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7. OCT. 1943

Army Form C. 2118
(adapted.)

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Unit 15 Aust Water Tpt Opg Coy
(Small Craft) RAE.Date and Time.—From 1st Sep '43 To 30 Sep '43

81 7455

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Darwin	25 Sep '43		Usual Routine runs on harbour.	
Darwin	26 Sep '43		Usual routine runs on harbour.	
Darwin	27 Sep '43		Routine Order 17/43 issued.	R.O. Attached
Darwin	28 Sep '43		Visit received from Lt-Col Sadler, commanding 14 L of C Sub-Area. General administration discussed with Capt K.L. Corr. A.S. 128 co-operated with coastal searchlights in night detection, operation was successfully carried out. Signal received from 14 L of C Sub-Area that 18 OR's, reinforcements for Unit, departed SYDNEY 25 Sep '43.	<i>Stora</i>
Darwin	29 Sep '43		Visit received from Major Potter, Rear Headquarters, I.C. Recovery of Tradesmen. Unit personnel found satisfactory and no action taken. 1 O.R. marched in X concentration details, Camp Bell Vic.	<i>Stora</i>
Darwin	30 Sep '43		1 O.R. marched in X 58 Corps Pa Pk Coy. Canteen meeting at QZX 1900 hrs, discussion for purpose of establishing unit canteen. Was resolved to establish a unit canteen in near future. Major Martin, Docks Control inspected XXX A.M. 123 with the view of using this vessel for towing barges etc.	<i>Stora</i>

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS

BY

CAPTAIN K. L. CORR

ADMINISTERING COMMAND 15 AUSTRALIAN WATER TRANSPORT OPERATING COY (Small Craft)
R.A.N.

PART 1.

NO. 17/43.

DUTIES:

ORDERLY OFFICER:	WO. <u>II</u>	McCall R.H.	27 Sept '43.
NEXT FOR DUTY:	WO. <u>I</u>	Grieve N.	4 Oct '43.
ORDERLY H.C.O.:	SGT.	Lesmond F.	27 Sept '43.
NEXT FOR DUTY:	SGT.	Thompson:	4 Oct '43.

2. LOSS OR DAMAGE OF TOOLS.

"Loss or damage of tools MUST be reported in writing to H.Q.M.S. immediately. Damaged tools or part thereof will be returned to Mechanist Store, accompanied by written report. Failure to obey this instruction may incur severe disciplinary action."

3. POWERS OF SENTRIES AND GUARDS (GRO A-648)

1. Regulations 81 of the National Security (general) Regulations

(Statutory Rules 1942, No.374) provides that, without derogating from or restricting the existing powers or rights of sentries and guards, a military sentry or guard stationed or posted at, on, in, or the neighbourhood or vicinity of, any prohibited place, protected area, controlled area, or any premises used by the Commonwealth, or used for defence purposes or for essential services, or any vehicle, vessel or aircraft used by the Commonwealth, or any enclosure, wharf or picking up place, or any merchant vessel lying in port, or any road, pathway or waterway, specified in an order by the Minister, which passes through or near a prohibited place or work of defence, maybe armed, and may -

(i) Use his weapons against, or otherwise attacked, any person who, in disregard of a warning given by a sentry or guard approaches, enters, leaves, or passes over or in the vicinity or neighbourhood of, or attempts to approach, enter, leave or pass over or in the vicinity of, that place, area, premises, vehicle, vessel, aircraft, wharf, picking up place, road, pathway, or waterway, or who, ~~approaches~~ after being arrested for so doing, escapes, and

(ii) Use his weapons against or otherwise attacks, any person attacking him or who is reasonably suspected of being about to attack him.

2. There are, however, certain principles which must guide all sentries and guards in the execution of their duty as such, and in the exercise of the right to resort to arms

These principles are :-

(a) Sentries and guards will be ordered to take any action required for the safety of their posts or to defeat the activity of enemy, or suspected enemy agents.

(b) If necessary, they will fire upon or otherwise attack any person threatening the safety of their posts or engaging in hostile act:

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(C) Before firing upon any person, the sentry or guard will, except in an urgent case of self defence, challenge that person to "Halt", if the at person does not halt, the sentry should challenge him again with "Halt" & "I fire". If the person does not halt and no other means are available for stopping him - as for example, by calling on the rest of the guard - it is the duty of the sentry to shoot.

(D) The sentry will use his intelligence and sense of responsibility in choosing whether he will shoot or not, and he must be careful not to allow any suspected to approach so close than he can be rushed and overpowered.

(E) Guards of enemy prisoners of war. An enemy prisoner of war attempting to escape maybe fired upon, but a previous summons to surrender will be given if possible.

(F) Guards of member of the forces in custody.

(i) An escort or guard is not justified in using his weapon merely for the purpose of preventing another member from escaping from custody, and if he so uses his weapons he may render himself as well as any officer or NCO under whose orders he acted, liable to be charged with murder, manslaughter or incitement to murder.

(ii) If a member in custody attempts to escape, the escort or sentry will immediately raise the alarm and give chase. He may call upon any passer-by to assist him in apprehending the escapee.

(iii) An escort or guard maybe justified in using his weapons when a member in custody resorts to violence. In such circumstances an escort or guard may meet force with force, but care must be taken to use no more force than is necessary to overcome the violence offered. Hence, even when violence is offered to an escort or guard, it will only be as a last resort that the use of weapons will be justified.

4. Orders for guards and sentries will be framed in conformity with the above and guards and sentries will be instructed as to their powers and duties.
5. G.R.O. A. 682/1942 is cancelled.

4. FELLOWSHIP HOUSE

The dwelling on Section on 70 (Ref. map Darwin 2" to 1 mile 806094) has been opened as chaplains quarters and meeting rooms.

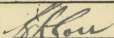
Protestant Chaplains Darwin Fortress Area will be in attendance each night between 1900 and 2130 hrs. for private interviews and fellowship. All ranks are cordially invited to attend.

This notice will be re promulgated in Unit Routine Order

Distribution.

G.O.
Rear Detachment (Lieut Andrews)
C.S.M.
P.O.C.'s Mess.
Notice Board
O.G. Operating Section
O.C. Maintenance Section
Lieut Agerton.

H.Q. NACU. Admin Cmd. 15 Aust Water
D.F.A. Operating Coy (Small Craft)
H.Q. N.T. Force. RAB.
DWT (2) ✓
Aust Water Tot (S/c) Trg and Base Stc
War Diary
File.

 Capt.

APPOINTMENTS AND PROMOTIONS.

VX89286	CPL.	KINNIBURGH K.	Appt.	A/Sgt.	24 / 9 / '43
NX583	SPR.	SCHAEFER C.	"	A/CPL.	24 / 9 / '43
VX92575	SPR.	LACK W. H.	"	A/CPL.	" "
NX19057	SPR.	FRANCIS H.G.	"	A/CPL.	" "

MARCHED OUT.

QX34375	SGT.	HUGHES H.R.	To No 6 Course O.C.T.U. Woodside 1943.	26 Sept
QX48469	SGT.	WOOD A.W.	" " " " " "	"
VX89286	A/SGT.	KINNIBURGH K.	" " " " " "	"

Capt.

(K.L. CORR.)

Admin Cmd. 15 Aust Water Tpt Coy (Small Craft) RAE.

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Military Forces

TELEPHONE

Please quote this Number when Replying

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Address

15 Aust Water Tpt Op Coy
(Small Craft) R A E.
N.T.FORCE. 25 SEP 43.

Officer i/c,
S.A. L of C Area.

RETURNS - W.3008 and W.3009.

1. Herewith returns W.3008 and W.3009 completed for week ended 0600 hrs 25 Sep 43.
2. It is advised that unit is now working on W.E.1V/15K/1, having changed from W.E. 1V/15G/1 on 24 Sep 43.
3. Under W.E. 1V/15G/1 unit was allowed to carry a Maintenance Section on strength whereas W.E.1V/15K/1 only permits a Maintenance Section to be attached, therefore, majority of tradesmen are shown on above return as surplus to W.E.
4. As it is essential to have the services of all Maintenance personnel for efficient running of unit, it is requested that Tradesmen shown as surplus to W.E. be NOT re-allotted pending raising of a Water Transport Maintenance Coy (Small Craft) R A E in accordance with W.E.1V/15G/1 and subsequent detachment of same to this unit.

J. L. Cowie Capt.
(R.E. CORR)

Adm Comd 15 Aust Water Tpt Op Coy
(Small Craft) R A E.

Copy to:
Records Detachment.N.T.F.
N.A.N.T. Force.

WAR DIARY

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(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1963)

29 / 43 (Serial No.)

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

Rev. Saturday 25/9/1943 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in p.a. 10 of instructions for completion of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary

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OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

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PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. ____/____/194____.

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Signature of Commander

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

7/42 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 25/9/1943 - (Crested GART Unit)

W.E. IV / 15K 1, OFFRS. 34 O.R's. 340 + OFFRS. O.R's. 5 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
W. 6. EXCLUDING ATTACHED:				ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W. 6.						
Enlist. Required.	Delinquency W.E.	Swearing W.E.	Parental Consent	DETAIL:	Arm. or Corps.	Parent Through	Swearing U.S.	Enlistment U.S.	Enlist. Through	
1/3			2	W.O. Class I.						
1			-	W.O. Class II.						
1			-	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgs.						
2 1/2			14	Staff Sergeants						
2 1/2			14	Sergeants	BA66	1				
2 1/2			14	Corporals	BA196	1				
2 1/2			35	Private, Privates, etc.	BA66	2		1		
2 1/2				Outlines consisting of O.R.						
2 1/2				Valid O.R. marked + should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 1.						
2 1/2			64			4				
Analysis of Part A to be done from Page 1 of each column. Only items marked in Part 1 of each column are to be included in the analysis. (See also complete analysis of Part (B) and (B)(1).)										
* Personnel belonging to a category not applicable for the analysis will be shown in the "Excluded" column. (See also Part E on Page 1, Item 1, N.S. Part).										
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Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

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Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To _____ (Unit) is Particularly Requested. ____/____/194____

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15 Rust Water Tpt op Coy
(SMALL CRAFT) RAE Unit

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PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 23/9/1943.

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NOTE.—(a) If bank other than poivete is involved give details on bank.

b) Authorized names of specialists not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.

(c) Where replacement not claimed note accordingly on return by insertion of N.R. in col. "Belans. Required."

Date of Despatch

2,000 Pads 3H46 1/48 W.P.Co

Signature of Commander

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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

10 NOV 1943

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(adapted.)15 Aust Water Tpt Optg Coy
Unit (Small Craft) RAE

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Date and Time.—From 1st Oct 43 To 31 Oct 43

HQ 7455

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	1 Oct 43		Usual Routine was carried out.	48
	2 Oct 43		Capt. K.L. Corr visited HQ 14 L of C Sub-Area, discussed "A" matters with Lt-Col Sadler and Engine part replacement with Major Deverson.	48
	3 Oct 43		Capt. D C Ross rejoined Unit and resumed command. Daylight saving commenced 0130 Hrs. Clocks advanced 1 Hr, routine advanced 30 mins.	
			Lt-Col Sadler in A S 128 made a reconnaissance of the Harbour.	
			A S 128 beached at 2000 Hrs for Hull inspection and repairs.	48
	4 Oct 43		Work commenced on A S 128	48
	5 Oct 43		Lieut Egerton (Master A K 132) instructed to render any assistance required to help salvage aircraft off Groote Eylandt.	48
	7 Oct 43		A draft of 17 OR's under S/Sgt Bayliss arrived from SYDNEY	48

Trip was completed without incident.

WAR DIARY or ~~INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.~~

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15 Aust Water Tpt Optg Coy

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Unit (Small Craft) RAE.

Date and Time.—From 1st Oct 43 To 31st. Oct 43

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Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	9 Oct 43		Personnel of last draft allotted to slit trenches and practice	
			Air Raid Drill carried out.	48
	12 Oct 43		Difficultly is being experienced in carrying out essential works	
			owing to a shortage of personnel.	48
	13 Oct 43		Approval ^{given} for Lt. Egerton to be transferred from NAOU to this	
			Unit.	48
	14 Oct 43		Aust Water Tpt Trng Centre SYDNEY requested to arrange movement	
			of Lt. Baker and crew together with any other reinforcements	
			available to M.T. Force as soon as possible.	48
	15 Oct 43.		Intelligence Summary No.1 issued. These summaries will be	
			issued weekly in future.	APPENDIX. 47
	16 Oct 43		Work on A S 128 completed and vessel again in operation.	
			Advice received from Aust Water Tpt Trng Centre that movement	
			for 1 Officer and 15 OR's has been requested, movement not before	47

24 Oct 43.

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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15 Aust Water Tpt Optg Coy
(Small Craft) RAE

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Date and Time.—From 1st Oct 43 To 31 Oct 43

RA 7455

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	17 Oct 43		Except for minor skin complaints health of the troops is good.	JB
	18 Oct 43		Special trip on A M 294 conveyed Chaplain ^{2nd} and Riley and party to Leper Settlement Channel Island.	
			In compliance with instructions received from LHQ 1 officer and 16 OR's were transferred to 32 Aust Water Tpt Maintenance Coy.	
			They will remain attached to this Unit.	JB
	19 Oct 43		Heralding commencement of Wet Season, heavy electrical storm occurred.	JB
	20 Oct 43		Major Thomas, Gdt Tng Norfolk, Major McKenzie and Lieut Bishop of Amphibious training made a survey of the Harbour in the A M 294 with a view to a choice of beach for beach-attack training.	JB
	21 Oct 43		A further 2 OR's transferred to 32 Aust Water Tpt Maintenance Coy.	
	23 Oct 43		Major McKenzie, Lieut Bishop and 20 OR's from Amphibious Warfare Team are at present attached to this unit for rations and quarters Landing Craft will be made available for their projected training Operations.	JB

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15 Aust Water Tpt Optg Coy

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Unit (Small Craft) RAE

Date and Time.—From 1st Oct 43 To 31 oct 43

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Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Darwin	23 Oct 43		Capt D.C. Ross visited Rear HQ N T Force, regarding absorption of North Aust Reconnaissance Unit. Lady Yeti's A K 127 returned Ex detachment Wyndham.	B
	25 Oct 43		Capt D.C. Ross and Capt. K.L. Corr visited 14 L of C Sub Area HQ. on A and Q matters.	B
	26 Oct 43		Lecture delivered by Lieut Tolano on Elementary Seamanship.	B
	28 Oct 43		Conference relating to Maintenance of Small Craft and absorption of personnel and plant by A E M E took place at Unit HQ between Col Stokes, Capt Cartwright, Capt ee of A E M E and Capt D C Ross and Capt K. L. Corr of Water Tpt.	
			Projected sailings of vessels sailing from Darwin to NAOU posts, issued to all concerned.	APPENDIX B
	29 Oct 43		"Poorbul" and "Hurricane" returned ex Moper River Detachment 1700 hrs. Capt D.C. Ross evacuated to Hospital.	B

15 Aust Water Tpt ^{WAR} Cptg

Coy (Small Craft) RAE

Unit.

