. Div.
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

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APPENDIX J

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
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sergeants			
Staff Sergeants			
Sergeants			
Corporals			
Troopers, Privates, &c.			
TOTALS	*		

* 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).

(Signature of Commander.)

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

18 Aust Fd Regt (Unit) 21 Nov 1942 (Date)

WE II/7a/3

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

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail. WE	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I. 1	-		1
W.Os. Class II. 10	5		5
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants 3	3		-
Staff Serjeants -			-
Serjeants 34	31		3
Corporals 84	83		1
Troopers, Privates, &c. 658	533		114
TOTALS 640	655	* 89	* 124

* 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.
1 Sgt	2 Div P/Unit		
1 Sgt 4 o/Rs: 5	a a M.C.		
1 " 2 o/Rs: 25	C Sec Sigs		
1 Sgt 11 o/Rs: 12	220 LAD		
1 Sgt 3 o/Rs: 4	C Sec 75 Dental		
1 C/R	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).
N50912	L/Bar	Burgess R.G.	RAA(m)	A.R.D. Northam ✓
N51080	L/Sgt	Kelly T.J.	✓	✓

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18 Aust Fd Regt 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 TO ESTABLISHMENT.									REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.								REMARKS.
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.		TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.		TOTAL.	
Bricklayers																		
Butchers																		
Carpenters and Joiners																		
Clerks																		
Despatch Riders																		
Draughtsmen (topo)																		
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.																		
Electricians																		
Farriers																		
Fitters																		
Masons																		
Painters and Decorators																		
Plumbers and Gasfitters																		
Saddlers and Harness Makers																		
Signallers															78			
Storemen technical															2			
Vickers Machine Gunners																		
Cooks															1			
Computors															1			
Dvr. Mechanics															3			
Equipment Repairers															2			
Gunlayers															12			
Mechanics M.T.															8			
Observation Post Assistants															3			
Surveyors															4			
General duty personnel							89			1	5		3	1				
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)							89		89	1	5		3	1	114		124	

18 Aust Fd Regt
Unit.

W. A. Rigney Lt Col
Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 1 Nov 21

RAA 2 Div.
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

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APPENDIX

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

(Unit) ..... (Date)

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

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						
Corporals						
Troopers, Privates, &c.						
TOTALS				*		*

* 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).

W. O. Rigney 2nd Lt

Unit. Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch

Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

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W 11/7A/3

18 Aust. Fd Regt (Unit) 12.11.42 19..... (Date).

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

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	-		1
W.Os. Class II. 10	5		5
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants 3	3		
Staff Serjeants 1	-		
Serjeants 31	31		3
Corporals 84	82		2
Troopers, Privates, &c. 359	241	91	108
TOTALS 490	662	*91	*119

*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.
1 Sgt	2 Div HQ		
1 " d/Rs	a.a.m.b.		
1 " b d/Rs	4 Sec Sigs		
1 Sgt "	220 HAD		
1 Sgt 30 d/Rs	6 Sec 1st Dental		
1 d/R	a.a.P.b.		

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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18 Aust Fd Regt. 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		12	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		1	Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		14
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		2
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		3
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.		8	Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics		3	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		3	Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers		2	Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
WOs + NCOs		11						
General duties personnel	91							
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)	91	17			23			79

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.

18 Aust Fd Regt. *Unit.*

W. A. Rigney *Signature of Commander.*

Date of Despatch 14.11.42

RAA 2 Aust Div. *Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.*

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

WE 11/7A/3 18 Aust Fd Regt (Unit) 7.11.41 19 (Date).

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

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail. WE	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I. 1	-		1
W.Os. Class II. 10	5		5
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants 3	3		-
Staff Serjeants -			
Serjeants 34	26		8
Corporals 84	75		9
Troopers, Privates, &c. 558	508	58	108
TOTALS 690	617	* 58	* 131

*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.
1 Sgt	2 Dw P/Unit		
1 Sgt 4 O/Rs	AA MC.		
1 " 26 O/Rs	6 Sec Sigs		
1 Sgt 10 O/Rs	220 LAD		
1 Sgt 3 O/Rs	6 Sec 75 Dental		
1 O/R	AA PC.		

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).
N876060	Gnr.	Thomas	RAA	ARD Northam
N2636[illegible]	"	Stevenson	"	✓ ✓

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.....*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		12	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		1	Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		14
Cooks		4	Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		2
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		1
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.		7	Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics		5	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		3	Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C		2	Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers		2	Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
WOs + NCOs		23						
General duties personnel	58							
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)	58	33			22			76

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.

18 Amr Sdr Regt — *Unit.*

EKShuard Capt for RAA — *Signature of Commander.*

7 Nov — *Date of Despatch*

Comd Cav Bde, HQ NOD — *Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.*

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

(Unit) 19 (Date)

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Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

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			
Corporals			
Troopers, Privates, &c.			
TOTALS.			

*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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Unit

Signature of Commander

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.

(b) A Unpriced Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

Detail of Specialists	Strength (a)	Strength Required (a)	Detail of Specialists	Strength (a)	Strength Required (a)	Detail of Specialists	Strength (a)	Strength Required (a)
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitters, Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Combrs. 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			Riveters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Cobbler			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		
Draughtsmen			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Textile Refitters		
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 (Mental)			Watermen		
Electricians			Nurses, Trained			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Operating Room Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operators, Signal			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands-Ins			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)								

PART D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3006.

Unit

Date

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APPENDIX K

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Address 18 Aust Fd.Regt.
AUSTRALIA

6 Nov. '42.

R.A.A. 2 Aust. Div.
5 Aust.Inf.Bde. (for information)

WEEKLY "I" REPORT week ending 5/11/42.

ENEMY. Nil.

OWN TROOPS Morale: Fair. Just after troops are realising that there is a war on and they are away from their own state to increase their fighting efficiency, and start to like it, rumours and statements in the press that men under 20 are to be sent home breeds discontent and ruins the team spirit being built in the regiment.

FI Fighting Efficiency: Troops have been training in infantry attack and defence tactics, and local protection for gun and wagon line areas and have reached a fair state of efficiency.
Casualties: Nil
Sickness: approximately 2%
Efficiency of weapons etc: 3 ton W.D. are proving unusable as a 4 wheel drive vehicle, as any strain such as in heavy sand will crack the constant velocity joint bearing if the wheels are turned further than 10% either side of centre.
All loose liners in the regiment have now been removed and graphited.
3 M.C.s and 3 W.D.s are temporarily out of action.

MAIL Regular and good service at the moment.

GENERAL In this type of country digging in of vehicles as in ATM No.12 has been tried and generally 15 cwt and ¼ ton vans have to be pushed out, and W.Ds have to use 4 wheel drive.

TOPOGRAPHICAL Nil.

W. C. D. Kigney
.....Lt.Col.
Commanding 18 Aust. Field Regiment.

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"I" REPORT Week ending 13/11/42.

ENEMY. NIL.

OWN TROOPS.

Morale. Good.

Training. last week spent at Rockingham on range practice, both anti-tank, and indirect firing. Movement of most of regiment from Gingin to Rockingham and return, including march through Perth. Gave drivers and passengers, good training in march disciplin and this was apparent on both moves.

WEAPONS AND EQUIPMENT.

M.T. strength of regiment increased during week by addition of 14 trucks, 3 carriers.
2 guns at Northam school of Arty.
1 at workshops.

MAIL Good.

TOPOGRAPHICAL.

Nil.

W. A. Rigney

.....Lt. Col.
(W.A.Rigney) Commanding 16 Aust. Fd. Regt.

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Headquarters,
18 Aust.Fd.Regt.,
AUSTRALIA.

21 Nov. 42

R.A.A. 2 Aust. Div.,
5 Aust.Inf.Bde (for information)

WEEKLY "I" REPORT - week ending 20 Nov.42

1. ENEMY Nil.

2. OWN TROOPS Morale: Good
Training: Regt has been training for last five days on continuous basis, 24 hrs per day. Two btys deployed between camp and range (Gingin Arty). 3rd Bty acting as enemy patrols. Many small points of training brought out and are being incorperated in their training.
Weapons and Material: All Lewis guns withdrawn and now 7 Bren guns replaced them, another 20 (approx) are due, and are expected to arrive any time.
Security: Attention is drawn to memo of 5/11/42 re telegrams.

3. TOPOGRAPHICAL Nil.

W. A. Rigney

.....Lt.-Col.
(W.A.Rigney) Commanding 18 Aust.Field Regt.

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Headquarters,
18 Aust Fd Regt,
AUSTRALIA
27 Nov 42

RAA 2 Aust Div
5 Aust Inf Bde (for information)

WEEKLY "I" REPORT - WEEK-ENDING 27 NOV 42

1. ENEMY: Nil

2. OWN TROOPS:

Morale. Good. Men taking building of new camp with no more than the usual growls which are associated with camp life. These growls seem to get less and less as the unit moves away from fixed camps such as Melville.
Effect on unit by transfer to it of recent draft of militia who openly proclaim that they have no intention of joining A.I.F., is very noticeable. It is taken to be a sign that the Regt is being kept militia.

Fighting Efficiency
Recent Bty training as reported previously made troops more concious of their jobs, and has had its effect, as shown in the change of camp sites on Wednesday last. During that move convoy discipline, which reflect the training of the men, was very satisfactory.

Efficiency of Weapons and Materials
2 guns at Northam
4 vehicles unavailable
2 M/C "
Very few (approx 6) vehicles required attention on trek: one rear axle breakage being biggest mechanical failure, one M.H. tractor rolled over edge of road banking.

Security. Improving

Topographical. Area very dry and bushfires are an ever present danger, necessitating a constant watch being kept.

W. A. Rigney Lt.-Col
(W.A.Rigney) Commanding, 18 Aust Fd Regt

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APPENDIX L

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

WESTERN AUSTRALIA LINES OF COMMUNICATION AREA

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TEH.

HQ RAA 2 Aust Div,
AUSTRALIA.
6 Nov,42.

R.A.A. 2 DIV.
No. 194 / 3 / 34
HEADQUARTERS

CO, 7 Aust Fd Regt.
" 18 Aust Fd Regt.
" 104 Aust A Tk Regt.
" 2 Aust Svy Bty.

Subtended is copy of 2 Aust Div memo of 3 Nov,42.

" The Div Comd has expressed his appreciation for the work done by all ranks who took part in the recent large scale exercise.

It was extremely gratifying to note the keenness and initiative of officers and men through the whole exercise.

The spirit in which the rulings of the umpires was taken could only be described as outstanding, considering the unreality necessary to prevent damage to personnel and equipment in physical combat.

The Div Comd desires that all ranks be complimented on their individual and collective efforts, and trusts that the lessons learnt will add much to the fighting efficiency of the Division. 4

2. The CRA directs that action be taken by comds to promulgate the Div Comd's desire.

Ian F. Macpherson Major.
(Ian F Macpherson) BM RAA 2 Aust Div.

To 60
Promulgate
& return MAR

185 Gunjur Church

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Australian Military Forces—Eastern Command.

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CEC/LOS.

Address H.Q. 8 Aust. Inf. Bde.
AUSTRALIA.
Date 31 Oct. 42.

4 Aust. Inf. Bn.
30 Aust. Inf. Bn.
35 Aust. Inf. Bn.
8 Aust. Fd. Amb.
8 Aust. Fd. Coy.
18 Aust. Fd. Regt.
18 Coy. A.A.S.C.
13 Aust. A/Tk. Bty.
No.3 Gp. W/Shops.

Please convey to all ranks my deep appreciation of the manner in which they carried out their duties in the recent exercise.

The conditions were difficult and called for the best from all - that this was freely given in the face of hardship - reflects great credit on all ranks.

Such a test - successfully completed as it was, could only be possible in well disciplined and well trained units.

While I do not wish to imply that the Brigade is perfect, there are still many imperfections that can be and will be remedied as a result of recent experiences, I feel that such a standard has only been made possible by the attention and direction given to units by their Commanding Officers and the co-operation of the remainder of the unit.

The morale of this Brigade is good, its standard of training is reasonably high, the existing faults and shortcomings will be eliminated, and when the time comes I feel sure it will give a good account of itself.

To 60 Bty
to be read on parade by B.C.
mkR

Arnold Cameron. Brigadier
Commanding 8th Aust. Infantry Brigade

Read on Bty parade
3/11/42

APPENDIX M

SECRET.

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12 Nov. 42.

5 AUST INF BDE ADM INSTN 7.

INTERCHANGE OF 2 AUST DIV - 4 AUST DIV.

1. 5 Aust Inf Bde 'R' Gp (less Arty and Engrs) will move to new location vic STRAWBERRY 12 NOV. 42.

2. Staging camp will be est by 'R' Gp at vic STRAWBERRY.

O.C. Bde Gp Recce Party will advise RTO MINGENEW exact location of staging camp and pers moving independently will obtain such infm from that offr.

3. Staff Offrs 2 Aust Div and pers RAE and Sig 2 Aust Div are to bivouac and be rationed by Bde Gp staging camp.

4. Recce parties will be rationed:-

(a) Carry unconsumed prtion for 12 and full ration 13 Nov.42

(b) O.C Staging camp will lodge indents for succeeding day immediately on arrival at DID MINGENEW.

DID will issue dry rations until fresh rations are available.

5. ~~Recce parties will carry tentage, cooking utensils etc.~~

6. Duties of Recce Parties are:-

(a) To inspect new areas.

(b) Contact respective unit being relieved.

(c) Inspect unit areas and prepare precise statement of material and amenities as under which outgoing units will be leaving in areas

Engr services incl permanent and semi permanent structures, portable weathouses etc.
Incinerators.
Water storage tanks.
Latrine covers.
Lids and fittings for Otway Pits
Ablution benches etc.

(d) Where new areas are to be occupied, will peg out camp sites in accordance with plans and standard payout of camps previously issued. Engr Officer will be attached to each Bde Gp for advice.

(e) RAE Recce party will carry out a water recce., also ascertain location of pole and scrub cutting areas.

7. Details of materials and amenities as above which outgoing units are leaving in areas will be forwarded to reach HQ 5 Aust Inf Bde by 0900 hours 14 Nov. 42.

8. Bde Gp Recce parties will remain in area until arrival of main body and will concentrate on improving areas as far as possible, without interfering with out-going units.

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9. Strict track discipline will be insisted on at all times.

10. Bde Gp Recce party will move ex present location with a water cart, supplied by 44 Aust Inf Bn.

11. DAD of H, HQ 2 Aust Div is proceeding to area on 13 Nov.42 moving independently to conduct water tests, and report on action necessary for fly and mosquito control.

12. OC's recce parties OC's parties moving independently and Staff Officers will report at HQ 4 Aust Div MOORA on entering area.

13. Location of Units will be as stated in 5 Aust Inf Bde OI 8.

14. It is anticipated that units of 4 Aust Div will send recce parties to areas of this Bde for similar purposes and all Units will co-operate with such parties to make available any information desired.

ACK.

Issued By. DR..

Signed At. 815. hrs

(R.T. BRIEN) Maj
BM 5 Aust Inf Bde.

DISTRIBUTION.

18 Aust Fd Regt.
14 Bty A Tk
44 Aust Inf Bn.
54 Aust Inf Bn.
56 Aust Inf Bn.
5 Fd Coy R.A.E.
5 Aust Fd Amb.
17 Coy AASC
Sec Div Ord Wkshops.
Sec Div Ord Fd Pk
Comd
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5 AUST INF BDE OI No. 8

Ref MAPS GERALDTON) DONGARRA) 4 mls to 1 in

INFM

1. 2 Aust Div is to relieve 4 Aust Div in GERALDTON and DONGARRA areas.

2. Relief is to be completed by 2359 hours 30 Nov. 42.

3. (a) 2 Aust Div is responsible for the NORTHAMPTON-GERALDTON-DONGARRA area as from 1800 hours 24 Nov. 42.

