E GROUP H.Q.
VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS
QUEENSLAND

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Date and Time. -From 1 JULY Unit "E" GROUP H.Q.V.D.C. ____To 31 JULY 42. Remarks and references to Summary of Events and Information Place Date Hour Appendices, Diaries, &c. It Richardson inspected 7th Bn Magazine Capt Hunter re compression V D C at manoeuvres. Visit D V D C accommended by Lt Col Marsland met Cov Condris and other Leaders also Demo Sound at 2000 hrs Gp. Ondr. interviewed D.H. Stewart re Comd. 7th Bn. Demolition practice with 7th Bn Cant Williams Toste Transfer It, Richardson from The Off, Group to Adit & W. 7th Bn John TOOMOONBA Pat Hanna Grenade live practice Capt. Williams Inst TOOM OOMBA Col. Murphy depart Toowoomba for Corps H. C. Lt Beattie reported to 19th Bn TOON COMBA 0630 Lt Luscombe to report to 19th En as Adit & W. M. Rec. P.T.D. Officers forwarded Corps H.A. for selection Roard TOOM COMBA Lt Luscombe to report to Corps H. C. TOOW OOMBA Lt Col Murphy depart Toom comba 1940 hrs, for Cunnamulla, with It Col Marsland and Capt. Cossart Camoflet Instructions 7th, Bn. Capt. Williams.

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Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information Remarks and references to Appendices, Dianes, &c.
1/8/42		Lt. Col. Marsland A.A.S.S.M.C. met Leader: "A" Coy, 7th Bn. Att
2/8/42	09.30	Lt. Col. Marsland with Gr. Ondr. addressed "a" Coy. 7th, En.
3/8/24	0630	It, Col. Marsland depart Toowcomba for Corps H. Q. 48
4/8/42		W. O.11. Holmes depart Gp. H. Q. for Roma resume duty 19th, Bn.
5/8/42		from School of Instruction And Report of Tara Camp 17-20 July received from Lt. A.A. Beattie
6/8/42		Mr. Verry O.C. 19th Bn & Mr. Hutton O.C. 8th Bn. advised
7/8/42	1220	appointment as Major approved (The Gr. Cadr. depart for Delby interview Milne & Stone Att
8/8/42	1200	Sgt. Eley & McIntyre reported to Gp.H.4. envoute to 8th.Bn. Gp. Cudr. arrived Toowcomba from Dalby
9/8/42		G.R.Gillespie Dirrenbendi contected re position V.D.G.& A.L.P.
10/8/42		Capt. Williams lecture "H" Coy, 7th, Rn. Nobby (Demolitions)
11/8/42	09 00	Lt. Luscombe reported to Gr. H.Q. from Corps H.Q. State
12/8/42	0930	Cept, Williams night operation with "a" Coy, 7th, En.
13/8/42	1230	
		with Mobile Training School.
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Unit "F" Group H.Q.V.D.C.(Q). Date and Time. From 1 To 31 August 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Toowoomba	14/8/42		Lt Besttie reported to Gp. H.S. from 19th, En.	
Toowoomba	15/8/42		Capt. Williams lecture and practical demonstration at Crows Net Lt Beattie training duties 7th Bn. Capt. Williams Demolition (et cutting charges)
Toowoomba	17/8/42		Depart Mobile Training School (C.I. Lt, Richardson duty in 9th,	
Toowoomba	18/8/42		Corps H. advised T ha Foundry Supernumeries position re	
Toowoomba	19/8/42		Recommendations for P.T.D. Officers. Gp. H.Q. forwarded to	
Toowoomba	20/8/42			an
Toowoomba	21/8/42		G.S.O.I. Lt.Col. Hatton visited Gp.H.Q. conferred with Gp. Cndr	20h
Toowoomba	23/8/42		It Beattie Morter Instruction Crows Nest, Capt, Williams morter instruction Chifton	
Toowoomba	24/8/42		C.O. 19th, Bn. advised Dulacca Unit remain in 19th, Bn.	
Toowoomba	25/8/42		Report from C.O. 8th, Bn, re Western area's visited and reorganised	
Toowoomba	26/8/42		yev.	-
Toowoomba	28/8/42	1100	Gp. Chdr. depart for Blackbutt and Yarraman to meet Corps Chdr	WW.
Toowoomba	29/8/42		Gp. Chdr. met Corps Chdr.	(A)
Toowoomba	31/8/42		Lt. Richardson M. T. School returned to Gr. H. Trom 9th. Bn. area.	STA DOLL