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1st Oct 43

31 Oct 43.

Date and Time.—From

To

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SECRET

15 AUST WATER TRANSPORT OPERATING COMPANY (SMALL CRAFT) RATE

H.M. FORCE.

Coly No 15

PERIOD: Formation to 12 Oct 43.

1. GENERAL

(a) STRENGTH.	Officers	OR's	Total
Darwin	3	68	71
Roper River			
(recalled) 1		7	8
Ashton Park 1		-	1
Western Austl			1
Tasmania 3		5	8
Wyndham -		8	8
Holding Wing		9	9
School		9	10
TOTALS	10	106	116

ADMINISTRATION

(b) Valuable cooperation has been given by Hq. 14 L of 3 Sub Area and every facility given in the early operations and maintenance of the Company. Accommodation arrangements, particularly as regards latrines and cooking facilities, are not satisfactory. Repeated representation have been made to Hq. Fortress Command. It is necessary for final approval for allocation of required accommodation at Barrakeyah be finalised at an early date.

Conferences have been attended twice regularly, (weekly), with Movement Control Darwin and who have extended every consideration and assistance which has been greatly appreciated. Co-ordination between Movement and the Company is very satisfactory.

(c) SLIPWAY Plans for a new roadway to slip and a new concrete slipway have been prepared by the C.R.E. for approval. A stipulation includes that labor be provided by the Company Engineer to supervise the work. It is increasingly difficult to obtain enough labor to have the bare essential maintenance and operations carried out and can see no chance of any labor being made available for the work unless substantial reinforcements arrive, or Warforce policy, modified to the extent of allowing Melville and Bathurst Island Natives to work in the Area. On Establishment IV/15K/2, 157 Natives are allowed and would cater for Manual Unskilled Labor required. If Natives are Not allowed in the Area, an amendment must be sought to the W.E. to allow for a further hundred Sappers in lieu.

OPERATIONAL.

29 Sep to 5 Oct 43.

Harbour Traffic has steadily increased, and with the approach of the Wet Season a further increase is anticipated.

(a) JOYCE CAKES A.S. 129 Was beached on 3 Oct 43 for overhaul, an although difficulty has been experienced in getting parts repaired, it expected that the vessel will be refloated on the 14 Oct 43.

(b) CORAL A.M. 294 Has been slipped and overhauled and is in good order and condition.

(c) PIUS A.M. 123. Has been overhauled and although Hull is in good condition it is considered that owing to worn state of engine, Power unit is unreliable and beyond further repair. On Harbor rations only

(d) MATARAMKA A.M. 124 Vessel in fairly good condition / ~~EXCEL~~ and giving good service but requires slipping overhaul, painting and minor repairs.

P.T.O.

OPERATIONAL (CONT.)

- (e) GYNNIA A.M. 130 Is in need of complete overhaul. It is expected that vessel will be beached for overhaul on 16 Oct 43.
- (f) SEA-DOG A.M. 125 Beached for reconditioning of Hull and engine.
- (g) KALAMIA Beached, Hull ~~being~~ replanked, new keel and re-bul
- (h) TOUREUL A.K. 133 Enroute from Roper River to Darwin. Diverted at Groote Mylandte, to render assistance in salvag of two aircraft for R.A.A.F. .
- (i) LADY YETIVE A.K. 127 At Wyndham. Relief under orders to proceed to Wyndham and bring vessel to Darwin for re-fit.
- (k) LADY RUTH A.M. 129 Vessel at Victoria River, will move to Wyndham and replace Lady Yetive.
- (l) LADY MITCHELL At Wyndham. Temporary repairs will be carried out at Wyndham and arrangements made for vessel to be towed to Darwin for a complete overhaul and installation of new engine.
- (m) HURRICANE A.L. 122 En route to Darwin in company of Toorba
- (n) During period covered by this report seventyfour (74) pigeons from Loft 44, Army Pigeon Service, have been liberated with messages from vessels.

3. PROJECTED OPERATIONS

- (a) Arrangements have been made to service five (5) R.A.O.U. coastal Observation Posts commencing 16 Oct 43.
- (b) Embarkation and disembarkation of Operating Personnel to and from vessels laying in stream, has been undertaken and towing for lighters is immediately necessary but no towing craft are available as yet.

4. DARWIN OPERATIONS FROM 29 SEP TO 5 OCT 43.

Vessel	No of trips	Miles	Passengers	Cargo Tons	Nature of Duty
A.S. 128.	1	24½	62	NIL	Recon. Duties.
A.M. 133.	8	80.	95	13½	Rations, stores, personnel to Harbour Stations.
A.M. 130.	9	79	102	9½	" "
A.M. 294.	1	4½	1	½	Ferry from G.A. wharf.
A.M. 124.	8	211.	153	31½	Rations, stores, personnel to Harbour stations. S/L.
SUMMARY	27	399	413	55	

5. MAINTENANCE.

Work done by Maintenance Section from 3-10-43 to 13-10-43.

- (a) JOYCE Cakes A.S. 129. Slipped for repairs to Hull, Leaks were stopped by corking around stern post and timbers, hull and Super structure. Given two coats of grey paint, sheathing given two coats anti-fouling paint. Sheathing replaced around stern and small spots forward. Rigging overhauled and painted, windows fitted in wheelhouse - New galvanised rudder chains fitted. Batteries recharged. New hatch covers made and fitted. Inside of after holds painted, two coats of red lead. Tail shaft removed, for re-machining of bearing journals, and checking for straightness after plummer block bearing rebolted to keel, after plummer block sent to A.E.M.E. for repairs, building up, remounting and machining same. Gear box removed for inspection, one new ballrace fitted to lay shaft, new bronze coach screws made for skeg bearing and outlass bearing housing. New stainless steel bolts made for rudder post coupling flange. New aft coupling bolts made for tail shaft.

P.T.O.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY NO.1. (3)

MAINTENANCE (CONT)

(b) CORAL A.M. 294. Magneto failed and has been re-wired to take ignition coil and condenser, as Battery ignition. Wiring to Cabin lights tested and repaired where necessary. Generator repaired and fitted with amp. meter. Water pump and bilge pump overhauled. New windows fitted to cabin. Super structure given one coat of grey paint. Petrol tank removed and cleaned out, Engine requires new set of spark plugs which are on order.

(c) OYINIA A.M. 130 Cylinder Heads removed and valves ground and Magneto removed, dried out and adjusted. Fuel line in carburettor cleaned out and adjusted. Leaks stopped in cylinder water-jacket. One new main benzine tank from 22 gauge copper 20 gallon capacity.

(d) PIUS A.M. 123 Slipped for inspection of Hull, repairs to stern post and corking of Hull where necessary. Stern glands repacked. Steering gear overhauled. New awning fitted to after-end of canopy. New 16 Gallon copper benzine tank made and fitted, copper pipe fitted from carburettor to engine sump breather. Engine given one coat of grey dulux.

(e) KALAMA Undergoing complete overhaul. New outer skin, keel etc. Engine cylinder head removed for inspection of cylinders, piston and cylinders in good condition.

(f) MATARANKA A.M. 124 Engine painted grey dulux. Oil changed and motor serviced, is in good running order. Requires complete repainting of Hull, also requires new stern bearing.

(g) SURF BOAT Bilge pump fitted to surf boat and hollow fitted for steering sweep.

(h) COMMS. Store was removed to new building and installation of lights in Car-enters shop and R.A.P. Power line was installed at slipway for lighting and power drill, and the grounding of several buildings by fitting of earth wires was completed.

Partitions and new windows are under way for new HQ. and Orderly Room.

6.

WEEKLY REPORT ON HEALTH

The health and Morale of the Company has been particularly good, two personnel being off duty for 24 hours only. Treatment for lacerations, cuts to feet and minor ailments was given to 47 OR's by the Company R.A.P.

[Signature] Capt.
Commanding 15 Aust Water Tpt Optg Coy
(Small Craft) RAE...

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| 1. D.W.T. LHQ. (2) | 8. 32 AUST WATER TPT MAINTENANCE COY |
| 2. M.T. FORCE (2) | 9. D.W.T. SYDNEY |
| 3. 14 L of O SUB- AREA (2) | 10. MOVEMENTS CONTROL DARWIN |
| 4. HQ. FORTRESS COMMAND | 11. FILE. |
| 5. HQ. N.A.O.U. | 12. WAR DIARY. ✓ |
| 6. HQ. No.1 AUST WATER TPT GROUP | |
| 7. HQ. No.2 AUST WATER TPT GROUP | |

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DATE 18 OCT 43.

DATE OF LAST ROUTINE
ORDER 10 OCT 43

A U S T R A L I A N M I L I T A R Y F O R C E S

R O U T I N E O R D E R S

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C A P T A I N D. C. R O S S.

C O M M A N D I N G 15 A U S T W A T E R T R P T O P T G C O Y (S M A L L C R A F T) R. A. F.

P A R T 1.

S E R I A L 19/43

1. D U T I E S.

Orderly Officer	WO1. Grieva H.	18/10/43
Next for Duty	WO1. Hein G.	25/10/43
Orderly N.C.O.	Sgt. Skeet A.M.	18/10/43
Next for Duty	Sgt. Urquhart G.	25/10/43

2. I D E N T I T Y D I S C S.

All ranks will be supplied with two identity discs which will be worn as shown below :-

(a) The No. 1 (hexagonal) disc will be suspended round the neck beneath the uniform by 32 inches of cord, and the No. 2 (round) disc will hang below the No. 1 by the two being joined by 6 inches of cord.

(b) The following particulars will be stamped clearly and effectively on the discs as under :-

FRONT SIDE :

- (i) Army number
- (ii) Initials and name
- (iii) Index letter (s) of religion.

REVERSE SIDE : Blood group number (as shown inside back cover of paybook).

- (c) The index letters of the various religious denominations, -

Church of England	-- CE	Congregational	-- C
Presbyterian	-- P	Roman Catholic	-- RC
Methodist	-- M	Jewish	-- J
Lutheran	-- L	Salvation Army	-- SA
Christian Scientist	-- CS	Church of Christ	-- C.C.
Baptist	-- B	Greek Orthodox	-- GO

Neglect to wear Identity Discs will be treated as a breach of Discipline.

3. D R E S S - W E A R I N G O F S H I R T S (H. T. F. 244)

1. It has been reported that personnel are attending concerts and picture shows not wearing shirts.

2. The following extract from H.T. Force Order 37/43 repeated for the information of Units which have recently arrived in the Area -

- (i) Shirts will be worn
 - (a) On all parades and tactical exercises;
 - (b) On all occasions when web or other equipment is worn;

RESTRICTED.

25 Oct. '43.
DATE OF LAST ROUTINE ORDER
18 Oct. '43.

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

ROUTINE ORDERS

By

Captain D.C. ROSS

Commanding 15 Aust. Water Transport Operating Coy. (Small Craft) R.A.E.

Part 1.

Serial 20/43.

1. DUTIES.

Ordinary Officer	W.O. (11) Hein G.	25.10.43
Next for Duty	W.O. (11) McCall R.M.	1.11.43
Ordinary M.C.O.	Sgt. Urquhart G.	25.10.43
Next for Duty	" Kelly W.	1.11.43

2. ARMY EDUCATIONAL SERVICE. A box of books of great interest has been supplied by the above service to this unit. These books will be loaned out to anyone requiring same on the understanding that if lost they will be paid for by the person borrowing same. Books can be obtained from R/Sgt. Bayliss.

D.C. Ross Captain;
(R.A.E. Coy)

Adjutant, 15 Aust. Water Transport Operating Coy
(Small Craft) R.A.E.

ROUTINE ORDERS.

Part 11.

25 Oct. '43.

1. STRENGTH INCREASE.

NZ. 101071	Sgt. Perkins K.R.	on 45 Aust Camp Hospital	19.10.43
VX. 87052	" Davies T.E.	on 101 A.G.H.	21.10.43

2. STRENGTH DECREASE.

VX. 87052	Sgt. Davies T.H.	Transferred to 32 Aust. Water Trans-
VX. 77453	" Chambers J.B.	port Coy. (Small Craft) Maintenance
		and remain attached
		21.10.43.

DISTRIBUTION.

1.	Commanding Officer	7.	H.O. Op. Mess
2.	C.O. Operating Section.	8.	Notice Board
3.	C.O. Maintenance.	9.	H.Q., H.E. Base
4.	C.S.M.	10.	Darwin Force Mess.
5.	C.Q.M.S.	11.	14 H.E. of C.
6.	Officers' Mess	12.	Disembarkate Water Transport (2)
		13.	3 Aust. Water Tpt. Gp. Torres P.
		14.	Aust. Water Tpt. Depot & Base S
		15.	War Diary.
		16.	File.

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H Q,
N A O U.

Address
15 Aust Water Tpt Optg Coy,
(Small Craft) R A E.
AUSTRALIA. 28 Oct 43.

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM DARWIN TO N A O U POSTS.

Attached is schedule of proposed sailings for N A O U Posts to end of December 1943.

2. It is advised that cargo for shipment must be delivered to Slipway, Lorrakeyah, by 1400 hrs on day prior to departure and personnel to be on board by 0600 hrs date of sailing.

Capt.