(b) Boundaries:

Northern - All incl RED POINT-MURCHISON RIVER - Junc CARNARVON RD and MURCHISON RIVER at GALENA.

Eastern - All incl CARNARVON RD and MURCHISON RIVER at GALENA -BINNU - RD and track from BINNU to YUNA - RD YUNA to TENINDEWA - LOCKIER - IRRAMBA Waterhole - thence EAST along track to ARRINO thence along Rd GERALDTON-PERTH to encl MARCHAGEE.

Southern - All excl MARCHAGEE -GREEN HEAD.

Western - Incl RED POINT - excl GREEN HEAD.

4. 25 Aust Cav Regt in its present location will come under Comd 2 Aust Div as from 1600 hours 24 Nov.42.

5. Units of 2 Aust Div are to move to locations as shown in Appx 'A'

6. Dates of movement of adv parties and main bodies and adm instns for relief will be issued separately.

7. Details of Bde & Bn Bndys op roles, and areas of responsibility will be notied later.

ACK Signed at 1345
Issued by DR

W Oates Capt
(R.T. BRYEN) Maj
for BM 5 Aust Inf Bde.

DISTRIBUTION.

18 Aust Fd Regt.
14 Bty A Tk
5 Fd Coy RAE
44 Aust Inf Bn
54 Aust Inf Bn
56 Aust Inf Bn
5 Fd Amb.
17 Coy A.A.S.C.
Sec Div Ord Wkshops.
Sec Div Ord Fd Pk.
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APPX 'A' TO 5 AUST INF BDE OI NO.8

Ref Maps GERALDTON / DONGARRA } 4 mls to 1 in

SERIAL NUMBER	UNIT	NEW LOCATION	MAP REF	REMARKS.
1	HQ 5 Aust Inf Bde	STRAWBERRY		
2	'J' Sec Sigs	"		
3	253 LAD	"		
4	Bde Gp Sec Div Ord Wkshop	"		
5	Bde Gp Sec Div Ord Fd Pk.	"		
6	One Aust Inf Bn.	IRWIN.	306379.	
7	One Aust Inf Bn.	"	307375.	
8	One Aust Inf Bn.	MILO.	318374.	
9	HQ 2/6 Dental Unit.	With 54 Bn.		
10.	18 Aust Fd Regt.	STRAWBERRY.	319381	
11.	'G' Sec Sigs.	"	"	
12.	220 LAD	"	"	
13.	'E' Sec 2/5 Dental Unit.	"	"	
14.	10 A/Tk Regt - less one Bty/	MILO	319375	
15.	One Bty 104 A Tk Regt.	BOOTENAL	262425	
16.	5 Aust Fd Coy	STRAWBERRY.		
17.	17 Coy AASC 2 Aust Div	STRAWBERRY.	318381.	
18.	5 Aust Fd Amb.	To be notified later.		
19.	4 Mob Laundry and Decon Unit.	"		
20.	2 Aust Div Provost Coy.	UTAKARRA.		
21.	5 Salvage Unit.	NORTHERN GEILY		

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5 Aust Inf Bde HQ
Australia.
21 Nov. 42.

5 AUST INF BDE ADMN INSTN NO. 8.

INTER-CHANGE OF 2 & 4 AUST DIVS.

Ref Maps DONGARRA 4 mls to 1"
PERTH do
MOORA do
PERENJORI do

1. Ref 5 Aust Inf Bde OI No.8 and 5 Aust Inf Bde Adm No.7.

2. 5 Aust Inf Bde Gp will move from GINGIN to STRAWBERRY by rd on 24-25-26 Nov. 42, and by rail on 24 and 27 Nov. 42.

3. RD MOVEMENT:

March Table - see Appx 'A' attached.

4. TRAFFIC CONTROL:

104 Aust A Tk Regt is to est Traffic Control Posts at the following pts :-

(i) Ref Map PERTH 4 mls to 1" 415125 (MOORAMURRA TURNOFF)
(ii) " MOORA 4 mls to 1" 422201 (WALEBING)
(iii) " PERENJORI 4 mls to 1" 402299 (COOROW)
(iv) " PERENJORI 4 mls to 1" 360353 (ARRINO)
(v) " DONGARRA 4 mls to 1" 303379 (IRWIN)

2 Aust Div Prov Coy is to come under 104 Aust A Tk Regt for duration of move to assist in traffic control.

5. RD DISCIPLINE:

Special attention is drawn to 2 Aust Div SOs for Movement and 2 Aust Div Instns for Movement by MT of 17 Nov. 42

6. Special attention will be paid to neatness of loading of trucks, dress, seating of personnel and general conduct of tps.

7. M.T BLOCKS:

(a) Will average 8 vehs.

(b) Block Nos will be displayed on windscreens of all vehs.

(c) An Officer or NCO will be appointed block leader to control each block.

(d) Each block leader will be provided with a Route Card or a note of Route and Timings in legible form

8. SYNCHRONISATION OF WATCHES.

Wathes will be synchronised through 5 Bde Sig Office one hour prior to time of departure. OC Unit Convoys will be responsible for synchronisation all block comd watchos.

OC 'J' Sec Sigs will be responsible for synchronisation with Traffic Control Officer.

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9. P.O.L.

All vehs will depart with tanks and all reserve drums filled. AASC P O L vehs will be incl in coln as per Appx 'A' for refilling on route if required. Refilling will be carried out during long halt.

10. MOVEMENT BY RAIL:

(a) Movement of personnel, carriers and stores will be by rail as per Appx 'B' att.

(b) OC Trains will be appointed by Units as follows:-

Train No. A3	54 Aust Inf Bn	Name of officer appointed to reach 5 Aust Inf Bde HQ 24 hrs prior to departure of train.
Train No. B3	54 Aust Inf Bn	
Train No. C3	44 Aust Inf Bn	
Train No. D3	56 Aust Inf Bn	
Train No. E3	56 Aust Inf Bn	

(c) Loading of equipment, carriers and stores will be completed one hour before train departure time.

One MC can be loaded in same truck as carriers.

Escort of two ORs will travel with each carrier.

11. ENTRAINING AND DETRAINING:

Entraining, detraining and loading will be under direction and supervision of R.T.O.

Tps will carry arms and equipment and kits in coaches. Offrs and NCOs will travel adjacent to their tps.

12. RAIL WARRANTS AND CONSIGNMENT NOTES:

Rail warrants and consignment notes will be issued by 5 Bde HQ.

Entraining strength returns (A/F T.51(a)) will be completed by OC Train and handed to Bde Rep. Total must agree with rail warrants.

Consignment notes will show details of WE etc and approx tonnage of the different stores etc. in order that advantage may be taken of any freight concession.

13. TRAIN DISCIPLINE:

The usual instns regarding

(a) Conduct of tps on train.
(b) Intoxicating liquor.

will be strictly enforced.

To prevent injury of tps OsC trains will instruct pers that on no account must they allow any portion of their bodies to protrude from carriages or vehs.

Tps occupying carriers will be warned against moving from one truck to another while train is in motion.

14. AA DEF OF TRAINS.

Each carrier will carry one LMG and 500 rounds ammn for AA def.

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GENERAL ADM:

15. RATIONS:

(a) Unconsumed portion of days ration for day of move will be carried. Indents for supplies at new location will be submitted to Bde Sup Offr as usual and will be supplied by ASC at new location.

(b) Meal arrangements:- Except train G3 two haversack meals will be carried.
All ranks will embus and entrain with full water bottles.
Economy will be exercised in use of water.
Arrangements for hot drink for pers travelling by train are being made and will be advised later.
Units will make own arrangements for pers travelling by rd.

16. TENTAGE AND ACCOMODATION STORES.

Units will move complete with tentage and accomodation stores to Scale 'A'
Portable showers will be carried.
3 Blankets per man. Blankets surplus to this number will be returned to Ord prior to move.
Tent floor boards will not be moved from present areas under any circumstances.
Palliasses will be carried empty.
Straw will be placed in neat piles in unit lines and will be salvaged by 2 Aust Div Salvage Unit.

17. ENGINEERS DUMPS:

Will be handed over in situ by mutual arrangements between RAE 2 and 4 Aust Divs.
All permanent installations such as developed water pts, all bush structures, meat houses, incinerators, deep trench latrines, urinals and other amenities will be handed over to incoming units intact.

18. FIRE PRECAUTIONS:

All Units are warned of the grave risk of bush fires in new areas. Prompt and adequate precautions will be taken to minimise risk. Comprehensive fire orders will be prepared and read to all ranks on day of arrival and at frequent intervals thereafter. Attention is directed to 3 Aust Corps Adm Instn Q9 1/11/42 and 2 Aust Div memo, avoidance of fire risks during tng, of 30/10/42.

19. CUTTING OF TIMBER:

Standing timber in unit areas will not be cut under any circumstances. Timber in other areas will not be cut or removed without the written approval of the property owner.
Authorised timber cutting and scrub cutting areas are to be notified by this HQ

20. LAYOUT AND DEVELOPMENT OF AREAS.

All camp sites will be laid out and developed in accordance with the plans already issued by HQ 2 Aust Div for the standard layout of operational camps.
Strict attention will be paid to traffic control and track discipline and main traffic rds should be gravelled at the earliest possible date.
It is expected that dressed timber for construction of mess huts, Q Stores and kitchens is to be available for issue to units at an early date. Further directions regarding the development of huttage will be issued.

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Owing to fire risk the only type of incinerators to be used will the downdraft type, examples of which are to be seen in 5 Bde Area.

For added coolness and head space it is suggested that all tents, meat housed and possibly mess huts, be "dug in". All other amenities will be standardised in the Bde Area.

21. CAMP HYGIENE:

Strict attention will be paid to camp hygiene. Under no circumstances will open holes be permitted for refuse, washing up water etc.

Fouling of ground by individuals will be treated as a serious offence.

Units will see that lines are left in a thoroughly clean and tidy condition. AAF P3 Forms will be completed before movement out and immediately on arrival in areas. Copies of both certificates will be forwarded to this HQ not later than 12 hours after arrival at new site.

Units will notify 2 Aust Div Salvage Unit of all salvageable items including straw, left in evacuated camp lines.

2 Aust Div Salvage Unit will be responsible for disposal of same.

Strict water discipline will be practiced at all times.

22. FLY AND MOSQUITO ERADICATION:

Special attention will be devoted to the elimination of fly and mosquito pest. Units are warned that severe consequences may result from inadequate fly control. Services of Bde Hygiene Offr will be available to Units.

23. WATER TANKS AND LATRINE COVERS:

All water tanks and latrine covers in new areas are to be left in situ by outgoing units. It is anticipated that further supplies will be available within ten days.

24. FIREWOOD:

As firewood at new location is not an ASC issue., it must be collected under unit arrangements but no firewood will be removed from private property without written permission from the owner.

25. CLEANLINESS OF EQUIPMENT AND CLOTHING:

Unit Comd will ensure that all clothing and equipment is clean prior to move.

R.T. Bryen

(R.T. BRYEN) Maj
BM 5 Aust Inf Bde.

ACK:

Signed at 1125 hrs.

Issued by D/R

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56 Aust Inf Bn	5-6	5-6	5-6
18 Aust Fd Regt	7-8	7-8	7-8
104 Aust ATk Regt	9	9	9
14 A Tk Bty	10	10	10
5 Fd Coy RAE	11	11	11
17 Coy AASC	12	12	12
Bde Gp Sec Ord Wkshop	13	13	13
Bde Gp Bde Ord Fd Pk	14	14	14
5 Aust Fd Amb.	15-16	15-16	15-16
HQ 2 Aust Div.	17-28	17-28	17-28
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APPENDIX 'B' TO 5 AUST INF BDE ADM INSTN NO.8

TRAIN TIMETABLE

TRAIN NO	DEPARTURE	ARRIVE STRATHGIN-BERRY	NO OF PERSONNEL				NO OF CARRIERS				BAGGAGE TONS			
			44 Bn	54 Bn	56 Bn	5 Fd Amb	44 Bn	54 Bn	56 Bn	18 Fd Regt	44 Bn	54Bn	56Bn	5Bde HQ
A.3	24 Nov 0800	24 Nov 1915	-	382	-	-	-	10	-	-	-	10	-	-
B.3	1000	2125	145	237	-	50	-	10	-	-	10	-	-	-
C.3	1800	25 Nov 0515	315	-	-	50	11	1	-	-	5	1	-	4
D.3	27 Nov 0800	27 Nov 1915	-	-	350	-	5	-	7	-	-	-	10	-
E.3	1000	2125	-	-	350	-	-	-	10	3	-	-	10	-
			460	619	700	100	16	21	17	3	15	11	20	4

APPX 'A' TO 5 AUST INF BDE ADM INSTR NO. 8. Form No 7 SECRET

SP - Ref PERTH 4 mls to 1" 403124
Dispersal Pt: Ref DONGARRA 4 mls to 1" 322379

ROUTE: MEEKATHARA RD-MOORA- thence via MOORA-GERALDTON RD to STRAWBERRY.

VTM:- 13.5(av 8 vehs per block 88x between vehs - 440 yds between blocks)

SER NO	DATE	UNIT	NO OF VEHS	TIME PAST SP	TCP 1	TCP 2	TCP 3	TCP 4	TCP 5	TIME DISPERSAL PT	MIH	HALTS	REMARKS
1	24 Nov 42	54 Aust Inf Bn	65	0600	0619	0840	1310	1512	1748	1718	20(av 21.8 MPH	SHORT HALTS 0750-0800	Incl 2 ASC POL Vehs
2	do	44 Aust Inf Bn	64	0645	0704	0925	1355	1557		1803	do	0950-1000	Incl 2 ASC POL Vehs
3	do	5 Aust Fd Amb 1 Sec 8 Fd Amb	35	0730	0749	1010	1440	1642		1848	do	1450-1500	Incl 1 ASC POL Veh.
4	do	5 Aust Fd Coy	54	0800	0819	1040	1510	1712		1918	do	1650-1700	Incl 1 ASC POL VEH
5	do	5 Aust Inf Bde HQ J Sec Sigs 253 LAD	34	0830	0849	1110	1540	1742		1948	do	1850-1900 2050-2100	Incl 1 ASC POL Veh
6	25 Nov 42	17 Coy AASC	60	0600	0619	0840	1310	1512		1718	do	Long halts- Meal.	
7	do	Bde Sec DOHP Bde Sec DOW	26	0635	0654	0915	1345	1547		1753	do	All sers except 8B 1150-1300 Ser 8B 1150-1240	Incl 1 ASC POL Veh

OVER

SER NO	DATE	UNIT	NO OF VEHS	TIME PAST SP	TCP 1	TCP 2	TCP 3	TCP 4	TCP 5	TIME DIS PT.	MIH	HALTS	REMARKS
8A	25 Nov 42	14 A Tk Bty 18 Fd Regt.	62	0650	0709	0930	1400	1602		1808	20 (av 21.8 mph)		Incl 2 ASC POL Vehs
8B	do	do	90	0710	0738	1109	1644	1937		2258	15 MPH		Incl 5 ASC POL Vehs
9	26 Nov 42	56 Aust Inf Bn	62	0600	0619	0840	1310	1512	1748	1718	20 MIH		Incl 2 ASC POL Vehs

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SECRET. 18 Fd Regt

2 AUST DIV "Q" ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION No. 27.

R.A.A. 2 DIV. No. S. 669 HEADQUARTERS

SECRET 2 DIV. No. 989/2/42
H.Q. 2 Aust. Div.
Australia.
19 Nov 42.

INTERCHANGE OF LOCATIONS - 2 AUST DIV AND 4 AUST DIV.

1. The interchange of 2 Aust Div and 4 Aust Div less 4 Div H.Q. and 13 Aust. Inf. Bde. is to commence 20 Nov. 42 and is to be completed by 30 November 42.