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"E" GROUP H.Q. V.D.C(Q) Date and Time. -From lat To 30 SEPT, 42, Unit Remarks and references to Summary of Events and Information Place Date Hour Appendices, Dianes, &c. At Beattle reported to BBn, Admin, & Trner, duties for one week Group Cmdr. & Group Capt, visited Millmerren, contacted Group Cadr. 30 L.of.C. re operational tasks. G.S.O.T. & Gr. Char. depart H.C. to visit 8 Pm. R.C. It. Beattie adviced remain on duty with 8 En. for further week, G.S.O. I: & Gr. Ondr. visited "B" Gov 8 Bn at Stanthorne. En Guides in Group, information forwarded Corps H.Q. Group Ondr. depart for Group Ondr's, conference Corps H.Q. Brig Craven with Lt. Col Holmes inspected Group & Bn. K. Test Mobiliantion of Bulg in Group Area Lt. Watson Adit. 8 Bn. reported to Group H. Q. admin. daties.

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Unit 'E' Group HQ, VDC (Q) Date and Time.—From 1st.

To 31st, October 1942

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To owo omba	1/10/42		Group Cmdr.accompanied by Lt.R.P.Watson visited HQ.19 Bn. VDC	
			Roma from 1st. to 5th. October, on tour of inspection and to complete list of Appointments P.T.D.	Ron
"	п		Lt.A.A.Beattie marched out from Group Hq. to 9 Bn., Ipswich as	apri
n	5/15/42		Actg.Adjt.(28/9/42). M.O.11 Cowen R.on sick leave - later advised on 17th.October he was admitted to 117 A.G.H.	Am
"	7/10/42		Advice received from Corps HQ that Capt.G. Williams M.C. was to	apre
ir	8/10/42		take over command of S.&W.M.T.U.from It.Richardson, Broup Cmdr.visited M.T.U.while at InglewwodCapt.Williams having taken command. Training was inspected.	
n .	12/10/42		it.Richardson reported to Group Ho, and was granted 6 days leave as from 13/10/42. He was instructed to report to 10 Bn, Maryborough on 19 0ct. 42.	Am
"	16/10/42		M.T.U.left on itinerary of 2nd. Tour at 1530 hours - making a	QDm'
			complete round of Group Area and returning to Group HQ.on 14 December '42. M.T.U.provided with 2 30 cwt.trucks in lieu	
			of 12 and 15 owt. Vans.	
"	18/10/42		Group Cmdr, and Lt. Matson visited Gatton attend Bivouac of 'D' Coy, 9 Bn, while M.T.U. with them. While there Lt-Col. Hatton of Corps HQ, and Major Drough (Cmdg 9 Bn) visited and spoke to men.	Rom
п	22/10/42		Arranged for Admin, Staff 'E' Group Hq. and Bn. Hq. to attend school of Instruction Enoggera.	