(D.C. ROSS)

O.C. 15 Aust Water Tpt Optg Coy
(Small Craft) R A E.

Copies to:

Movements, Darwin.
N O I C Darwin.
I O Norforce
I O RAAF Advance
N A O U Detachment, Wynellie.

WAR DIARY

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM DARWIN TO H.A.O .U. POSTS.

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DATE	TIME	VESSEL	POSTS
Saturday 30th Oct	0630	AS 128	Pt Stephens & the Narrows.
Monday 1st Nov	0630	AS 128	East Pt & Pioneer Beach.
Saturday 13th Nov	0630	AS 128	Pt Stephens & the Narrows.
Monday 15th Nov	0630	AS 128	East Pt , Pioneer Beach & Red Cliffs.
Saturday 27th Nov	0630	AS 128	Pt Stephens & the Narrows.
Monday 29th Nov	0630	AS 128	East Pt & Pioneer Beach
Saturday 11th Dec	0630	AS 128	Pt Stephens & the Narrows.
Monday 13th Dec	0630	AS 128	East Pt, Pioneer Beach & Red Cliffs.
Wednesday 22nd Dec	0630	AK. AS 128 127	Pt Stephens & the Narrows.
Tuesday 21st Dec	0630	AS 128	East Pt, Pioneer Beach & Red Cliffs.

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Address 7 2 273
15 Aust Water Tpt Opg Coy
(Small Craft) RAE
N.T. Force
AUSTRALIA 2 Oct'43

Officer I/C
SA. L of C Area Records

RETURNS - W.3008 and W. 3009.

Herewith above returns completed for weekendend 0600
hrs 2 Oct'43.

2. It is advised that unit is now working on W.E.
1V/15/1, having changed from W.E. 1V/15C/1 on 24 Sep'43.

3. Under W.E. 1V/15C/1 Unit was allowed to carry
a Maintenance Section on strength whereas W.E. 1V/15K/1 only
permits a Maintenance Section to be attached, therefore, majority
of tradesman are shown on above return as surplus to W.E.

4. As it is essential to have the services of all
Maintenance personnel for efficient running of Unit, it is
requested that Tradesmen shown as surplus to W.E. ~~not~~ be
re-allotted pending raising of a Water Tpt Maintenance Small
Craft RAE in accordance with W.E. 1V/15C/1 and subsequent
detachment of same to this Unit

Capt.

(KL.CORR.)

Admin Comd. 15 Aust Water Tpt Opg Coy
(Small Craft) RAE

Copies to:-
Records DEPT. N.T. FORCE
HQ N.T Force
3 Aust C.E. *WAR DIARY*

Army Forest W.3009
(Adapted) (Page 2)
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2d Opq Coy

9/10/1943

INCL. 157 NATIVES

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.	Part C. Other Ranks Included in Part A Detached to Other Units.
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Brief Description of Job

(Unit) is Particularly Requested. / /194

NOTE:—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorized trades or specialties are included in the roll will be added as required in spaces provided.
(c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W. are present are desired give details on back.
(d) Where replacement was desired note provisions for replacement in roll (Status, Honored).

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is required give details on back.

(b) Authorized trader or specialist not included in list will be added as required in space provided.

(4) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.B. in col. "Remarks Required."

(e) Where any request or extension is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

9-10-1

Signature of Commander _____

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(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1952)
44-43 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs, Saturday, 9/10/1943, (Small Craft) (Unit)

W.F. 14/154/2 OFFERS 31 O.R's 310 + OFFERS - O.R's 3 ATT. BY W.F.

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

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units qualified to pass 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).

* Given detail of higher ranks as necessary

* Inexact detail of higher ranks as necessary.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

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PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO _____ (Unit) IS

PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. ____/____/194____

[illegible]

Army Form W.3068
(Adapted) (Page 2)
(Revised Jan., 1943)
41 / 43 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 9 / 10 / 1943 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

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Subscribing Entity and Highest Taxpaying Party of Record	Asset Number	Name and Initials	Date	Date of Assignment	Name of Assignee(s)
	416031	CORRIE H.E	2/20/49 1ST COPY	14/7/60	ASSIGNING TO LEO SGO WITH PER TRANSFER
	416276	DUNTER R.M.	3/21/49 1ST COPY	3/24/49	" " " "

Signature of Commander

7-DEC 1943

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C, 21-4
(adapted.)

Unit 15 Aust Water Tpt Optg Coy (Small Craft)RAE (Erase heading not required).
Date and Time. From 1 Nov 43 To 30 Nov 43

23494 5-42 8L 1401

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	1 Nov 43		Strength is 8 Officers and 70 Ors. Maintenance Det. 1 Officer & 18 OR's.	JB
DARWIN	2 Nov 43		Assistance given Coast Artillery in delivery of larger calibre guns to WAUGITE Bty.	JB
DARWIN	4 Nov 43		Capt D. C. ROSS rejoined Unit from 129 AGH and resumed COMMAND	JB
DARWIN	5 Nov 43		Troops vacated LARRAKEYAH BARRACKS and occupied accommodation near slipway. Lieut A TOLANO departed on leave and Lieut Egerton appointed Actg O C Operations.	JB
DARWIN	6 Nov 43		Capt K L CORR absent two days on duty as sitting member of 14 L of C Sub-Area Dist. Court Martial. On direction of Col LeMaire LHQ Capt ROSS was requested to submit a report on all vessels on strength with any difficulties which Unit is experiencing. This was supplied in duplicate.	JB
DARWIN	7 Nov 43		Usual Routine. Harbour runs unchanged.	JB

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C. 5110
(adapted.)

(Erase heading not required).

Unit 15 Aust Water Tpt Optg Coy
(Small Craft) RAE Date and Time.—From 1 Nov 43 To 30 Nov 43

25494 5.42 86, 1021

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	9 Nov 43		A S 128 departed 0700 Hrs for WESSEL ISLAND with Mail, stores and Rations for RAAF and RAN Outposts. A/Sgt Lack as Master.	JB
DARWIN	10 Nov 43		4 ALCV MARK 11 arrived ex "Peter De Smet" and taken on strength.	JB
DARWIN	11 Nov 43		Capt D C ROSS and Capt K L CORR visited Rear HQ NT Force on A and Q matters.	JB
DARWIN	13 Nov 43		Advice received that Lieuts Corrie and Creagh would depart SYDNEY for this unit on the 15 Nov.	JB
DARWIN	14 Nov 43		Advice received that 1 Officer and 14 OR's departed from SYDNEY for this Unit.	JB
DARWIN	15 Nov 43		G O C Major-General ALLEN viewed work of Unit in conjunction with LHQ Amphibious Tng Section. Weekly summary No 4 issued.	JB
DARWIN	19 Nov 43		Brig. OBRIEN B R A accompanied by Col HOWIE was transported on inspection of A A Defences EAST ARM.	JB
DARWIN	20 Nov 43		Brig. OBRIEN accompanied by Col FORD was transported inspection	

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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C₂111¹
(adapted.)

15 Aust Water Tpt Optg Coy (Erase heading not required).

Unit (Small CRAFT) RAE.

Date and Time.—From 1 Nov 43

To 30 Nov 43.

25494 5.42 86.1021

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	20 Nov (Continued)		of A A Defences at WEST POINT, TALC, AND SWIRES BLUFF.	JB
DARWIN	21 Nov 43		A consignment of Stores and Machine Tools arrived this Unit ex S S "BURWAH".	JB JB
DARWIN	22 Nov 43		Weekly Summary No 5 issued.	JB
DARWIN	23 Nov 43		Lieut J CREAGH and A E T CORRIE arrived this Unit from SYDNEY	JB
DARWIN	24 Nov 43		Lieut W P BAKER and 12 OR's arrived from Training Depot SYDNEY, and were taken on strength. A rear party of 3 OR's still remains in SYDNEY.	JB
DARWIN	26 Nov 43.		Day and Night manoeuvres were successfully carried for the Amphibious Training School, the handling and towing of a large of boats without lights or guiding ^{beacons} visions , being completed without incident. Lieut W P Baker appointed Officer in Charge of Operating Section.	JB JB
DARWIN	28 Nov 43		"LADY YEPIVE" (A K 127) departed 0600 Hrs for Adelaide River.	JB

Army Form C. 2418
(adapted.)

Unit 15 Aust Water Tpt Optg Coy
(Small Craft) RAB Date and Time.—From 1 Nov 43 To 30 Nov 43

23424 5.42 Ht. 1621

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WEEKLY SUMMARY No. 3.

15 Aust. Water Transport Operating Company (Small Craft) R.A.E.

Period: 0900 hrs. 30 Oct. '43 to 0859 hrs. 6 Nov. '43.

Copy No. _____

1. GENERAL.

(a) <u>STRENGTH.</u>	<u>Offs.</u>	<u>O/Ranks.</u>	<u>Total.</u>
Darwin	3	63	66
Sydney	3	--	--
Tasmania	1	5	6
N.A.O.U.	--	2	2
Leave	1	5	6
Holding Wing	--	10	10
School	1	9	10
Water Transpt. Mtce. Coy.	1	18	19
TOTAL:	10	112	122

(b) Accommodation has been finalised and consolidated; personnel now occupy bungalows and SW huts adjacent to slipway area.

Lieut. Toland and four (4) o/ranks proceeded on recreation leave on Nov. 4. All had had over 18 months' service in N.T.

Lieut. Egerton replaced Lieut. Toland as Officer i/o Operation Section.

2. OPERATIONAL.

AS.128 now being equipped to load and proceed to Melville Bay for transhipment of 120 tons of cargo to Wessel Island and Groote Eylandt. This trip should occupy six (6) weeks. Movements have requested vessel to depart early date in view of urgency. All stores will be landed through surf.

All other vessels operating on usual duties.

No. of trips.	Miles travelled.	Personnel carried	Cargo Tons carried.
39	683	510	105

3. MAINTENANCE.

AS.128 running satisfactorily. Minor repairs made to exhaust expansion box.

AM.294 running fairly satisfactorily. No new spark plugs have arrived as yet. Minor adjustments made to clutch and motor.

AM.130 has been beached for complete overhaul and is undergoing same. Shoathing is being stripped for inspection of hull and replanking of same. Engine has been pulled down and condition is better than expected. Piston clearance and state of cylinders are to be checked.

KALAMA - Hull still undergoing rebuilding.

AM.125 work to hull proceeding satisfactorily. Crank shaft and con rod for motor with A.E.M.E., at Mataramka being repaired.

AK.127 Cased on beach for cleaning and repairs to shoathing.

AM.123 Running satisfactorily since timing chain jockey pulley has been fitted and minor repairs to clutch.

AK.121 Engine undergoing overhaul after 1000 hours' running time. Cylinder heads and valves are in A.E.M.E. workshop awaiting machining to valve seats and valves. Spare bronze tail shaft is also being machined in A.E.M.E. workshop.

General: Rebuilding of road down cliff face to slipway was commenced. Dangerous curves are being eliminated, surface drainage being controlled and road surface restored. The work is being carried out under supervision of Fortress Engineers. Repair work was continued on dinghies and surf boat. Two 4-ton concrete mooring blocks are under construction and will be placed in position within one week for A.L.C.Vs.



Captain,

(D.C. Ross)

O.C., 15 Aust. Water Transport Operating Coy.
(Small Craft) R.A.E.

DISTRIBUTION.

1. D.W.T., L.H.Q.
2. H.Q., N.T. Force
3. H.Q., 14 L. of C. Sub-Area
4. H.Q., Fortress Command.
5. H.Q., 2 Aust. Water Transport Group
6. 32 Aust. Water Transport Maintenance Coy.
7. Movement Control, Darwin.
8. War Diary
9. File.

SECRET

WEEKLY SUMMARY NO.4.

15 AUST WATER TRANSPORT OPERATING COMPANY
(SMALL CRAFT) R.A.E.

PERIOD : 0900 Hrs 6 Nov 43 to 0859 Hrs 13 Nov '43

I. GENERAL

(A) STRENGTH

	Officers	O Ranks	Total
DARWIN	3	67	70
TASMANIA	1	5	6
N A O U		2	2
LEAVE	1	5	6
HOLDING WING SYDNEY	3	12	15
SCHOOL	1	9	10
WATER TPT MTCE COY DETACHMENT	1	17	18
TOTALS.....	10	117	127

(B) Lieut Andrews commenced duty with the Company HQ in DARWIN as O I C of Maintenance Detachment following special duty in PERTH in connection with fitting out of A S "POLLYANNA".

Four A L C V Mark 11 were taken on charge and immediately placed into service. These craft will be of considerable assistance in maintaining Harbour Services. At present they are being operated for Amphibious Training.

Deficiencies in personnel remain one of the Chief problems of the Company. Essential shore work requirements which must be completed before the Wet Season begins requires more personnel than can be supplied by the Company.

2. OPERATIONS

A S 128 "JOYCE OAKES" departed 9-11-43 for MELVILLE BAY with load of cargo for RAAF. Figures of vessel's activities are not yet available. Signal Received, Quote " A S 128 arrived MELVILLE BAY A.M. on 13 NOV and will commence transhipment of cargo from that port to WESSEL and GROOTE ISLANDS" .

A K 127 "LADY YETIVE" departed 0630 hrs 13-11-43 with rations and stores for N A O U outposts on North-East coast.

A M 124 "MATARANKA" Repairs completed, vessel has again commenced duties in Harbour.

A M 122 "HURRICANE" Temporary repairs have been effected and vessel is now available for Harbour duties.

A K 132 "TOORBUL" Vessel is still out of commission pending repairs to Engine and Hull

A M 294 "GCRAL" On Harbour Duties

A M 123 "PIUS" On Harbour Duties

NAOU OUTPOSTS. A M 129 "LADYRUTH" Operating at Wyndhan servicing No cargo or personnel reports yet to hand.

A M 125 "SEA DOG" Careened on beach for overhaul.

A M 130 "GYMIMA" Careened on beach for overhaul.

"KALAMA" Careened on beach for overhaul.

"MISS DARWIN" Awaiting new engine.

A L C V is Maph 11 Four Craft, i.e. AB1009, AB1024, AB1026 and AB1031 are now operating in conjunction with LHQ Amphibian Training Section and Harbour Services.