2. MOVEMENT.

(a) Recce. Gps. as already organised.
(b) Advance Parties - nil (except by special arrangement)
(c) Main Bodies - instrns to be issued separately.

3. TENTAGE & ACCOMMODATION STORES.

Units will move complete with tentage and accommodation stores to Scale "A".
Portable showers will also be carried.
3 Blankets per man will only be carried.
Blankets surplus to this number will be returned to Ord. prior to move.
Tent floor boards will not be moved from present areas under any circumstances.
Palliasses will be carried empty.
Straw will be placed in neat piles in unit lines and will be salvaged by 2 Aust. Div. Salvage Unit.

4. ENGINEERS DUMPS.

Will be handed over in situ by mutual arrangement between R.A.E. 2 and 4 Aust. Divs.
All permanent installations such as developed water points, all bush structures, meat houses, incinerators, deep trench latrines, urinals and other amenities will be handed over to incoming units intact.

5. FIRE PRECAUTIONS.

All units are warned of the grave risk of bush fires in new areas. Prompt and adequate precautions will be taken to minimise risk. Comprehensive fire orders will be prepared and read to all ranks on day of arrival. Attention is directed to 3 Aust. Corps Admn Instrn Q9 1/11/42 and 2 Aust. Div memo, evidence of fire risks during training, of 30/10/42.

6. CUTTING OF TIMBER.

Standing timber in unit areas will not be cut under any circumstances Timber in other areas will not be cut or removed without the written approval of the property owner.
Authorised timber cutting and scrub cutting areas are to be notified by this H.Q.

7. LAYOUT AND DEVELOPEMENT OF AREAS.

All camp sites will be laid out and developed in accordance with the plans already issued by this H.Q. for the standard layout of operational camps.

Strict attention will be paid to traffic control and track discipline and main traffic roads should be gravelled at the earliest possible date.

It is expected that dressed timber for construction of mess huts, Q stores and kitchens is to be available for issue to units at an early date. Further directions regarding the development of huttage will be issued.

Owing to fire risk the only type of incinerators to be used will be the downdraft type, examples of which are to be seen in both Bde. areas.

For added coolness and head space it is suggested that all tents, meat houses and possibly mess huts, be "dug in". All other amenities will be standardised in Bde. areas.

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8 CAMP HYGIENE.

Strict attention will be paid to camp hygiene. Under no circumstances will open holes be permitted for refuse, washing up water, etc.

Fouling of ground by individuals will be treated as a serious offence.
Units will see that lines are left in a thoroughly clean and tidy condition. AAF P3 forms will be completed before movement out and immediately on arrival in areas. Copies of both certificates will be forwarded to this H.Q. not later than 24 hours after arrival at new site.

Units will notify 2 Aust. Div. Salvage Unit of all salvageable items including straw, left in evacuated camp lines
2 Aust. Div. Salvage Unit will be responsible for disposal of same.

9. WATER.

Strict water discipline will be practiced at all times.

10. Special attention will be devoted to the elimination of fly and mosquito pest. Units are warned that severe consequences may result from inadequate fly control.

11. WATER TANKS AND LATRINE COVERS.

All water tanks and latrine covers in new areas are to be left in situ by outgoing units. On arrival of 2 Aust. Div. units a readjustment of stocks held will be made between 8 & 5 Bdes. under direction of Divisional H.Q. and further supplies are to be issued to units within 10 days.

12. DISCIPLINE.

Special attention will be devoted to the maintaining of a high standard of discipline at all times.
Due compliments will be paid by all ranks at all times both on and off duty.

13. USE OF M.T.

All units will ensure that there is no indiscriminate or wasteful use of M.T. Units will co-operate to minimise the usage of M.T. and will endeavour to secure back loadings wherever possible.

14. USE OF FIREARMS.

All units will warn personnel that under no circumstances may firearms be used in unit areas.

15. FIREWOOD.

As firewood is not an ASC issue, it must be collected under unit arrangements but no firewood will be removed from private property without written permission from the owner.

(F.L.HARVEY) Major.
A/D.A.Q.M.G. 2 Aust. Div.

DISTRIBUTION:

All Units
A.A. & Q.M.G.
A.D.O.S.
D.A.Q.M.G.
A.D.O.S. (E)
D.A.D.O.S.
A.D.M.S.
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SECRET 2 DIV. No. 12

SECRET. S989/AF/+2

2 AUST DIV "Q" ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION No. 33.

H.Q. 2 Aust. Div.
Australia.
20 Nov 42.

1. Under comd 5 Aust Inf Bde HQ the following units will move to new locations as stated in O.I. No. 11 from 24 - 27 Nov 42 incl.

5 Bde HQ
54 Aust Inf Bn
44 Aust Inf Bn
5 Fd Amb plus 1 Coy of 8 Fd Amb
5 Fd Coy
LAD 253
J Sec Sigs
17 COY AASC
Bde Sec DOFP
Bde Sec DOW
14 Bty 104 A/Tk
18 Fd Regt
56 Aust Inf Bn

2. Move will be by rail and road in accordance with app A & B attd. Comd 5 Aust Inf Bde is responsible for preparation and issue of such orders as will ensure an efficient and well disciplined movement by both means.

3. ROAD MOVEMENT.

(a) Movement will be strictly in accordance with 2 Aust Div SO for Movement and G "Instn for Movement by MT" No G46, issued 17 Nov 42 to all offrs.

(b) Movement table is attd as app "A"

(c) 88 yds between vehs; 440 yds between blocks; average 8 vehs per block; 20 MIH.

(d) All vehs will pass start point between 0600 - 0900 hrs first day.

(e) All vehs will reach destination between 1800 - 2300 hrs on day move commences.

(f) Rations: Unconsumed portion of normal ration for consumption day of move will be carried.

(g) Bde ASC offr will ensure that all indents for ensuing days are forwarded to OC 17 Coy AASC Adv Party.

(h) Units will be responsible for own messing and watering arrangements. Strict economy of water will be necessary.

(i) All vehs will depart with tanks and all reserve drums filled. AASC POL vehs to units under BDe arrangements for refill en route if required.

(j) Traffic Control. HQ 104 A/Tk Regt are to est Traffic Control Posts at points to be notified. These posts will function in accordance with 2 Aust Div Instn for Movement by MT. Exact times of passing these points will appear on all movement orders - twelve copies of which will be fwd this HQ by 1200 hrs 23 Nov 42.

(k) Special attention is drawn to paras 10 and 15 incl in the above instn.

(l) For duration of move 2 Aust Div Prov Coy are to come under

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cond CO 104 A/Tk Regt to provide control at difficult points and assist in sector control.

4. RAIL MOVEMENT.

(a) Move will be in accordance with 4 Aust Movement Control Group Instn WA132 which is attd as app "B".

(b) ref para 8 - issue of hot drinks at stated points is to be made under Divisional arrangements.

(c) Further details re loading and unloading of trains and dispersal of troops at detraining stations are to be issued.

(d) As personnel moving by rail may arrive in new areas in advance of road parties, it is essential that rail parties take sufficient cooking utensils and one day's travelling ration to meet own requirements.

(e) As transport may not be available to move unit equipment from detraining stations promptly, strict control at detraining station is essential. All OC trains must report to Bde rep at detraining stations before any personnel move off.

(f) 100 personnel of 5 Aust Fd Amb will not detrain at STRAWBERRY but will remain in the train and proceed to GERALDTON.

(F.L.HARVEY) Major.
A/D.A.Q.M.G. 2 Aust. Div.

DISTRIBUTION :

	Copy No.	App A	App B.
3 Aust Corps	1	1	-
4 Aust Div	2	1	-
5 Aust Inf Bde HQ	3 - 10	8	1
HQ RA 2 Aust Div	11 - 14	4	-
HQ RAE " "	15 - 17	3	-
ADMS	18 - 20	3	-
HQ AASC " "	21 - 24	4	-
Sigs " "	25	1	-
ADOS " "	26	1	-
DAPM	27	1	-
2 Aust Div Prov Coy	28	1	-
G1	29	1	-
AA & QMG	30	1	-
DAAG	31	1	-
DADG	32	1	-
War Diary	33-34	2	-
File	35	1	-

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APPENDIX "A" TO 2 AUST DIV "Q" ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 33.

UNITS OTHER THAN ARTY & A/TK

88 yds between vehs; 440 yds between blocks; average 8 vehs per block; speed 20 MIH

18 Aust Fd Regt & 14 Bty 104 A/Tk Regt are to move in two sections "A" & "B"

ARTY AND A/TK

(a) Fast moving vehs:- 88 yds between vehs; 440 yds between blocks, average vehs 8 per block; speed 2 MIH.

(b) Slow moving vehs:- 88 yds between vehs 440 yds between blocks; average 8 vehs per block, speed 15 MPH

SER NO	DATE	UNIT	No. OF VEHS	PLACE FROM	PLACE TO	S.P.	S.P. OPENS	S.P. CLOSES	ROUTE	TRAFFIC CONTROL POSTS	REMARKS.
1	24 Nov 42	54 Aust Inf Bn	65	GIN GIN	STRAWBERRY AREA (as per 2 Aust Div O.I. No.11)	MOOLIMBEENEE STATION	0600 hrs	0900 hrs	MEEKATHARA RD - MOORA - thence via MOORA - GERALDTON RD TO STRAWBERRY.	1. map ref Perth 415125 2. " " Moora 422201 3. " " Perenjori 402299 4. " " " " 360353 5. " " Dongarra 203379	Arrive STRAWBERRY 1800 - 2300 hours
2		44 Aust Inf Bn	64								
3		(5 Aust Fd Amb (1 Coy 8 Aust Fd Amb	35								
4		5 Aust Fd Coy	34								
5		(5 Aust Inf Bde H. (LAD 253 (J Sec Sigs	34								
6	25 Nov 42	17 Coy AASC	60								
7		(Bde Sec D.O.F.P. (Bde Sec D.O.W.	26								
8		(14 Bty 104 Aust (A/Tk Regt (18 Aust Fd Regt	159								
9	26 Nov 42	56 Aust Inf Bn	62								

NOTE : On arrival at STRAWBERRY the Coy of 8 Aust Fd Amb attd to 5 Aust Fd Amb will remain to service 5 Aust Inf Bde Grp. 5 Aust Fd Amb will proceed independently from STRAWBERRY to NEW AREA.

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18 aust Fd

RAO 200

Copy No. 46.

RAA 2 AUST DIV.

ADMIN ORDER NO 1.

MOVEMENT - 7 AUST FD REGT & 104 AUST A TK REGT LESS 1 BTY TO GERALDTON AREA.

1. Ref 2 Aust Div Q Admin Instn No 30 of 17 Nov,42.

2. Movement will be carried out in accordance with Appxs "A" & "B" & route card attached.

3. ROAD MOVEMENT.

A billeting pty, consisting of 1 Offr from each Regt, will proceed ahead of Divl Tps each day from lunch area to arrange for dispersal of their Regt on arrival at bivouac and dispersal areas respectively.

4. Entrance to Regtl areas to be marked by unit sign and route arrows.

5. Unit reps will report to SC on 21 Nov,42 at leading vehicle of RAA during lunch period. SC will arrange with unit reps on co-ordination of bivouac area.

6. REGTL SP.

SP for Regts on 21 Nov, will be Ordnance Stores, MIDLAND JUNC.

Times for Regts to pass SP are as follows:-

7 AUST FD REGT. - "A" ECHELON.	0700.
104 AUST A TK REGT.	0715.
7 AUST FD REGT. - "B" ECHELON.	0730.

7. RAILMOVEMENT.

See para 4 of 2 Aust Div "Q" Admin Instn No 30.

Ian F. Macpherson Major.
(Ian F Macpherson) BM RAA 2 Aust Div.

DISTRIBUTION.	Copy No.
7 Aust Fd Regt.	1 - 20.
104 Aust A Tk Regt.	21 - 32.
2 Aust Div.	33 - 45.
18 Aust Fd Regt. (for info)	46.
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18 FD. REGT. 27.11.42 Received Attached

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APPX "A" TO RAA 2 AUST DIV ADMIN ORDER NO 1.

Ser No.	Unit.	No of vehs.	Block Nos.	Place From	Place To.	SP.	Time past SP.	Route.	Speed to SP.	Speed & Density during march. VTM	Speed & Density during march. MTH.	Halts.	Duration	TIME TO PASS TCPs. TCP 1 MOORA MURRA. 47[illegible]25	TCP 2 WALE BING. 422 201	Dispersal Area. Approx time only.
1	7 Aust Fd Regt "A" Ech.	74.	1-8.	BELLEVUE-BUSHMEAD.	MARCHAGEE BIVOUAC AREA.	RLY CROSSING UPPER SWAN - MUNDARING 1" 025628.	Tcv. 21 Nov. 0745	From Upper Swan, via Midland Junc, Moorathara Rd - Moora - thence by Moora-Geraldton Rd to dispersal pts	25 mph		20.	0810 0920 1050 1305	20mins 10 " 65 " 20 "	0945	1245	1450
2	104 Aust A Tk Regt.	68.	9-16 8.				0757		25 mph		20.	0810 0920 1050 1305	20 " 15 " 65 " 25 "	1000	Arr at 1255. Halt for 25 mins. Pass at 1320.	1515
3	7 Aust Fd Regt "B" Ech.	62.	17-23 7.				0835		15 mph		12	0950 1050 1150 1250 1350 1455 1550 1650 1750 1850	10mins.	1120	Arr 1455. Halt for 10 mins. Pass at 1505.	1900.

APPX "A" TO RAA 2 AUST DIV ADMIN ORDER NO 1. TIME TO PASS TCPs.

Ser No	Unit.	No of vehs	Block Nos.	Place From	Place To	SP.	Time past SP.	Route.	Speed to SP.	Speed & Density during march. VTM	Speed & Density during march. MTH.	Halts	Duration.	TCP 3 COOR 08. 402 299.	TCP 4 ARR INO 360 353	TCP 5 IRW IN 203 379	Dispersal area approx time only. 256423
							22 Nov										
1.	7 Aust Fd Regt. "A" Ech	74	1-8	MARCHAGEE	GERALDTON	DIVOUAC AREA	0745	Upper Swan River, via Midland Junc, Moora - thence by Moora-Geraldton Rd to dispersal points.	25 mph		20.	0850 0950 1150 1250	10mins 65 " 10 " 10 "	0840	1130	1340	1600
2.	104 Aust A Tk Regt.	68	9-16 8				0805		25 mph		20	1350 1450 1550	10 " 10 " 10 "	0912	1200	1410	1620
3.	7 Aust Fd Regt "B" Ech.	62	17-23 7				0820		15 mph		12	0850 for 10 mins & throughout the day at 10 mins to each clock hour.		1020	1325	1705	2000

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SERIAL NO.	MILEAGE	TIMES		ROUTE.
10	131	7A 1453) 104 1513) 7B 1832)	Marchagee Biv. Area.	Marchagee Biv. Area.
9	122	7A 1435) 104 1452) 7B 1801)	Watheroo.	Watheroo.
8	115.7	7A 1420) 104 1437) 7B 1728)	Namban.	Namban.
7	110	7A 1405) 104 1422) 7B 1703)	Coomberdale.	Coomberdale.
6	98	7A 1337) 104 1352) 7B 1607)	Moora.	Moora.
5	84.6	7A 1244) 104 1302) 7B 1503)	Walebing TCP.2.	TCP 2 Walebing.
4	55	7A 1028) 104 1045) 7B 1240)	New Norcia.	New Norcia.
3	37.4	7A 0945) 104 1002) 7B 1122)	Mooramurra TCP.1.	TCP 1 Mooramurra.
2	8	7A 0805) 104 0837) 7B 0907)	Bullsbrook.	Bullsbrook.
				Upper Swan.
1	0	7A 0745) 104 0757) 7B 0835)	S.P.	SP Rlwy X Upper Swan.

