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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES - NEW GUINEA

HUON PENINSULA OFFENSIVE - 22 SEPTEMBER, 1943. - 20 JANUARY, 1944.

BATTLE CASUALTIES

Date of Casualty	Killed in Action		Death Presumed		Died of Wounds		Wounded in Action		TOTAL	
	O.	ONS.	O.	ONS.	O.	ONS.	O.	ONS.	O.	ONS.
	<u>H.Q. 9 AUST. DIVISION</u>									
25 Oct. 1943	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	3
27 Nov. "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Total	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	4
	<u>20 AUST. INFANTRY BDE. H.Q.</u>									
22 Sep. 1943	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
25 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	1
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	2	1
	<u>24 AUST. INFANTRY BDE. H.Q.</u>									
18 Oct. 1943	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
	<u>26 AUST. INFANTRY BDE. H.Q. -</u>									
	<u>4 AUST. INFANTRY BDE. H.Q. -</u>									
	<u>2/13 AUST. INFANTRY BATTALION</u>									
22 Sep. 1943	1	7	-	-	-	2	2	22	3	31
23 " "	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	-	3
24 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2
25 " "	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	9
26 " "	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	4	1	6
27 " "	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	3
28 " "	-	3	-	-	-	1	-	12	-	16
29 " "	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	3
30 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
1 Oct. "	-	9	-	-	-	-	2	45	2	54
2 " "	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	3
3 " "	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	2
4 " "	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
13 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
16 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
18 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
19 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	5
22 " "	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	3
24 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	3
29 " "	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
31 " "	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	9
2 Nov. "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	4
3 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	4
5 " "	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	-	3
26 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
3 Dec. "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	3
7 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
24 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
25 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
28 " "	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Total	1	29	-	-	-	12	5	135	6	176

HUON PENINSULA OFFENSIVE - 22 September, 1943 - 20 January, 1944.

Date of Casualty	Killed in Action		Death Presumed		Died of Wounds		Wounded in Action		TOTAL	
	O.	ORS.	O.	ORS.	O.	ORS.	O.	ORS.	O.	ORS.
<u>2/15 AUST. INFANTRY BATTALION</u>										
22 Sep. 1943	-	3	-	-	-	2	-	14	-	19
23 " "	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	7	1	8
24 " "	2	3	-	-	-	2	-	9	2	14
25 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	6
26 " "	-	3	-	-	-	1	-	9	-	13
28 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2
29 " "	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	3	-	5
30 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	1	2
1 Oct. " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	4
4 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
8 " "	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	2
9 " "	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
13 " "	-	5	-	-	-	1	-	25	-	31
23 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2
27 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
12 Nov. " "	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2
24 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	3
26 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
30 " "	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	4
1 Dec. " "	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	15	1	16
2 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	3
5 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	1	2
13 " "	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
19 " "	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
11 Jan. 1944	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Total	4	21	-	-	-	9	4	114	8	144
<u>2/17 AUST. INFANTRY BATTALION</u>										
21 Sep. 1943	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
22 " "	-	5	-	-	-	2	-	24	-	31
25 " "	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	13	1	14
26 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2
27 " "	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
30 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
1 Oct. " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2
5 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	4
7 " "	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	5	1	6
8 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2
9 " "	-	4	-	-	-	-	1	12	1	16
10 " "	-	4	-	-	-	1	-	3	-	8
11 " "	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
12 " "	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	4
13 " "	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
16 " "	-	3	-	1	-	1	1	14	1	19
17 " "	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	-	3
18 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	4	1	4
20 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
25 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
26 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2
27 " "	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	2
28 " "	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	2
29 " "	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	3
30 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
1 Nov. " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2
2 " "	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	10	1	11
3 " "	-	8	-	-	1	-	-	21	1	29
4 " "	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
14 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
7 Dec. " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
8 Jan. 1944	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	3	1	4
9 " "	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	4	-	6
10 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	3
6 May	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Total	1	35	-	1	1	11	7	143	9	190