No. of Trips.	Miles Travelled.	Personnel Carried.	Cargo ton carried.	V E S S E L
9	186	85	11	AM 123 "PIUS"
13	128	228	40	AM 294 "CORAL"
4	25	10	11	AM 122 "HURRICANE"
2	24	40	8	AM 127 "L. TETIVE"
3	27	130	3	AB 1026 ALCV
1	0	120	-	AB 1031 ALCV
32	402	613	73	SUMMARY.

GENERAL.

ARMY PIGEON SERVICE. Full co-operation is being received from 44 Aust Pigeon Loft and the service has proved of the utmost value. In the above period 58 birds were used.

3. MAINTENANCE

A M 294 Running fairly satisfactorily. Is still in need of new spark plugs. Minor adjustments made to motor. New canvas curtains made for after cabin.

A M 120 Still undergoing overhaul. Work proceeding slowly owing to shortage shipwrights and the machining of valve seats and valves by A E M E WORKSHOPS. New canvas side curtains made for after cabin.

"KALAMA" Hull still undergoing rebuilding.

A M 125 Work proceeding slowly owing to shortage of shipwrights, and delay in receiving crankshaft and con-rod from A E M E. Mataranka Workshops.

A K 127 Work proceeding. Engine in need of top overhaul.

A M 123 Engine running satisfactorily. Gearbox requires overhaul and needs careening for leaks in hull, also bottom cleaned and painted with anti-fouling as this vessel has no copper sheathing.

A L 122 Was careened on beach for cleaning and painting, mast was unshipped. Minor repairs made to motor and tail-shaft bearings. Repairs to petrol tank. Transmission requires attention.

A K 121 Engine overhaul is proceeding slowly owing to delay in receiving parts from A E M E workshop. This vessel was slipped in the Navy's Floating Dock, for repairs to tail-shaft, machined by A E M E. On delivery of tail-shaft and stern bearings, a check was made in Navy Workshop and the bronze tail shaft was found to be out of alignment by point 035". O C and 2 i/c Maintenance agreed this amount was far too great to allow the fitting of same and provide for satisfactory running of vessel. Awaiting further result of further enquiries before putting vessel into commission. Various repairs are being made to decking, Hatchways and rigging etc.

A M 124 Engine was given top overhaul. Extreme difficulty was experienced in getting the machining of valve seats and valves which was necessary owing to a burned out valve. The cylinder block was sent to A E M E for this work. Owing to delay in receiving same, the block was taken to Navy Workshop and is now in commission again. Repairs were made to sheathing and Hull painted gray.

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PAGE (3). WEEKLY SUMMARY NO4.

GENERAL WORK Work still progressing on road to Slipway. Minor repairs to dinghies. Two four ton concrete mooring blocks were put into position with 22 fathoms of 7/8"-diameter studded chain to mooring barge fitted with four fathoms of 3/8" diameter mooring chain and four fathoms of 3" manilla preventer rope. Repairs and alterations made to new men's mess and cookhouse. Various fittings made for HQ Orderly Room. 4 ALCV's Mark 11 taken delivery of from M V PETER DE SMET and considerable adjustments made to electrical equipment, and motors, out of the eight motors only one was in running condition, three barges are now in running condition, the fourth will be ready in a day or two.

EXTREME DIFFICULTY IS BEING EXPERIENCED OWING TO LACK OF MACHINE TOOLS AND REPAIR SHOP.


Capt.

(D C ROSS)

O C 15 ANST WATER TPT OPTG COY (SMALL CRAFT) RAE.

D I S T R I B U T I O N

1. O C
2. D W T HQ
3. C E N T FORCE
4. HQ 14 L of C Sub-Area
5. H Q N T FORCE
6. H Q DARWIN WORKSHOPS
7. HQ 2 Anst Water Tpt Group
8. Detachment 22 Anst Water Maintenance Coy
9. Movement Control DARWIN
10. War Diary —
11. File.

SECRETWEEKLY SUMMARY NO. 515 AUST WATER TPT OPTG COY (Small Craft) RAEPERIOD : 0900 Hrs 13 Nov 43 to 0859 Hrs 20 Nov 431. GENERAL(a) STRENGTH

	<u>Officers</u>	<u>OR's</u>	<u>TOTALS</u>
DARWIN	3	72	75
TASMANIA	1	5	6
NAOU		2	2
LEAVE	1	5	6
SCHOOL	1	9	10
IN TRANSIT TO DARWIN	3	14	17
Det. 32 Aust Water Tpt Main- tenance Coy.....	1	14	15
TOTALS	10	121	131

(b) General duty service during the seven days covered 952 miles in 49 trips, a steady increase in mileage. Passengers carried remained steady at 615. Extensive maintenance work has been carried out during the period, shortage of personnel necessitating long hours of work including much night work. The addition to strength of the four A L C V's has created much of this additional maintenance work as detailed elsewhere.

The Company has received commendation for its co-operation with, and the handling of A L C V's for Amphibious Training School manoeuvres.

The building of new slipway and re-building of roadway will severely tax the Company in maintaining essential services, unless reinforcements are received. A satisfactory settlement of the Native Personnel situation would considerably alleviate the position.

Health of the personnel has been well maintained due to the competent and untiring services of Opl H E Gold (R A P CPL.) Seventy-seven cases of various types of ailments were treated but only four Man Days were lost by "light duty". There was one Hospital case. Early treatment and preventative measures have been most effective.

Plans for improved barrack conditions for the men are held up pending labour being available. The unit canteen is functioning satisfactory. Lecture and Recreation Room, Canteen and RAP are being combined in the one building, thus establishing a central point for personnel of the Company.

2. OPERATIONS

A S 128 "JOYCE OAKES" Advice has been received from this vessel from R A A F, MELVILLE BAY that it has completed one trip to and from WESSEL ISLAND and further trips will be carried out to GROOTE and WESSEL ISLANDS until 120 tons have been carried.

A K 127 "LADY YETIVE" This vessel returned at 1330 Hrs KL on 19 Nov 43 from servicing NAOU posts : Adelaide River, Stephens Point, East Point, Pioneer Beach and Anson Bay. Vessel is now being used in Amphibious Training, pending next deep sea trip.

A M 124 "MATARANKA" On harbour duties.

A M 122 "HURRICANE" After completing two harbour runs is again out of commission with clutch trouble.

A K 132 "TOORBUL" This vessel is sealed up undergoing fumigation and still out of commission pending major engine overhaul.

A M 294 "CORAL"	On harbour Duties.
A M 123 "PIUS"	On harbour Duties.
A M 123 "LADY RUTH"	Operating at WYNDHAM for MAOU outposts.
A M 125 "SEA-DOG"	Careened on beach for overhaul.
A M 130 "CYNINA"	Careened on beach for overhaul.
"KALAMA"	
MISS DARWIN 11	Awaiting new engine.

A L C Vs Mark 11. These barges i.e., 1009, 1024, 1026 and 1031, have continued in operations with LHQ Amphibian Training Section also on harbour services during the above period.

VESSEL.	MILES TRAVELLED.	NO TRIPS.	PERSONNEL CARRIED.	CARGO TONS CARRIED.
A K 127 "Lady Yetive"	350	2	12	6
A M 123 "Pius"	135	8	87	12
A M 124 "Mataranka"	26	10	75	2
A M 294 "Coral"	94	9	122	18
A S 122 "Hurricane"	47	2	8	-
A M 129 "Lady Ruth"	120	3	20	2
ALCVs AB1009	40	3	75	-
" AB1024	55	4	58	6
" AB1026	40	3	40	1
" AB1031	45	4	118	1
S U M M A R Y	952..	48	615	48

G E N E R A L. Launches, A M 123 Pius and A M 123 Hurricane, have been engaged, in conjunction with R A M, in towing barge for Coast Arty to Waingite Beach.

For the above period, 53 pigeons from 44 Aust Army Pigeon Loft were used, with satisfactory results.

3. M A I N T E N A N C E

A M 294 "CORAL" Able to remain in service, but great difficulty is being experienced with engine owing to worn out plugs. Set of adaptors to enable 14 m.m. plugs to be used were requisitioned on A E M E 16 Nov 43 and are being made. New base plate fitted to generator, two new window glasses provided, also boat hook, maintenance of paint work continued.

A M 130 "CYNINA" It was found necessary to replace all bronze keel bolts, this necessitated removing engine. Work on hull making better progress. Skeg will require to be stiffened. Anticipate completion of overhaul by next high tides.

" KALAMA" Hull still undergoing reconstruction.

A M 125 "SEADOG" Work on hull proceeding, more satisfactorily. Crankshaft not yet traced by A E M E.

A K 127 "LADY YETIVE" Engine requires top overhaul. Vessel is still operating satisfactorily.

A M 123 "PIUS" Vessel beached and new stern-tube fitted. Various leaks taken up and several patches put on. Repairs very satisfactory. Maintenance painting completed.

A M 122 "HURRICANE" Requires new transmission throughout. This work must be completed before vessel goes into service.

A K 121 "ARONETTA" All work at a standstill awaiting instruction re tail-shaft.

A M 124 "MATARANKA" Vessel running satisfactorily. Maintenance painting continued.

AB 1031 } These Barges are requiring a great deal of
 AB 1009 } maintenance. The electric systems give constant
 AB 1024 } trouble and require daily attention, a torrential
 AB 1026 } fall of rain flooded the barges and put the engines
 awash. All engines took in water, fuel tanks flooded and great
 difficulty is being experienced in keeping 75 % to 100 % of barges
 in operation. Eight $\frac{1}{2}$ " G S W R bridles are being made to moor barges
 to buoys. Canopies are required to prevent barges flooding during.P.T.C.

during...

rainstorms or heavy seas during operations.

Work is still progressing on roadway to Slip site. General repair and maintenance of camp buildings. Dinghies have had usual maintenance repairs.

Capt.

(D O ROSS)

0015 Aust Water Tpt Optg Coy (Small Craft) RAE

Distribution :

1. O C
2. DWT LHQ
3. HQ NT Force
4. C E NT Force
5. HQ 14 L of C Sub-Area
6. HQ Darwin Fortress
7. HQ 2 Aust Water Tpt Group
8. Detachment 32 Aust Water Tpt Maintenance Coy
9. O C Operating Section 15 Aust Water Tpt Optg Coy
10. Movement Control DARWIN
11. War Diary
12. File.

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WEEKLY SUMMARY No. 2.

15 Aust. Water Transport Operating Company (Small Craft) R.A.E. M.T. Force

Period: 0900 hrs. 23 Oct. to 0859 Hrs. 30 Oct. '43

Copy No. _____

1. <u>GENERAL.</u>				
(a)	<u>STRENGTH.</u>	<u>Offs.</u>	<u>@/Ranks.</u>	<u>Total.</u>
	Darwin	4	65	69
	Ashton Park	1	—	1
	Tasmania	1	5	6
	NAOU	2	2	2
	Leave	1	2	2
	En route for Darwin	2	—	2
	Holding Wing	—	10	10
	School	1	9	10
	Detachment, 32 Aust.			
	Maintenance Coy., Darwin	1	18	19
	TOTAL:	10	111	121

(b) ADMINISTRATION.

Transfers of Maintenance personnel from 15 Aust. Water Transport Operating Coy. (Small Craft) R.A.E. to 32 Maintenance Coy. were effected, and conferences held with A.E.M.E. regarding allocation of major tools.

The servicing of five (5) additional NAOU posts has been undertaken, a fortnightly service being covered by the "Joyce Oakes."

2. OPERATIONAL.

(a) Period 0900 hrs 13.10.43 to 0859 hrs 23.10.43.

Vessel	No. of trips.	Miles	Passengers	Cargo Tons.
AS.120	4	422	17	10
AM.123	10	100	131	50
AM.124	17	274	95	39
AM.130	4	36	56	2
AM.294	17	163	369	33
SUMMARY	52	995	668	134

(b) Period 0900 hrs 23.10.43 to 0859 hrs. 30.10.43.

AM.123	4	47	52	3
AM.124	10	100	133	13
AM.130	3	26	41	6
AM.294	14	117	345	39
SUMMARY	31	270	571	61

3. MAINTENANCE.

(Period 23.10.43 to 30.10.43).

"JOYCE OAKES." Running satisfactorily. Minor adjustments made to tail shaft bearings. Oil rings were not fitted to same as felt feeders are working satisfactorily.

"CORAL." Motor still running fairly satisfactorily. No new spark plugs have arrived as yet. Exhaust expansion box removed and repaired. New canvas blinds made for canopy. New false keel fitted to dinghy.

"GYWINEA." To be beached for complete overhaul on 30.10.43.

"KALABRIA." Hull still being replanked, etc. Work proceeding satisfactorily.

"SEA DOG." Has been beached and new bottom planks being fitted.

"FOYUS." Motor has been giving further trouble owing to worn state of timing chain; a silent chain which is unobtainable. A jockey pulley is being fitted to same: parts to be machined by A.E.M.E. workshops.

"NATANKA." Although in need of minor repairs to hull and painting, has been giving very good service. The trouble of cracking cylinders has been overcome by putting a compression plate under cylinder block and a deflector to the water circulation feed pipe to cylinder block. The fitting of a preheating device to the water circulation system is to be carried out when vessel is slipped for overhaul.

"BUFFALO." (Launch). Repairs effected to clutch. New skog spliced on. Motor serviced. Stuffing boxes repacked. Repairs to thwart and docking. Bottom given one (1) coat of anti-fouling paint.

GENERAL WORK.

Repairs to slipway: fitting of planks to centre as a skid for dinghies. Various major tools and cargo which arrived by S.S. "Auldinger" were stored in Maintenance Q.M.'s Store and timber in timber store. Various fittings made for H.Q. Orderly Room. Two (2) mould boxes made for concrete mooring blocks. 1 1/2" Water pipe alongside slipway red painted.

for:  Captain,
O.C., 12 Aust. Water Transport Operating Company
(Small Craft) R.A.E.

DISTRIBUTION:

1. D.W.G. L.H.Q. (1)
2. H.Q. N.E. Force (1)
3. H.Q. 14 Ls of G. Sub-Area (5)
4. H.Q. Fortress Command
5. H.Q. 2 Aust. Water Transport Group.
6. 22 Aust. Water Transport Maintenance Coy.
7. Movement Control, Darwin
8. War Diary
9. File.