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DAY 2.

SERIAL NO.	MILEAGE.	TIMINGS	ROUTE.
19.	284	7A 1540) GERALDTON 104 1612) TCP 6. 7B 2016)	Geraldton TCP 6.
18	251	7A 1419) Dongarra 104 1438) 7B 1800)	Dongarra.
17	241	7A 1340) Irwin 104 1410) TCP 5 7B 1705)	Irwin TCP 5.
16.	218	7A 1240) 104 1310) Mingenew. 7B 1523)	Mingenew.
15.	195.5	7A 1133) Arrino 104 1202) TCP 4. 7B 1325)	Arrino TCP 4.
14.	185	7A 1112) 104 1130) Three Springs. 7B 1242)	Three Springs.
13.	171	7A 0934) 104 1058) Carnamah. 7B 1137)	Carnamah.
12.	154	7A 0840) Coorow 104 0912) TCP.3. 7B 1019)	Coorow TCP.3.
11.	131	7A 0745) S.P. 104 0805) Marchagee. 7B 0820)	Marchagee.

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Unit 18th Aust Fd Regt Date and Time.—From 1st December 1942 3rd Dec. 1942. ORIGINAL

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Strawberry Kb	1:12:42		Bren gun school for N.C.Os, conducted by 56 Bn. instructors, continuing. TOET for students being part of the days syllabus. Battery Headquarters and troops on syllabi arranged by each troop commander & C.P.O	Appendix B.
Kb	2:12:42	1000	Bren gun shooting practice by N.C.O school, 10 rounds per man.	Appendix A.
			btys on troop training. Sigs school conducted by Div. sigs section recommenced	Appendix B.
Kb	3:12:42	0600.	A, C and E troops moved out on two day deployment exercises, extending as far as the coast, terminating in a beach defence position and a swim	Appendix B.
			Survey party of RHQ out on two day	

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Unit 18th Aust Fd Regt Date and Time.—From 3rd Dec. 1942 To 6th Dec. 1942. ORIGINAL

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Strawberry Hl	3:12:42		exercise vicinity of Irwin.	
Hl	4:12:42	0600	B, D and F troops on two day exercise	Appendix B
			following the other troops.	
		2100	A, C and E troops and survey party	
			returned to camp.	
Hl	5:12:42		Troops returned from exercise doing	
			maintenance.	
		1400	Morse speed test for regt sig school students.	Appendix B
		2100	B, D and F troops returned to camp.	
Hl	6:12:42	0930	Specialist examination of sigs who passed	Appendix B
			morse test.	
		0945	Church parade	
		1030	Maintenance of equipment.	
		1130	Washing, change over of sig gear for	

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Unit 18th Aust Fd Regt Date and Time.—From 6th Dec. 1942 To 13th Dec. 1942. ORIGINAL

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Strawberry Kl	6:12:42		following weeks training.	
		2000	2 AUST. DIV. concert party performance at 94 Bn lines. Attended by 260 18th Fd Regt personel.	
Kl	7:12:42	0500	59 bty commenced two day bty exercise in deployment. One officer from each of 60, 61 & RHQ acting as critics at each gun troop and bty command posts. 60 bty on sub-calibre A/tank practice and miniature layout. 61 troop on quick occupations.	Appendix B.
Kl	8-12:12:42		Repetition of previous day, changing detail as set out	Appendix B.
Kl	13:12:42		Maintenance party, comprising 30 each bty, 10 from R.H.Q., surfing at Denison.	
			Remainder of unit on normal training	Appendix B.

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Unit 18th Aust Fd Regt Date and Time.—From 14:12:42 To 20:12:42

ORIGINAL

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Strawberry Flt	14:12:42	0700	Regiment, less maintenance party, moved by M.T to Denison, where regiment held a unit surf carnival, returning to camp at 2200	Appendix B & F Results R.O. 22/42
Flt	15:12:42	0530	Training as laid down. new times of training in force, dawn and dusk	
		2000	Mobile cinema unit showing to regt. night training cancelled for show.	Appendix D
Flt	16-19:12:42		Regtal training as laid down in syllabus. Regt. received 13 Bren, 41 Thompson sub machine guns. bringing it closer its full complement.	Appendix B.
Flt	20:12:42	0900	Church parade conducted by Lieut V. Moran commander of F troop.	Appendix B.
			Remainder of day free, washing and cleaning of personal gear.	Appendix B.

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Unit 18th Aust Fd Regt Date and Time.—From 21st Dec. 1942 To 23rd Dec 1942. ORIGINAL

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Strawberry Kb	21:12:42	0530	59 Bty moved out on 24 hour exercise, drawing on 60 x 61 Bty for equipment. Remainder of regt training on syllabus. Survey party and 60x61 H trucks and C.P. personel moved with 59 bty making the exercise semi regt.	
Kb	22:12:42	0630	Working party of 1 officer 63 O.Rs supplied by regt for work on brigade rest camp at Denison beach. Camp to be used to give every man in brigade group five days recreational training by the sea.	Appendix E.
		0730	59 Bty returned to camp. Regt on normal training	Appendix B.
Kb	23:12:42		60 bty, on 24 hour exercise, remainder on training as syllabus.	Appendix B

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Unit 18th Aust Fd Regt Date and Time.—From 24th Dec 1942 To 25 Dec 1942

ORIGINAL

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Strawberry Kb	24:12:42	0730	60 Bty returned to camp. normal training	Appendix B.
		2100	rest camp working party returned.	
		2130	Roman Catholic party left to attend	
			Midnight Mass at Dongarra convent	
Kb	25:12:42.		Christmas Day, special timetable.	
		0800	Breakfast	
		0915	Regimental parade	
		0930	Church parade	
		1230	Light lunch	
		1300 to 1800	liquid refreshments for all men supplied	
			by canteen out of canteen profits.	
		1900	Mess mess consisting of roast pork, roast	
			Goose, roast potatoes, green vegetables, Xmas	
			pudding, peaches and tinned cream	

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Unit 18th Aust Fd Regt Date and Time.—From 25th Dec 1942 to 31st Dec. 1942. ORIGINAL

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Strawberry Rg	25:12:42	2000	Officers and sgts. messes	
		"	Concerts, assisted by banjoes, ukeleles and piano accordian produced by members of the regt., more liquid refreshment.	
Rg	26:12:42	1000	Regt. sports day, winners of events to compete in Brigade sports meeting on 1:1:43.	
Rg	27:12:42	0915	Church Parade	
		1000	maintenance of equipment, personal washing	
Rg	28:12:42	0530	61 bty on 24 hour exercise, equipment completed from other btys. Remainder of Regt on training as syllabus.	Appendix B
Rg	29:12:42	0630	61 Bty returned to camp, all on regimental syllabus.	appendix B
Rg	30-31:12:42		Regiment engaged in maintenance of guns and	

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Unit 18th Aust Fd Regt Date and Time.—From 30th Dec. 1942 To 31st Dec. 1942 ORIGINAL

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Strawberry Rb	30-31+12:42		vehicles, all to be inspected by HQ D.D.M. and check. to inspect all equipment. M.O. to inspect personal hygiene.	
" Rb	31:12:42	2030	Regtl. concert, each battery and RHQ supplying items.	
			At beginning of month the regt opened its own unit canteen service, and overcame all initial difficulties, the canteen now being a flourishing concern.	
			Routine Orders.	Appendix G
			3008's	Appendix H
			3009's	Appendix I

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Unit 18th Aust Fd Regt Date and Time.—From 31st Dec 1941 To 31st Dec 1942. ORIGINAL

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Strawberry Hill	31:12:42		Weekly I reports	Appendix J
			Corps Commanders Christmas message	Appendix K
			Unit Christmas card.	Appendix L

W. A. Rigney
Lt.-Col.
Commanding 18 Fd. Regt.

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APPENDIX L

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APPENDIX L



"I CAN'T GO ON THE GUNS TODAY,
I'LL TELL YER WHAT I'LL DO.
I'LL GO ON KITCHEN FATIGEW
AND HELP 'EM STIR THE STEW!"

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WE 11/8/5

18 Aust Fd Regt. (Unit)

PART A—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1		2	3	4
Ranks	WE	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached)	Surplus to Establishment	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment.)
*				
*				
Lieut.-Colonels	1	1		-
Majors	4	2		2
Captains	9	5		4
Adjutant Lieutenants	26	30	4	- (1 A22 Submitted)
2nd Lieutenants	—			
Quartermasters Capt	1	1		-
Totals	42	40	4	6

* 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
LIEUT	TYNAN J	RAA (M)	22.12.42	Transferred to complete WE
LIEUT	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

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 Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held	2 Personal Number	3 Name and Initials	4 Corps (Appointment)	5 Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No)	6 If not present with Unit, state how employed
Lt Col	NX117616	RIGNEY WA	C.O.	YES	
Major	NX115706	GLEN AM	2 i/c	✓	
Major	NX117611	HILLYARD KAM	R.C.	✓	
Capt	NX117621	OLSEN AE	✓	NO	110 A.G.H.
✓	NX117614	ADAMS NC	✓	YES	
✓	NX117620	ERIKSSON JC	Signals	✓	
✓	NX117618	REDDIE JDM	C.S.M.	✓	
✓	NX117622	HOUGHTON CW	✓	NO	Sigs. Sqdn. Cairns
✓	NX117623	STEWART EK	Adjutant	YES	
✓	NX117625	DALL AW	Quarm	✓	
Lieut	NX117627	LORD RT	QM	✓	
✓	NX117617	FURLEY SR	✓	✓	
✓	NX117619	LAMB DN	Tel Constr	✓	
✓	NX117624	BROWN G	✓	No	110 A.G.H.
✓	NX117626	WETHERSHOT RW	✓	✓	
✓	NX117628	TREDOUX PJ	Sig. Offr.	YES	
✓	NX117629	CHAMBERLAIN CW	Sig Corps	✓	
✓	NX117630	MCKENZIE WS	Tel Constr	✓	
✓	NX117631	HOOPER LH	✓	✓	
✓	NX117632	STEVENS TT	G.R.O.	✓	
✓	NX117633	MONSEN M	Tel Constr	✓	
✓	NX117634	SPAINSWICK KL	W.L.O.	✓	
✓	NX117635	WALTON GS	G.R.O.	✓	
✓	NX117640	CHARLSON WK	Tp Ldr	NO	N.Z.E.M.E. Sig Offrs Course
✓	NX117641	SEWS EV	G.R.O.	YES	
✓	NX117642	DOUGLAS EW	✓	✓	2nd Course (PASSENGER) FIJI
✓	NX117643	EVANS RT	Tp Ldr	✓	N.Z.E.M.E. Sig Offrs Course
✓	NX117644	MORSE HA	✓	YES	
✓	NX117645	MOORE EE	✓	✓	
✓	NX117646	HORNEMAN WJ	C.R.O.	✓	
✓	NX117647	ASHMORE LJ	W.L.O.	✓	
✓	NX117648	POULTER KC	G.R.O.	NO	✓ ✓ ✓
✓	NX117649	HADLEY HE	R.S.O.	YES	
✓	NX117650	BURGIS CP	A.C.R.O.	✓	
✓	NX117651	COOKE AW	T.O.	✓	
✓	NX117652	WHITELAW AL	W.L.O.	✓	
✓	VX132010	TANNOCK E	A.C.R.O.	✓	
✓	NX117653	MACKAM RG	✓	✓	
✓	NX117654	MITCHELL RG	Tp Ldr	✓	
✓	VX134111	SHAW AG	✓	✓	

(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
CAPT	NX117615	FITZGERALD G	A.A.M.C. (D)	2.11.42	R.M.O.
✓	WX117606	ROOT KC	DENTAL (M.O.)	3.12.42	6 Sec 2/8 Dental

1st Aust Fd Regt
(Unit)

W. A. Rigney Lt.-Col.
(Signature of Commander) Commanding 2/8 Fd Regt.

16 Dec 42
(Date of Despatch)

Ra a 2 Aust Div.
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving)

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WE 11/8/5 18 Aust Fd Regt (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks WE	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached)	Surplus to Establishment	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment.)
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels 1	1		–
Majors 4	2		2
Captains 9	5		4
Lieutenants Adjutant 1 26	1 29	3	– (1 Adj submitted)
2nd Lieutenants –	–		
Quartermasters Captain +	1	–	–
Totals 42	39	3	6

* 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
LIEUT	HAM RC	RAA (m)	13/12/42	
✓	MITCHELL RG	✓	✓	
✓	SHAW AG	✓	✓	

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	Appointment Corps	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed
Lt. T/Lt-Col	NX117616	RIGNEY WA	CO	YES	
✓ T/Major	NX117706	GLEN AM	2 HC	✓	
✓	NX117619	HILLYAR KNM	B.C.	✓	
✓ T/CAPT	NX117621	OLSEN AE	✓	NO	HOSPITAL
✓ ✓	NX117614	ADAMS NC	✓	YES	
✓ ✓	NX117620	OLSSON JC	Bty Capt	✓	
✓ ✓	NX117618	REDDIE PD	Q.M.	✓	
✓ ✓	NX117630	WOODWARD CW		NO	3 Aust Corps Sig Trg Centre
✓ ✓	NX117637	STEWART EK	Adjutant	YES	
✓ ✓	NX117629	DALL RW	Bty Capt	✓	
LIEUT	NX117631	LORD RT	C.P.O.	✓	
✓	NX117632	FURLEY SRP	✓	✓	
✓	~~NX117628~~	~~BROWN G~~	~~Tp Comdr~~		
✓	NX117638	LAMB DL	Tp. Comdr	✓	
✓	NX117624	BROWN G	✓	NO	LHQ Sct A Holsworthy
✓	NX117624	WOTHERSPOON KW	✓	✓	do
✓	NX117627	TRELOAR TG	G.P.O.	YES	
✓	NX117632	CARRUTHERS RC	Bty Capt	✓	
✓	NX117620	COWIE WS	Tp Comdr	✓	
✓	NX117651	WOODS WH	✓	✓	
✓	NX117617	TRAVERS JT	G.P.O.	✓	
✓	NX33420	MONSEN N	Tp Comdr	✓	
✓	NX136250	SPANSWICK RL	Tp Ldr	✓	
✓	NX72273	WALTON GS	G.P.O.	✓	
✓	NX117630	DAVIDSON WR	Tp Ldr	NO	No 26 Bty Sig Offrs Course
✓	NX117640	DEWS EV	G.P.O.	YES	
✓	NX117626	DOUGLAS EW	✓	✓	
✓	NX117641	EVANS RE	TP. LDR	NO	✓ ✓ ✓
✓	NX117623	HOLL RD	✓	YES	
✓	NX117629	NAPIER JE	A.C.P.O.	✓	
✓	NX117642	HORNEMAN WT	C.P.O.	✓	
✓	NX117639	ASHMORE LT	Tp Ldr	✓	
✓	NX117636	POULTER RC	A/C.P.O.	NO	✓ ✓ ✓
✓	NX117633	HADLEY HE	R.S.O.	YES	
✓	NX117814	BURGIS BP	A/C.P.O.	✓	
✓	NX117643	COOKE RW	L.O.	✓	
✓	NX117644	PHILLIPS AS	W.L.O.	✓	
✓	VX62151	HAM RC	A/C.P.O.	✓	
✓	TX5497	MITCHELL RG	Tp Ldr	✓	
✓	VX69462	SHAW AG	✓	✓	

(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
CAPT	NX117615	FITZGERALD G	AAMC(M)	2.11.42	R.M.O.
✓	NX17086	ROUT. KC	DENTAL(AIF)	3.12.42	B. Sec 76 Dental
LIEUT	N1090 68	JENNINGS VR	2 Div Sigs	2.12.41	G Sec Sigs Offr

18 Aust Fd Regt
(Unit)

W. A. Rigney Lt Col
(Signature of Commander)

19 Dec 42
(Date of Despatch)

R A A 2 Aust Div.
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WE 11/8/5

18 Aust Fd Regt (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks WE	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached)	Surplus to Establishment	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment.)
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels 1	1		
Majors 4	2		2 (2 A330 Submitted)
Captains Adjutant 9	5		4
Lieutenants 26	26		(4 a220 Submitted)
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters Capt. 1	1		
Totals 42	36		6

* 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	Robinson N	Dental (AIF)	6/12/42	

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	Appointment Corps	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed
Lt Lt Col	NX11616	RICHEY WA	CO	YES	
Major	NX11900	GREEN A.M.	2 I/C	"	
Capt	NX11867	WHEELER [illegible]	A/2 I/C	"	
"	NX11841	GRAHAM AE	"	"	
"	NX11842	[illegible]	"	"	
"	NX11843	[illegible]	"	"	
"	NX11844	[illegible]	"	"	
"	NX11845	[illegible]	"	"	
"	NX11846	[illegible]	"	"	
"	NX11850	WOODWARD [illegible]	"	"	Course of Instruction
"	NX11851	NEWARK [illegible]	"	YES	
"	NX11852	[illegible]	"	"	
LIEUT	NX11853	[illegible]	"	"	
"	NX11854	[illegible]	"	"	
"	NX11855	[illegible]	"	"	
"

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

18 Aust. Fd Reg (Unit)

WE 11/7A/3

PART A—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks WE	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached)	Surplus to Establishment	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment.)
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels 1	1		
Majors 4	2		2 (2 A33 Submitted
Captains 9	9		4
Lieutenants Adjutant 26	26		(2 A22 submitted
2nd Lieutenants -			
Quartermasters Captain 1	1		
Totals 42	36		6

* 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	ROUT KC	DENTAL (A.I.F.)	3.12.42	D. Sec 4/6 DENTAL

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank	Name	Corps	Date	Cause
CAPT	GARDNER WE	AAOC (M)	27.11.42	
CHAPLAIN	MANNY ON		2.12.42	Transferred to 7/4 A.G.H.