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Toowoomba	Nov 2		Lieut R.P. Watson (T/B.M.) visited 9 Bn.HQ., Ipswich for purpose of inspection, and to discuss outstanding matters with w.O.ll	
			Norrie (A/Adjt).	W .
	" 6		W.O.11 Cowen R. marched in to duty from 117 A.G. Hospital.	W
	" 20		Lt-Col Marsland AAQMG Corps HQ visited Gp.HQ 1400 to 1700 hrs Inspected GpHq and 7 Bn -left 1530 hours accompanied by Lt-Col	
			Murphy (Gp.Cmdr) on itingrary to 8 Bn.Area visiting Inglewood . Geondiwindi and Texas - later to Stanthorpe and Warwick, visitin	NW
	" 27		all VDC Units en route. Returned to Gn.He 27 Nov '42 at 1150 hours.	Rw
	" 28/29)	Lt.Col.Marsland accompanied by Lt-Col.Murphy visited 'E' Coy 7	Bn
			Dalby and on 28 Nov. F' Coy at Tara returning to Gp. HG at 1800 hours on 29 Nov. 42. Col Marsland departed for Brisbane Monday morning 0800 hours 30 Nov. 42.	(tho)
	" 1/30		S & W.MTU in charge of Capt. G. Williams M.C. on 2ndTour - Oakey	0.5
	1		Yeulba, Roma Injune Charleville to Cunnamulla (22/11/42).	
			Thence via Bollon, Dirranbandi to Goondiwindi arriving 20/11/42.	
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Date and Time. -From 1/12/42 31/12/42 'E' Group HQ VDC (Q) Remarks and references to Summary of Events and Information Place Date. Appendices, Diaries, &c. dis Lieut P. J. Sullivan (T/St. Capt) returned to duty from 1 LHQ Toowoomba Dec 2 Staff Course Gellibrand Victoria. Group Cmdr. (Lt-Col. JK. MURPHY) accompanied by T/B.M. (Lieut Ris "4/5 R.P. Watson) visited Texas VDC detachment and contacted C.I. S & W MTU in charge of Capt. Williams, Gp, Cmdr attended training of VDC members by MTU and addressed them. Departed for Stanthorpe 0845 hours 5 Dec. 42 and visited VDC Cov. in bivouse there training with MTU. Visited 8 Bn. HQ at Warwick 1415 hours same day and Gp_Cmdr conferred with Bn Cmdr (Major Hutton) on various Bn. Matters, Returned to Toowoomba 1800 hours. Gp_Cmdr.visited 7 Bn_Bivouac at Rifle Range, where Bn_in camp 18/19/20 Dec. training under C.I. MTU and discussed training with him, Good attendance of members - 50 on the 19th, and 80 on the 20th. Capt Williams - C.I. S & W.MTU reported to Gp.HQ on 21 Dec 42 21/12/42 on completion of 2nd. Tour in E Group Area. Itinerary commenced on 16 Oct. 42 first visiting 9 Bn Area at Gatton, and thence making tour through Brisbane Valley area via Tocgoolawah to Oakey via Crows Nest - through 7 and 19 Bn. Areas along Western Line to Charleville and Cunnamulla. Thence through St. George to Goondiwindi through 8 Bn Area and returning via Warwick to Tocwoomba Members throughout displayed great interest in training some of them travelling 50/100 miles to take part.

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Toowoomba	1 Jan 43.		Op.Cmdr.accompanied by Lt.P.J.Sullivan (Trng.Officer) and Mr.Wombold (Asst.B/Mjr.P.T.D.)proceeded to 19 En.H. VDC(Roma) to attend 4 days Course of Instruction for Fotential Officer	
			to attend 4 days Course of Instruction for Potential Officer (P.T.D.) from 2-5 dan. Corps Condr. (Brig Meyers) and D.A.C.M.C. also attended 19 Bn.	·s Pw
			Course and addressed students,	
	5 Jan 43.		Corps Cmdr, visited "E" Cp. He and had conference with Gp. Cmdr. on Training and Adm. matters.	Rw
	7 Jan 43.		Gp_Cmdr_(LtCol_Murphy) left to attend V.D.C. Course of Inst. Tactical 1(A) at Chermside for 14 days.	Au
	24 Jan 43.		T/Bde Mjr (Lieut,R.F. Watson) and T/St. Capt. (Lt. Sullivan)	Red
			T/Bde Mir (Lieut,R.F.Watson) and T/St_Capt.(Lt_Sullivan) left for Chermside to attend V.D.C. Course-Tactical 1(B) for 30 days; also all ranks of S.& W.M.T.U. reported to Chermside to attend samsCourse of Instruction.	
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"E" Group HQ, VDC(Q). Date and Time. -From 1 Febry 43 To 28 Febry 43