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29 Nov 1943

Date of Last Routine Order 22 Nov '43

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS

BY

CAPT. D. C. ROSS

O. C. 15 AUST WATER TRANSPORT OPERATING COY (SMALL CRAFT) RAE

PART 1.

SERIAL 25/43.

1.
DUTIES

ORDERLY OFFICER
NEXT FOR DUTY

LIEUT OREAGH J. 29 Nov 43
LIEUT CORRIE A.E.T. 6 Dec 43

ORDERLY SERGEANT
NEXT FOR DUTY

SGT. URQUHART G. 29 Nov 43
SGT. LARDNER E. 6 Dec 43

2.
WAR TIME ECONOMY - GRO A 742

1. By Special Order dated the 8th April, 1943, the Commander-in-Chief imposed upon every officer and soldier the special and immediate duty of taking such action as was within his authority to prevent wasteful diversion of national resources, and to avoid any extravagance in the expenditure of public funds, and to establish the Australian Army as a national model in wartime economy.

2. Since that date the prosecution of the war has made increasingly onerous claims upon Australia's man power and material wealth. These unrelenting claims will prove insatiable unless, throughout the Commonwealth, considerations of personal comfort and convenience are forgotten and unless the expenditure of available resources is rigidly restricted by a discerning frugality which distinguishes between needs essential to the achievement of victory and those for which self-denial can provide an effective substitute. Within the Army, the challenge of these intensified demands will be met by continued efforts to close all avenues of waste, by vigilant forethought in planning and by a firm determination that the Army will do everything in its power to develop the spirit that will lead Australia along the path of national thrift.

3.
REMITTANCES FROM MEMBERS - GRO A747

1. The attention of all ranks is drawn to the arrangements which exist for a member to send a remittance of cash or undrawn pay to any person resident in Australia or to another member (wherever serving)

2. These arrangements provide that remittances may be made through Army channels by members who are serving in localities where money order or banking facilities for remittance are not available with reasonable convenience.

3. Remittances through Army channels are effected by the member completing a remittance form (WF131 or WF131a) and handing the form to the pay sergeant or paymaster, together with the cash (in the case of a remittance of cash) or the...PTO

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or the..... members paybook (for entry of the debit in the case of a remittance of undrawn pay).

4. A member sending a remittance should take particular care to see that full details are clearly and legibly set out on the remittance form. This applies especially to the name and address of the person to whom the remittance is to be sent.

5. The member will ensure that he obtains a receipt from the pay sergeant or paymaster for any cash handed over.

PROHIBITED AREA - TOWN OF DARWIN

Ref N.T. Force Order 117/43

1. N T Force Sig A8358 dated 19 Nov 43 has advised that from 22 Nov 43 disciplinary action will be taken against all ranks entering or attempting to enter DARWIN without a duty pass as prescribed.

DISTRIBUTION :

1. O O
2. O O Oprg Section
3. O O Det. 32 Aust Water Mtn Coy
4. O S M
5. Officer's Mess
6. Sgt's Mess
7. Notice Board
- 8/9. D W T LHQ
10. HQ N T Force
11. HQ 14 L of O Sub-Area 12. Darwin Fortress
13. HQ 2 Aust Water Tpt Group (S/O)
14. War Diary
15. File

H. L. Corr Capt.
(K.L. CORR).
Adj. 15 Aust Water Tpt Optg
Coy (Small Craft) RAE.

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22 NOV 43
Date of Last Routine
Order 15 Nov 43

A U S T R A L I A N M I L I T A R Y F O R C E S

R O U T I N E O R D E R S

BY
Capt D. U. ROSS
O C 15 AUST WATER TRANSPRT OPERATING COY (Small Craft) R A E

P A R T I.

Serial 24/43

1. ORDERLY OFFICER NEXT FOR DUTY	Lieut. Andrews J.C.	22 Nov 43
	" Creagh J.	29 Nov 43
ORDERLY SERGEANT NEXT FOR DUTY	Sgt. Skeet A.M.	22 Nov 43
	Sgt. Urquhart G.	29 Nov 43

2. WORKSHOP : Illegal use of Temporary Workshop.

It has been brought to notice that personnel have been using the temporary workshop alongside the Mech Store for purpose of making rings, etc. This practice will cease forthwith and disciplinary action will be taken against offenders. This workshop is for the use of AUTHORISED personnel only.

3. FIREARMS : Indiscriminate use of

Indiscriminate shooting still occurs throughout the area and constitutes a serious danger to personnel in the vicinity. In addition, instances are frequently reported of wilful damage to vital telegraph and telephone lines by rifle fire. The seriousness of these practices will be impressed on all ranks and severe disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

D I S T R I B U T I O N

1. O C
2. O C Optg Section
3. O C Det. 32 Aust Water Maintenance Coy Optg Coy (S/C) RAE.
4. O S M
5. Officer's Mess
6. Sgt's Mess
7. Notice Board
8/9. D W T LHQ
10. Hq Wt. Force
11. Hq 14 L of C Sub-Area
12. Darwin Fortress
13. Hq 2 Aust Water Tpt Group (S/C)
14. War Diary
15. File.

A. K. Brown Capt.
(M L CORR.)

Adj. 15 Aust Water Tpt
Optg Coy (S/C) RAE.

15 NOV 1943 DATE OF LAST ROUTINE
ORDER 8 NOV'43

A USTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS

BY
CAPT. D. C. ROSS.

O. C. 15 AUST WATER TPT OPTG COY (SMALL Craft) RAB

PART 1

SERIAL 23/43.

1. DUTIES

ORDERLY OFFICER
NEXT FOR DUTY

WO 11. HEIN G 15 NOV'43
LIEUT ANDREWS J. C. 22 NOV'43

ORDERLY SERGEANT
NEXT FOR DUTY

L/SGT. MASSIE R. J. 15 NOV'43
SGT. SKIBET A. M. 22 NOV'43

2. TYRES - DAMAGE BY STAR PICKETS

1. Cases are occurring where serious damage is caused to tyres by driving M T over star pickets.

2. Star pickets will NOT be used for holding corduroy track unless other methods are impracticable and then every care will be taken that the ends of the pickets do not project in such a manner as to damage vehs.

3. Drivers are warned to keep a sharp lookout for such obstructions when moving vehs in close proximity to weapon pits and barbed wire.

3. DISCIPLINE: PREVALENCE OF THEFT OF MILITARY STORES AND SUPPLIES

1. The offence of stealing and fraudulent misapplication of stores and supplies from military depots, installations, transportation services and even from fellow soldiers have increased to an extent which renders immediate and effective remedial action necessary.

2. The use of terms as "pilfering", "scurcung" etc., to describe such offences tends to obscure their gravity and may cause them to be somewhat lightly regarded. On the contrary, such offences must be viewed very seriously and offenders will render themselves liable to severe punishment.

3. The impression may exist that an isolated instance of theft of military stores and supplies, though a mean and despicable act, does not involve any appreciable weakening of the war effort. Such an impression, if it exists, is completely erroneous. The cumulative effect of such thefts affects seriously the maintenance of the troops in the field, dislocates the supply organisation at all points, involves grave waste of man hours, and is, in fact, equivalent in result to that directly treasonable activity.

4. These considerations impose an obligation of honour upon all members to do their utmost to prevent theft and to assist in every way in the bringing to justice of offenders.

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4. STATEMENT OF REGIMENTAL FUNDS A/C.

	£.	S.	D.
BALANCE AS AT 30 SEP '43	26.	11.	7.
LOAN TO COMMENCE CLINTEN	26.	10.	--
CREDIT BALANCE 31 OCT'43	---	1.	7.

DISTRIBUTION

1. O C
2. O C Optg Section
3. O C Det. 32 Maintenance Coy
4. C S M
5. Officer's Mess
6. Sgt's Mess
7. Notice Board

K L Corr Capt.
(K L CORR)
Adj. 15 Aust Water Tot Optg Coy
(Small Craft) RAB

8/9	D.W.T. L.H.Q.
10.	H Q N T Force
11.	H Q 14 L of C Sub-Area
12.	DARWIN FORTRESS
13.	H Q 2 AUST WATER TPT (S/C)
14.	WAR DIARY
15.	FILE.

Date of last Routine Order 1 Nov 43

BY

CAPT D. C. ROSS
OC 15 AUST WATER TPT OPTG COY
SMALL CRAFT RAE

Serial 22/43

W O 1	Grieve N	9 Nov 43
W O 11	Hein G	15 Nov 43

SGT. PATTISON W. 8 Nov 43
L/SGT. MESSIE E.J. 15 Nov 43

All forms of gambling by all ranks whether on or off Military premises are strictly forbidden. Instructions have also been issued to A P M to police this order and disciplinary action will be taken against offenders. Gambling includes bookmaking, Two-Up, Crown and Anchor, Ins & Outs, Heads and tails, Roulette and all other games of chance.

The attention of all ranks will also be drawn to the fact that gambling is an offence against Northern Territory Ordinances and that on conviction by the civil court all property used in connection with gambling, including all money found in possession of the offenders is liable to confiscation.

The removal by Units, Barrack Stores, Chattels, fittings or articles regularly held on unit ^{or} E or lots or individuals of furniture, from Darwin Fmt, other than N T Force authority, is forbidden.

Units must advise this HQ at least two days prior to movement in order that arrangements can be made with Town Major Darwin for check of inventories, or handing and taking over certificate.

Disciplinary action will be taken for any breach of this order.

This Grenade is in common use by the Japanese and quantities have been captured and used by our Troops. Tests indicate that the Grenade has certain characteristics which may lead to injury in the hands of inexperienced personnel. These characteristics are:

- (a) The delay fuse, marked 4/5 seconds, has been known to burn in much less time. Some tested fuses burned in three seconds.

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- (b) While the delay fuse is burning, a considerable quantity of black smoke is emitted through the escape hole at the base of the fuse tube, and small fragments of the delay fuse are sometimes forced out. At night, or even at dusk or dawn, a definite glow from this hole can be seen.

2. The following precautions will be taken if the grenade is used :-

- (a) It will be thrown immediately after the head has been struck;
(b) When striking the grenade, the hand will be kept well clear of the escape hole at the side of the fuse tube.

5. STATEMENT OF CANTEEN FUNDS

FROM 2 Oct to 31 Oct 43

	£	s	d
Value of Stock on Hand	55	0	3
Stamps	2	10	0
Cash on Hand	13	10	8
	<u>70</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
Original Capital	44	16	0
Voluntary Loan to Canteen Funds	10	0	0
Profit made by Unit Canteen.....			<u>25 5 1</u>
Discount granted by Aust Defence Services Canteen (as shown by invoices).			<u>25 17 7</u>

NOTE. The only profit made on sale of goods is the discount allowed by A D S Canteen. The difference between the profit actually earned (£25 5 1) and the discounts allowed (£25 17 7) namely, 7/6 has been derived from the sale of cakes of soap donated to the Unit Canteen.

J. L. CORR Capt.
A. L. CORR

Adj. 15 Aust Water Tpt Optg Coy (S/C) RAE.

DISTRIBUTION

- | | |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1. O C | 8/9. DWT L E Q (2) |
| 2. O C Optg Section | 10. H Q W T Proc |
| 3. O C Det. 32 Maintenance Coy | 11. H Q 14 L of C Sub-Aqua |
| 4. O S M | 12. Darwin Fortress |
| 5. Officer's Mess | 13. H Q 2 Aust Water Tpt (S/C) RAE |
| 6. Sgts Mess | 14. War Diary |
| 7. Notice Board | 15. File. |

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Date of Last 1 Nov., '43,
Routine Order
25 Oct., '43.

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

ROUTINE ORDERS

By

Captain R.C. Ross.

G.O. 15 Aust. Water Transport Operating Company (Small Craft) R.A.N.
Part 1.

Serial 21/43.

1. DUTIES.

ORDERLY OFFICER
NEXT FOR DUTY

W.O.(11) McSALL R.M.
W.O.(1) GRIEVE N.

1 Nov. '43
8 Nov. '43

ORDERLY SERGEANT
NEXT FOR DUTY

Sgt. KELLY W.
Sgt. PATTERSON W.

1 Nov. '43
8 Nov. '43

2. CONTROL OF AA FIRE AGAINST HOSTILE AIRCRAFT.

1. The following instruction relating to the control of A.A. fire against hostile aircraft is promulgated to all troops and must be strictly observed.

The intention of this instruction is to prohibit the indiscriminate engagement of aircraft with AA arty, machine gun and small arms fire by units outside the coordinated defence system.

2. With the exception of AA troops who are engaged under Air Force Control in coordinated defence and who will follow existing procedure laid down in DOWE No. 6, troops will NOT fire on any aircraft unless:-

(a) The aircraft has been clearly recognised as hostile

(b) Attacked by the aircraft with bombs or gunfire.

3. Such aircraft will be engaged by all available fire, including SA, which must be concentrated and controlled. (Controlled fire is to be interpreted in terms of aim rather than in terms of mechanical fire control methods).

3. SPEED LIMITS & DARWIN FRT AREA.

1. The following speed restrictions will apply to all vehicles throughout DARWIN FRT Area:-

Maximum speed all classes of vehicles 20 mph

Maximum speed across intersections 15 mph

2. Drivers entering DARWIN will observe these restrictions on passing PARAP Police Sta.

3. General rules of the road and road courtesy will be observed. Drivers will give way to vehicles on their right.

4. FURNITURE, BARRACK STORES, CHATELAIN, FURNINGS ETC - DARWIN FRT - UNAUTHORISED REMOVAL OF

1. The removal by units, dets or individuals of furniture, Barracks Stores, Chatelains, fittings etc from DARWIN FRT, other than articles regularly held on unit WE Table or NT Force authority, is forbidden.

2. Units must advise this H.Q. at least two days prior to movement in order that arrangements can be made with Town Major DARWIN for check of inventories, or handing and taking over certificates.