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
Lt-Col	NX11761	RIGNEY W.A.	C.O.	YES	
Major	NX11706	GLEN A.M.	2 I/C	"	
Major	NX11719	HILLYARD [illegible]	[illegible]	"	
Capt	NX11[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	"	
"	NX11[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	"	
"	NX11[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	"	
"	NX11[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	"	
"	NX11[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	"	
"	NX11761	MEDDLE R.D.	[illegible]	"	
"	NX11761	WOODWARD C.W.	[illegible]	do	Camouflaging Centre
"	NX11761	STEWART E.K.	ADJUTANT	YES	
"	NX11761	DALL R.W.	Bde Capt	"	
Lieut	NX11761	LORD R.T.	[illegible]	"	
"	NX11761	FURLEY C.R.P.	[illegible]	"	
"	NX11761	LAMING D.L.	[illegible]	"	
"	NX11761	[illegible]	[illegible]	"	
"	NX11761	[illegible]	[illegible]	"	
"	NX11761	[illegible]	[illegible]	"	
"	NX11761	[illegible]	[illegible]	"	
"	NX11761	CARRUTHERS R.C.	Bde Capt	"	
"	NX11761	CUMMIE W.S.	[illegible]	"	
"	NX11761	WOODS L.P.	[illegible]	"	
"	NX11761	TRAVERS T.J.	GSO	"	
"	NX11761	MONSEEN N.	[illegible]	"	
"	NX11761	SPRATLING M.R.L.	[illegible]	"	
"	NX11761	WALFORD C.J.	[illegible]	"	
"	NX11761	DAVIDSON W.M.	[illegible]	"	
"	NX11761	[illegible]	[illegible]	"	
"	NX11761	[illegible]	[illegible]	"	
"	NX11761	[illegible]	[illegible]	"	
"	NX11761	[illegible]

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

18 Aust Fa Regt (Unit) 26.12.42 (Date).

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

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	–		1
W.Os. Class II. 11	6		5
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants 3	3		–
Staff Serjeants	3		–
Serjeants 40	32		8
Corporals 84	82		2
Troopers, Privates, &c. 507	518		103
TOTALS 646	641	* 114	* 119

* 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.
1 Sgt	2 Div P/U.		
1 Sgt 3 O/Rs	a a m c		
1 O/R	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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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.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.		TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.		TOTAL.	
Bricklayers																		
Butchers																		
Carpenters and Joiners																		
Clerks																		
Despatch Riders																		
Draughtsmen (topo)																		
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.																		
Electricians																		
Farriers																		
Fitters																		
Masons																		
Painters and Decorators																		
Plumbers and Gasfitters																		
Saddlers and Harness Makers																		
Signallers															67		67	
Storemen technical																		
Vickers Machine Gunners																		
Cooks															2		2	
Mech. M.O.															8		8	
O.P.A.															3		3	
Bty Surveyors															3		3	
Dvr Mechanics															6		6	
Equpt Repairers															2		2	
Gunlayers															5		5	
Tech Storemen															3		3	
Fitters Gun															4		4	
General duty personnel							114		114	1	5	-	8	2			16	
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)							114		114	1	5	-	8	2	103		119	

18 Aust Fd Regt
Unit.

W. A. Rigney Lt.-Col.
Commanding Regt.
Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 26. Dec 42

RAA 2 Div.

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Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

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

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

Details	Posted strength counting against authorised 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-Sergeants			
Staff Sergeants			
Sergeants			
Corporals			
Troopers, Privates, &c.			
TOTALS			

* 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.

Details	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Details	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
Saddlers and Harness Makers			
Shoeing			
Storemen (technical)			
Vickers Machine Gunners			
Cooks			

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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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

WE 11/6/15

19 Aust Fd Regt (Unit) 19 Dec 19 42 (Date)

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

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	WE.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1	-		1
W.Os. Class II.	11	6		5
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	3	3		-
Staff Serjeants	-	-		-
Serjeants	40	32		8
Corporals	24	18		6
Troopers, Privates, &c.	307	518	110	99
TOTALS	484	637	* 110	* 119

* 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.
1 Sgt	2 Div H/Unit		
1 Cpl 3 cpls	a a m b.		
1 Cpl 21 cpls	G Sec Sigs		
1 Sgt 12 cpls	2 Sec NAS		
1 Sgt 3 cpls	B Sec 76 Dental		
1 cpl	a a R.6.		

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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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.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.		TOTAL.	
Bricklayers																	
Butchers																	
Carpenters and Joiners																	
Clerks																	
Despatch Riders																	
Draughtsmen (topo)																	
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.																	
Electricians																	
Farriers																	
Fitters																	
Masons																	
Painters and Decorators																	
Plumbers and Gasfitters																	
Saddlers and Harness Makers																	
Signallers																	
Storemen technical																	
Vickers Machine Gunners																	
Cooks														2		2	
Mechanics MV														8		8	
Operation Post Assistants														3		3	
Signallers														67	(9)	67	AIF only.
Bty Surveyors														3		3	
Dvr Mechanics														6		6	
Equipt Repairers														2		2	
Gunlayers														5		5	
Technical Storemen														3		3	
General duty personnel							110	110	1	3	-	8	6			20	
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)							110	110	1	3		8	6	99		119	

18 Aust Fd Regt
Unit.

Date of Despatch 19 Dec 42

W. A. Rigney Lt Col
Signature of Commander.

Rad 2 Aust Div.
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

WE 11/8/5

18 Aust Fd Regt (Unit) 12 Dec 1942 (Date).

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

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail. WE	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I. 1	–		1
W.Os. Class II. 11	6		5
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants 2	3		3.
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants 40	29		11
Corporals 84	77		7
Troopers, Privates, &c. 507	530	130	107
TOTALS 644	645	* 130	* 131

* 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.
1 Sgt	2 Aust Div P/U		
1 Sgt 2 O/Rs	A.A.M.C.		
1 Sgt 24 O/Rs	9 Ser Sigs		
1 Sgt 11 O/Rs	220 LAD		
1 Sgt 30 O/Rs	18 Sec 2/6 Dental		
1 O/R	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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18 Aust Fd Regt
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 TO ESTABLISHMENT.								REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.								REMARKS.
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.		TOTAL.	
Bricklayers																	
Butchers																	
Carpenters and Joiners																	
Clerks																	
Despatch Riders																	
Draughtsmen (topo)																	
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.																	
Electricians																	
Farriers																	
Fitters																	
Masons																	
Painters and Decorators																	
Plumbers and Gasfitters																	
Saddlers and Harness Makers																	
Signallers																	
Storemen technical																	
Vickers Machine Gunners																	
Cooks														2		2	
Mechanics M.V.														8		8	
Operation Post Assistants														3		3	
Signallers														7		7	
Fly Surveyors														3		3	
Dvr. Mechanics														2		2	
Equpt Repairers														2		2	
Technical Storemen														2		2	
Gun layers														11		11	
General duty personnel							130	130	1	5	-	11	7			24	
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)							130	130	1	5		11	7	104		121	

18 Aust Fd Regt
Unit.

E K Stewart Capt for Lt.-Col.
Commanding 18 Fd Regt
Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 12 Dec 42

Rad 2 Div
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

W.6.
11/7A/3

18 Aust Fd Regt (Unit) 5 Dec 42 19 (Date)

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

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail. WE	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I. 1	-		1
W.Os. Class II. 10	6		4
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants 3	3		-
Staff Serjeants -			-
Serjeants 35	29		5
Corporals 85	76		9
Troopers, Privates, &c. 558	529	87	116
TOTALS 690	643	* 87	* 134

* 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.
1 Sgt	2 Aust Div Pd.		
1 Sgt 40 ORs	A A M C		
1 Sgt 24 ORs	G Sec Sigs		
1 S/Sgt 11 ORs	220 LAD		
1 S/Sgt 3 ORs	C Sec 215 Dental		
1 S/Sgt 3 ORs	D Sec 4 Dental		
1 OR	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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19 Aust Fa Regt 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 TO ESTABLISHMENT.									REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.								REMARKS.
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.		TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.		TOTAL.	
Bricklayers																		
Butchers																		
Carpenters and Joiners																		
Clerks																		
Despatch Riders																		
Draughtsmen (topo)																		
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.																		
Electricians																		
Farriers																		
Fitters																		
Masons																		
Painters and Decorators																		
Plumbers and Gasfitters																		
Saddlers and Harness Makers																		
Signallers																		
Storemen technical																		
Vickers Machine Gunners																		
Cooks															1		1	
Computers															1		1	
Mechs M.T.															8		8	
Observation Post															3		3	
assistants															3		3	
Signallers															79	(20)	79	A.I.F only.
Pty Surveyors															3		3	
Dry Mechanics															5		5	
Equt repairers															2		2	
Technical Storemen															2		2	
Gun Layers															12		12	
General duty personnel							87		87	1	4	-	5	8			18	
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)							87		87	1	4	-	5	8	116		134	

19 Aust Fa Regt
Unit.

W. A. Rigney
Signature of Commander.
Commanding 18 Fd. Regt.

Date of Despatch 5 Dec 42

RAA 2 Aust Div.
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

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War Fortune

OPERATION ORDER NO.1 SECRET

No 5

Bren Gun Field Firing Practice - STRAWBERRY - 2nd Dec 42

APPENDIX A

Ref Bde enlargement DONGARRA sheet 1/253440.

INFORMATION: (i) A force of approx 40 Japs para-troops have landed on high ground in vicinity ref 320375.

(ii) 59 Bty of 18 Aust Fd Regt is in occupation of high ground area 320374 supporting 56 Bn which is about to attack area 2 miles EAST of MINGENEW which is occupied by Jap forces.

INTENTION; (iii) Is to kill and destroy all the para-tps.

METHOD: (iv) As the Jap tps come over the hill approx 500 yds the Bren guns of 59 Bty will shoot and kill them by using repitition to conceal the fact that there are automatic weaponswith the arty pieces.
Some of the Japs manage to advance to within 200 yds of the guns, then the Bren guns will change over to automatic and continue to destroy enemy.

A D.M: (v) Targets at 500 yds will consist of :-
(a) ½ 40 gln drum
(b) 1 corn bag on side with white markings,
(c) 6 service targets.

(vi) At 200 yds 6 service targets
6 cardboard silhouettes

(vii) Bren gun magazines will be loaded with 20 rds each at 1100 hrs on Wednesday morning.

(viii) 30 magazines will be loaded.

(ix) 5 Guns will be cleaned and prepared for action by NCO students between 1100 and 1200 hrs in Wednesday morning.

(x) The school will move out to the firing area starting from present school location at 1400hrs.

(xi) All spent cases will be collected and returned to Q.M. by No.4 squad under direction of S.M. Phillips.

(xii) Each squad under squad instructor will take out its own Bren gun and bring same back again to own battery.

(xiii) RAP is at R.H.Q.

DISTRIBUTION
1. C.O. 18 Aust Fd Regt
2. C.I.School
3. 2 i/c 18 Aust Fd Regt
4. S.M.Phillips
5. War Diary.

J.S.Boardman .....Capt.
(J.S.Boardman)

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APPENDIX "B"
Diary

18 AUST FIELD REGIMENT

Tng Programme 1 - 6 Dec '42

Note

Tng as prescribed in R.A.A. 2 Aust Div Tng Instn of 29 Nov 42 and promulgated to Btys 30 Nov 42.

1. Syllabus will be prepared for each tp or equivalent by Tp Comdr. C.P.C. to prepare syllabus for BHQ.

2. Tp Exercises :-

A, C, E tps 0600 hrs 3 Dec - 2000 hrs 4 Dec 42.
B, D, F, tps 0600 hrs 4 Dec - 2000 hrs 5 Dec 42.
Areas to be allotted by 2 i/c.

3. Specialists Tests :-

(i) Sigs - (a) Morse Speed Test 1400 hrs 5 Dec 42
(b) For personnel qualifying in (a) 0930 hrs 6 Dec 42
Offr i/c - Lieut V.R.Jennings.
A.Is - Lieuts Walton, Douglas, Burgis, Holl.
Site - "G" Sec Sigs area.
(ii) Layers - 0930 hrs 6 Dec 42
Offr i/c - Capt. A.E.Olsen
A I. - Lieut N Monson, 1 Sgt per bty
59 Bty to supply time-keeper & clerk.
Site - 60 Bty Gun Park.

4. Regtl Sig School will complete course already commenced. Course recommences 0845 hrs 2 Dec 42.

5. Bren Gun School for N.C.Os will terminate 2 Dec 42. Tp Comdrs to ensure full use made of these N.C.Os to instruct all ranks in Bren Gun.

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18 AUST FIELD REGIMENT

TRAINING PROGRAMME - 7 to 12 DEC. '42

Date	Quick Occupations	Bty Manoeuvre	
7	E Troop	59 Bty	60 Bty- Sub calibre
8	F Troop		" " Min layout
9	A Troop	60 Bty	61 Bty - Sub calibre
10	B Troop		" " - Min lauout
11	C Troop		59 Bty - Sub calibre
12	D Troop		" " - Min layout

Notes :

1. On days for Quick Occupation by troops, BHQ will practice Fire Plan and Director Traverse. Sigs & Dvrs at Specialist and Weapon Training (Bren)

2. To make Bty Training possible Btys will complete commn equipment as follows :-
   59 Bty draw from 60 Bty and complete from 61 Bty
   60 Bty draw from 61 Bty and complete from 59 Bty
   61 Bty draw from 59 Bty and complete from 60 Bty

3. In miniature layout all cable will be laid on foot. No R/T will be available. R/T Stations will be manned with flag or lamp terminals.