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Toowoomba	l Feb.		Lt-Col_Murphy (Gp.Cmdr) returned to G p.HQ from VDC Course of Instruction Cherside (24/1/43)	Ruy
	24 Feb		A/Rds Major (Lt.R.P. Watson) and Lt.F. I Sullivan returned to du from VDC Course of Instruction Chermside. Members of S & W.MT remained to instruct on Bn Cmdrs School.	to his
	25 Feb		Gp.Cmdr.(Lt-Col.Murphy) accompained by W.O.Cowen proceeded to HQ 19 Bn. (Roma) for purpose of conferring re new appointment of Bn.Cmdr. Word received that present Bn.Cmdr. (Major Verry)	Rup
	26 Feb.		is transferred to Dalby. Lieut, Sullivan left on 3 weeks leave prior to taking up duty with 'D' Group. TRAINIBG. wwing to the whole of the FTD Training Staff of the	Rwy
			Group attending the VDC Course at Chermstef from 25/1/43 to 21/2/43 no training was done through February, with exception	Aus
			of local parades carried out by the PTD personnel themselves. New Training Itinerary for the S & W MTU now drawn up and a	
			10 weeks Course has been approved commencing 8 Mch 43. Member of AWAS (Fte Fox) marched in for duty 19 Feb 43.	Rus
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			"E" Group, Drill Hall, Toowoomba	I and the second



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Cowcomba	Mch 2		Gp.Cmdr (Lt-Col.Murphy) returned from inspection of 19 Bn.	RAN
11	11 4		Gp.Cmdr.visited 8 Bn.(Warwick) accompanied by Staff Capt., for	
			inspection, and conference with Adjt. (Lieut Ohlsen). Large quantities Gas Respirators arrived, and Gp. Cmdr advised to be	RAT
11	11 9		held in store awaiting further instructions. S & W Mobile Training Unit.in charge of Capt.Williams, left on	RAM
11	" 13		Tour No.4 - Mch 9 to 8 May 43. Copy of itinerary attached GSO 1 Corps HQ.VDC(Q) called on Gp.Cmdr.	Appendix 'A'
11	" 19		Group Cmdr. visited VDC HQ. Dalby in connection with inspection	
			of Weekend Camp held at Kapunn. Capt. Williams with MTU, in chang of Camp. Good attendance of personnel. Camp from 19/21 Mch.	Par
"	11 22		Lieut.C.E.Chann - a/Pde.Mjr - reported for duty on transfer	RAM
"	11 22		Gp.Cmdraccompanied by Staff Capt.visited 9 En. Ipswich for	
			purpose of inspecting 6th.A.A.Bty at Amberley. Major Drough (CC accompanied party and made introductions to C.C.Bty. 9 En.have	RAY
"	" 23		1 Off.72 O/Rs training at Bty weekly. Visited Bn.HQ in after- noon and conferred with CO on Adm and Q matters. Brigadier	
			Meyers (Corps Cmdr $VDC(\mathbb{Q})$) called in whilst inspecting was proceeding.	
11	II 25		Gp.Cmdr visited 'E' Coy HQ 7 En Dalby and had conference with	Rom
			Capt.Milne 2 i/c/ En regarding the proposed resignations of Cap Stone (CO 'E' Coy) and Lieut.Reid - 2 i.c. These Officers no	t.