Date of Casualty	Killed in Action	Death Presumed	Died of Wounds	Wounded in Action	Total
	O. ORS.	O. ORS.	O. ORS.	O. ORS.	O. ORS.
<u>2/23 AUST. INFANTRY BATTALION</u>					
1 Oct. 1943	-	-	-	1	2
16 " "	-	-	-	1	1
20 " "	-	-	-	7	7
24 " "	-	-	1	-	1
5 Nov. "	-	-	-	3	3
6 " "	-	-	1	-	1
8 " "	-	-	-	1	1
9 " "	1	-	-	-	1
15 " "	-	-	-	1	1
17 " "	4	-	-	-	4
18 " "	-	-	1	1	2
19 " "	1	-	-	-	1
22 " "	1	-	-	7	8
23 " "	-	-	-	1	1
24 " "	10	-	-	13	23
27 " "	-	-	1	1	2
30 " "	1	-	1	5	7
1 Dec. "	4	-	1	2	7
2 " "	-	-	-	1	1
3 " "	2	-	1	1	4
4 " "	1	-	-	10	11
5 " "	-	-	-	2	2
7 " "	1	-	-	-	1
Total	26	-	1	64	91

<u>2/24 AUST. INFANTRY BATTALION</u>					
10 Nov. 1943	-	2	-	2	4
12 " "	-	-	-	2	2
14 " "	-	1	-	-	1
17 " "	-	1	-	-	1
18 " "	-	-	-	7	7
19 " "	-	2	-	6	8
20 " "	-	-	3	-	3
21 " "	-	-	1	-	1
22 " "	-	2	1	7	10
3 Dec. "	-	-	1	-	1
4 " "	-	1	-	2	3
7 " "	-	-	-	1	1
8 " "	1	7	1	8	16
9 " "	-	-	1	-	1
11 " "	-	-	1	-	1
12 " "	-	2	1	3	6
13 " "	-	-	-	1	1
14 " "	-	-	-	2	2
Total	1	18	10	40	69

<u>2/48 AUST. INFANTRY BATTALION</u>					
21 Oct. 1943	-	-	-	1	1
22 " "	-	-	-	1	1
24 " "	-	-	-	4	4
25 " "	-	-	-	1	1
26 " "	-	-	1	-	1
3 Nov. "	-	-	-	1	1
6 " "	-	1	-	1	2
7 " "	-	-	-	1	1
8 " "	-	1	-	2	3
16 " "	-	2	-	1	3
17 " "	1	5	-	1	7
18 " "	-	-	-	8	8
19 " "	-	4	2	16	22
20 " "	-	2	-	16	18

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HUON PENINSULA OFFENSIVE - 22 September '43 - 20 January, 1944. Contd.

Date of Casualty	Killed in Action		Death Presumed		Died of Wounds		Wounded in Action		TOTAL	
	O. CRS.	O. CRS.	O. CRS.	O. CRS.	O. CRS.	O. CRS.	O. CRS.	O. CRS.	O. CRS.	O. CRS.
	<u>2/48 AUST. INFANTRY BATTALION CONTD.</u>									
21 Nov. 1943	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	2
22 " "	-	2	-	-	1	2	4	2	-	8
23 " "	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	2	-	-
24 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	1	2
9 Jan. 1944	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Total	1	17	-	-	3	5	4	84	8	106

2/28 AUST. INFANTRY BATTALION

16 Oct. 1943	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	3	-	4
18 " "	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	27	-	29
19 " "	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	4
20 " "	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	8
24 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
25 " "	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	1	-	3
26 " "	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
28 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2
29 " "	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
30 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	1
3 Nov. "	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	1
12 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	2
13 " "	-	1	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	5
18 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
22 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
28 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	2
30 " "	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
1 Dec. "	-	2	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	3
2 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
7 " "	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
8 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
10 Jan. 1944	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
Total	-	12	-	-	-	7	1	56	1	75

2/32 AUST. INFANTRY BATTALION

17 Oct. 1943	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	7
18 " "	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2
19 " "	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
22 " "	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	3
23 " "	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	21	-	22
24 " "	-	7	-	-	-	-	1	27	1	34
25 " "	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	10	1	11
26 " "	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	7
27 " "	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
28 " "	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
1 Nov. "	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
4 " "	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
6 " "	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
20 " "	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
22 " "	-	1	4	-	-	2	3	18	4	24
23 " "	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	9	-	12
24 " "	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	1	1
25 " "	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	2
26 " "	-	9	-	-	-	-	1	45	1	54
27 " "	-	2	-	-	-	-	1	10	1	12
28 " "	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	1	1
29 " "	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	5	-	6
1 Dec. "	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
4 " "	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	2
5 " "	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	4
6 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	3
15 " "	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	2
Total	1	35	-	-	2	17	7	165	10	217

Date of Casualty	Killed in Action		Death Presumed		Died of Wounds		Wounded in Action		TOTAL	
	O.	CMS.	O.	CMS.	O.	CMS.	O.	CMS.	O.	CMS.