4. Hand over of Sig Equipt for Tng purposes MUST be by an officer from each Bty.

5. Each Bty will detail one officer to report to C.O. as umpire prior to commencement of each Bty manoeuvre.

6. Bty manoeuvres will commence at 0600 hrs on first day. Handover of Sig Eqpt to following Bty to be completed by 2200 hrs on 2nd day.

7. This syllabus allows each Troop & BHQ one free day. This will be used to test EVERY man in TOET Gas & Rifle, and early stages Bren Gun Instruction.

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18 AUST FIELD REGIMENT

TRAINING PROGRAMME - 13 TO 18 DEC. '42

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Date	Hour	Gunners	Sigs	Drivers	Staff
13	0530-0745	A/T Training	Check & maintain all instruments used on Bty Tng	Maintenance	Bren
	0930	CHURCH PARADE			
	1100-1200	UNARMED COMBAT			
	1900-2200	Troop Gun Drill and organisation. Carry on to night lines	Group working	Wagon lines organisation and sentries	Gun programmes & quick barrage
14		REST DAY - ORGANISED SURF CARNIVAL			
15	0530-0745	A/T training. Camflge erection	Morse. Group working Lamp & 10 line u.c.	Stand to & check & start Motors before 0600 hrs then Bren training	Director Traverse & change of grid
	0845-1100	Troop gun drill with quick erection of camouflage	Morse speed tests and Arty code	Instruction on maintenance Pam	Director work. Quick & accurate method (greater speed and accuracy essential)
	1100-1200	UNARMED COMBAT			
	1900-2200	Troop gun drill. Erection of Camflge day & night organisation.	Morse practice. Test & adjust instruments & net after dark	Compass March	Battery survey then quick barrage
16	0530-0745	A/T training. Camflge erection. Line to guns at first light	Sigs, Group working Lamp & 10 line u.c.	Stand to, check & start motors before 0600 hrs then Bren Training	Check zero lines at first light then director traverse.
	0845-1100	Laying practice	Tests & adjustments all instruments	Inst on maintenance Pam	Bren instruction
	1100-1200	UNARMED COMBAT			
	1900-2200	Bren instruction Troop gun drill	Morse practice and group working W/T	Carrier instruction Bren, Rifle, T.S.M.G.	Compass march

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	Sut	Driv	Ack Ack.
0530	trainers	start motors maint.	Bren

Breakfast

0845 A/gas

0950 TOETs gas and rifle.

1100 J.C

1900

2200 inf train in bush

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Date	Hour	Gunners	Sigs	Drivers	Staff
17	0530-0745	A/T training Check z/l at first light	Bty comms in miniature then change round of personnel	Camflge of vehicles before 0600 hrs Correct faults. TOET Gas & Rifle	Check Z/L then director traverse
	0845-1100	TOET Gas & rifle Bren instruction	Bren instruction	Instruction & practice maintenance Pam	Timed tests Arty Board Director. change of grid
	1100-1200	UNARMED COMBAT			
	1900-2200	Compass march	Compass march	Bren instruction night lines	Meteor & quick barrage
18	0530-0745	Erection of camflge Laying practice and timed tests by troop Comdr	Min Bty comms then change round personnel	Camflge of vehicles before 0600 hrs Bren instruction	TOET Gas & Rifle
	0845-1100	Troop gun drill Timed subsection competitions with detachments changed round	Map reading	Bren firing instruction	Bren instruction
	1100-1200	UNARMED COMBAT			
	1900-2200	Bren inst. 1 hour guards & sentries	Bren inst. then morse practice	Bren inst. then wagon line guards	Director traverse quick barrage

SPECIAL NOTE : Weakness in all batteries recent deployment; noise & light & fire discipline

(1) Noise turning out Bty at 0500. Remedy 0500 Reveille to practice silent turnout.
(2) Slowness of all Btys work in dark, particularly erection of camflge before daylight.
(3) Slow Bty survey, where director traverse is on syllabus a different Bty officer must be in charge each period.
(4) Lack of knowledge in use of vehicles & comms due to lack of practice in their use.
(5) Sigs not being readily interchangeable.

A/T Assge available to 59 Bty on 15 Dec, at 0530 hrs - to 60 Bty on 16 Dec, at 0530 hrs - to 61 Bty on 17 Dec at 0530

A DETACHMENT per troop to shoot on 18 Dec for Regt championship.

0500 Reveille with a mixture of night & day training appears to be badly needed to get men used to turning out in dark.

Fire :- experience has shown dawn shooting to be essential with tracer.

Offrs Mtn range 17th daily

	BREN	MT.	GAS.	MUSKETRY	Survey	Sigs.	Cleanup.	U.C
0530	No 1		ALL					
0630	No 2					ALL		
0845	No 3 sur			ALL				
0950	No 4		ALL Less SUR Party		Sur Party			
1100								ALL
1900	No 5 Bats	Drivs			Sur Party			
2000	No 6 sur	~~Drivs~~					ALL	

Th Relay 1st Ctp
2nd 59
3rd Ctp

Hall 59
Turner 59
Ward C 60
Ward E 60
Gardner 59
Murray 60
Pearse 60
Annakin ~~60~~ 59
Carpenter 59
~~Cook~~ 59
Macpherson 60

opp relay 59
61

Ham - November 1942
Mitchell
Shaw

open surf race Lees (60)
Pett (61)
Bashford (59)

Cockfight Bull & Bashford (59)

XXXXXXXXX 18 AUST FD REGT

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TRAINING PROGRAMME - 19 TO 21 DEC. 1942

Date	Hour	Gunners	Drivers	Sigs	Staff
Dec 19	0530-0730	A/T. Training 59 Bty Firing	Bren Inst & Drill	Thompson S.M.G. 30 mins Morse	Direc tor Traverse Troops in sympathy
	0900-1200	Bren Inst	MV T.P. No. 1 Btys will train a minimum of 12 Carrier Drivers immediately	Map Reading 1 hour Morse & Procedure	Link shooting with director traverse to bring troops on grid.
	1900-2200	Troop Gun Drill with staff min lay-out	Bren Inst Night organisation Defence of W. lines	Min lay-out	Normal duties miniature layout Tasks to guns
Dec 20	0900	CHURCH PARADE,	Organised sport, washing & personal hygiene		
Dec 21	0530-0730	XXXXXXX.XXXXX A/T Training 60 Bty Firing	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX T.O.E.T.Bren	Rifle. Guards & Sentries	Rifle Guards & Sentries
	0900-1200	Bren Inst	M.V.T.P.	Map Reading 1 hour Morse & Procedure	Meteor. Gun programmes
	1400-1730	Troop Gun Drill with task maintenance R.A.T.M. 2	Bren. Drivers passed T.O.E.T. Commence T.S.M.G.	T.S.M.G. 1 hours morse	Bren Inst

59 Bty on manoeuvre draw cable layers & R/T to complete from 60 & 61.

Min Range all officers Saturday 1700 and Monday 1900

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18 AUST FIELD REGIMENT

TRAINING PROGRAMME 22/31 Dec '42

Date	Hour	Gunners	Drivers	Sigs	Staff	Remarks
22 Dec 42	0530 - 0730	A/Tk training 61 Bty firing	Squad drill- Rifle, guards & sentries.	Bren Instn	Director traverse	
	0900 - 1200	Bren instn 30 mins squad drill	Checking of VOLs & Log books.	TSMG - 30 mins squad drill- 1 hr morse & procedure	Rifle, guards and sentries-Squad drill	Training of Carrier drs to be continued
	1400 -1730	Tp gun drill- Min layout	Bren & TSMG instn- Map reading-Daily maintenance(30mins)	Min layout- Interchanged detail.	Min layout-Normal duties tables to guns.	
23 Dec 42	0530 - 0730	A/Tk Training 59 Bty firing	Bren & TSMG drill - 1 hr scrimming nets.	Squad drill - Rifle guards and sentries		60 Bty
	0930 - 1200	Tp gun drill - Link shooting	MVTP No.1 - Maintenance instn 30 mins squad drill	Bren instn	Link shooting on Bty grid	Field exercise-dr& cable layers & R/T sets from 59 & 61 Bty.
	1400 - 1730	A/Gas - 2 periods 30 mins squad drill	A/Gas - 2 periods 30 mins squad drill	Map reading- 1hr morse and procedure.	Bren instn	
24 Dec 42	0530 - 0730	A/Tk training- 60 Bty firing	Scrimming of nets- 30 mins rifle drill	A/Gas	Bren instn	
	0900 - 1200	Route march	Route march.	Group working- 30 mins rifle drill	Position correction & concentration tables (timed) - 30 mins rifle drill.	
	1400 - 1730	Troop gun drill min layout- work timed	MVTP 1 - Daily & weekly maintenance & inspection	Min layout- interchanged detail	Min layout Tasks to guns timed.	
25 Dec 42		XMAS DAY - CHURCH PARADES, RECREATION, & CONCERT				

ate	Hour	Gunners	Drivers	Sigs	Staff	Remarks
5 Dec		REGTL ELIMINATION CONTESTS FOR BDE SPORTS MEETING				
7 Dec		CHURCH PARADE, WASHING PARADE, PERSONAL HYGIENE, ETC				
3 Dec	0530-0730	A/Tk Training 59 Bty firing	TSMG - 30 mins squad drill	Bren Instn	Director traverse	61 Bty
	0900-1200	Troop Gun Drill	MVTP 1 Maintenance Instn	Map Reading - 1 hours Morse & procedure	Meteor & Gun Pro- grammes (timed)	Fd exercise as for 60 Bty on 23 Dec
	1400-1730	Bren Instn - 30 mins squad drill	Skrimming of nets Completion & in- spection	TOET Bren & TSMG 30 mins squad drill	Ranging & Engagement Horizontal & Vertical clocks - 30 mins squad drill	
29 Dec	0530-0730	A/Tk training 60 Bty firing	Rifle Drill & Musketry	Rifle - Musketry	Bren Instn	
	0900-1200	Bren instn - 30 mins squad drill	MVTP 1 - Maintenance Instn 500 mile	30 mins Squad Drill Morse & Procedure	TOET Bren & TSMG 30 mins squad drill	
	1400-1730	Troop Gun Drill Min layout	TOET Bren & TSMG 30 mins squad drill	Min layout	Min layout	
30) Dec 31)		Complete maintenance & physical check of all stores & equipment - NCOs & Kit inspection - TOETs Small arms & Gas C.M. to inspect RHQ & 59 Bty 30 Dec; 60 & 61 Btys 31 Dec.				

Note *Anti Fly & Mosquito Control/Lectures 1900 hrs 28 - 31 Dec at RHQ. Personnel to attend as already advised to Btys.

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APPENDIX C

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MESSAGE FORM

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CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

18 FD. REGT.
5 DEC 1942
Recd
Adjutant

IN

OUT

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No. of Groups GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO 18 AUST. FD. RGT. 44 Aust Bn

FROM 5 Bde

Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number

confirming	verbal	arrangements	2 DIV	concert	party
will	give	performance	44 Bn	line	2000
hs	6 Dec	42.			

Mr. Cooke to advise 44 Bn of nos. notify (Bdys will & arrange personally for seating & time) EKS

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS.

SIGNED

IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CYPHER

SIGNED

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY

DRLS

TIME OF ORIGIN

11-20

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

SYSTEM IN	TIME IN	READER	SENDER	SYSTEM OUT	TIME OUT	READER	SENDER	SYSTEM OUT	TIME OUT	READER	SENDER

T.H.I.

T.O.R.

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HQ 5 Aust Inf Bde.,
AUSTRALIA.

Dec 42.

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44 Aust Inf Bn.
54 ,, ,, ,,
56 ,, ,, ,,
5 Fd Co y R.A.E.
17 Coy A.S.C.
18 Aust Fd Regt. ✓
14 Bty 104 A/Tk.
8 Fd Amb.

PICTURE PROGRAMME - MOBILE UNIT.

1. The mobile van with a double feature programme will visit Units of 5 Aust Inf Bde group on the dates set out hereunder:-

12	Dec 42	56 Aust Inf Bn.
13	,, ,,	5 Fd Coy R.A.E.
14	,, ,,	17 Coy A.S.C.
15	,, ,,	18 Aust Fd Regt. ✓
16	,, ,,	54 Aust Inf Bn.
17	,, ,,	44 Aust Inf Bn.
18	,, ,,	14 Bty 104 A/T/
19	,, ,,	8 Fd Amb.

2. Units will make available to projectioners two personnel to assist in erecting movable screen.

Btys 900 to note - 00 to arrange sick

K Cooke

59 Bty. M. Infantry

A J Armstrong

D. J. Doling

J Naylor Lt.

(J. NAYLOR) Lieut.
A.O. 5 Aust Inf Bde.

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18 FD. REGT.
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5 Aust Inf Bde HQ,
AUSTRALIA
∝/Dec 42.

DWB/JBQ 42/ 2085

18 Aust Fd Regt ✓
14 A Tk Bty
44 Aust Inf Bn
54 Aust Inf Bn
56 Aust Inf Bn
17 Coy AASC
5 Aust Fd Coy (infm)

INDEX : P & RT CAMP - DONGARRA

1. To prepare site for P & RT Camp at DONGARRA, units will arrange working parties as shown hereunder.

2. Party will comprise 65 all ranks as:

1 Offr, 4 NCOs, 60 ORs incl 1 cook
NB: Cooking utensils and camp equipment to be carried.

3. Party will report at 0830 hrs on date allotted to Lieut Mills of RAE at junc roads DONGARRA and PORT DENISON and will remain in area DONGARRA for 2 days.

4. Work will be supervised by 5 Fd Coy RAE who will supply all tools required.

5. Allocation:

18 Aust Fd Regt	22,23,24 Dec 42
44 Aust Inf Bn	26,27 Dec 42
54 Aust Inf Bn	28,29 Dec 42
56 Aust Inf Bn	30,31 Dec 42
17 Coy AASC	2,3 Jan 43
14 A Tk Bty	4,5 Jan 43

W. H. Barham Capt
for W. H. BARHAM
5 Aust. Inf. Bde.
(R.T. BRYEN.) Maj
BM, 5 Aust Inf Bde

RHQ
1 Offr
1 NCO
15 ORs | 3-Tonner
1 15 cwt

51
1 Cook
6
3 NCOs
44 ORs looking gear 2 3-tonners

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APPENDIX F

Telephone No. .....

9 Dec 42

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

WESTERN AUSTRALIA LINES OF COMMUNICATION AREA

RBSM/RSB
Please quote this Number when replying

32	1	15

HQ RAA 2 Aust Div.
AUSTRALIA.
8 Dec 42

18 Aust Fd Regt.

SURF CARNIVAL.

Ref your memo of 6 Dec 42; permission is given to hold Surf Carnival at Pt Denison on 14 Dec 42. This day should be regarded as a rest day.

OC to secure results for publication RBS

R B S Maclean LIEUT.
(R B S MACLEAN) A/SC RAA
2 AUST DIV.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

WESTERN AUSTRALIA LINES OF COMMUNICATION AREA

Please quote this Number when replying

R.A.A. 2 DIV.
No. 32 / 1 / 15
HEADQUARTERS

Headquarters,
18 Aust Fd.Regt.,
AUSTRALIA

6 Dec 42.

R.A.A. 2 Aust Div.,

SURF CARNIVAL

1. Permission is sought for Regt to hold a Surf Carnival at Point Denison on Monday 14 Dec 42.

2. In view of the interest displayed in our Carnival at Lake Bambun on 22 Nov 42 the C.O. considers such a day taken from training would not be wasted but would add considerably to the regt's morale and fighting efficiency.

4. There has been no regimental rest day since 22 Nov owing to occupying undeveloped site and being continually employed in training and camp building.