3. Disciplinary action will be taken for any breach of this order.

5. UNLAWFUL DISPOSAL OF EQUIPMENT (GRO A-716)

1. Attention has been directed to the unauthorized disposal of AMF equipment to members of the Allied Forces and civilians and the unauthorized receipt of Allied equipment by barter and otherwise by members of the AMF.

2. Members are forbidden to part with, dispose of, or exchange by barter or otherwise, any item of AMF equipment or to receive by barter or otherwise any item of Allied equipment without the consent of the commanding officers of their units. Such consent will only be given on the direction of superior authority or when the exigencies of the service render it necessary and reference to superior authority is impracticable.

3. Disciplinary action will be taken against members unlawfully disposing of AMF equipment or unlawfully in possession of Allied equipment, charges being laid under AA 17, AA 18(4) or AA 40, whichever is appropriate.


(R.A.E. Comm)

Captain,

Adjutant 15 Aust. Water Transport Operating Coy.,
(Small Craft) R.A.E.

DISTRIBUTION:

1. O.C.
2. O.C., Operating Section
3. O.C., 32 Maintenance Company.
4. C.S.M.
5. Officers' Mess
6. Sergeants' Mess
7. Notice Board
8. H.Q., N.T. Force
9. H.Q., Darwin Fortress Area
10. H.Q. 14 L. of C. Sub-Area
11. H.Q. 2 Group Aust. Water Transport (Small Craft) R.A.E.
12. War Diary
13. File

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6/11/1943 (Unit) 310 - 5

W.F. 11/10/82 OFFERS 31 O.R's. 310 OFFERS. - O.R's. 5 ATT. BY W.F.

INC. 157 NATIVES

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in p.u.a. 10 of instructions for completion of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).

* * * Personal belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 18 U.K. Ferrets; 39 N.Z. Ferrets.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK

PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. ____/____/194____.

Name and initials	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts of kaona)
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15 Aust water Opt Opt 5 Bay
 1 small GFC, RAE Unit

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At 0600 Hrs, Saturday 6/11/1945 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

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6-11-43

Signature of Commander

2,100 F₅₀ 84158 2/43 W.P.C.

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WO1 WO11 S/Sgt SGT CPL

Clerks	-	-	1	-	1
Engine hands	-	-	-	-	-
Boatswain	-	-	-	-	-
Engineer	-	-	-	1	1
" Chief	-	-	-	1	-
" 2 ND	-	-	-	-	-
" 3 RD	-	-	-	-	-
MASTERS	-	-	-	5 [#]	10
MATES	-	-	-	1	-
MATES 2 ND	-	-	-	-	-
NATIVE BOAT	-	1	-	-	-
HELMSMEN	-	-	-	-	1
HYGIENE	-	-	-	-	-
CSM	-	1	-	-	-
	-	2	1	8	14

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

(Erase heading not required.)

ORIGINAL

20 JAN 1944

Army Form C. 218.
(adapted.)

Unit 15 Aust water Tpt Opg Coy Date and Time.—From 1 Dec '43 To 31 Dec '43

(Small Craft) RAAF

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
<u>Darwin</u>	<u>1 Dec '43</u>		<u>Strength including detachment of 32 Aust water Tpt Maintenance Coy is 9 Offrs and 114 O/Rs.</u>	<u>AB</u>
	<u>2 Dec '43</u>		<u>Brig. Dollery (Brig. in charge of Admin M.T. Force) was transported to Picnic Cove on inspection duties.</u>	<u>AB</u>
	<u>4 - 11 Dec</u>		<u>Barges and Small Craft were engaged in Amphibious Tng in conjunction with Amphibious Tng School.</u>	<u>AB</u>
	<u>4 Dec '43</u>		<u>weekly summary No. 7 issued.</u>	<u>AB</u>
	<u>8 Dec '43</u>		<u>A conference was held between Lt-Col Gibson AQMG Movements, Commander Reid Navy, Wing Commander Gregson RAAF and Capt Ross water Transport. It was agreed that extra ships for water Tpt was an urgent necessity and higher authority is to be requested to</u>	<u>AB</u>
			<u>make available 1-300 tonner and 2-50 tonners.</u>	<u>AB</u>
	<u>9 Dec '43</u>		<u>AK 127 departed for NAOU post at Redcliff.</u>	<u>AB</u>
	<u>10 Dec '43</u>		<u>Advice received that AK127 meeting with very heavy weather.</u>	<u>AB</u>

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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

Army Form ^C 2418.
(adapted.)

1st Aust water Tpt Opg Coy
(Small Craft) RAE
Unit.....

(Erase heading not required.)

Date and Time.—From 1 Dec '43 To 31 Dec '43.....

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Darwin	11 Dec '43		ADvice received that AK127 meeting with Tropical disturbances and electrical storms and returning to Darwin.	9B
	19 Dec '43		AK 132 departed to render assistance to AK 127.	
			AK 127 returned to Darwin under own power in company with AK132	9B
	13 Dec '43		Weekly Summary No. 8 Issue	Appendix 9B
	16 Dec '43		Brig. Langley transported on AM294 on inspection of AA posts	9B
	19 Dec '43		Strength including 8st. 32 Aust Water Tpt Maintenance Coy is 9 Offrs and 117 O.Rks.	9B
	22 Dec '43		A draft of 4 ORs arrived from Tng Depot Sydney and were taken on strength.	9B
	24 Dec '43		Adixee received from Col Gibson AQMG Movements that the matter of procuring extra vessels for this Coy was discussed with Brig. in charge of Admin. who will discuss the matter with the GOC.	9B
	25 Dec '43		Xmas Day observed as an additional rest day except for essential duties.	9B

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

(Erase heading not required.)

Army Form C, 2-18.
(adapted.)

15 Aust Water Tpt Opg Coy

Unit.....(Small Craft).....

Date and Time.—From 1 Dec '43 To 31 Dec '43

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15 AUST WATER TRANSPORT OPERATING COY (SMALL CRAFT) R A EPERIOD 0900 Hrs 27 Nov 43 to 0859 Hrs 4 Dec '431. GENERAL

(a) STRENGTH	OFFICERS	OR's	TOTAL
DARWIN	6	82	88
TASMANIA	1	5	6
MAOU		2	2
LEAVE	1	5	6
MOVEMENT CONTROL		2	2
B-COOL	1	9	10
DET. 32 AUST WATER			
TPT MAINTENANCE COY.	1	14	15
TOTAL.....	10	119	129

- (b) Maintenance work is proceeding at high pressure and should show valuable results in the next few months. Combined training operations have occupied much time during the week and all the Company's commissioned boats have been fully occupied.

2. OPERATING

A.S. 128 "JOYCE OAKES" Repairs to vessel were completed 3 Dec 43 and she is engaged in ferrying Aviation Spirit from MELVILLE STRIP to GROOTE ISLAND. No advices are yet to hand as to amount of cargo carried or trips made.

A.K. 127 "LADY YETIVE" This vessel completed the usual runs to EMB Marrows and Bynoe Bay and assisted in one exercise of Amphibious Training. Vessel requires engine overhaul, which is being carried out by her crew in conjunction with Maintenance Section.

A.K. 132 "TOCORBUI" Vessel awaiting repairs, assisted in one exercise of Amphibious Training, in Harbour.

A.M. 133 "HIERICANT" Still at moorings awaiting repairs and alterations.

A.M. 124 "MATARANKA" On Harbour duties, needs one day for overhaul, will be handed over to Maintenance for that purpose.

A.M. 294 "CORAL" Coral's hull is leaking and she will shortly need thorough overhaul of hull. Her crew can keep water down satisfactorily, she has been engaged in Harbour duties and assisted in Amphibious Training exercises.

A.M. 133 "PIUS" Employed in Harbour duties throughout week. At present she is only fit for light duties and will be handed over to Maintenance next week.

A.M. 129 "LADY RUTH" Still at WYNDEHAM, figures of vessel's activities from 13 Nov to date of latest advice are included below.

A.M. 130 "SYTHIA" A new engine is being fitted by Maintenance and vessel is expected to be in service by Tuesday 7 Dec '43.

A.M. 125 "ESA-DO" Careened on beach for overhaul and replanking of bottom.

341000 Careened on beach for replanking.

W1233 DARWIN 11 Awaiting new engine.

A L O V's MARK 11 AB1009, AB1024, AB1026, AB1027. These three Barges running well, engaged in exercises with Amphibious Training Section.

AB1031 This Barge, although only one engine can be used, has been employed on Harbour duties through pressure of work. P.T.O.

NO.7 WEEKLY SUMMARY CONTINUED

VESSEL.	NO. OF TRIPS.	MILEAGE.	PERSONNEL CARRIED.	CARGO carried(tons)
A M 129	2	122	3	1
AK 127	3	210	20	2
AM 294	7	82	100	9 1/2
AM 123	11	113	107	13 1/2
AM 124	11	178	56	5 1/2
A L C V's AB1009	7	72	355	1
AB1024	7	61	227	4 1/2
AB1026	10	84	301	2
AB1031	4	38	71	3 1/2
TOTALS: 62		980	1240	42

GENERAL.

Although the anticipated recommissioning of "OYNINA" will slightly relieve the position, the present demands by Amphibious Training Section and the Units which are normally served, are as much as can be handled with the present vessels. For the past week their has been no margin between the demands and the boats available with the result that several temporary breakdowns occurred, which, but for the prompt attention of Maintenance Section, might have discolated our services. One application for the carriage of a heavy load of timber had to be postponed. Further, if any of the stations serviced, had urgently requested a boat for an emergency, such as bringing a casualty to receive medical attention, their demand could not be met without considerable delay.

For the above period 42 pigeons from 44 Aust Pigeon Loft were used.

3. MAINTENANCE

A M 294 "CORAL"

A M 120 "OYNINA"

KALAMAS

A M 125 "SEADOG"

A K 127 LADY YETIVE

A M 123 "PIUS"

A M 124 "KATARANKA"

A M 122 "HURRICANE"

A M 121 "AROEETA"

A K 122 "TOORBUL"

A B 1031 Barge

A B 1008 Barge

AB 1024 Barge

AB 1026 Barge

A B 122 "JOYCE OAKES"

Operating satisfactorily.

FLOATED OFF AFTER EXTENSIVE REPAIRS

Now fitting 25 H P Parsons Engine.

Work at a standstill.

Work progressing satisfactorily.

Procured 12 H P Parsons Kerosene engine.

Operating satisfactorily.

Covered decks and awning with Malthoid.

Engine undergoing top overhaul. Fitting

new Marine gearbox.

Operating satisfactorily. Fitted H P

greasing to stern bearings.

Work at a standstill.

Engine being reassembled.

Work on engine not yet commenced.

Awaiting spares for port engine.

OPERATING SATISFACTORILY.

Repairs carried out to ignition and

cooling systems.

Usual minor repairs carried out on vessels, dinghies and to camp buildings. Work proceeding on road and slipway.

Supt.

(D O ROSS)

O O 15 Aust Water Tpt Opg Coy (Small Craft) R A E.

DISTRIBUTION :

- 1 O O
- 2 DWT LHQ
- 3 HQ NT FORCE
- 4 O E NT FORCE
- 5 HQ 14 L of C
- 6 DARWIN FORTRESS

- 7 HQ 2 Aust Water Tpt Group
- 8 Det 32 Aust Water Tpt Maintenance Co
- 9 O O Operating Section 15 A W T
- 10 Movement Control DARWIN
- 11 WAR DIARY
- 12 FILE.

SECRET

WEEKLY SUMMARY NO. 8.

15 AUST WATER TRANSPORT OPERATING COMPANY (SMALL CRAFT) RAE.

PERIOD : 0900 Hrs 4 Dec 43 - 0859 Hrs 11 Dec 43

SUMMARY : All available Craft were again over-taxed this week, and the following requests for Transport through Movement Control had to be postponed through lack of sufficient adequate working vessels :

Transport of heavy cable to EAST ARM and laying of same.

Transport of 300 - 44 Gals. drums to WEST POINT.

Assistance in handling Barge of Ammunition (Coast Artillery) to WEST POINT & WAUGITE.

Carriage of URGENT stores and Kerosene to CAPE DON LIGHTHOUSE, (deep sea).

Carriage of RAAF stores to PERON ISLAND (deep sea).

It was understood that when this Company was formed the vessels "PENGANA" & "POLLYANNA" were allotted for use in this Area and have now been re-allotted for use in other areas. It is an urgent necessity that two vessels of similar class be made available as an immediate necessity, if Operational requirements are to be met.

A.S. 128 at MELVILLE BAY on movement of RAAF petrol and bombs etc. cannot keep up with tonnage demands, being too small, although otherwise suitable larger vessels are also required. ~~ACMG's~~ Movements will submit requirements in this regard. The inadequacy of present moorings is the cause of grave concern for the safety of vessels. HQ N.T. Force have been requested to arrange for the release by Navy of Buoys & wire. The concrete sinkers of 5 tons will be made by this Unit, the quoted cost and time required by A.W.O. being ~~promulgated~~. The wire between sinker and buoy can only be classed as temporary for a period of 12 months owing to perishable qualities and $\frac{3}{4}$ " & 5/8" chain is still urgently required.

Maintenance this week has been exceptionally heavy, owing to the demands of vessels on Amphibious Training Operations. Absence of a slipway in this Monsoon Season necessitates all vessels being careened on beach. The A.E.M.E. set up is not yet in full operation and the absence of a lathe and shortage of necessary material cause much extra work. Men are working long hours, and at a pace that cannot continue indefinitely. Most vessels have previously given long service with bare Maintenance. Work on new slipway is retarded with weather conditions. Slipway winch, rollers, brackets for cradle and hauling wire are still awaited. Camp improvement is being carried out after normal working hours and roof areas of whole of camp to be camouflaged.

OPERATIONS : For the week under review the following vessels were in Operations

A.S. 128 "JOYCE OAKES" Ferry service between MELVILLE BAY & GROOTE EYLANDT on urgent priority cargo for operations RAAF.

A.K. 127 "LADY YETIVE" Carrying stores and personnel (deep sea) to MAOU outposts.

A.K. 133 "TOORBUL" While waiting for general overhaul, assisting in Amphibious Operations and Harbour trips.

A.M. 124 "MATARANKA" On general Harbour trips, cargo and personnel.

