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66 BULK ISSUE PETROL  
& OIL DEPOT PLATOON



# WAR DIARY ~~OF~~ INTELLIGENCE ~~SUMMARY~~.

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Army Form C.2118.

(Adapted.)

Unit 66 Aust BIPOD Pl (AIF) Date and Time.—From 25 May 45 To 13 Jun 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BRISBANE	25/5/45	0600	Strength 1 Offr - 28 ORs ; Platoon embarked USAT "MAUI"	
MOROTAI	5/6/45	1400	Disembarked USAT "MAUI".	
MOROTAI	6-10/6/45		1 OR admitted to 2/5 AGH - Pneumonia.	
			Pl placed under command 1 Aust BASE SUB AREA as from 29 May 45.	
			Engaged in establishing camp site and unpacking Unit stores & equipment.	
			All stores, etc. received in good order.	
MOROTAI	11/6/45		Strength 1 Offr - 27 ORs; 18 men to be supplied each day as	
			working party for 65 Aust BIPOD Pl and to carry out normal POL duties.	
			Working three shifts of eight hour duration.	
MOROTAI	12/6/45		Strength 1 Offr - 27 ORs; notified to prepare for OBOE TWO.	
			Indents for deficiencies of equipment submitted. Normal duties	
			carried out by personnel.	
MOROTAI	13/6/45		Strength 1 Offr - 27 ORs; Pl lectured by Capt WILSON, OC 58 BIPOD Pl,	
			on set-up of Beach Group and the operation at TARAKAN.	

*Harling*  
O.C. 66 AUST. B.I.P.O.D. PL (AIF)

WAR DIARY or ~~INTELLIGENCE~~ SUMMARY.

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Army Form C.2418.  
(Adapted.)

Unit 66 Aust BIPOD PL (AIF) Date and Time.—From 13 Jun 45 To 29 Jul 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
MOROTAI	13 Jun 45	(Continued)	Normal duties carried on in the afternoon. Depot Cpl promoted to L/Sgt and one OR promoted to L/Cpl to fill vacancy on WE.	
MOROTAI	14/16 " "		Strength 1 Offr - 26 ORs; 1 OR transferred to 65 Aust BIPOD Pl. Preparations for OBOE TWO continued. Jeep and 3 Ton vehicles Waterproofed. Personnel carrying on normal POL duties, at IMA. All personnel attended lectures by Capt WILSON and briefed for OBOE TWO. OC 66 BIPOD PL attended conference at 2 Aust BEACH GROUP HQ.	
MOROTAI	17/21 " "		Strength 1 Offr - 26 ORs; 1 OR marched in from 65 Aust BIPOD Pl. Personnel packed and prepared to embark for OBOE TWO. 1 NCO and 3 ORs to remain with vehicles and embark on F plus 44 Convoy. Cpl fitter and 1 OR admitted to hospital and evacuated to mainland unfit for Tropical service.	
MOROTAI	22/30 " "		Strength 1 Offr - 24 ORs; After embarking LSM 148 on F-Day Convoy for OBOE TWO, Platoon arrived BALIKPAPAN 1 Jul 45.	

O.C. 66 AUST. B.I.P.O.D. PH (AIF)

# WAR DIARY ~~OF~~ INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Army Form C.318.  
(Adap ed.)

Unit 66 Aust BIPOD Pl (AIF) Date and Time.—From 1 Jul 45 To 21 Jul 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BALIKPAPAN	1 Jul 45	0600 hrs	Strength 1 Offr - 24 ORs; tides delayed landing of Pl and Disembarkation took place on GREEN BEACH at F plus 21 hrs. After disembarkation the Pl moved to site as per Initial Key Plan and reported to OC 58 Aust BIPOD Pl. Area allocated as POL Depot proved very unsuitable but preparations were commenced to receive Initial Mtce POL. As 66 Pl is under command 58 Pl, OC 58 Pl made all reconnaissances and 66 Pl carried on POL duties under instructions from 58 Pl.	
BALIKPAPAN	2/20 " "		Strength 1 Offr - 26 ORs; POL duties carried on by 66 Pl under instructions from 58 Pl. F and Fplus 6 Day convoys received into POL area and personnel continued receiving POL ex GREEN BEACH, working three 8-hour shifts with personnel from 58 Pl. 1 Cpl and 3 ORs plus vehicles disembarked from AK3.	
BALIKPAPAN	21 Jul 45		66 Pl placed under command 7 Aust BASE SUB AREA as an independent Platoon. Camp site on BALIKPAPAN BAY allotted and personnel commenced building camp. An excellent POL Depot area allotted by Comd 7 BSA in Oil Refinery area. With labour assistance from 28 Works Coy, personnel prepared area to receive POL	

ex ships discharging at BROWN BEACH and CAN DOCK.

*L. Hartling*  
OC 66 AUST BIPOD PL (AIF)

# WAR DIARY of INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Army Form C.2118.  
(Adap ed.)

Unit 66 Aust BIPOD Pl (AIF) Date and Time.—From 21 Jul 45 To 24 Jul 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BALIKPAPAN	21 Jul 45	(Continued)	Depot capacity estimated at 9000x44 gal drums. Pl commenced receiving POL at 1900 hrs. Three 8 hour shifts were allocated to check and receive and by 2359 hrs 350x44 of balanced POL were received and stacked.	
BALIKPAPAN	22 Jul 45		Strength 1 Offr - 26 ORs; Camp building continued - POL received and stacked and further preparation of Depot area carried out. By 2359 hrs a total of 5000x44 of balanced POL and greases had been received. 1 Offr and 14 ORs from AASC Port Detachment attached for rations. POL stock at Depot officially taken on charge from 58 Pl.	
BALIKPAPAN	23 Jul 45		Strength 1 Offr - 26 ORs; Construction of camp completed. Cleaning up Depot continued with aid of 20 Natives. Small quantities of greases were received ex "LUDINGTON". Decanting equipment installed and work commenced on decanting of Oils and Kerosenes. An enemy plane dropped five bombs harmlessly in the bay during early hours of the morning.	
BALIKPAPAN	24 Jul 45		Strength 1 Offr - 26 ORs; continued cleaning up Depot. Decanted 50x44 Lighting Kerosene. "LUDINGTON" continued unloading.	

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Army Form C.2118.  
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Unit 66 Aust BIPOD Pl (AIF) Date and Time.—From 25 Jul 45 To 31 Jul 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BALIKPAPAN	25 Jul 45		Strength 1 Offr - 26 ORs; normal Depot duties. Decanted 1000 <del>24</del> Motor Spirit and proportionate quantities of lubricants. "LUDINGTON" shipment finalised.	
BALIKPAPAN	26 Jul 45		Strength 1 Offr - 26 ORs; normal Depot duties. Natives used extensively in clearing Depot area. Decanting of kerosenes and Motor Spirit continued.	
BALIKPAPAN	27 Jul 45		Strength 1 Offr - 26 ORs; OC requested DADST to notify all units of location of PORT DEPOT as issues for past week have been negligible. Normal Depot duties carried on. Electrician from 108 AGT spent day in installing lighting system.	
BALIKPAPAN	28 Jul 45		Strength 1 Offr - 26 ORs; normal Depot duties.	
BALIKPAPAN	29 Jul 45		Strength 1 Offr - 25 ORs; Observed as Easy Day, granted by GOC 7 Aust Div. 1 Sgt (supernumary) marched out to 28 Works Coy.	
BALIKPAPAN	30 Jul 45		Strength 1 Offr 25 ORs; Normal duties carried out in Depot. POL discharging ex "HORACE LURTON", loaded MOROTAI. Day began very wet and rate of discharge was slow. Engineers carted 12 loads of sand for Depot.	
BALIKPAPAN	31 Jul 45		Strength 1 Offr - 25 ORs; normal duties carried out in Depot.	

*H. Harling* Lt.  
O.C. 66 AUST. B.I.P.O.D. (AIF)

# WAR DIARY ~~OF~~ INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Army Form C.211  
(Adap ed.)

Unit 66 Aust BIPOD PL (AIF) Date and Time.—From 1 Aug 45 To 11 Aug 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BALIKPAPAN	1 Aug 45		Strength 1 Offr - 25 ORs; Normal Depot duties. Loading Ramp constructed to accommodate "SENTELLER" shipment. Natives engaged in clearing debris.	
	2 Aug 45		Strength 1 Offr - 25 ORs; Normal Depot duties.	
	3 Aug 45		Strength 1 Offr - 25 ORs; Normal Depot duties.	
	4 Aug 45		Strength 1 Offr - 25 ORs; Normal Depot duties.	
	5 Aug 45		Strength 1 Offr - 25 ORs; Normal Depot duties.	
	6 Aug 45		Strength 1 Offr - 25 ORs; Electrical installation completed.	
			12 CRE issued on loan to this Unit 1 Lister Blackstone Generating and lighting plant. Normal Depot duties carried on.	
	7 Aug 45		Strength 1 Offr - 25 ORs; Normal Depot duties.	
	8 Aug 45		Strength 1 Offr - 25 ORs; Normal Depot duties. Natives used to construct loading platform.	
	9 Aug 45		Strength 1 Offr - 25 ORs; Normal Depot Duties.	
	10 Aug 45		Strength 1 Offr - 25 ORs; Normal Depot Duties.	
	11 Aug 45		Strength 1 Offr - 25 ORs; Normal Depot Duties. All Motor Spirit issues now made from 4 BPS Coy.	