W. A. Rigney

.....Lt.Col.
(W.A.Rigney) Commanding 18 Aust Fd.Regt.

CRA

Approved
14 Dec should
be regarded as
rest day
8 Dec 42

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

Serial No. 21
Nos. 149 -

by

Lt-Col. W.A.Ramsay Commanding 18 Aust Fd Regt, Australia

7 Dec., 1942

149. MEDICAL - DISPOSAL OF KITCHEN REFUSE

In view of the serious outbreak of Swine Fever and as evidence has been obtained that the disease is being spread by the use of refuse from camps, all refuse will be disposed of by burning or burial.

150. RELAXATION OF LIGHTING RESTRICTIONS - MOTOR VEHICLES.

(a) Authority has been received to increase the lighting on Motor Vehicles by the fitting of the new Army Type head lamp mask.

(b) This mask has a tray door fitted, which may be left in the open position in normal periods with the proviso that it must be immediately lowered if black-out conditions are imposed.

(c) When fitting these head lamp masks, units will ensure that reflectors are cleaned and that head lamp globes are in good condition, as a minor defect in either globe or reflector would make an appreciable difference in the light emitted through the restricted aperture in the head lamp mask.

151. RAZOR BLADES

In view of the acute shortage of razor blades, it should be impressed on all personnel that proper care of blades will increase their period of usefulness.

If procurable, hot water should be used, in which razor is dipped frequently whilst shaving, and after shaving blade should be carefully cleaned and dried.

All old blades should be collected and resharpened under unit arrangements. Sharpeners for this purpose may be obtained at a small cost.

152. DISTRICT COURT MARTIAL

A D.C.M. convened by Commander 3 Aust Corps, was held at Claremont on 12 Nov., '42 for the trial of N.190827 Gunner L.J. SHERWOOD of 18 Aust Fd Regt.

The accused was charged with (1) AA 9 (2) Disobeying a lawful command given by his superior officer in that he at 0400 hrs on 27 Oct., '42 refused to get out of bed to fire a task on the guns when ordered to do so by Sgt C.T.Barker.
(2) AA Sec. 40 An act to the prejudice of good order and military discipline in that he whilst on guard on the night of 27 Oct., '42 he neglected to challenge a vehicle which drove on to the position and in no way attempted to perform his duties as a sentry.

The accused pleaded Guilty of the first charge and Not Guilty of the second charge.

/The Court

The Court found the accused Guilty of the first charge and Guilty of the second charge with the exception that the words after the word "position" should be deleted therefrom.

The Court sentenced the accused to undergo detention for 28 days. and sentence

The finding/of the Court were confirmed on 16 Nov., '42 by the Comdr 2 Aust Div.

153. AAF F.59 - ORDER FOR SUPPLIES

For security reasons, where AAF F.59 is used by units other than AASC Supply Depots, for ordering supplies from civil sources, the location and strength of the unit will NOT be shown thereon: nor will the location and strength of the unit be shown on the corresponding Form TS.4

154. DISCIPLINE - DRESS

All ranks will strictly observe that dress is strictly in conformity with 2 Aust Div ROs and ASOs. Any departure therefrom is not approved for personnel under Comd 3 Aust Corps.

155 OFFICERS VISITING BRIGADE AREAS

Many instances have been reported of staff cars proceeding to or through Bde Areas without the knowledge of the Bde concerned.

In future, all officers visiting units or other Bde in forward areas, or passing through Bde administrative areas, either will advise the Bde concerned prior to move, or will report to the Formation HQ en route.

156 CONSERVATION OF RUBBER

(a) It is the responsibility of Comds and those controlling the use of MT to study constantly the question of saving tyre wear and thus prolonging the life of tyres on issue. Unless this is done the depletion of our available supplies of rubber may well bring about the situation that a large percentage of vehicles have to be grounded for lack of replacement tyres.

(b) The most obvious means of implementing this saving are contained in GRO 0.150 and IBI 041/42, to which the attention of all ranks will be directed. They are as follows :-

(i) Less use of vehicles
(ii) Strict observance of speed limits at all times
(iii) Constant attention to tyre pressures
(iv) Close study of tyres to reveal any undue wear caused by bad alignment or faulty brake adjustment.
(v) Return of tyres for remoulding or recapping when in correct stage of wear.
(vi) Unloading vehicles if they are to be left standing idle for a period, unless provision is made to "jack up" and remove weight from wheels.

(c) It is considered that if the true position in regard to supplies and the vital necessity for economy are explained to all concerned, an appreciable saving in tyre wear will be effected. Comds will therefore arrange for discussions among officers and all MT personnel on methods of conserving tyres.

(d) The strictest disciplinary action will be taken against personnel involved in the abuse or neglect of tyre preservation and maintenance.

157. AIR-MAIL LETTER CARDS

Air-Mail Letter Card service will be made available to members of the forces serving in West. Aust commencing on Sunday 20/12/42

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157. AIR MAIL LETTER CARDS (Cont.)

Postage charges on each letter card will be 1d, and this will entitle them to be carried over the internal Air Mail Services of the Commonwealth. This charge covers both postage and Air Mail surcharge.

The issue will be at the rate of two, per man, per week and owing to the difficulty which exists in the maintenance of supplies, care will be taken to ensure that the prescribed rate of issue is not exceeded.

COs are responsible for obtaining supplies for personnel of their units, and they should arrange to draw supplies when requisitioning for stationery, as the Letter Cards will be a Stationery Supply and will not be handled by Postal Services in this regard.

158. CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR TELEGRAMS

To assist the P.M.G Department, it would be appreciated if Christmas and New Year Greeting Telegrams be of a standard text, eg,

(a) A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, all well

(b) Love and best wishes for Christmas and the New Year, all well.

(c) Love and best wishes for Christmas and the New Year to all at home, all well.

(d) Love and best wishes for a Happy New Year, all well.

Personnel wishing to send any other form of telegram may do so, but are requested where possible, to adopt one of the above texts.

159. SECURITY OF INFORMATION

1. The attention of all ranks is directed to the fact the communication to any person, otherwise than in the course of official duty, of any naval, military or air force information is an offence under the Defence Act punishable by fine or imprisonment or both.

2. An infringement of Army Field Censorship Instructions is an act of disloyalty which may incalculably harm the Allied cause. This fact will be impressed on all ranks. Rigorous steps will be taken to punish every detected offender, irrespective of rank.

3. An officer is responsible if a letter, after being franked by him, contains military information. By aiding and abetting the commission of an offence, the officer himself commits an offence and is liable to punishment accordingly. This will not however, absolve the writer of the letter from responsibility for the breach.

4. Penalties imposed for breaches of security will be notified in formation o/o Part I Routine Orders and, where practicable, such notifications will be read out on parade to troops within the formation o/c.

5. Contravention of this order if committed by an officer will be reported to MHQ, so that, if thought necessary, the individual concerned may be called upon to show cause why his commission should not be cancelled.

160. SICKNESS OR INJURY - MEMBERS OF THE A.I.F. ON LEAVE

Any member who becomes sick or sustains injuries whilst on leave will :-

(a) Report at once to the nearest Military Hospital or, where this is impracticable, to the nearest Area Medical Officer; or (b) Report at once to the nearest Public Hospital, if a Military Hospital or Area Medical Officer is not available, or (c) If unable to attend will be taken to a military hospital (or public hospital where a military hospital is not available), then obtain private medical attention and immediately

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forward a certificate by the medical attendant to the nearest Headquarters of a L of C Area, which will take action to notify the unit and the D.D.M.S.

161. SUBMISSION OF IDEAS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN ARMY PROCEDURE AND ADMINISTRATION AND TO PREVENT WASTE OF MANPOWER AND MATERIALS

(1) In furtherance of the Prime Minister's wishes to eliminate waste and activities not essential to the conduct of the war, there is need to encourage the submission by members of the forces of suggestions for improvements in the system of Army procedure and administration and the saving of manpower, waste materials etc.

(2) Action is to be taken to bring to the notice of all members of the Australian Military Forces that submission of such suggestions or recommendations is invited.

(3) Further particulars may be had from Bty Offices or R.H.Q.

162. WATER CONSERVATION

It has been reported that troops are washing and showering at water points. This practice MUST cea se forthwith.

163. BRIGADE SIG. OFFICE .. REPORTING

All officers of Bde units when visiting Bde H.Q. area are requested to call at Signals Office to facilitate delivery of despatches for their respective units.

164. M.T. SPEED LIMITS

Attention is again drawn to speed limits. MT will not exceed 30 m.p.h. while passing any unit lines. Speed through Mingenew township will NOT exceed 15 m.p.h.
Disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

165. OUT OF BOUNDS .. MINGENEW

Mingenew is out of bounds to all troops except when on duty.

166. TIMBER CUTTING

No timber will be cut or collected within the Bde Area.

E.K.Stewart
(E.K.Stewart) Capt
Adjutant 13 Aust Fd Regt

NOTICES

Results of swimming Carnival held on 22 Nov., '42 were as follows :

Tp Championships :

R.H.Q.	1. Sgt Kay	2. Sgt R. Smith
A Tp	1. Bdr Matheson	2. (Walk-over)
B Tp	No entrants	
59 BHQ	1. Gnr Corbett	2. Bdr McCoy
C Tp	1. Gnr Lees	2. Bdr Kenkade
D Tp	1. Gnr White, L.B.	2. Gnr Crane
60 BHQ	1. Gnr Norberry	2. Gnr Leonard
E Tp	1. Lieut Dows	2. L/Bdr. Pott
F Tp	1. Gnr Faber and Gnr K.E. Bishop (tied)	
61 BHQ	1. Gnr Haby	2. S/Sgt Lockwridge

Regtl. Championship

Freestyle	1. Bdr Matheson	
220 yds	1. Bdr Matheson	2. Gnr J.L. Lees
440 yds	1. Bdr Matheson	2. Lieut Dows

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Swimming Carnival results (Cont)

Regtl. Championships :

Breaststroke	1. Bdr Matheson	2. Lieut Dows
Diving	1. Gnr Basford	2. Gnr J.L.Lees
Underwater Swim	1. Gnr Lindsay	
Officers' Relay	1. 59 Bty	2. 61 Bty
Troop Relay	1. A Troop	2. F Troop
Volley Ball	1. R.H.Q.	2. 59 Bty

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ROUTINE ORDER PART 1

by

Lt-Col. W.A.Rigney — Commanding 18 Aust Fd.Regt.

Australia — 13 Dec.,'42

167. KITS AND EFFECTS OF ILLEGAL ABSENTEES AND KITS, EFFECTS AND EQUIPMENT FOUND IN RAILWAY CLOAKROOMS, ETC

(a) KITS AND EFFECTS OF ILLEGAL ABSENTEES

1. Immediately a member of the AMF, including A.W.A.S or A.A.N.S. or A.A.M.W.S., has been declared an illegal absentee, the following action will be taken in respect of effects other than those on charge to the member's unit.

2. The effects, after removal of items on charge to the member's unit, will be despatched to the section of Aust Kit Store servicing the formation to which the member belongs. If there is no such section the effects will be forwarded to the nearest Sub-H.Q. of Aust Kit Store. Such effects will be accompanied by AMF K S 4, in duplicate, such form containing a certificate to the effect that the member concerned is an illegal absentee. The effects will then be stored with other kits and effects of members of the same unit.

3. Such effects will be noted by Aust Kit Store as those of an illegal absentee and will not be issued to the member concerned except on a request signed by or for the C.O. of the member concerned, either of his then unit or of a unit to which the member may be subsequently posted after being apprehended. If such a member claims to have been discharged from the Military Forces and produces to Aust Kit Store his certificate of discharge, arrangements will be made for the kit to be dissected in accordance with para.(b) hereofand the personal effects forwarded to the member at an address nominated by him.

(b) If such effects have not been withdrawn after the expiration of six months after deposit, Aust. kit store will ascertain, through L.H.Q. Records Office, whether the member concerned is still an illegal absentee. If such member is found tobe still illegally absent, then the effects concerned will be dissected and dealt with by Aust, KIt Store as provided in the case of a deceased soldier by G.R.O. Q. 178/1942 and Administrati Instructions for Kit Stores, 1942. If such member, upon such inquiry, is found to be no longer an illegal absentee, then the effects will be removed from the illegal absentee list and if necessary, transferred to another section of Aust. Kit Store. In the latter case, the member concerned will be so notified.

(B) EQUIPMENT AND EFFECTS FOUND ON RAILWAY STATIONS, CLOAKROOMS, HOTELS, ETC.

1. Action as set out below will be taken in all cases where arms, equipment, kits and personnel effects are recovered from railway stations, railway and other non-military cloakrooms, hotels and other sources. Such action will be taken by the member of Movement Control, Provost Corps, or other unit or person recovering the articles.

(a) Arms and equipment will be then returned to the nearest A.A.O.C. Depot. If the article can be identified, the owner's unit will

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be so advised by the A.A.O.C. Depot and the article will be struck off the units charge.

(b) Kits and personnal effects will, if the owner and his unit can be ascertained, be forwarded to the section of Aust. Kit Store which serves the formation to which the member belongs. IF there is no such section, such articles will be forwarded to the nearest Sub-H.Q. of Aust. Kit Stores. Such Sub-H.Q. will arrange for the storage of the article and notify the owner.

(c) If the ownership of the kit or effects cannot be established, the same will be forwarded to the nearest Sub-HQ Kit Store, [illegible] by whom the articles will be dissected in accordance with GRO Q.178/1942 and Administrative Instructions for Kit Stores 1942. If the effects remain unidentifiable, the personal property therein will be stored by Aust Kit Store pending identification by description of contents, and the Army property therein dealt with as prescribed by GRO Q.178/1942, para 5(c)(11). If the ownership of the effects is established during dissection, then the effects will be sent to the appropriate Kit Store Section and the owner will be so notified.

2. Arms, ammunition, or equipment will not be deposited in cloakrooms other than those staffed by military personnel, nor will they be left unattended by military personnel in hotels, restaurants cafes, or similar institutions.

168. BUSH FIRES -- ASSISTANCE BY TROOPS IN CONTROLLING.

1. In the event of bush fires or grass fires in the vicinity of camps at which troops are stationed, or within reasonable distance of such camps, the senior officer in command of the locality is authorised to order out troops to assist in quelling the outbreak.

2. Troops should be trained and organised to combat bush grass fires which may occur in the vicinity of their camps or depots.

3. The local Bush Fires Association or Brigade should be consulted as to the best methods of dealing with bush fires; local conditions vary considerably.

169. PHONETIC ALPHABET

1. With effect from 1st January, 1943, the use of the existing Phonetic Alphabet will be discontinued and the following will be adopted :-

A	ADAM	H	HOW	O	OBOE	V	VICTOR
B	BAKER	I	ITEM	P	PETER	W	WILLIAM
C	CHARLIE	J	JIG	Q	QUEEN	X	X-RAY
D	DOG	K	KING	R	ROGER	Y	YOKE
E	EASY	L	LOVE	S	SUGAR	Z	ZED
F	FOX	M	MIKE	T	TARE		
G	GEORGE	N	NAN	U	UNCLE		

170. CONSERVATION OF FOODSTUFFS -- POTATOES

1. To prevent wastage, the peeling of potatoes before they are cooked is, until further notice, forbidden.

2. Before they are cooked, they will be scrubbed clean and bad portions, if any, will be cut out. Neglect of such precautions makes this food distasteful.

3. When practicable, potatoes will be steamed in preference to being boiled. When, however, it is found necessary to boil potatoes in Boyer stoves, it may be found that owing to the softness of the variety the lower tubers break up. Should this occur, resort must be had to roasting or else fewer potatoes must be boiled in each stove to lessen the weight on the bottom layer.

4. When practicable

4. When practicable, potatoes will be omitted from the breakfast diet, unless there is cooked potato left over from the previous day which can be utilised.