A.M. 294 "CORAL" On general Harbour trips, cargo and personnel.

(P. T. O.)

A.L.C.V.'s MARK II.

A.B. 1009 } All engaged full time on AMPHIBIOUS TRAINING, cargo
A.B. 1024 } and personnel. AB.1031 has only one engine in
A.B. 1026 } operation. Long hours necessary on maintenance to
A.B. 1031 } keep Barges in operation.

<u>VESSEL.</u>	<u>NO.OF TRIPS.</u>	<u>PERSONNEL CARRIED</u>	<u>CARGO CARRIED</u>	<u>MILEAGE</u>
A.K.132	1	4		16
A.M.134	8	60	11 tons	190
A.M.294	13	197	23 tons	171
A.B.1009	4	142	16 tons	56
A.B.1024	4	144	17 tons	68
A.B.1026	5	216	18 tons	76
A.B.1031	6	118	32 tons	90
A.S.128	Particulars of this weeks operations not to hand			
<u>TOTALS --</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>887</u>	<u>116 tons</u>	<u>667</u>

48 Pigeons from 25 Aust Pigeon Loft were used during this period.

M A I N T E N A N C E - "KALAMA" Work at standstill owing to other demands.

A.L. 122 "HURRIOANE" Work at standstill owing to other demands.

A.E. 127 "LADY YETIVE" Top overhaul. Valves bad and require replacing. Alteration to fuel system to overcome dirty and watery fuel.

A.M. 123 "PIUS" Navy requested return of gearbox loaned some months ago, necessary parts made to complete impressed gearbox on Railway Workshops lathe, almost completed.

A.M. 122 "GYMNA" Beached, stripped, refelted, coppered, burnt off, painted and "KALAMA's" engine installed. Good launch now well powered. Internal fittings and rigging to complete.

A.M. 125 "SEA DOG" Work progressing satisfactorily on hull and engine.

A.M. 129 "LADY RUTH" Awaiting completion of repairs at WYNDHAM.

A.M. 131 "PARSEE" At present lying at RAPID CREEK. Inspection made and engine to be checked over and new magneto and rudder fitted after which this powered Sharpie will be brought round to this Area.

S T R E N G T H.

	<u>Officers</u>	<u>OR's</u>	<u>Total</u>
DARWIN	5	85	90
TASMANIA	1	5	6
NAOU		2	2
LEAVE	2	5	7
SCHOOL	1	9	10
DET. 32 Aust Water Tpt			
Maintenance Coy	1	14	15
<u>T O T A L -</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>120</u>	<u>130</u>

Electricians shop built and fitted out. Repair work to Power Dinghies, checking of moorings and new bridles.

(D O R S S)

Capt.

O O 15 Aust Water Tpt Optg Coy (Small Craft)
RAE

(For distribution P.T.O.)

PAGE (3) WEEKLY SUMMARY NO. 8.

D I S T R I B U T I O N :

1. D.W.T. LHQ.
 2. HQ. 2 Aust Water Tpt Group.
 3. A.Q.M.G. Movements DARWIN.
 4. C.E.N.T. Force.
 5. A.Q.M.G. N.T.Force.
 6. C.O.
 7. O.C. Operating Sec.
 8. O.C. 32 Aust Water Tpt Maintenance Coy (Detachment).
 9. War Diary. ✓
 10. File.
 11. Spare.
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SECRET

WEEKLY SUMMARY No 9

15 AUST. WATER TRANSPORT OPERATING COMPANY (SMALL CRAFT) RAE.

PERIOD : 0900 Hrs 11 Dec 43. - 0859 Hrs 18 Dec 43.

GENERAL.

As no large scale amphibious exercises are expected until early January the Coys Harbour vessels will be relieved of considerable strain and provide better opportunities for necessary maintenance. The coys ocean going vessels are still inadequate for the demands received. Three vessels and three barges were standing by for amphibious training operations on Monday and Tuesday 13 and 14 Dec but the exercises were cancelled.

A camp has been established on the western shore where the barges will be beached and overhauled. The inadequacy of moorings and adverse weather conditions will not permit of the work being done at Larrakeyah.

The following requests through Movement Control, Darwin, for transport remain unfulfilled :

1. Transport and laying of 30 cwt of electric cable at East Arm.
2. Transport of 11 tons cement to West Point for Fortress Sig.
3. Transport of kerosene and stores to Cape Don ~~LIGHTHOUSE~~ ^{RAAF}
4. Transport of personnel and stores to Adelaide River Narrows for NAOU.
5. Transport of personnel and stores to Bynoe Bay for NAOU.
6. Transport of 5 tons stores to Wyndham for NAOU.

Wyndham detachment reported the total loss by fire, not due to enemy action, of AML29 Lady Ruth. All concerned were informed and Town Major Wyndham has been appointed investigating officer.

Maintenance demands have continued to be heavy and all personnel have been working long hours.

Amphibious Operations put a barge ashore in heavy surf. It swamped at once and was brought off next tide in heavy surf only after considerable effort. A second barge fouled and bent a rudder which was unshipped, straightened and shipped afloat. Use has been made of AME machine shop, also RAAF and railway lathes. At Magpie Creek camp where barges can be beached, work is proceeding stripping necessary parts from AB 1024 to enable the other three to be kept in operation.

Assurances from DWT and Movements Darwin, have been received regarding the early supply of life belts. In the meantime shortages on vessels are being made up with the rubber Mae Wests obtained from salvage in Sydney.

For the period 74 pigeons were used on harbour and coastal vessels.

2. OPERATIONS

For the week under review the following vessels were in operation:

AM 124 "MATARANKA": Engaged every day on harbour rationing runs.

AK 127 "LADY YETIVE": Escorted by AK 132 this vessel returned to Darwin at 1800 hrs Saturday, 11 Dec. She was unable to complete her voyage to Anson Bay owing to bad weather and engine trouble. By arrangement with NAOU her passengers were given a few days rest and transhipped with the cargo to AK 132.

AM 128 "JOYCE OAKES": According to latest reports her engine trouble has been rectified and she was expected to go to sea again on 15 Dec 43. Lient A.E.T. CORRIE, Master, and Cpl Spaeth were despatched to the vessel on Friday 17 Dec 43.

AM 129 "LADY RUTH" : Advice was received on 12 Dec 43 that this vessel was a total loss having been burnt out, probably by lightning. A report was also received of one trip previously made, details of which are included in the summary.

AK 122 "TOORBUL" : After taking passengers and cargo from AK 127 this vessel departed Darwin for Anson Bay on 17 Dec 43. She carried 9 passengers and 2 tons cargo.

AM 130 "CYTHIA" : This vessel came into service again on Monday 13 Dec 43 after fitting of a new power unit. She has been employed on harbour duties and standing by to tow AROETTA if weather conditions permitted.

AM 294 "UCRAL" : She has been satisfactorily engaged on harbour duties and a special trip with fortress command.

ALCVS No. 11.

AB 1009 : Came back into service on Monday 13 with only one engine in use. ~~Used by for amphibious training exercises on 13 and 14 Dec.~~

AB 1024 : This barge was swamped during amphibious training exercises in heavy surf on Mendil Beach Sat 11 Dec 43. She landed even in a very high surf but was pooped when attempting to withdraw from the beach. She was refloated during the night by this unit but has not been in service since.

AB 1026 : Engaged in harbour duties and standing by to tow AROETTA when weather conditions permitted.

AB 1031 : Stood by for amphibious training exercise although only one engine is functioning.

VESSEL.	NO. OF TRIPS.	MILES.	PASSENGERS.	CARGO.
AM.124.	7	175.	48.	12 tons.
AK.127.	1	80.	9.	2 "
AM.129.	1	122.	7.	1 "
AM.130.	3	29.	41.	5 "
AK.132.	1	30.	-	-
AM.294.	13	149.	194.	43 "
AB.1028.	2	18.	-	30 "
	28.	807.	289.	93 "
Amphibious Trg.	2	25.	38.	-
AB.1024.				
AB.1026.	2	30.	36.	-
TOTALS.	32.	662.	373.	93 tons.

3. MAINTENANCE.

"KALANA" : Has been cross tied with timber to prevent damage to hull while awaiting reconstruction.

AM 123 "PIUS" : Work almost complete on engine and gear box. New installation is most satisfactory. Sheathing and repairs to hull will be effected in the next few days and vessel will be put back into commission.

AM 130 "CYTHIA" : Vessel in operation. Fuel tanks being constructed to give range of 300 miles. These will be installed within a few days.

AM 125 "SEAROC" : Work progressing satisfactorily on hull and engine.

AK 132 "TOORBUL" : engine and clutch check over. Complete over haul does not seem to be an urgent necessity but will be done when time permits.

AB 1009 : Requires new flex coupling inserts, new inboard gland and melinex bearing. Work proceeding.

AB 1024 : Driven ashore in heavy surf, refloated next tide, extensive damage to power units.

AB 1026 : On operations.

AB 1031 : Gear box being fitted from AB 1024.

4. STRENGTH.

	<u>Officers</u>	<u>ORR</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
DAR IN	5	85	90
PERMANA Det	1	5	6
MAOU	-	2	2
Leave	2	6	8
School	1	9	10
Detachment)			
32 Aust Water)	1	14	15
Tpt Htee Coy)			
<u>TOTALS</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>121</u>	<u>131</u>

H. Ross

Capt.,

(D.C. ROSS)

D.C. 16 Aust Water Tpt Optg Coy.,
(Small Craft) R.A.N.

DISTRIBUTION:

1. D.C. 16 LH.
2. HQ 2 Aust Water Tpt Op.
3. A.C. H.C. Movements DARWIN.
4. HQ NT Force
5. C.O.
- ✓ 6. War Diary.
7. File.

15 AUG. WATER TRANSPORT OPERATING COMPANY (SMALL CRAFT) RAE.

PERIOD : 0900 hrs 18 Dec 43 - 0859 hrs 25 Dec 43.

GENERAL :

There was only one demand for one ALCV Barge by Amphibious Training School this week. As a result no difficulty was experienced in maintaining the usual harbour runs as well as a few extra calls for transport. Of the outstanding demands the demand for transport of cable to East Arm was withdrawn and the cargo was handled by road only because of the unsuitability of tides.

An application for sea transport was received from ACHS (Movements) for cargo to outposts outside Port of Darwin. Copies of the application and reply are attached vide Appendix "A".

Due to the lack of suitable vessels all but 11 tons for Cape Don had to be declined.

2. OPERATIONS:

AM 123 "PIUS" : Although still in the hands of maintenance "PIUS" assisted in the towing and beaching of "ARONETA".

AM 124 "NATARANKA" : Engaged on harbour duties until Thursday when engine trouble caused her to be placed in hands of maintenance.

AM 127 "LADY YETIVE" : Made a special trip with R R A and Staff for an inspection of harbour posts.

AM 128 "JOYCE OAKES" : Lieut Corrie has reported as Master on this ship and is preparing it for sea as soon as possible on Melville and Wesol Island service.

AM 130 "CYTHIA" : Came into service on Wednesday, she assisted in towing and beaching of "ARONETA" and took over East Arm runs from AM 124.

AM 294 "CORAL" : Engaged in harbour duties.

AB 1026 : Engaged in transport of men and cargoes in harbour and one Amphibious Trg Exercise.

3. MAINTENANCE :

AM 132 "TOORBUL" : Still awaits engine overhaul by AMSE.

AM 123 "PIUS" : Undergoing trials prior to being recommissioned.

"KALAMA" : Awaiting reconstruction.

AM 125 "SEA DOG" : Work progressing on hull and engine.

AB 1009, 1024, and 1031 : General overhaul of power plants and hull in progress.

4. MILEAGE AND CARGO

Vessel	No of trips	Mileage	Passengers	Cargo
AM 124	5	108	23	8
AM 130	6	81	31	7
AM 294	14	156	320	50
AK 127	1	12	5	-
AK 132	2	200	18	3
ALCV AB1026	10	95	204	12
	38	652	601	78
Amphibious Trg AB1026	1	14	28	-
SUMMARY	39	666	629	78

5. STRENGTH.

	Officers	ORs	Total.
DARWIN	5	88	93
Crew for Pengana	1	5	6
HADU	-	2	2
Leave	2	7	9
School	1	9	10
Det 32 Aust Water Tpt 1	1	14	15
Wtee Coy.	10	125	135

APPENDIX "A".

Ref 1221

ALLIED LAND FORCES IN S.W. PACIFIC AREA

JMS/4/1/3

5 Aust Movement Control Coy
Movement Control
DARWIN.
20 Dec 1943.

SECRET.

15 Aust Water Transport Coy
DARWIN.

CARGO FOR OUTPOSTS.

Application for space for the following posts have been received:-

<u>Destination</u>	<u>Consignor</u>	<u>Consignee</u>	<u>Tonnage</u> <u>Heaviest</u>	<u>DW</u>
Parron Is	RAAF	RAAF	17½	12½
Port Keats	"	"	23½	16
Point Charles	"	"	22½	16
Wyndham	"	"	1	½
"	HAOU	HAOU	6	5
"	RAAF	RAAF	27½	20
Cape Van Dieman	"	"	1	½
Poureroy	"	"	32	31
Bathurst Is	"	"	14½	11½
"	Mission	Mission		2
Cape Don	RAAF	RAAF	16	11
North Goulburn	"	"	2	1

1. Please advise what arrangements can be made for encarrying of this cargo.
2. The above list cancels any previous applications for these ports.
3. There are 4 RAAF personnel for Cape Don and 4 to be returned from that port to Darwin, also 16 for Nth Goulburn and 16 to be returned from there. Transport is also required for 20 aboriginals for Bathurst Island.

(KNOWLES) Capt.,
DA MC(M) 5 Aust Movement
Control Coy.

NO IC.

HCSC advises that RNAS " CHINAMPA " will load all stores for discharge BATHURST ISLAND on 21 Dec.

2. RAAF advise that petrol stocks at OBU at DRYSDALE have been greatly depleted on account of recent intensive operations. An amount of 50 tons (meas) of 100 oct av spirit is urgently required there. Can arrangements be made to move this fuel in the immediate future?