*H. Darling*  
Lt.  
O.C. 66 AUST BIPOD PL (AIF)

# Comparison of Daily Ration Strength with Rations Drawn

Formation *7th Cavalry Division*

Unit *66 Cavalry Bn*

Week ended Saturday *28 July* 194*5*

A Total rationed as per Daily Ration Strength Return (Army Form W3809) (To be filled in by the Adjutant)					REMARKS	B Rations drawn as per Army Book 55 (To be filled in by the Quartermaster)				
Date	Officers and Men	Animals				For consumption on date as stated below	Officers and Men	Animals		
		HD	MD	LD Rides Pack			HD	MD	LD Rides Pack	
Sunday	<i>46</i>					Sunday				
Monday	<i>46</i>					Monday				
Tuesday	<i>46</i>					Tuesday				
Wednesday	<i>46</i>					Wednesday				
Thursday	<i>46</i>					Thursday				
Friday	<i>46</i>					Friday				
Saturday	<i>46</i>					Saturday				
Totals "A"	<i>322</i>									
OVER-DRAWALS						ADD				
Rations received in excess of Strength, i.e., excesses of Totals "B" over Totals "A" to be carried forward to next week's summary	<i>1</i>					(1) Rations received in excess of Strength (from last week's summary)				
UNDER-DRAWALS						(2) Rations received with Drafts in excess of unconsumed portion of day's ration				
Rations received for less than Strength, i.e., excesses of Totals "A" over Totals "B" NOT to be carried forward to next week's summary						Totals	<i>323</i>			
						DEDUCT				
						Rations taken by Drafts in excess of unconsumed portion of day's ration (details to be given in remarks column)				
						Totals "B"				

## CERTIFICATION BY SUPPLY OFFICER

Part B checked with receipted copies of ABs 55 and certified correct as to number of rations drawn

Supply Officer

Certified Correct

*[Signature]*  
Commanding Officer

Signature and Rank

NOTE.—After being certified correct by the Commanding Officer this form, attached to ABs 55, will be forwarded on or before the subsequent Tuesday to the Supply Officer who will transmit it in due course through S Sup O to ADST



# Comparison of Daily Ration Strength with Rations Drawn

Formation 7th Anti-Aircraft Battalion Unit 66 Anti-Aircraft Battalion Week ended Saturday 18 Aug. 1945

A Total rationed as per Daily Ration Strength Return (Army Form W3809) (To be filled in by the Adjutant)				REMARKS	B Rations drawn as per Army Book 55 (To be filled in by the Quartermaster)					
Date	Officers and Men	Animals			For consumption on date as stated below	Officers and Men	Animals			
		HD	MD	LD Rides Pack				HD	MD	LD Rides Pack
Sunday	38					Sunday	38			
Monday	38					Monday	38			
Tuesday	38					Tuesday	38			
Wednesday	38					Wednesday	38			
Thursday	38					Thursday	38			
Friday	39					Friday	35			
Saturday	39					Saturday	39			
Totals "A"	268					ADD (i) Rations received in excess of Strength (from last week's summary)	3			
OVER-DRAWALS Rations received in excess of Strength, i.e., excesses of Totals "B" over Totals "A" to be carried forward to next week's summary						(ii) Rations received with Drafts in excess of unconsumed portion of day's ration				
UNDER-DRAWALS Rations received for less than Strength, i.e., excesses of Totals "A" over Totals "B" NOT to be carried forward to next week's summary						Totals	47			
						DEDUCT Rations taken by Drafts in excess of unconsumed portion of day's ration (details to be given in remarks column)				
						Totals "B"				

## CERTIFICATION BY SUPPLY OFFICER

Part B checked with receipted copies of ABs 55 and certified correct as to number of rations drawn

Supply Officer

Certified Correct

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# Comparison of Daily Ration Strength with Rations Drawn

Formation

Unit

Week ended Saturday

11 Aug 1945

A Total rationed as per Daily Ration Strength Return (Army Form W3809) (To be filled in by the Adjutant)					REMARKS	B Rations drawn as per Army Book 55 (To be filled in by the Quartermaster)				
Date	Officers and Men	Animals				For consumption on date as stated below	Officers and Men	Animals		
		HD	MD	LD Rides Pack				HD	MD	LD Rides Pack
Sunday	40					Sunday				
Monday	40					Monday	40			
Tuesday	40					Tuesday	40			
Wednesday	40					Wednesday	40			
Thursday	40					Thursday	40			
Friday	38					Friday	40			
Saturday	38					Saturday	38			
Totals "A"	276					ADD				
OVER-DRAWALS						(I) Rations received in excess of Strength (from last week's summary)	3			
Rations received in excess of Strength, i.e., excesses of Totals "B" over Totals "A" to be carried forward to next week's summary	3					(II) Rations received with Drafts in excess of unconsumed portion of day's ration				
UNDER-DRAWALS						CERTIFICATION BY SUPPLY OFFICER				
Rations received for less than Strength, i.e., excesses of Totals "A" over Totals "B" NOT to be carried forward to next week's summary						Part B checked with receipted copies of ABs 55 and certified correct as to number of rations drawn				
						Supply Officer				
						Totals	277			
						DEDUCT				
						Rations taken by Drafts in excess of unconsumed portion of day's ration (details to be given in remarks column)				
						Totals "B"				

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Certified Correct

Signature and Rank  
Commanding Officer  
Lt  
OC 66 AUST. B.I.P.O.D. Pl. (AIF)

Total rationed as per Daily Ration Strength Return (Army Form W3809) (To be filled in by the Adjutant)				REMARKS		B Rations drawn as per Army Book 55 (To be filled in by the Quartermaster)				
Date	Officers and Men	Animals			For consumption on date as stated below	Officers and Men	Animals			
		HD	MD	LD Rides Pack			HD	MD	LD Rides Pack	
Sunday	34				Sunday	34				
Monday	34				Monday	34				
Tuesday	34				Tuesday	34				
Wednesday	34				Wednesday	34				
Thursday	34				Thursday	34				
Friday	34				Friday	34				
Saturday	34				Saturday	34				
Totals "A"	213				ADD (i) Rations received in excess of Strength (from last week's summary)					
OVER-DRAWALS Rations received in excess of Strength, i.e., excesses of Totals "B" over Totals "A" to be carried forward to next week's summary					(ii) Rations received with Drafts in excess of unconsumed portion of day's ration					
UNDER-DRAWALS Rations received for less than Strength, i.e., excesses of Totals "A" over Totals "B" NOT to be carried forward to next week's summary					CERTIFICATION BY SUPPLY OFFICER Part B checked with receipted copies of ABs 55 and certified correct as to number of rations drawn	Totals	172			
					DEDUCT Rations taken by Drafts in excess of unconsumed portion of day's ration (details to be given in remarks column)					
					Supply Officer	Totals "B"				

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Certified Correct

Signature and Rank

A Total rationed as per Daily Ration Strength Return (Army Form W3809) (To be filled in by the Adjutant)				REMARKS		B Rations drawn as per Army Book 55 (To be filled in by the Quartermaster)			
Date	Officers and Men	Animals			For consumption on date as stated below	Officers and Men	Animals		
		HD	MD	L.D. Rides Pack			HD	MD	L.D. Rides Pack
Sunday	38				Sunday	38			
Monday	38				Monday	38			
Tuesday	38				Tuesday	38			
Wednesday	38				Wednesday	38			
Thursday	38				Thursday	38			
Friday	38				Friday	38			
Saturday	37				Saturday	38			
Totals "A"	165				ADD				
OVER-DRAWALS Rations received in excess of Strength, i.e., excesses of Totals "B" over Totals "A" to be carried forward to next week's summary					(i) Rations received in excess of Strength (from last week's summary)				
					(ii) Rations received with Drafts in excess of unconsumed portion of day's ration				
UNDER-DRAWALS Rations received for less than Strength, i.e., excesses of Totals "A" over Totals "B" to be carried forward to next week's summary					CERTIFICATION BY SUPPLY OFFICER Part B checked with receipted copies of ABs 55 and certified correct as to number of rations drawn	Totals	26		
					DEDUCT Rations taken by Drafts in excess of unconsumed portion of day's ration (details to be given in remarks column)				
					Supply Officer	Totals "B"			

Certified Correct

O.C. 66 AUST. D.I.P.O.D. Officer AIF



# Comparison of Daily Ration Strength with Rations Drawn

Formation 7 Aust Div. Unit 46 Aust BIPED CO Week ended Saturday 4 July 1945

A Total rationed as per Daily Ration Strength Return (Army Form W3809) (To be filled in by the Adjutant)					REMARKS	B Rations drawn as per Army Book 55 (To be filled in by the Quartermaster)				
Date	Officers and Men	Animals				For consumption on date as stated below	Officers and Men	Animals		
		HD	MD	LD Rides Pack				HD	MD	LD Rides Pack
Sunday	—					Sunday	—			
Monday	—					Monday	—			
Tuesday	28					Tuesday	28			
Wednesday	28					Wednesday	28			
Thursday	28					Thursday	28			
Friday	47					Friday	28			
Saturday	47					Saturday	28			
Totals "A"	178						47			
OVER-DRAWALS						ADD				
Rations received in excess of Strength, i.e., excesses of Totals "B" over Totals "A" to be carried forward to next week's summary						(i) Rations received in excess of Strength (from last week's summary)				
						(ii) Rations received with Drafts in excess of unconsumed portion of day's ration				
UNDER-DRAWALS						CERTIFICATION BY SUPPLY OFFICER				
Rations received for less than Strength, i.e., excesses of Totals "A" over Totals "B" NOT to be carried forward to next week's summary						Part B checked with receipted copies of AIs 55 and certified correct as to number of rations drawn				
19						Totals				
						DEDUCT				
						Rations taken by Drafts in excess of unconsumed portion of day's ration (details to be given in remarks column)				
						Totals "B"				
						Supply Officer				

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Certified Correct

*[Signature]*  
Commanding Officer



# Comparison of Daily Ration Strength with Rations Drawn

Formation 7th Cavalry Regt Unit 4th Cavalry Bn Week ended Saturday 4 Aug 1945

A Total rationed as per Daily Ration Strength Return (Army Form W3809) (To be filled in by the Adjutant)				REMARKS		B Rations drawn as per Army Book 55 (To be filled in by the Quartermaster)			
Date	Officers and Men	Animals			For consumption on date as stated below	Officers and Men	Animals		
		HD	MD	LD Rides Pack			HD	MD	LD Rides Pack
Sunday	46					Sunday	46		
Monday	45					Monday	46		
Tuesday	45					Tuesday	46		
Wednesday	47					Wednesday	46		
Thursday	45					Thursday	45		
Friday	45					Friday	41		
Saturday	40					Saturday	45		
Totals "A"	313								
OVER-DRAWALS									
Rations received in excess of Strength, i.e., excesses of Totals "B" over Totals "A" to be carried forward to next week's summary					(1) Rations received in excess of Strength (from last week's summary)				
3					1				
					(ii) Rations received with Drafts in excess of unconsumed portion of day's ration				
UNDER-DRAWALS					CERTIFICATION BY SUPPLY OFFICER				
Rations received for less than Strength, i.e., excesses of Totals "A" over Totals "B" NOT to be carried forward to next week's summary					Part B checked with receipted copies of ABs 55 and certified correct as to number of rations drawn				
					Totals				
					316				
					DEDUCT				
					Rations taken by Drafts in excess of unconsumed portion of day's ration (details to be given in remarks column)				
					Totals "B"				
					Supply Officer				

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Certified Correct

*[Signature]*  
O.C. 66AUST B Commanding Officer

Signature and Rank

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At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 7/7/1945 (Unit)

W.E. IV / 600 / 1 OFFRS. 1 O.Rs. 20 OFFRS. - O.Rs. 2 ATT. BY W.E.

## Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10				
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.								
Rebatta Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rebatta Required.				
				W.Os. Class I.									
				W.Os. Class II.									
				Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.									
			✓ 1	Staff Sergeants									
		1	✓ 2	Sergeants									
W/A	1		2	Corporals									
		25 7/8		Troopers, Privates, etc.	A A C C	2							
				Civilians counting as O.R.									
				Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		2°							
	3	1	24 7/8										
Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 1 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).													
				Detail.	A.I.F. Under 19 Years.	C.M.F. 19 Years and over.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
				A	2/26								7/26
				B(1)									85
				B(2)									
* - Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces, 10 N.Z. Forces.													

## Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

[illegible]

## Part C. Other Ranks Included in Part A Detached to Other Units.

[illegible]

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

[illegible]

# **PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 7 / 7 / 1946.**

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Present Strength	Reinforce Required	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Present Strength	Reinforce Required	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Present Strength	Reinforce Required	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Present Strength	Reinforce Required
Armourment Examblers				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armourment Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armourment Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Silvers			
Armourment Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Triangometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armourment Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armourment Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armourment Artificer Radio				Waltmakers				Opticians				Rampfitters			
Armourment Artificer Shields				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
Armourment Artificer Wirecass								Paint Beaters				Recupriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Solders			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Soldiers makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Sprinkler and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stencillers			
Compositors								Riggers				Stokers, Staly, Engine			
Cook, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sewers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Assessors				Signwriters				Taxidermists			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telephone Identifying Numbers				Timemills			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Sty. Comd's Asst.				Unit Bore				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Bulldozers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchmen				Whitemills			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wiremen							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver Mech. (Eng. and Mee.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.							
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors							
Fitters, Railway Signal				Haltmen				Bulldozers							
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks							
Grinder, Precision				Heli Operator				Clerks, Technical							
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Cash Trimmers							
Mechanics, Instrument (Signal)				Intelligence Duties				Concoctors							
Mechanics, Instrument (Optical)				Joiners				Coals							
Mechanics, Radio				Linemen				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Linemen, Signals				Despatch Riders							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Drivers, H.T.							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Driver Mechanics							
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Typ. Plant							
Pharmacist				Masurors				Engine Hands, F.C.							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Equipment Repairs							
Photewriter				Miners				Farmers							
Pumpers				Molders				Fitters' Mates							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Gun Layers							
Surveyors				Observation Post Asst.											
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD							

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(b) Attached trades or specialties not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.

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NGOS SUPERNUMARY TO W/E

NO VK184199  
 RANK Sgt  
 NAME WEBB K.W.T.  
 DATE OF BIRTH 26/8/11  
 MED CLASS A1  
 EMPLOYED IN UNIT SGT GEN DUTIES  
 CIVIL OCCUPATION STEREOTYPHER, THENCE SOLDIER IN PMF  
 ARMY QUALIFICATIONS ARMY SGT & TPT WCO, ALSO TRAINED FOR DOGS CP.  
 SCHOOLS & COURSES SMALL ARMS SCHOOL 4 MTHS - PASSED

REMARKS - PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT

"BELOW AVERAGE INTELLIGENCE AND HAS NO OUTSTANDING APTITUDE FOR SPECIALIST TYPES OF TRAINING. HE HAS HAD CONSIDERABLE EXPERIENCE AND SHOULD BE CAPABLE OF ROUTINE WORK"

PARTICULARS OF NGOS ON P/S

<u>RANK</u>	<u>W/E</u>	<u>P/S</u>	<u>surp</u>	<u>def</u>	<u>NAME</u>
S/SGT CLERK	1	1	-	-	MURRAY D.C.
CPL CLERK	1	-	-	-	REINE NOT REQUIRED
CPL FITTER	1	1	-	-	McCLOY J.G.
SGT GEN DUTY	1	2	1	-	WELSH H.
CPL GEN DUTY	1	1	✓	-	GUINERY J.



# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008  
(Adapted) (Page 1)  
(Revised Jan., 1943)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 7 / 7 / 1945 66 ARCT BIPED PL (AIF) 22 45 (Serial No.) (Unit)

W.E. 14/500 1. OFFRS. 1 O.R's 26 + OFFRS. O.R's. 2 ATT. BY W.E.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.						
Ratio Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Ratio Required.		
			1	* * Lieut.-Colonels Majors Captains Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.							
			1								
DETAIL		A.I.F.	C.M.P.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
A.		1									1
E.(1)											
E.(2)											

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 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. Particulars 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

ARMY No.	RANK.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.

### OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

ARMY No.	RANK.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.

## PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. / / 194.

ARMY No.	RANK.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).







PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 4 / 8 / 1945 .

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.		W. E.	Posted Strength.	Releifs. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)		W. E.	Posted Strength.	Releifs. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)		W. E.	Posted Strength.	Releifs. Required.
Ammunition Examiners					Surveyors, Engineering					Operating Room Asst.				G.P.O. Assistants
Armament Artificer Fitter					Surveyors, R.A.A.					Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)					Surveyors, Topographical					Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)					Surveyors, Trigonometrical					Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.T.F.V.)					Toolmakers					Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Metal
Armament Artificer Instrument					Turners					Operator, Wireles				Plate Layers
Armament Artificer Radio					Watchmakers					Opticians				Range-takers
Armament Artificer Signals					Welders					Painters				Roughriders
Armament Artificer Wireles										Postal Beaters				Roadsters
Artificer, Artillery										Photographers, Dry Plate				Saddlery-makers
Artificer, Engine										Predictor Numbers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer
Blacksmiths										Printers				Stokers
Bricklayers										Radiographers				Stokers, Staly. Engine
Campstays										Riggers				Storemen, Technical
Cooks, Hospital					GROUP II.					Sawyers				Tailors
Coppersmiths					Armourers					Signallers				Textile Reditors
Dispensers					Aviators					Signwriters				Timemiths
Draughtsmen					Bakers					Telescope Identif. Numbers				Valcanizers
Draughtsmen (Architectural)					Blk. Comd's. Asst.					Vell. Berrers				Wagon Erectors
Draughtsmen (Engineering)					Boltermakers					Wheelers				Whitesmiths
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)					Carpenters					Winchman				
Draughtsmen (Topographical)					Carpenters and Joiners					Wirmen				
Electricians					Cooks					Woodturners				
Electricians (M.V.)					Dental Mechanics									
Electricians (Signals)					Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)									
Fitters					Driver-Operator									
Fitters (Cycle)					Drazsmen									
Fitters (Electrical)					Electricians									
Fitters (Gun)					Electricians (Engineers)									
Fitters (Instrument)					Fire Control Operators					GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.
Fitters (M.V.)					Gun Operator					Battery Surveyors				
Fitters, Railway Signal					Hatchmen					Butchers				
Fitters, Signals					Height Taker					Clerks				
Grinder, Precision					Helio Operator					Clerks, Supply				
Mechanics, Instrument					Instrument Operator					Clerks, Technical				
Mechanics, Instrument (Signal)					Intelligence Duties					Cosch Trimmers				
Mechanics, Instrument (Signal)					Joiners					Concretors				
Mechanics, Radio					Lineman					Cooks				
Mechanics, Typewriter					Lineman, Signals					Dental Clerk Orderlies				
Mechanics, Wireles					Lithographers					Dispatch Riders				
Millwrights					Machinists, Metal					Draughtsmen, Signals				
Operators, Excavator					Machinists, Wood					Drivers, H.T.				
Pattern Maker					Masons					Driver Mechanics				
Pharmacist					Masours					Driver Typn. Plant				
Photogrpher, Wet Plate					Mechanics, M.T.					Engine Hand, L.C.				
Photowriter					Miners					Equipment Repairers				
Plumber					Moulders					Farriers				
Saw Doctors					Nurses, Trained					Fitters' Mates				
Surveyors					Observation Post Asst.					Gun Layers				
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Signature of Commander

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W.E. IV 598 1. OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 26 + OFFRS. - O.R's. 2 ATT. BY W.E.

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

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 4/8/1965 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

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\* Issued detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

### OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

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### OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

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PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO \_\_\_\_\_ (Unit) IS  
PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/194\_\_\_\_.

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## PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

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4 Aug 45

Date of Despatch \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Commanding Officer  
O.C. 66 AUST. B.I.P.O.D. PL (AIF)  
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WAR DIARY ~~or~~ INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Unit 66 Aust BIPOD P1 (AIF) Date and Time.—From 12 Aug 45 To 17 Aug 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BALIKPAPAN	12 Aug 45		Strength 1 Offr - 25 ORs; Treated as Rest Day. Skeleton staff to maintain Depot.	
	13 Aug 45		Strength 1 Offr 25 ORs; 500x4 Empty drums backloaded to 4 BPS Coy. Decanting continued and produced 1000x4 Motor Spirit. Hygiene of Camp inspected by DADH and 98 percent points were allotted.	
	14 Aug 45		Strength 1 Offr 25 ORs; Empty drums backloaded to 4 BPS Coy. "SENTELLER" commenced to discharge and by 2359 hrs 200 Tons had been received into the Depot. Decanting continued and natives assisted in Depot clearing.	
	15 Aug 45		Strength 1 Offr 25 ORs; Normal Depot Duties. "SENTELLER" finished discharging 1530 hrs. Fire extinguishers were received from Ordnance and filled ready for use. Meals are beginning to become very monotonous and appetites have suffered accordingly.	
	16 Aug 45		"SENTELLER" Steward gave the platoon 1 case of frozen chicken and a dinner of roast chicken etc was prepared by the cooks to celebrate the Victory. Normal duties were carried out in the Depot.	
	17 Aug 45		Strength 1 Offr 25 ORs; Received official notification from HEIDELBURG Military Hosp of the death of a member of this Pl.VX100634 Pte NEWBY A.W. Official letter of condolence written by OC to his parents.	