171. CHRISTMAS - NEW YEAR 1942/43 -

The following message has been received from Brig Klein, CCRA, RAA 3 Aust Corps :-

"Please convey to all ranks under your command, my best wishes for Xmas and the New Year 1942/43, with the hope that 1943 may bring forth happier times for all."

172. COURTS OF INQUIRY - DAMAGE TO VEHICLES.

In all cases where damage to vehicles is involved, Court will if possible, obtain evidence from OC L.A.D as to nature and extent of damage and approx cost of repair.

173. DISTRICT COURT MARTIAL

A D.C.M. convened by the order of Brigadier H.B.B.Keatinge was held at HQ NSW L of C Area on 14th October, 1942 for the trial of N.266746 Gnr S.R.J.HALLIWELL, 18 Aust Fd Regt.

The accused was charged with Desertion in that he absented himself without leave on 7 Oct.,

The accused pleaded not guilty, and the Court found the accused guilty of the charge.

The Court sentenced the accused to undergo detention for twelve (12) months.

The accused was in custody awaiting trial for 6 days.

The finding and sentence were duly confirmed on 30 Oct., '42 by Commander, NSW L of C Area, Trng Depots

The date for review of sentence was fixed at 14-4-43.

The result of the trial was promulgated to the accused at Orange on 4 Nov., '42.

174. SALVAGE UNIT

A controlled salvage dump for this Bde Gp is now operating in lines of 17 Coy A.A.S.C. Units are requested to co-operate in its working by delivering to dump any salvageable material whenever transport opportunity arises.

175. WATER - UNAUTHORISED SOURCES

Instances have been brought to notice of troops drawing water from unauthorised sources. C.Os will be held responsible to ensure that this practice is discontinued forthwith.

176. RAILWAY WATER TANKS

It is again emphasised that all railway water tanks are out of bounds to troops at all times.

177. SWIMMING - PORT DENISON

It is advised that the area of PORT DENISON beach from LEANDER POINT at SOUTH end to 400 yds NORTH OF JETTY is out of bounds to all troops.

This instruction will be promulgated on first parade, and steps taken to ensure compliance.

/ This restriction

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This restriction still allows a large area for bathing by troops on authorised occasions.

178. EVENING MEAL .. XMAS DAY

Evening meal on Xmas Day will be at 1300 hrs.

179. WATER STERILISATION

All water in 5 Aust Inf Bde Area must be sterilised by units before use, with WS Powder or Chlorinated Lime.

180. CLEANING OF WEB EQUIPMENT AND GAITERS

1. The practice of bleaching articles of web equipment and web [illegible] gaiters, either by excessive washing with soap and soda or other means, is to cease immediately.

2. Items treated in this manner are not only unduly conspicuous in action but the treatment greatly deteriorates the material and reduces the life of the article.

3. When it is necessary to clean any item by washing, luke warm soapy water and light scrubbing only should be used. However, such washing should be restricted to occasions when it is absolutely essential.

EK Stewart
.....Capt
(E.K. Stewart) Adjutant 18 Aust Fd Regt

NOTICES

The following is the results of Surf Carnival held at Port Denison on 14 Dec., '42 :-

Troop Relay ..	1st	"C" Troop
	2nd	BHQ 59 Bty
	3rd	"E" Troop
[illegible]ers' Relay ..	1st	59 Bty
	2nd	61 Bty
Open Surf Race ..	1st	Gnr Reed (60 Bty)
	2nd	L/Bdr Pott (61 Bty)
	3rd	Gnr Basford (59 Bty)
Cockfight	1st	Bdr Bull & Gnr Basford (59 Bty)

CHURCH SERVICES XMAS DAY 25 December, 1942

Holy Communion	0700 hrs	(Padre's tent)
Regtl Parade	0815 hrs	(usual place of parade)
Church Parade	0930 hrs	(" " " "

R.C. SERVICE A special R.C. Service will be held at 2400 hrs night of 24/25 December, '42

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

by

Lt-Col. W.A.Rigney — Commanding 18 Aust Fd Regt.
Australia — 30 Dec., '42

181. FIRING OF SERVICE WEAPONS

In view of the danger involved, the firing of service weapons will only take place on classification ranges, field firing ranges or other specially selected areas.

Firing on such areas will at all times be controlled by an officer or senior NCO.

182. IDENTITY DISCS.

It has been noticed that a number of personnel are NOT wearing identity discs. It is emphasised that identity discs MUST be worn at ALL times.

Disciplinary action will be taken against all offenders.

183. SANDSHOES - WEARING OF

Attention is drawn to the wearing of sandshoes.

Units will ensure that personnel wear sandshoes on P.T. parades ONLY.

184. DRESS - SHORTS

The practice of rolling up legs of shorts high above the knee must cease.

Too many instances are occurring of personnel appearing incorrectly dressed and this breach must be corrected.

185. HYGIENE - VICKERS BOTTLES

In view of the increasing number of Diarrhoea attention is drawn to the use of Vickers 2% Lysol bottles.

186. RESPIRATORS

Further to 3 Aust Corps Tng Inst No.6 of 5 Dec,'42

Respirators will be carried each Wednesday and will be worn at various periods so that the total period of wearing will be at least one hour each Wednesday and the total during the week two hours.

187. CIVILIAN FOOD SUPPLIES - CONSUMPTION BY ARMY PERSONNEL

Subtended is a copy of HQ. 3 Aust Corps memo G6/2/16 of 2 Dec,'42 for information and necessary action :-

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(1) It has been reported that in some of the more remote districts of the State, especially in the N.West convoys of troops passing through townships in such areas, have bought most or all of the available civil stocks of certain commodities, particularly tinned fruits, which are vital for the maintenance of a balanced diet

(2) The transport situation renders it very difficult to provide and maintain supplies sufficient for ordinary civil needs at places situated in the areas distant from the Metropolitan Area, and it will be readily realised that actions such as are indicated in para 1 cause real hardship to the local population.

(3) In future all convoys, detachments or recce parties whose route passes through areas in which there are no Army Supply Depots or Canteens, will carry with them sufficient rations and supplies to last until the next source of Army supplies is reached.

(4) Civilian supplies of any kind in isolated areas should NOT be drawn on by organised parties of Army personnel.

(5) Individual service personnel will only be permitted to make such purchases in remote places in cases of necessity due to failure of Army Supplies.

(6) The DDST will be informed of any projected troop movement to localities beyond formation administrative areas."

188. FIRING OF PLUGGED H.E. SHELL

(1) Plugged, high explosive shell are not to be fired when fitted with plugs, fuze hole, which are made of cast iron, zinc alloy or moulded composition. These types of plugs are not strong enough to withstand the shock of firing and, in consequence, plugs made of other material (I.E, metal or steel) must be employed.

(2) The material of which plugs, fuze hole, are made may be distinguished by the following markings :-

Type of Plug	Distinguishing letter stamped on the plug which follows the number & mark of fuze
Metal	M
Steel	S
Cast Iron	F
Zinc Alloy	Z
Moulded composition	MC

189. REMITTANCE OF MONIES BY ARMY POSTAL AND PAY FACILITIES

Attention is directed to 3 Aust Corps Adv Instn A28 of 27 Nov, '42 which has been distributed to units.

Contents of such instruction should be promulgated to all troops.

190. BOOT REPAIRS.

Cases have occurred recently where boots returned to Ordnance for repair have been condemned owing to excessive wear having rendered them unfit for repairs. Debits for unfair wear have been raised against units concerned.

This would not arise if regular inspections were made, and boots were forwarded for repair at the correct time.

It is the responsibility of commanders to ensure that boot inspections are held at such periods as will prevent them becoming unfit for repair.

191. DRESS - WEARING OF SHORTS & SHIRTS BY NIGHT

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For the time being, pending issue to all ranks of trousers, KD, permission is given for the wearing of shorts and shirts by night in Geraldton and localities in which 2 Aust Div units are stationed.

It will be appreciated that in Perth or any other areas other than those mentioned above, units under command 2 Aust Div will conform with orders for dress laid down for those areas.

192. PERSONNEL - EVACUATED ON MEDICAL GROUNDS OR TRANSFERRED

In view of the increasing number of complaints received regarding breaches, all units will ensure that personnel evacuated on medical grounds or transferred are in possession of documents as directed in 2 Aust Div R/O 109.

Breaches of this instruction are to be immediately reported to this HQ and disciplinary action will be taken.

193. BUSH FIRES

(1) In view of the imminence of grass and bush fires during the Summer months, and the consequent drain on training time of personnel, use of vehicles, petrol consumption, etc., a report on any bush fire which necessitates the employment of personnel, vehicles or equipment, will be submitted to this HQ within 24 hrs of time of such fire .

(2) The report should include the following details :-

(a) Sub-unit concerned
(b) Time, date and place of fire
(c) Nature of fire and probable cause
(d) Time, and by what means, unit was informed of fires
(e) Number of personnel and vehicles employed, and estimated total of petrol consumption;
(f) Period of time spent in fighting the fire ;
(g) Casualties (if any) ;
(h) Owner of property concerned, extent of fire and extent of damage ;
(i) Any other point of interest.

(3) It is essential that instruction be given to all personnel so that fire fighting teams may work efficiently, and as organised bodies, thus saving time and unnecessary fatigue.

(4) Attention is also drawn to ASO 19/3

(5) Fire beaters are unobtainable and units will arrange to immediately improvise adequate beaters for use by firefighting squads.

193. LEAVE PERSONNEL - ATTENDING SCHOOLS IN EASTERN STATES

1. Units will arrange for all students who are attending schools in the Eastern States and whose homes are in the Eastern States, to be granted full Annual Recreational Leave of 24 days.

2. This instruction will be read in conjunction with MRO A.599(15) and units will ensure that the candidates' application with C.O's recommendation, is submitted for forwarding to C.I. School WITH the nominal roll.

195. LOSS OF DENTURES

Recently there has been numerous instances of loss of dentures by members whilst swimming. Any further cases of loss of this nature will be considered to be the fault of the member concerned.

/ Attention is directed

Attention is directed to the following extract from Standing Orders for AAMC (Dental Services) :-

"(a) The loss or damage to a denture supplied at public expense will be a charge against the member unless the loss or damage is proved not to have been the fault of the member concerned."

Renewals and replacements of dentures rendered necessary by changes in the dental condition of the member are not affected by this Standing Order.

The Dental Officer will compute the cost of replacement by strict adherence to the following scale :-

(i) For each full upper or lower denture £1/10/-

(ii) Partial dentures according to the number of teeth used and clasps or retainers necessary with a minimum of 15/- for a 1 or 2 tooth partial denture and 1/3 for each extra tooth or clasp ..... 15/- to £1/8/9

196. NUMERICAL PRONUNCIATION

With effect from 1st January, 1943 the use of the existing numerical pronunciation will be discontinued and the following will be adopted :-

One	(1)	.. Wun
Two	(2)	.. Too
Three	(3)	.. Thuh-ree
Four	(4)	.. Fo-wer
Five	(5)	.. Fi-yiv
Six	(6)	.. Six
Seven	(7)	.. Seven
Eight	(8)	.. Ate
Nine	(9)	.. Niner
Zero	(0)	.. Zero

197 DANGEROUS ENCLOSURES IN PARCELS FORWARDED BY POST

1. A fire aboard a ship carrying valuable supplies, including explosives, was caused recently by spontaneous combustion of wax matches included in mails for army personnel.

2. All members of the forces will be instructed to request their relatives and friends NOT to forward wax matches or charged petrol lighters to them through the post. The dangers as stated above will be explained to the troops.

3. Franking officers will delete any request for wax matches or charged petrol lighters from letters.

.....Capt
(E.K.Stewart) Adjutant 18 Aust Fd Regt

APPENDIX J

TELEPHONE

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Address

Headquarters,
18 Aust Fd Regt,
AUSTRALIA
4 Dec. 42.

RAA 2 Aust Div
5 Aust Inf Bde (for information)

WEEKLY "I" REPORT - WEEK ENDING 3 DEC 42

1. ENEMY : Nil

2. OWN TROOPS:

Morale: Good. Practically all the unit personnel express satisfaction that the sphere of action of militia units, and particularly this unit, may be extended by the recent cabinet moves.
Also improved by recent excellent results obtained by unit N.C.Os. and O.Rs. at Corps and Bde schools.
New camp had no improvements or amenities. This has caused dissatisfaction, men taking the view they are always building camps for others.

Fighting Efficiency: Improved by recent schools, but adversly affected by lack of communication equipment, cable layers, 101 sets, phones.

Sickness: 3% . 2% in C.D.S. . 1% in lines.

Efficiency of Weapons and Equipment: 2 guns at Northam. 3 temporarily out of action, 2 due to faulty U rubbers which have caused a lot of trouble. Ordnance have none of these rubbers.
No Bren Gun tripods are held by this unit.

Security: Fair.

Mail: Regular.

Topographical: Nil.

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Headquarters,
18 Aust Fd Regt.,
AUSTRALIA

12 Dec., '42

RAA 2 Aust Div.
5 Aust Inf Bde.

WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE REPORT (W.E. 12/12/42)

1. ENEMY : Nil

2. OWN TROOPS :

Morale : Fair - adversely affected by equipment situation. Service of Mobile Bath Unit appreciated.

Fighting Efficiency : Fair - seriously retarded by lack of automatic weapons & communication equipment.

Efficiency Weapon & Equipment : (a) No tripods for Bren Guns - used for A.A. purposes a serious handicap.
(b) Artillery Board Grid Sheets distorted as much as 600x in 10000.
(c) International vans 1-ton K2 overheating badly. LAD suggests trouble is inadequate radiator.
(d) 2 Gun, 1 M.H. Tractor, 1 1-ton van, 1 MC at DOW.

Casualities & Sickness : 3%

Topographical : Country mainly sandy presenting difficulties to artillery; worst patches are indicated by a bright green shrub with a long tapering leaf.
Irwin river at bridge (ref. Dongarra strat 302379) is flowing; very small volume of water.

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Headquarters,
18 Aust Fd Regt,
AUSTRALIA.

19 Dec., '42

R.A.A. 2 Aust Div.
5 Aust Inf Bde.

WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE REPORT

1. ENEMY : Nil

2. OWN TROOPS : Morale Good. Improved by (1) Surf Carnival (2) Sub-calibre A/Tk. practice with Tracer Ammunition. Detracted by impossibility of securing supplies of soft drink from Canteen.

Fighting Efficiency : Fair. Lessened by shortage of communication equipment. Increased by addition of 12 Bren Guns and 4 Thompson S.M.G.

Sickness : 2%. 10% skin infection (desert sores)

Efficiency of weapons and equipment : 3 Guns temporarily out of action. 7 M.Gs temporarily out of action. 8 vehicles temporarily out of action.

Security : Fair

Mail : Air Mail has been irregular during the last 10 days, probably due to Christmas rush.

Topographical : Nil

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AUSTRALIA
27 Dec 42

RAA 2 Aust Div

5 Aust Inf Bde (for infm) WEEKLY I REPORT - WEEK ENDING 26 DEC 42

1. ENEMY: No Contact.

2. OWN TROOPS:

Morale. Good. Raised by influx of small arms.

Fighting Efficiency. Fair. Impaired by lack of communication equipment.

Sickness. Approximately 3%. 15% have infected sores.

Efficiency of weapons and equipment.
New FWD staff vehicles increases units flexibility in this country.
Equipment out of action:
2 Bren carriers
1 M.H. tractor
1 3-ton W.D.
1 B.S.V.
1 M.C.
1 Gun
Impaired by lack of adequate cleaning material.

Mail. Regular, both in and out.

Topographical. Incidence of bush fires reduced by cooler weather during last five days.

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APPENDIX K

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3 Australian Corps.

21 Dec 42.

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