(sgd) KNOWLES Capt.,
A/DA MC (M) 5 Aust Movt Cont Coy.

5. O.C.
6. War Diary.
7.

APPENDIX "A" (contd).

SV 26
15 Aust Water Tpt Op Coy.
(Small Craft) RAE.,
AUSTRALIA.

21 Dec 43.

A & H C Movements,
DARWIN.

REF 1221 of 20 Dec 1943 - CARGO FOR OUTPOSTS.

It is advised that this Coy is not in a position to transport cargo as listed other than the 15 tons men for RAAF at Cape Don, this amount will necessitate two trips which can include the 4 RAAF personnel each way, this trip can be arranged for the 27 Dec weather permitting.

Until suitable vessels are made available, the same position will obtain.

(sgd) _____ Capt.
(D.C. ROSS).
O.C. 15 Aust Water Tpt Optg Coy.,
(Small Craft) RAE.

DISTRIBUTION.

1. D W F L H.
2. HQ 2 Aust Water Tpt Op.
3. A & H C Movements DARWIN.
4. HQ ET Force.
5. O.C.
6. War Diary. ~~_____~~
7. File.

RESTRICTED

6 Dec '43

Date of Last Routine Order 22 Nov '43

A U S T R A L I A N M I L I T A R Y F O R C E S

R O U T I N E O R D E R S

B Y

C A P T. D. G. ROSS

O C 15 Aust Water Transport Operating Company (Small Craft) RAN.

PART 1

SERIAL 28/43

1. D U T I E S

ORDERLY OFFICER	LIEUT CORRIE A.E.T.	6 Dec 43
NEXT FOR DUTY	LIEUT BAKER W.P.	13 Dec 43
ORDERLY SERGEANT	L/SGT MASSIE E.J.	6 Dec 43
NEXT FOR DUTY	SGT PATTISON W.M.	13 Dec 43

2. UNIT RESPONSIBILITY NIGHTCLIFFS GARBAGE DUMPS

RUBBISH WILL ONLY be received at the dump between the following hours :

0830 - 1630

ALL WET garbage will be incinerated in unit lines, collected and transported to dump daily, excepting SUNDAY. Minimum of tpt loading will be used for this work.

Rubbish will NOT be dumped in any other areas. Disciplinary action will be taken against any breach of this order.

An NCO will take all parties depositing rubbish at NIGHTCLIFFS dump.

3. STATEMENT OF CANTEN FUNDS.

30-11-43
Stock on hand as at 30/11/43 £128.12.3
Cash " " " " 53. 8.1

Capital as at 31.10.43 £71.1.1
Sundry private loans to
canteen funds since then. 95.0.0
£166.1.1

Less : refund of bonuses
to Fortress Engrs
(£2.10.0), repayments
a/c regimental funds
(£2.0.0) 4.10.0
Balance £139.1.1
Profit for Nov. 18.9.3
£180. 0.4 £180. 0.4

Present capital (£180.0.4) less amount
owing for loans (£105) .. £75.0.4
Original capital (£44.18.0)
less repayments above (£4.10.0) .. £40.8.0

Total profit made by canteen. £34.14.4

Profit as per October 8/ment £16.5.1
" " " November " 19.9.3 £34.14.4

P.T.O.

4. STATEMENT OF REGIMENTAL FUNDS A/C.
30/11/43

Balance as at 1/11/43

Balance as at 1/11/43	£24.1.4	
Loan to canteen funds.	£18.8.1	
P.T.O.	£1.1.4	
Expenditure.	£18.8.8	
2 wireless batteries.		£2.0.0

Balance as at 30/11/43

Cash		£1.7
Loan to canteen funds.		£24.1.0
		£24.1.7

Howe Capt.
(A. C. CORR.)

Adj't 15 Aust Water Tpt Optg Coy.,
(Small Craft) R.A.E.

D I S T R I B U T I O N .

1. O C		
2. O C Optg Section		
3. O C Det. 32 Aust Water Mice Coy.		
4. O S M		
5. Officers' Mess		
6. Sgt's Mess		
7. Notice Board	£18.8.1	
8/9 DWT-HQ	£18.8.8	
10. HQ MT Force		
11. HQ 14 L of C Sub Area.		
12. Darwin Fortress		
13. H & 2 Aust Water Tpt Group (2/0)		
14. War Diary.		
15. File.		

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13 DEC 43
Date of last Routine Order 8 Dec 43

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES
ROUTINE ORDERS

BY

CAPT. D. O. ROSS

O O 15 AUST WATER TRANSPORT OPERATING COMPANY (SMALL CRAFT) RAE

PART 1

SERIAL 37/43

1.
DUTIES

ORDERLY OFFICER
NEXT FOR DUTY

WO II McCall R.M. 13 DEC 43
Lieut Corrie A.E. 20 DEC 43

ORDERLY SERGEANT
NEXT FOR DUTY

Cpl Hansford J. 13 DEC 43
Sgt Skeet A.M. 20 DEC 43

2.
LEAVE - MEMBERS OF NT Force

1. All personnel, prior to proceeding on leave, are warned that any soldier who goes absent without leave will automatically debar another member of his Unit from being granted leave until soldier absent without leave is returned to duty.

The above procedure will be strictly enforced and the names of defaulters responsible for delaying the departure of their comrades will be promulgated in Unit orders.

2. Every effort is being made to implement a leave programme that, subject to the exigencies of the Service, will permit of the granting to each man annually his leave entitlement under GRO A 598/43.

As will be appreciated such a programme entails large numbers of troops being absent from the Northern Territory at one time, and unless action as indicated above is taken any soldier going AWL would add to the already large commitment.

3. All personnel are informed when proceeding on leave that, should the exigencies of the Service demand it, they may be recalled from Home at any time.

3.
TRAIN TRAVELLING - INTOXICATING LIQUOR

1. No member of the Forces, when in uniform, will carry, or cause to be carried, on to any train on which he is travelling or about to travel, or have in his possession or control or consume whilst travelling in any train, any intoxicating liquor, unless it is consumed by him as part of a meal supplied in a dining car in the train in which he is travelling.

P.T.O.

4. REMITTANCES - CASH AND UNDRAWN PAY

1. It is anticipated that a very heavy demand for the remittance of cash or undrawn pay in the nature of Xmas Gifts will occur this month.

2. Remittances of undrawn pay are now routed through District Accounts Office of District of Enlistment and will consequently take longer to reach the remitee than cash remittances.

3. It is anticipated that remittances of undrawn pay which reach the District Accounts Office, Northern Territory, through Paymasters, by 14 Dec., or, in the case of Cash Remittances, 19 Dec., will be in the hands of remitees before 25 Dec.

5. TRANSPORT

1. In future all Drivers will report to O S M before leaving Transport Lines, also Motor Cyclists.

2. No Driver will move any Transport unless he has a G2 from Orderly Room.

6. OUT OF BOUNDS

1. No person, other than Orderly Room Staff and HQ's Staff will enter Orderly Room without first obtaining permission.

2. Cubicle outside barrier can be used by all personnel.

H. L. OORR Capt.
(H. L. OORR)

Adj. 15 Aust Water Tpt Opg Coy (Small Craft)
R A E

DISTRIBUTION:

1. O O
2. O O Opg Sec
3. O O Det. 32 Aust Water Mtoe Sec
4. O S M
5. Officer's Mess
6. Sgt's Mess

7. Notice Board
- 8/9. DWT LHQ.
10. Hq N T Force
11. Hq 14 L of O Sub-Area
12. Darwin Fortress
13. Hq 2 Aust Water Tpt Group
14. War Diary
15. FILE.

RESTRICTED.

20 Dec '43.
Date of last routine order 13 Dec 43

A U S T R A L I A N M I L I T A R Y F O R C E S

R O U T I N E O R D E R S

BY

C A P T. D. C. ROSS.
O.C. 15 Australian Water Transport Operating Company
(Small Craft) R.A.E.

PART 1

Serial 28/43.

1. D U T I E S.

ORDERLY OFFICER
NEXT FOR DUTY.

W.O. 11 LARDNER E. 20 Dec 43
Lieut OREAGH J. 27 Dec 43

ORDERLY SERGEANT
NEXT FOR DUTY

Opl HANSFORD J. 20 Dec 43
Sgt SKEET A.M. 27 Dec 43

2. COMBAT TYRES AND METAL BEADLOCKS.

Maintenance Instructions -

Maintenance of combat tyres on vehicles is prescribed as follows :-

(a) Tyre inflation pressures will be kept inflated to correct pressures prescribed in appropriate Mechanization Circulars.

(b) After an emergency deflation, a combat tyre will be re-inflated to its correct pressure at the earliest possible moment.

(c) Any combat tyre that has been deflated and run for more than

- (i) twenty consecutive miles, or
(ii) seventy five miles in the aggregate,

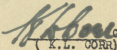
will be removed and inspected by skilled AEME personnel to see if it is fit for further use. When it is necessary to remove a tyre from the wheel, the rim nuts or cap screws will not be unscrewed unless the tyre is completely deflated; otherwise, an inflated tyre may easily blow the wheel apart, causing severe injury or death. Rim nuts or cap screws will be painted red to denote danger.

(d) When replacement of a combat tyre becomes necessary, care will be taken to see that the casing and the tube of the replacement tyre are of the correct size and marked COMBAT, as in para 3 above.

(e) A rubber flap of correct size and type will be fitted in combat tyres using the segmental type of beadlock.

3. TRANSFER OF PERSONNEL TO AUST ARMY POSTAL SERVICE.

A number of vacancies at present exist in Postal Units in WT, which must be filled in order that postal service within WT may be maintained efficiently. Personnel desirous of transferring to this service should submit their applications as soon as possible.

 Capt.,
(K.L. CORR)

Adj't 15 Aust Water Tpt Op Coy (S/C) R.A.E.

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2. O C Optg Section
3. O C Det. 32 Aust Water Mtee Coy.
4. C S M
5. Officer's Mess
6. Sgt's Mess
7. Notice Board
- 8/9 DWT LHQ
10. Hq NT Force
11. Hq 14 L of C Sub Area
12. Darwin Fortress
13. H Q 2 Aust Water Tpt Group (S/O)
14. War Diary
15. File.

RESTRICTED.

27 Dec '43.
Date of last routine order
30 Dec '43.

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R O U T I N E O R D E R S

BY

CAPT. D.C. ROSS

O.C. 15 Australian Water Transport Operating Coy
(Small Craft) R.A.E.

PART 1

Serial 29/43

1. DUTIES.

ORDERLY OFFICER
NEXT FOR DUTY


Lieut. Creagh J. 27 Dec '43
Woll McCall R.M. 3 Jan '43

ORDERLY SERGEANT
NEXT FOR DUTY

Sgt Urquhart G. 27 Dec '43
Sgt Urquhart G. 3 Jan '43

2. LIGHTS OUT

Camp Standing Orders relating to Lights Out will
operate on all ships whilst at moorings.

 Capt
(K.L. CORR)

Adj 15 Aust Water Tpt Ops Coy (S/C) RAE

DISTRIBUTION

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3. Officers' Mess
4. Sgts' Mess
5. Notice Board
- 6/7 DWT LHQ
8. HQ MT Force
9. HQ 14 L of C Sub Area
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(Adapted) (Page 1)
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At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 4/12/1943 (Smallville, Iowa)

W.E. 11/15/82 OFFRS. 31 O.R's. 310 OFFRS. - O.R's. 5 ATT. BY W.E.

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 4/12/1913 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substation Jack No. Station Name Part II Held	Army Number	Surname	Initials	Ranking	Timber present (Yes/No) (Last Year) (Last Year) (Last Year)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Type of Dismount
1. SUBT. J. (C) 011172	ROSS	B C	O C	YES			
1. SUBT. J. (A) 111172	CORR	M L	2/10	"			
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1. SUBT. 011172	TOLANO	A	011172	NO			
1. SUBT. 011172	CREAGH	J	011172	YES			
1. SUBT. 011172	CORR	BET	"	"			
1. SUBT. 011172	DWYER	A M	NO	DETAILER ON DUTY			
1. SUBT. 011172	BAYER	W P	"	YES			

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by 433 units	A.		3
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shows here by A23 units.
Only units notified in
para. 39 of instructions for
completion of form will
complete Part E(1) & E(2).

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

* * Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Footnotes will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces.

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK

[illegible]

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO

(Unit) 18

PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

REMARKS (e.g., percent whorls/turn if known)

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

STATEMENT OF SERVICE

GREAT WAR 1914-1918

CAPT R. L. CORR

Enlisted 13 May 1916 Served with

5 Inf Bn - Wounded 21 August 1918

Discharged 12 May 1919

LIEUT J. C. ANDREWS

Enlisted 7th Bn 1915

3rd MG Coy 1st Div 1915-1917

CAPT D. C. ROSS

Enlisted 10/12/17 - 24-7-19 Active Service
 & line sweeping

FIELD OFFICER OF THE ARMY

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PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 11/12/1943.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.Part C. Other Ranks Included in Part A DetachedPart D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To _____ (Unit) is Particularly Requested. ____/____/194[illegible]

NOTES.—(a) If work other than private is involved give details on back

(b) Affiliated entities or subsidiaries not included in list will be added as requested in space provided.

(c) Where A.W.S. and/or A.S.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back.

(c) "Have any animals or visitors been kept on back of farm, the words "See Back" should be written on sign.

11-12-43

2.50 Fe₂ 3H₂ 5H₂ S 2C₂

Signature of Commander _____

	WO I	WO II	S/SGT	SGT	CPL
Clerks	-	-	1	-	2
Eng Hands	-	-	-	-	5
Boatswain	-	-	-	-	-
Engineers	-	-	-	2	1
" Chief	-	-	-	1	-
" 2 nd	1	-	-	-	-
" 3 rd	-	-	-	-	-
Master	2	-	-	6	17
Boats	-	-	-	1	-
" 2 nd	-	-	-	-	-
Helmsman	-	-	-	-	3
Pygmy	-	-	-	-	-
CSM.	-	-	-	1	-
Native Adv.	-	1	-	-	-
	3	1	1	11	28

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

1. NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)		2. GRADE		3. SERVICE NUMBER	
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