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# WAR DIARY of INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Unit 66 Aust BIPOD Pl (AIF) Date and Time.—From 17 Aug 45 To 22 Aug 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BALIKPAPAN	17 Aug 45	(Continued)	Empty drums carted to 4 BPS Coy. Normal Depot duties carried on.	
	18 Aug 45		Strength 1 Offr 25 ORs; Jeep and 3 Ton vehicles were given a thorough overhaul; passed inspection as A. Issues from the Depot exceeded 150 Tons. 1000x4 Motor Spirit were decanted.	
	19 Aug 45		Strength 1 Offr 25 ORs; 1 OR marched out to Details Depot for Long Service release and embarked SS KANIMBLA for AUSTRALIA.. Personnel becoming very tired of Army rations and interest and hopes run high as to the possibility of discharge before Christmas. Depot Duties continued..	
	20 Aug 45		Strength 1 Offr 24 ORs; Jeep evacuated to 2nd Echelon workshops. A certificate of replacement has been issued and a new Jeep will be collected during the forthcoming week. With the marching out of 1 OR on 19 Aug 45 strength of Pl is down 4 ORs on WE, including a Cpl Pitter.	
	21 Aug 45		Strength 1 Offr 24 ORs; Normal Depot duties carried on. There has not been one case of sickness within the Pl since arriving at BALIKPAPAN. Numerous visiting officers have passed congratulatory remarks about the comfort and cleanliness of the camp.	
	22 Aug 45		Strength 1 Offr 24 ORs; Instructions received to make ready 500 Tons of balanced POL to equip a Bde Task Force. BPS supplied 2000x4 Motor Spirit	

*Stirling* Lt  
O.C. 66 AUST. B.I.P.O.D. (AIF)

# WAR DIARY *or* INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit 66 Aust BIPOD Pl (AIF) Date and Time.—From 22 Aug 45 To 27 Aug 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BALIKPAPAN	22 Aug 45	(Continued)	OC advised verbally by POL Officer 7 BSA that the PORT DEPOT is to be moved to 4 BPS area to facilitate handling of 4's & 44's. Awaiting further instructions.	
	23 Aug 45		Strength 1 Offr 24 ORs; Normal Depot Duties.	
	24 Aug 45		Strength 1 Offr 24 ORs; Decanting produced 1000x4 gal drums. A fall in morale has been noticed, probably attributable to monotonous meals and a general strain of heavy work. OC was visited unofficially by Col GR HODGSON, newly appointed Comd 7 BSA.	
	25 Aug 45		Strength 1 Offr 24 ORs; fine and warm. Normal duties carried on in Depot. 108x44 Range Fuel carted to replenish stocks at KLANDASAN DEPOT. Issues of ADF exceeded 20 Tons for the day.	
	26 Aug 45		Strength 1 Offr 24 ORs; fine and warm. Being Sunday, advantage was taken to give all personnel a rest day. Trip arranged with USN to visit various Native villages adjoining BALIKPAPAN BAY. Skeleton staff remained on duty to attend to Depot functions.	
	27 Aug 45		Strength 1 Offr 24 ORs; Fine and warm. Normal Depot duties. 126x44 Range Fuel loaded out to replenish KLANDASAN DEPOT stocks. Unit wireless set repaired by member of 2 Beach Sigs and functions most satisfactorily.	

*Harling* Lt.  
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## WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Unit 66 Aust BIPOD PL (AIF) Date and Time.—From 28 Aug 45 To 31 Aug 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BALIKPAPAN	28 Aug 45		Strength 1 Offr 24 ORs; fine and warm. 108x¼ drums ADF carted to KLANDASAN DEPOT Balance of reserve stock for shipment with next task force completed. Waiting on 4 BPS Coy and KLANDASAN DEPOT to forward their commitments. Decanting produced 500x¼ but due to mechanical defect it will be necessary to overhaul pump completely. Commenced repairing drum repair workshop.	
	29 Aug 45		Strength 1 Offr 24 ORs; fine and warm. RMT Petrol Motor developed mechanical trouble due to air leaks in intake hose. 21 ft of new petrolic hose was obtained from RAAP and replaced on decanting set up. 600x¼ ADF for Task Force shipment received from KLANDASAN DEPOT. 108x¼ ADF carted to KLANDASAN to replenish stocks there. The meals are becoming more monotonous daily and the general morale suffers accordingly. Maj McPhee, late DADST 7 BSA paid a farewell visit prior to flying to the mainland for discharge.	
	30 Aug 45		Strength 1 Offr 24 ORs; dull with occasional showers. Normal Depot duties carried on. Lighting plant developed a mechanical defect. To be repaired by LAD on 31 Aug 45.	
	31 Aug 45		Strength 1 Offr 24 ORs; fine and warm. Lighting plant replaced with repaired Howard motor by LAD. Decanting continued and produced 1000x¼. 1 OR (Cook) evacuated to 2/12 AGH with dermatitis. Due to QUEEN WILHELMINA'S birthday, no native labour was available. New ½ ton 4x4 (Jeep) received from Ordnance. Checked over by driver and is running perfectly.	
			<i>H.A. Harling</i> O.C. 66 AUSTR. B.I.P.O.D. PT (AIF)	

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66 Aust BIPOD PL (AIF)


PLACE: BALIKPAPAN

DATE COMMENCING: 1 Sep 45

DATE

PARTICULARS

- 1 Sep 45. Strength: 1 Offr - 24 ORs. - Fine and warm  
Engineers from 12 CRE inspected new Depot area and advised that work as per instructions from Comd 7 Base Sub Area would commence 3 Sep 45. Normal duties were carried on at Port Depot.
- 2 Sep 45. Strength: 1 Offr - 24 ORs. Fine and hot  
Being Sunday, it was treated as Rest Day. Personnel spent the day boating and swimming.
- 3 Sep 45. Strength: 1 Offr - 24 ORs. Fine and warm  
Engineers commenced work preparing new Depot. Natives were used in clearing debris. Decanting produced 800x4 Motor Spirit. Issues of Distillate exceeded 6000 gals for the day.
- 4 Sep 45. Strength: 1 Offr - 24 ORs. Fine and warm  
Engineers expect to complete new Depot area by 7 Sep 45. Acute Motor Spirit shortage now exists. With no replenishment ships in sight, Motor Spirit is rationed to 40% of normal issues until the position is relieved. Nica has loaned twenty natives for four days, commencing 6 Sep, to complete clearing of debris in new area.  
Personnel becoming discontented at lack of fresh food, due to shipping hold-up in Sydney.
- 5 Sep 45. Strength: 1 Offr - 24 ORs. Fine and hot  
Natives employed in clearing debris at new Depot. Decanting ceased temporarily due to mechanical breakdown but repairs were effected during the afternoon. Empty drums were carted to 4 BPS Coy.
- 6 Sep 45. Strength: 1 Offr - 24 ORs. Fine and hot  
After the day's issues finished, stock of Motor Spirit stood at 200x4 gal drums. These will be issued to DIDs on 7 Sep. 40 natives were employed cleaning up new area. Work by Engrs is progressing very slowly.
- 7 Sep 45. Strength: 1 Offr - 24 ORs. Fine and hot  
The new Depot area at 4 BPS Coy is nearing completion. The Motor Spirit position has reached a state of emergency. Units have now been drawing from 4 BPS Coy only. Issues were cut by 60%. Distillate is now rationed and units are not permitted to use same for hygiene purposes.  
Rations included fresh fruit and fresh meat and the best meal since arriving in BALIKPAPAN was consumed.

  
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DATE:PARTICULARS:

- 8 Sep 45. Strength: 1 Offr - 24 ORs. Dull and humid  
Rest Day.
- 9 Sep 45. Strength: 1 Offr - 24 ORs. Cloudy  
Captured Japanese Motor Spirit filled into 4 gal drums to  
relieve Motor Spirit shortage. Instructions received from 7  
7 Div to the effect that no unit will draw more than 24 gals  
Motor Spirit and the only issues of Distillate are to be to  
LCTs and LCMs.  
Being a Mohammedan holiday, native labour was not available  
and work on the new area therefore ceased.
- 10-11 Sep 45. Strength: 1 Offr - 24 ORs. Hot and fine  
7 Div instructions regarding Petrol ration for these two days  
now allow no unit to draw more than 50 gals of Motor Spirit  
and Landing Craft moving Jap PWs to be the only units to draw  
Distillate. Further instructions to be issued regarding ration  
entitlements of all units 12 Sep. Notified of ETA Motor Spirit  
Tanker 16 Sep and Distillate Tanker 28 Sep.  
Natives completed cleaning up new area but due to Petrol  
shortage, vehicles are not available to shift stocks.
- 12 Sep 45 Strength: 1 Offr - 24 ORs. Fine and warm  
7 Div Admin Inst issued, giving detailed list of all units and  
their weekly Motor Spirit ration.  
1 clerk and 1 issuer were attached to 4 BPS Coy to control  
issues and a ledger system introduced to keep check of rations.  
POL supply for 2/31 Bn moving to BANDJERMASIN loaded during  
the night at the rate of one truck every 15 minutes. Due to  
shortage of Distillate in bulk tanks, the LCTs were fuelled  
from 44 gal drums drawn from this Depot. 40 Tons of POL were  
loaded.  
Fresh meat was included in day's rations.
- 13 Sep 45 Strength: 1 Offr - 24 ORs. Cloudy with showers  
The Distillate stock position has become very acute. It is  
expected to cut out 14 Sep. Japanese Motor Spirit is being  
drummed by 4 BPS Coy and carted to this Depot. 80x44 have  
been received.  
Jap PWs are causing much controversy amongst the men and have  
created a welcome diversion for conversation.  
A busy day was spent by OC adjusting ration queries and  
arranging deliveries of Distillate to refuel LCTs.
- 14 Sep 45 Strength: 1 Offr - 24 ORs. Fine and hot  
Commenced filling 4's of Motor Spirit from bulk tanks at 4 BPS.  
Filling proved slow but with the lengthening of the hoses  
now in progress, it will become much faster.  
Received notice to prepare balanced shipment of 30 days' POL  
for 10000 men by 21 Sep. The oils and greases were completed  
today and the Motor Spirit filling is in progress.  
Distillate stocks are now down to 100x44. Petrol rationing  
continues.