2/43 AUST. INFANTRY BATTALION

1	Oct. 1943	1	12	-	-	-	1	1	12	2	25
2	"	-	6	-	-	-	-	1	11	1	17
3	"	1	5	-	-	-	-	-	9	1	14
4	"	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	10	1	11
5	"	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
9	"	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
12	"	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1
17	"	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	7	-	8
18	"	1	4	-	-	-	-	-	4	1	8
19	"	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2
21	"	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
25	"	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2
27	"	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	5
1 Nov.	"	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
16	"	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2
20	"	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
22	"	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	4	1	5
23	"	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	3
24	"	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
26	"	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	6
28	"	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
29	"	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	11	-	14
30	"	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	2
1 Dec.	"	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2
2	"	-	1	-	-	-	1	1	4	1	6
3	"	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	5
4	"	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	2
5	"	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	3	1	3
6	"	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
11	"	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	1
18	"	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1

Total	5	42	-	-	1	9	7	101	13	152
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22 AUST. INFANTRY BATTALION

21	Sep. 1943	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
23	"	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
24	"	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	3
2	Oct.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
3	Dec.	-	3	-	-	-	-	1	8	1	11
4	"	-	4	-	-	-	1	1	11	1	16
6	"	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	4
7	"	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
9	"	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	4
12	"	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2
13	"	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
14	"	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	7	-	9
15	"	-	2	-	-	-	2	-	8	-	12
16	"	-	4	-	-	-	1	1	20	1	25
17	"	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	1
20	"	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
3 Jan. 1944		-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	2

Total	2	20	-	-	1	10	3	67	6	97
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HUGH PENINSULA OFFENSIVE - 22 September '43 - 20 January '44, Contd.

Date of Casualty	Killed in Action		Death Presumed		Died of Wounds		Wounded in Action		TOTAL	
	O.	ORS.	O.	ORS.	O.	ORS.	O.	ORS.	O.	ORS.
<u>29/46 AUST. INFANTRY BATTALION</u>										
10 Oct. 1943	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
14 Nov. "	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
5 Dec. "	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	10	2	11
6 " "	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	10
7 " "	-	13	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	23
8 " "	1	2	-	-	-	-	1	15	2	17
9 " "	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	2
14 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	2
15 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	3
17 " "	1	4	-	-	-	-	5	-	1	9
18 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
19 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	3
Total	3	23	-	-	-	1	3	58	6	82

<u>37/52 AUST. INFANTRY BATTALION</u>										
29 Nov. 1943	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
8 Dec. "	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2
9 " "	-	7	-	-	-	1	-	20	-	28
10 " "	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	2
14 " "	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	6	1	7
15 " "	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	6
19 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	1
16 Feb. 1944	-	-	-	-	-	1 @	-	-	-	1
Total	1	15	-	-	-	3	2	30	3	48

* W.I.A. 9/12/43

<u>2/3 AUST. PIONEER BATTALION</u>										
3 Oct. 1943	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
4 " "	-	-	-	-	1	-	3	-	1	3
9 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
10 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	2
14 " "	-	2	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	2
16 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
17 " "	-	4	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	11
18 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	5
19 " "	-	4	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	5
20 " "	1	3	-	-	-	-	3	-	1	6
21 " "	-	-	-	-	-	1	3	-	-	4
23 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
11 Nov. "	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Total	1	13	-	-	1	3	2	26	4	42

<u>2/4 Aust.CAV. COMMANDO SQN.</u>										
23 Dec. 1943	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1
Total	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1

<u>1 AUST. TANK BATTALION</u>										
17 Nov. 1943	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	2
26 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
10 Dec. "	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
20 " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	4	2	4

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HUON PENINSULA OFFENSIVE - 22 September, '43 - 20 January '44. Contd.

Date of Casualty	Killed in Action	Presumed Dead	Died of Wounds	Wounded in Action	TOTAL
	O. ORS.	O. ORS.	O. ORS.	O. ORS.	O. ORS.

2/2 AUST. MACHINE GUN BATTALION

2 Oct. 1943	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
17 " "	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	3
19 " "	-	1	-	-	-	2	-	3
3 Nov. "	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
4 " "	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
16 " "	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2
17 " "	-	2	-	-	-	5	-	7
21 " "	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
22 " "	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2
29 " "	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
3 Dec. "	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
6 " "	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
8 Jan. 1944	-	1	-	-	-	4	-	5
Total	-	7	-	-	1	21	-	29

Total Killed 453
" Wounded 1166

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