DATE:PARTICULARS:

- 15 Sep 45. Strength: 1 Offr - 24 ORs. Fine and hot.  
Filling of 4's Motor Spirit. Completed filling 2000 x 4 of Motor Spirit. Outside labour, working with 3 vehicles, shifted 500x44 of Motor Spirit from filling platform and stacked in the new Depot area. 50 drums of Japanese Motor Spirit were received ex a barge from north of Balikpapan Bay and stacked in port Depot. 114 x 44 of Av Gas loaded at Sepinggang and received at new depot. 6 men standing by to load this again during the night for shipment with 21 Bde. A night refuelling of RAN Ship "INVERELL" took place and 15x44 of Distillate was pumped into her tanks. Normal depot duties carried on.
- 16 Sep 45. Strength: 1 Offr - 24 ORs. Fine and hot.  
Treated as Rest Day.
- 17 Sep 45. Strength: 1 Offr - 24 ORs. Cloudy and cool.  
Due to a quantity of water being detected in an issue of Motor Spirit to the RAN it has been necessary to test all drums in stock and arrange for those with water in to be decanted. Drum repairing continues and 100 x 44 per day are repaired and tested. We completed filling 3000 x 4 of Motor Spirit to hold in reserve. for a Bde shipment.
- 18 Sep 45 Strength: 1 Offr - 24 ORs. Cloudy and cool.  
Resplenished Klandasan depot to the extent of 200 x 44 Range Fuel and 100 x 44 Power Kerosene. Maintenance of both vehicles carried out. Condition after maintenance was very good. A number of empty drums lying about the wharves were picked up and returned to 4 BPS Coy. A barge of Jap oil (60x44) was ~~un~~ unloaded and into Port Depot.
- 19 Sep 45. Strength: 1 Offr - 24 ORs. Fine and hot.  
Jap Petrol and Oil continues to arrive by barge in small quantities and is being concentrated at Port Depot. Personnel engaged in maintenance of POL and tidying up Depot. Drum repairing of 4's continues.
- 20 Sep 45. Strength 1 Offr - 24 ORs. Dull and cool.  
Normal Depot duties, 950 x 4 gal drums of Motor Spirit filled
- 21 Sep 45. Strength 1 Offr - 24 ORs. Cool and cloudy.  
Engineers completed installation of lighting at new Depot. 5 KVA lighting plant received on loan from 12 CRE. Distillate, being filled by 4 BPS and stacked as reserve stock for Bde shipments. Liberty Vessel - Christy Mathewson awaiting discharge.
- 22 Sep 45. Strength 1 Offr - 24 ORs. Wet and cloudy.  
Continued to receive Jap POL ex captured barge. Disillate filled at 4 BPS and stacked as reserve. Normal Depot duties carried out.

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- 23 Sep 45. Strength 1 Offr - 24 ORs. Fine and hot.  
Rest Day. Sports swimming.
- 24 Sep 45. Strength 1 Offr - 24 ORs. Dull with occasional showers.  
Japanese Spirit (91 Octane) received from captured vessel.  
20 Ton off shore shipment made for Sanga Sanga 2/25 Bn.  
Normal depot duties.
- 25 Sep 45. Strength 1 Offr - 24 ORs. Fine and hot.  
"Christy Mathewson" commenced discharging POL in the morning  
but the rate of discharge was slow. One OR admitted to 2/12  
AGH suffering from a recurrent attack of malaria. Normal Depot  
carried on.
- 26 Sep 45. Strength 1 Offr - 23 ORs. Dull and hot.  
POL being received from "Christy Mathewson" at the rate of  
one truck per hour. Expect it to cut on 28 Sep. Re-supply for  
2/31 Bn at Bandjermasin made, 50 ton POL shipped there by LCT.  
Normal Depot duties.
- 27 Sep 45. Strength 1 Offr - 23 ORs. Fine and warm.  
Discharge of Christy Mathewson completed. Jap POL received  
ex captured vessel. Normal Depot duties.
- 28 Sep 45. Strength 1 Offr - 23 ORs. Dull and humid.  
Granted to personnel as Hobby Day. Boats and yachts were most  
popular and also the fine Balik Papan beach.
- 29 Sep 45. Strength 1 Offr - 23 ORs. Fine and hot.  
DDST LHQ - Col Easterbrook visited the area and payed a call  
on OC. Normal Depot duties.
- 30 Sep 45. Strength 1 Offr - 23 ORs. Fine and hot.  
Treated as Rest Day. Personnel swam and went yachting.
- 1 Oct 45. Strength 1 Offr - 23 ORs. Humid.  
Normal Depot duties. Output of work gradually decreasing.
- 2 Oct 45. Strength 1 Offr - 23 ORs. Hot and fine.  
Recording of Demobilization particulars of all personnel  
completed. Highest points score 207.
- 3 Oct 45. Strength 1 Offr - 23 ORs. Fine and hot.  
Due to decreasing work the day was set aside as Hobby Day.  
Personnel engaged in yachting, swimming and sport.
- 4 Oct 45. Strength 1 Offr - 23 ORs. Fine and hot.  
Normal Depot duties.
- 5 Oct 45. Strength 1 Offr - 23 ORs. Fine and hot.  
Notified by 7 Div of further cut in Petrol Ration. All units  
down a further 25%. ADF has also been restricted further to  
absolute essential diesel units only. One NCO M/Out to 2/2  
Supply Depot Coy for movement to Makassar as POL representative  
Normal Depot duties.

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DATE.

PARTICULARS.

6 Oct 45. Strength 1 Offr - 22 ORs. Dull with occasional showers.  
Normal Depot duties.

7 Oct 45. Strength 1 Offr - 22 ORs. Fine and hot.  
Sunday - Treated as Rest Day.

8 Oct 45. Strength 1 Offr - 22 ORs. Fine and hot.  
Cleaning up of Depot took place. Leaks decanted and maintenance carried out. Normal Depot duties.

9 Oct 45. Strength 1 Offr - 23 ORs. Dull and showery.  
20 Jap POW's engaged in clearing debris at new Depot and sorting POL Products. Complained officially of natives passing nasty remarks about them and OC advised to keep native working parties well away from Japs. Normal Depot duties carried on. One OR m/i from 2/12 AGH.

10 Oct 45. Strength 1 Offr - 23 ORs. Fine and hot.  
POW's continued to sort POL at new Depot. Normal Depot duties carried on.

11 Oct 45. Strength 1 Offr - 23 ORs. Fine and hot.  
Normal Depot duties. 10 ton of POL shipped by launch to Java for RNEI Armies.

12 Oct 45. Strength 1 Offr - 23 ORs. Fine and hot.  
Treated as sports day. No mail again today. Personnel losing morale daily.

13 Oct 45. Strength 1 Offr - 23 ORs. Fine and hot.  
Jap POW's continued to shift POL to new Depot. TG Cook m/out to 3 Welding Pl for efficiency test. Normal Depot duties.

14 Oct 45. Strength 1 Offr - 22 ORs. Fine and hot.  
Rest Day.

15 Oct 45. Strength 1 Offr - 22 ORs. Fine and hot.  
Normal Depot duties. Pressure of work has dropped considerably. There is now little to occupy the day.

16 Oct 45. Strength 1 Offr - 22 ORs. Fine and hot.  
Normal Depot duties. The "Catron" - a Liberty vessel - carrying lub Oil for BIPOD dropped anchor in Balik Papan Bay this morning. Will not commence to discharge for a few days.

17 Oct 45. Strength 1 Offr - 22 ORs. Fine and hot.  
Normal Depot duties.

18 Oct 45. Strength 1 Offr - 22 ORs. Fine and hot.  
Normal Depot duties.

*[Signature]*  
O.C. 66 AUST. B.I.P.O.D. PL. *[Initials]*



DATE.PARTICULARS.

19 Oct 45. Strength 1 Offr - 22 ORs. Fine and hot.  
Normal Depot duties.

20 Oct 45. Strength 1 Offr - 22 ORs. Fine and hot.  
"Catron" discharged 60 ton POL. Normal Depot duties.

21 Oct 45. Strength 1 Offr - 22 ORs. Showery.  
Rest Day. Sports engaged in.

22 Oct 45. Strength 1 Offr - 22 ORs. Fine and hot.  
Two ORs marched in from 58 Aust BIPOD Pl (AIF). Normal Depot duties.

23 Oct 45. Strength 1 Offr - 24 ORs. Fine and hot.  
60 ton of POL loaded on "W. H. Point" for Makforce. Normal Depot duties.

24 Oct 45. Strength 1 Offr - 24 ORs. Showery.

25 Oct 45. Operations confined to issues and maintenance only. Weight of work has decreased considerably. One OR from within Pl

26 Oct 45. Trade grouped to fill vacancy of cook.


27 Oct 45.

28 Oct 45. Strength 1 Offr - 24 ORs. Fine and hot.  
80 ton Range Fuel and ADF received ex Aust Army Launch from Morotai. Normal Depot duties.

29 Oct 45. Strength 1 Offr - 24 ORs. Fine and hot.  
Commenced concentration of Jap POL at Port Depot. Two vehicles used in carting same.

30 Oct 45. Strength 1 Offr - 24 ORs. Fine and hot.  
Continued concentrating Jap POL at Port Depot. Stock at Port Depot of MT 80 exhausted and limited supplies of salvaged Jap M/S received for issue from 4 BPS Coy. Normal Depot duties.

31 Oct 45. Strength 1 Offr - 24 ORs. Fine and hot.  
Normal Depot duties.

  
O.C. 66 AUST. B.I.P.O.D. PL. (AIF)

# Comparison of Daily Ration Strength with Rations Drawn

Formation 1 Base Sub Area Unit 6681 PCD PC Week ended Saturday 8 Feb 1945

A Total rationed as per Daily Ration Strength Return (Army Form W3809) (To be filled in by the Adjutant)					REMARKS	B Rations drawn as per Army Book 55 (To be filled in by the Quartermaster)				
Date	Officers and Men	Animals				For consumption on date as stated below	Officers and Men	Animals		
		HD	MD	LD Rides Pack				HD	MD	LD Rides Pack
Sunday	37					Sunday	38			
Monday	37					Monday	38			
Tuesday	37					Tuesday	37			
Wednesday	37					Wednesday	34			
Thursday	37					Thursday	37			
Friday	37					Friday	37			
Saturday	37					Saturday	37			
Totals "A"	259					ADD				
OVER-DRAWALS Rations received in excess of Strength, i.e., excesses of Totals "A" over Totals "B" to be carried forward to next week's summary						(i) Rations received in excess of Strength (from last week's summary)	1			
						(ii) Rations received with Drafts in excess of unconsumed portion of day's ration				
UNDER-DRAWALS Rations received for less than Strength, i.e., excesses of Totals "A" over Totals "B" NOT to be carried forward to next week's summary						CERTIFICATION BY SUPPLY OFFICER	Totals	259		
						Part B checked with receipted copies of ABs 55 and certified correct as to number of rations drawn	DEDUCT			
						Rations taken by Drafts in excess of unconsumed portion of day's ration (details to be given in remarks column)				
					Supply Officer	Totals "B"				

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Certified Correct

John S. K. H.  
Signature and Rank  
60 Commanding Officer

**A** Total rationed as per Daily Ration Strength  
Return (Army Form W3809)  
(To be filled in by the Adjutant)

**B** Rations drawn as per Army Book 55  
(To be filled in by the Quartermaster)

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Certified Correct

Signature and Rank  
Commanding Officer



# Comparison of Daily Ration Strength with Rations Drawn

Formation **7 Aust BASE SUB AREA** Unit **66 Aust BIPOD PL** Week ended Saturday **22 Sep** 19**45**

A Total rationed as per Daily Ration Strength Return (Army Form W3809) (To be filled in by the Adjutant)					REMARKS	B Rations drawn as per Army Book 55 (To be filled in by the Quartermaster)				
Date	Officers and Men	Animals				For consumption on date as stated below	Officers and Men	Animals		
		HD	MD	LD Rides Pack				HD	MD	LD Rides Pack
Sunday	38					Sunday	37			
Monday	38					Monday	37			
Tuesday	38					Tuesday	37			
Wednesday	38					Wednesday	37			
Thursday	38					Thursday	38			
Friday	38					Friday	38			
Saturday	38					Saturday	38			
Totals "A"	266					ADD (i) Rations received in excess of Strength (from last week's summary)				
OVER-DRAWALS Rations received in excess of Strength, i.e., excesses of Totals "B" over Totals "A" over carried forward to next week's summary						(ii) Rations received with Drafts in excess of unconsumed portion of day's ration				
UNDER-DRAWALS Rations received for less than Strength, i.e., excesses of Totals "A" over Totals "B" NOT to be carried forward to next week's summary	4					CERTIFICATION BY SUPPLY OFFICER Part B checked with receipted copies of ABs 55 and certified correct as to number of rations drawn	Totals	262		
						DEDUCT Rations taken by Drafts in excess of unconsumed portion of day's ration (details to be given in remarks column)				
						Supply Officer	Totals "B"			

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Certified Correct

*Arthur J. G. G. G.*

Signature and Rank

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A				REMARKS		B						
Stationed as per Daily Ration Strength (Return (Army Form W3809) (To be filled in by the Adjutant)						Rations drawn as per Army Book 55 (To be filled in by the Quartermaster)						
Date	Officers and Men	Animals			For consumption on date as stated below	Officers and Men	Animals					
		HD	MD	LD Rides Pack			HD	MD	LD Rides Pack			
Sunday	38					Sunday	38					
Monday	38					Monday	38					
Tuesday	38					Tuesday	38					
Wednesday	38					Wednesday	38					
Thursday	37					Thursday	38					
Friday	37					Friday	38					
Saturday	37					Saturday	38					
Totals "A"	263					ADD						
OVER-DRAWALS Rations received in excess of Strength, i.e., excesses of Totals "B" over Totals "A" to be carried forward to next week's summary												
UNDER-DRAWALS Rations received for less than Strength, i.e., excesses of Totals "A" over Totals "B" NOT to be carried forward to next week's summary												
CERTIFICATION BY SUPPLY OFFICER					Totals							
Part B checked with receipted copies of ABs 55 and certified correct as to number of rations drawn					DEDUCT							
					Rations taken by Drafts in excess of unconsumed portion of day's ration (details to be given in remarks column)							
					Totals "B"							
Supply Officer												

# Comparison of Daily Ration Strength with Rations Drawn

Formation 7 Aust BASE SUB AREA Unit 66 Aust BIPOD PL Week ended Saturday 6 Oct 1945

A Total rationed as per Daily Ration Strength Return (Army Form W3809) (To be filled in by the Adjutant)					REMARKS	B Rations drawn as per Army Book 55 (To be filled in by the Quartermaster)				
Date	Officers and Men	Animals				For consumption on date as stated below	Officers and Men	Animals		
		HD	MD	LD Rides Pack				HD	MD	LD Rides Pack
Sunday	37					Sunday	37			
Monday	37					Monday	37			
Tuesday	37					Tuesday	37			
Wednesday	37					Wednesday	37			
Thursday	37					Thursday	36			
Friday	37					Friday	36			
Saturday	37					Saturday	36			
Totals "A"	259					ADD (i) Rations received in excess of Strength (from last week's summary)	3			
OVER-DRAWALS Rations received in excess of Strength, i.e., excesses of Totals "B" over Totals "A" to be carried forward to next week's summary						(ii) Rations received with Drafts in excess of unconsumed portion of day's ration				
UNDER-DRAWALS Rations received for less than Strength, i.e., excesses of Totals "A" over Totals "B" NOT to be carried forward to next week's summary						Totals	259			
					CERTIFICATION BY SUPPLY OFFICER Part B checked with receipted copies of ABs 55 and certified correct as to number of rations drawn	DEDUCT Rations taken by Drafts in excess of unconsumed portion of day's ration (details to be given in remarks column)				
					Supply Officer	Totals "B"				

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Certified Correct

*William J. H. L.*

Signature and Rank

Commanding Officer

O.C. 66 AUST. B.I.P.O.D. PL (A/E)

# Comparison of Daily Ration Strength with Rations Drawn

Formation 7 Aust BASE SUB AREA Unit 66 Aust BIPOD PL Week ended Saturday 13 Oct 194 5

A Total rationed as per Daily Ration Strength Return (Army Form W3809) (To be filled in by the Adjutant)					REMARKS	B Rations drawn as per Army Book 55 (To be filled in by the Quartermaster)				
Date	Officers and Men	Animals			For consumption on date as stated below	Officers and Men	Animals			
		HD	MD	LD Rides Pack			HD	MD	LD Rides Pack	
Sunday	37					Sunday	37			
Monday	37					Monday	37			
Tuesday	37					Tuesday	37			
Wednesday	37					Wednesday	37			
Thursday	37					Thursday	37			
Friday	37					Friday	37			
Saturday	37					Saturday	37			
Totals "A"	259					Totals	259			
OVER-DRAWALS						DEDUCT				
Rations received in excess of Strength, i.e., excesses of Totals "B" over Totals "A" to be carried forward to next week's summary						Rations taken by Drafts in excess of unconsumed portion of day's ration (details to be given in remarks column)				
UNDER-DRAWALS						CERTIFICATION BY SUPPLY OFFICER				
Rations received far less than Strength, i.e., excesses of Totals "A" over Totals "B" NOT to be carried forward to next week's summary						Part B checked with receipted copies of ABs 55 and certified correct as to number of rations drawn				
						Supply Officer				

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Certified Correct

Signature and Rank  
Commanding Officer



### Comparison of Daily Ration Strength with Rations Drawn

Formation 7 Aust BASE SUB AREA Unit 66 Aust BIPOD PL Week ended Saturday 20 Oct 1945

A Total rationed as per Daily Ration Strength Return (Army Form W3809) (To be filled in by the Adjutant)				REMARKS		B Rations drawn as per Army Book 55 (To be filled in by the Quartermaster)				
Date	Officers and Men	Animals				For consumption on date as stated below	Officers and Men	Animals		
		HD	MD	LD Bides Pack				HD	MD	LD Bides Pack
Sunday	36					Sunday	36			
Monday	36					Monday	36			
Tuesday	36					Tuesday	36			
Wednesday	36					Wednesday	36			
Thursday	36					Thursday	36			
Friday	36					Friday	36			
Saturday	36					Saturday	36			
Totals "A"	252					ADD				
OVER-DRAWALS Rations received in excess of Strength, i.e., excesses of Totals "B" over Totals "A" to be carried forward to next week's summary						(i) Rations received in excess of Strength (from last week's summary)				
						(ii) Rations received with Drafts in excess of unconsumed portion of day's ration				
UNDER-DRAWALS Rations received for less than Strength, i.e., excesses of Totals "A" over Totals "B" NOT to be carried forward to next week's summary					CERTIFICATION BY SUPPLY OFFICER Part B checked with receipted copies of ABs 55 and certified correct as to number of rations drawn		Totals	252		
					DEDUCT Rations taken by Drafts in excess of unconsumed portion of day's ration (details to be given in remarks column)					
					Supply Officer		Totals "B"			

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Certified ~~Correct~~

O.C. 66 AUST. B. P.O.D. PL. 1/1/1966

# Comparison of Daily Ration Strength with Rations Drawn

Formation 7 Aust BASE SUB AREA Unit 66 Aust BIPOD PI Week ended Saturday 27 Oct 44

A Total rationed as per Daily Ration Strength Return (Army Form W3809) (To be filled in by the Adjutant)					REMARKS	B Rations drawn as per Army Book 55 (To be filled in by the Quartermaster)				
Date	Officers and Men	Animals			For consumption on date as stated below	Officers and Men	Animals			
		HD	MD	LD Rides Pack			HD	MD	LD Rides Pack	
Sunday	36					Sunday	35			
Monday	36					Monday	35			
Tuesday	38					Tuesday	35			
Wednesday	38					Wednesday	35			
Thursday	38					Thursday	35			
Friday	38					Friday	35			
Saturday	38					Saturday	35			
Totals "A"	262					ADD				
OVER-DRAWALS Rations received in excess of Strength, i.e., excesses of Totals "B" over Totals "A" to be carried forward to next week's summary										
					(i) Rations received in excess of Strength (from last week's summary)					
					(ii) Rations received with Drafts in excess of unconsumed portion of day's ration					
UNDER-DRAWALS Rations received for less than Strength, i.e., excesses of Totals "A" over Totals "B" NOT to be carried forward to next week's summary					CERTIFICATION BY SUPPLY OFFICER Part B checked with receipted copies of ABs 55 and certified correct as to number of rations drawn	Totals	243			
					DEDUCT Rations taken by Drafts in excess of unconsumed portion of day's ration (details to be given in remarks column)					
Supply Officer					Totals "B"					

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Certified Correct

*[Signature]*

Signature and Rank

Commanding Officer

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W3008  
(Adapted) (Page 1)  
(Revised Jan. 1943)  
(Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday. 9 9 194 5 66 Aust BIPOD 21 (AIF) (Unit)

W.E. IV 590 1. OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 26 OFFRS. - O.R's. 2 ATT. BY W.E.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10				
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.								
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.				
				* * Lieut.-Colonels Majors Captains Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.									
DETAIL				A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.R.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
A.				1									1
E.(1)													
E.(2)													

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 16 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. Particulars 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

ARMY NO.	RANK.	NAME AND INITIALS.	UNIT FROM.	DATE.	CAUSE.

### OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

ARMY NO.	RANK.	NAME AND INITIALS.	UNIT TO.	DATE.	CAUSE.

## PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. /194

ARMY NO.	RANK.	NAME AND INITIALS.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).



At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 8/9/94. (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

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Date of Despatch

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*D. Darling*  
Signature of Commander  
O.C. 66 AUST. B.I.P.O.D. PL. (AIF)  
D A DARLING



# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W3008  
(Adapted) (Page 1)  
(Revised Jan., 1943)  
35/45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 6/10/1945 66 Aust BIPOD (Unit) (AIF)

W.E. IV 598 1. OFFRS. 1 O.R.'s. 26 + OFFRS. - O.R.'s. 2 ATT. BY W.E.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10				
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.								
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.				
			1	Lieut.-Colonels Majors Captains Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.									
			1										
DETAIL.				A.I.P.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.M.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
A.				1									1
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. Particulars 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

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.

### OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.

## PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. / / 194.

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

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 6/40/1945 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Date of Despatch

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Signature of Commander  
O.C. 66 AUST. B.I.P.O.D. PL. (AIF)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 8/9/1945 66 Aust BIPOD (Unit) (AIF)

W.E. TV / BON / OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 26 + OFFRS. 2 O.R's. 2 ATT. BY W.E.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10				
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.								
Retains Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Airm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfo. Required.				
				W.O.s. Class I.									
				W.O.s. Class II:									
				Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.									
				Staff Sergeants									
			1	Sergeants									
			1	Corporals									
A/Cpl Promotion			3	Troopers, Privates, etc.	MGO	1		1	N/R				
X	X		17	Civilians counting as O.R.									
X	X		22	Totals of cols. marked *		1*		1	-				
4	4		22	* should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.									
Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).													
			Detail	A.I.F.	C.M.P.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
				DAF	Under 15 Years.	15 Years and over.							
			A	23						23	23		23
			B(1)										
			B(2)										
* = Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 30 U.K. Forces, 10 N.Z. Forces.													

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(Unit) is Particularly Requested

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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 / /194

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Present Strength.	Rein- forcements Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Present Strength.	Rein- forcements Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Present Strength.	Rein- forcements Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Present Strength.	Rein- forcements Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Aids				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Artificer				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Silencers			
Armament Artificer				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Filler (M.V.)				Technicians				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Filler (A.F.V.)				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangefinders			
Armament Artificer				Welders				Painters				Directors			
Instrument								Panel Beaters				Boys			
Radio								Photographers, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Armament Artificer								Predictor Numbers				Substitute makers			
Signals								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Armament Artificer								Radiographers				Stenographers			
Welders								Riggers				Stokers, M.V. Engine			
Artificer, Artillery								Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Artificer, Engine								Signalers				Tailors			
Blacksmiths								Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Blacklayers								Telescope Identif. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Computers								Well Bores				Vulcanizers			
Cooks, Hospital								Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Coppersmiths								Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Dispensers								Wiremen							
Draughtsmen								Woodturners							
Draughtsmen (Architectural)															
Draughtsmen (Engineering)															
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)															
Draughtsmen (Topographical)															
Electricians															
Electricians (M.V.)															
Electricians (Signals)															
Filters															
Filters (Cycle)															
Filters (Electrical)															
Filters (Gun)															
Filters (Instrument)															
Filters (M.V.)															
Filters, Railway															
Filters, Signal															
Filters, Signals															
Grinder, Precision															
Mechanics, Instrument															
Mechanics, Instrument (Signal)															
Mechanics, Instrument (Signal)															
Mechanics, Radio															
Mechanics, Typewriter															
Mechanics, Wireless															
Millwrights															
Operators, Excavator															
Pattern Maker															
Pharmacist															
Photographer, Wet Plate															
Photewriter															
Plumber															
Saw Doctors															
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WAR DIARY of 66 Aust BIPOD (AIF).DATE.PARTICULARS.


<u>6 Oct 45.</u>	Strength 1 Offr - 22 ORs. Normal Depot duties.	Dull with occasional showers.
<u>7 Oct 45.</u>	Strength 1 Offr - 22 ORs. Sunday - Treated as Rest Day.	Fine and hot.
<u>8 Oct 45.</u>	Strength 1 Offr - 22 ORs. Cleaning up of Depot took place. Leaks decanted and maintenance carried out. Normal Depot duties.	Fine and hot.
<u>9 Oct 45.</u>	Strength 1 Offr - 23 ORs. 20 Jap POW's engaged in clearing debris at new Depot and sorting POL Products. Complained officially of natives passing nasty remarks about them and OC advised to keep native working parties well away from Japs. Normal Depot duties carried on. One OR m/1 from 2/12 AGH.	Dull and showery.
<u>10 Oct 45.</u>	Strength 1 Offr - 23 ORs. POW's continued to sort POL at new Depot. Normal Depot duties carried on.	Fine and hot.
<u>11 Oct 45.</u>	Strength 1 Offr - 23 ORs. Normal Depot duties. 10 ton of POL shipped by launch to Java for RNEI Amies.	Fine and hot.
<u>12 Oct 45.</u>	Strength 1 Offr - 23 ORs. Treated as sports day. No mail again today. Personnel losing morale daily.	Fine and hot.
<u>13 Oct 45.</u>	Strength 1 Offr - 23 ORs. Jap POW's continued to shift POL to new Depot. TG Cook m/out to 3 Welding Pl for efficiency test. Normal Depot duties.	Fine and hot.
<u>14 Oct 45.</u>	Strength 1 Offr - 23 ORs. Rest Day.	Fine and hot.
<u>15 Oct 45.</u>	Strength 1 Offr - 22 ORs. Normal Depot duties. Pressure of work has dropped considerably. There is now little to occupy the day.	Fine and hot.
<u>16 Oct 45.</u>	Strength 1 Offr - 22 ORs. Normal Depot duties. The "Catron" - a Liberty vessel carrying lub oil for BIPOD dropped anchor in Balik Papan Bay this morning. Will not commence to discharge for a few days.	Fine and hot.
<u>17 Oct 45.</u>	Strength 1 Offr - 22 ORs. Normal Depot duties.	Fine and hot.
<u>18 Oct 45.</u>	Strength 1 Offr - 22 ORs. Normal Depot duties.	Fine and hot.

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<u>19 Oct 45.</u>	Strength 1 Offr - 22 ORs. Normal Depot duties.	Fine and hot.
<u>20 Oct 45.</u>	Strength 1 Offr - 22 ORs. "Catron" discharged 60 ton POL. Normal Depot duties.	Fine and hot.
<u>21 Oct 45.</u>	Strength 1 Offr - 22 ORs. Rest Day. Sports engaged in.	Showery.
<u>22 Oct 45.</u>	Strength 1 Offr - 22 ORs. Two ORs marched in from 58 Aust BIPOD Pl (AIF). Normal Depot duties.	Fine and hot.
<u>23 Oct 45.</u>	Strength 1 Offr - 24 ORs. 60 ton of POL loaded on "W. H. Point" for Makforce. Normal Depot duties.	Fine and hot.
<u>24 Oct 45.</u>	Strength 1 Offr - 24 ORs.	Showery.
<u>25 Oct 45.</u>	Operations confined to issues and maintenance only. Weight of work has decreased considerably. One OK from within Pl	
<u>26 Oct 45.</u>	Trade grouped to fill vacancy of cook.	
<u>27 Oct 45.</u>		
<u>28 Oct 45.</u>	Strength 1 Offr - 24 ORs. 80 ton Range Fuel and ADF received ex Aust Army Launch from Morotai. Normal Depot duties.	Fine and hot.
<u>29 Oct 45.</u>	Strength 1 Offr - 24 ORs. Commenced concentration of Jap POL at Port Depot. Two vehicles used in carting same.	Fine and hot.
<u>30 Oct 45.</u>	Strength 1 Offr - 24 ORs. Continued concentrating Jap POL at Port Depot. Stock at Port Depot of MR 80 exhausted and limited supplies of salvaged Jap M/S received from issue from 4 BPS Coy. Normal Depot duties.	Fine and hot.
<u>31 Oct 45.</u>	Strength 1 Offr - 24 ORs. Normal Depot duties.	Fine and hot.

  
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WAR DIARY66 Aust BIPOD Pl (AIF)BALIK PAPANNOVEMBER 1945

- 1 Nov 45 Strength 1 Offr 24 ORs Fine and hot  
Normal Depot duties
- 2 Nov 45 Strength 1 Offr 24 ORs Rain
- 3 Nov 45 Strength 1 Offr 24 ORs Fine and warm  
Commenced movement of stock from KLANDASAN DEPOT to PORT DEPOT
- 4 Nov 45 Strength 1 Offr 24 ORs Fine and hot  
Rest Day - Personnel engaging in sailing
- 5 Nov 45 Strength 1 Offr 24 ORs Fine and hot  
26 trucks carting from KLANDASAN Depot to transfer stocks of  
58 BIPOD Pl. 66 Pl declared redundant for Phase 2 of demobilization  
of 7 DIV. Balance of POL loaded for Bandjermassin force and minor  
shipments made for resupplying AMF. Battalions on garrison duty  
along coast.
- 6 Nov 45 Strength 1 Offr 24 ORs Cloudy with occasional  
showers  
Continued shipping 58 Platoon Stock to Port Depot. 6 vehicles  
also engaged in shipping rubbish and rusty enemy drums from Port  
Depot to make space available to take Poyang shipment and  
Fairfield shipment from Sydney. Normal depot duties carried on.
- 7 Nov 45 Strength 1 Offr 24 ORs Fine and hot  
Continued the transfer of stock from Klandasan depot. 25 Japs  
working the 20 trucks engaged. Normal depot duties.
- 8 Nov 45 Strength 1 Offr 24 ORs Fine and hot.  
Shipment of 100 tons measured made to Manforce. Normal depot  
duties. Continued transfer of stock from Klandasan depot.
- 9 Nov 45 Strength 1 Offr 24 ORs Showery  
Transfer of stock from Klandasan depot completed. Normal depot  
duties. Rations now improving, and with amount of sport etc  
morale is average.
- 10 Nov 45 Strength 1 Offr 24 ORs Fine and hot  
Normal depot duties. Work has fallen off considerably.
- 11 Nov 45 Strength 1 Offr 24 ORs Fine and hot.  
Armistice Day. 2 minutes silence observed by all ranks. Being  
Sunday - rest day was observed.
- 12 Nov 45 Strength 1 Offr 24 ORs Fine and hot  
Poyang loaded with 7000x14 drums P.O.L. at Morotai commenced  
discharging at the rate of 300 per hour. 24 Japs unloading  
at Port Depot. Normal depot duties.
- 13 Nov 45 Strength 1 Offr 24 ORs Fine and hot.  
Poyang continued discharging but at a much slower rate. Av gas  
commenced coming out and was diverted to RAAF direct. Maintenance  
of P.O.L. received was carried out.
- 14 Nov 45 Strength 1 Offr 24 ORs Fine and hot  
Poyang completed discharging BIPOD P.O.L. but will not complete  
Av gas for 48 Hours. 1 OR with 217 points marched for discharge.  
Medical examination of personal with 160-194 points carried out  
at 2/12 A.G.H. Normal depot duties.

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66 Aust BIPOD PL (A.I.F.)

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- 15 Nov 45 Strength 1 Offr 23 ORs Fine and hot  
Normal depot duties
- 16 Nov 45 Strength 1 Offr 23 ORs Dull and sultry  
Normal depot duties.
- 17 Nov 45 Strength 1 Offr 23 ORs Cloudy  
"Fairfield" commenced discharging P.O.L. and Jap P of W labour was obtained to unload and stack drums in Depot. O.C. suffered minor injury to foot and was admitted to 2/2 C.C.S. for treatment. 2 ORs marched out for demobilisation under normal priority.
- 18 Nov 45 Strength 21 ORs. Fine and hot.  
Discharge of P.O.L. from Fairfield continues. Shipment should be completed 19 Nov.
- 19 Nov 45 Strength 21 ORs Fine and hot.  
"Fairfield" shipment completed. Receiving A.D.F. from 4 B.P.S. Coy. High priority personnel received pre-dispersal dental examination. 1 T.G. 2 cook marched in from 58 BIPOD.
- 20 Nov 45 Strength 22 ORs Showery.  
Maintenance of stock and tidying up of depot carried out.
- 21 Nov 45 Strength 22 ORs Fine and warm.  
Normal depot duties.
- 22 Nov 45 Strength 22 ORs Stormy.  
A.D.F. received from 4 B.P.S. and laid down in depot.
- 23 Nov 45 Strength 22 ORs Dull and sultry.  
Normal depot duties. O.C. discharged from hospital. Documents submitted for Demob of personnel down to 190 points.
- 24 Nov 45. Strength 1 Offr 22 ORs Fine and warm.  
Monthly returns submitted. 12 Japs now permanently allocated to Port Depot and employed in general duties. Normal depot duties.
- 25 Nov 45 Strength 1 Offr 22 ORs Fine and hot.  
Rest Day.
- 26 Nov 45 Strength 1 Offr 22 ORs Fine and hot.  
1 OR admitted to 2/2 C.C.S. with dermatitis. Devamped 16004 O.E. 30. Abnormal day of issue 100 ton taken out of port depot for the day. Advised officially that 66 Bipod Platoon is no longer redundant. 9 (Landops SD 2522)
- 27 Nov 45 Strength 1 Offr 21 ORs Fine and hot.  
Complete stock count of port depot carried out. Stocks reconciled with Book figure. Normal Depot duties. Occupational release received from 3 LD L of C area for L/Sgt Guinnery. J.
- 28 Nov 45 Strength 1 Offr 21 ORs Fine and hot.  
Maintenance of unit vehicles carried out. Japs employed in straightening stacks etc in Port depot. Normal Depot duties.
- 29 Nov 45 Strength 1 Offr 21 ORs Fine.  
Normal depot duties.
- 30 Nov 45 Strength 1 Offr 29 ORs Fine and hot.  
Normal Depot duties. 8 low points priority ORs marched in as reinforcements from 2 Medium Regt. R.A.A. Posted strength is now as per W.E. Japs filled 16004 gall drums M.T. 80

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- 1 Dec 45 1 Offr 29 ORs Showery  
Rest Day
- 2 Dec 45 1 Offr 29 ORs Cool & Showery  
Normal Depot duties. Commenced training in POL duties the 8 reinforcements received. 1 OR-Batman Dvr-marched out to Reception for Compassionate discharge. 1 Sgt marched out for Occupational release.
- 3 Dec 45 1 Offr 27 ORs Showery  
Filled 1000 x 4 MT 80 & 100 x 4 mixed oils with Jap labour. Shipped 288 x 44 MT 80 per AV 1353 for MAKFORCE and 600 gals POWER KEROSENE for 2/25 Bn SANGA SANGA. Normal Depot Duties.
- 4 Dec 45 1 Offr 27 ORs Cool and Dull  
Normal Depot Duties. "RIVER MURCHISON" to commence discharging at 1800 hrs POL, Jap labour arranged for unloading party
- 5 Dec 45 1 Offr 27 ORs Fine & Hot  
"RIVER MURCHISON" commenced discharging Avgas at the rate of 4 trucks per hour was carted to RAAF. Normal Depot Duties.
- 6 Dec 45 1 Offr 27 ORs Fine  
1 Sgt 20RS M/O to 7 Div Demob Unit for release on points system "MURCHISON" commenced discharging Range Fuel at 0900. 12 Japs stacking and unloading at Port Depot. 3 trucks carting Contaminated ADF from 4 BPS Coy.
- 7 Dec 45 1 Offr 24 ORs Dull & Showery  
"MURCHISON" continues to discharge slowly, 4 trucks per hour. 4 BPS Coy continues filling Contaminated ADF and carting to Port Depot. Normal Depot Duties.
- 8 Dec 45 1 Offr 24 ORs Cloudy  
Discharging of "RIVER MURCHISON" continues discharging very slowly NICA commenced drawing from Port Depot to lay down a reserve POL stock of 1 months requirements plus 20% to enable all issues to Dutch forces to be controlled by them.
- 9 Dec 45 1 Offr 24 ORs Fine & Hot  
"RIVER MURCHISON" still discharging. 1100x44 P/KERO still to come. Contaminated ADF still being received from 4 BPS Coy. Normal Depot Duties.
- 10 Dec 45 1 Offr 24 ORs Fine & Hot  
"MURCHISON" still discharging. Normal Depot Duties.
- 11 Dec 45 1 Offr 24 ORs Cloudy  
"MURCHISON" still discharging. M/SPIRIT filled into 4's-1000x4. Normal Depot Duties.
- 12 Dec 45 1 Offr 24 ORs Fine & Hot  
"MURCHISON" completed and no discrepancies occurred. 1 Cook detached to DUKW Pl. Normal Depot Duties.
- 13 Dec 45 1 Offr 23 ORs Cloudy  
12 Japs employed in general duties around Depot area. 4 BPS Coy continue to fill and cart MT 80. To date 900x44 has been received this week. Normal Depot Duties.
- 14 Dec 45 1 Offr 23 ORs Fine & Hot  
4 BPS Coy continue to fill and cart Contaminated ADF to Port Depot Normal Depot Duties.
- 15 Dec 45 1 Offr 23 ORs Fine & Hot  
Normal Depot Duties.



- 16 Dec 45 1 Offr 23 ORs Fine & Hot  
Rest Day
- 17 Dec 45 1 Offr 23 ORs Cool  
Natives employed in camp, cleaning out drains &c. Japs receiving  
ADF from 4 BPS Coy. Normal Depot Duties. Due to VD, medical Examination  
of Personnel now carried out weekly.
- 18 Dec 45 1 Offr 23 ORs Showery  
Japs used at Depot stacking ADF received from 4 BPS Coy. Normal  
Depot Duties.
- 19 Dec 45 1 Offr 23 ORs Fine & Hot  
1 OR M/O to Demob Unit for discharge on points system. 1 Cook  
detached to DUKW Fl (12 Dec 45) marched in. 4 BPS Coy continue to fill  
and cart M/SPIRIT to Port Depot. OC advised verbally that drum stocks  
would be shipped to ALFSEA FORCE at MAKASSAR. Unit's 1/4 ton 4x4  
truck stripped down and completely overhauled and painted. Normal  
Depot Duties.
- 20 Dec 45 1 Offr 23 ORs Fine & Hot  
AV 2058 loaded to compacity with 800x4 MT 80 for MAKASSAR. Normal  
Depot Duties, including the filling of 500x4 MT 80 carried out.
- 21 Dec 45 1 Offr 23 ORs Fine and Hot  
Normal Depot Duties. OC negotiated with Ordance for sale of camp  
fittings to Dutch on walk in walk out basis.
- 22 Dec 45 1 Offr 23 ORs Dull & Cloudy  
Normal Depot Duties.
- 23 Dec 45 1 Offr 23 ORs Fine & Hot  
Rest Day. Personnel swam and played sport.
- 24 Dec 45 1 Offr 23 ORs Fine & Hot  
Notified of ALFSEA FORCE requirements of POL to be shipped to  
MAKASSAR. A total of 27000 4 gal drums is required. With a view  
of building up stocks of 4's Lt DARLING in conjunction with DAPM  
to confiscate all 4s in the native quarter. Normal Depot Duties.
- 24 Dec 45 1 Offr 23 ORs Fine & Hot  
With a liberal ration of turkey and ham and a fine job by the cooks  
Xmas dinner proved a huge success. The Depot was closed for the day.
- 26 Dec 45 1 Offr 21 ORs Fine & Hot  
2 High Priority ORs M/O for Demob. Depot closed.
- 27 Dec 45 1 Offr 21 ORs Fine & Hot  
Commenced sorting and repairing 4 gal drums for ALFSEA FORCE to  
MAKASSAR. Shortage of 4 gal drums to HQ Comd ASC 7 Div. QM preparing  
and documenting WET stores for return to Ordance. Normal Depot Duties  
Advised by 7 Div that this Pl is now declared redundant.
- 28 Dec 45 1 Offr 21 ORs Fine & Hot  
Filling in progress for initial maintenance stock of POL for  
ALFSEA FORCE. Normal Depot Duties. Empty 4 gal drums being returned  
by units as result of request by 7 Div
- 29 Dec 45 1 Offr 21 ORs Fine & Hot  
Monthly Stock Sheets Completed. Recharges made to NICA, USN, RAN, RAAF  
Normal Depot Duties. Representative of NICA inspected camp and buildings  
also equipment, with view of purchase.
- 30 Dec 45 1 Offr 20 ORs Showery  
Continued filling L/KERO for ALFSEA 900x4 filled. 10R cook M/O to  
7 Div Demob Unit for demob (165 points). Due to pressure of work  
Rest Day was not kept.
- 31 Dec 45 1 Offr 20 ORs Showery  
Shipment for SEAC nearly completed, total of 5000x4 have been filled  
Normal Depot Duties.

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