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Unit 'E' Group HQ., VDC(Q). H. 100M 2/41

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Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
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		their discharge under VDCStanding Orders.	10/
		9 to 23 March 43.	RAC
		5 FTD Instructors from Group attended Demolition Course 26 Feby to 19 Mch 43,	
		and qualified for demolition certificates	•
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APPENDIX I

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Taking on Stores and travelling to Ipswich 8/3/43
IPSWICH 9/3/43 and 10/3/43
Travelling to Pittsworth 11/3/43

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JACKOOD 2/4/43 - 3/4/43 & 4/4/43
Travelling to Wallumbli 5/4/43
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Unit 'E' Gp.HQ., VDC(Q). H. 100M 2/42

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			Officers. Biscussed Adm matters, more particularly appointment of CO Coy, vice Lieut. Woodrow transferred from district.	
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"	" 7		Capt King called at Gp.HQ - on liason to First Aust Army. Also interviewing Gp.Cmdr re Easter Tour of West (19 Bn area).	Aus
"	" 13		Gp.Comd.and Capt King left by Western Mail for tour of 19 Bn area - to contact MTU at Charleville and Cunnamulla - Gp.Comd	Aw
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п	" 30		Gp.Comd and Staff Capt left by car on tour of 8 Bn.Area - visit Goondiwindi. Texas and Warwick - contacting MTU at each place.	

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Unit 'E' Gp.HQ., VDC(Q).

Date and Time. -From 1 May 1943 To 30 May 1943

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Тоомсотов	1 May		Gp.Comd and Staff Capt.absent in 8 Rn Area on tour of inspection of NTU whilst training at Goondiwindi, Texasprannymorel and Warw Returned to HQ on 10 May 45	
11	5 May		Gp Comd accompanied by Capt. Prewett of First Aust Army visited Toowoomba City Electric Light Coy, and discussed with Manager pl	ans Aw
· ii	13 May		for demolition of Plant in case Scortahed Earth Policy invoked Gp. Comd accompanied by Ede Mir left by car for HQ 19 En (Roma), for conference with En Comd. Gp. Comd then returned by train to this HQ whilst Pde Naior continued on training tour of En area.	* Kw
11	1/10 May		Staff Officers from Corps HQ (DADOS and EO) visited 'E' Gp Ares on tour of Inspection and training.	
п	23 May		Gp.Comd accompanied by Major Cox (of First Aust Army) and AssT Staff Capt (Capt.E.O.Schuntner) visited HQ 'D' Coy 9 BN at	BW
			Gatton, to attend opening of 4th. Tour of MTU. Appointment of new Coy Comm discussed vice Lieut Woodrow transferred to Gladstone.	
"	28 May		Gp.Comd visited HQ 8 Bn (Warwick) and in company of Bn.Comd visited Manager of Electric Light Coy.to discuss plans for	Rv
			Demolition of Plant, in case 'Scortched Earth Policy' invoked.	
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"E" Gp HQ VDC (Q) Unit

Date and Time. -From 1 Jun 43 To 30 Jun 43

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOOWOOMBA	9 Jun		Lieut Shann A/Bde Maj returned to Toowoomba after a tour of inspection of 19 Bn VDC (Q) Area	1
	9 Jun	0600	Gp Comd (Lt-Col Murphy) accompanied by Capt M.D.McDougall departed on tour for the purpose of Necce Boundaries separating "E" Gp from "B" Gp.	_d
11	1.6 Jun	2045	His Excellency the Governor Sir Leslie Wilson made an inspection of "A" Coy 7 En and HQ "E" Gp VDC (Q)	d
11	20 Jun	0900	Comference in connection with Demolition Folicy Lt-Col Foote [First Aust Army] and the Up Comd Held at Up HQ. Cots of 7, 8,9 Ens and Asst Pde Maj and Asst Staff Capt attended.	d
n	21 Jun		The Gp Comd (Lt-Col Murphy) visited Brisbane for conference with the Corps Comd.	4
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Unit 'E' Gp HQ VDC(Q). H. 100H 2/42

Date and Time. -From 1 July 43 To 31 July 43

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Toowoomba	2 July		Gp.Comd visited 8 Bn Hg WARWICK for conference with Bn.Comd	
			and arranging for relief of Lieut Ohlsen, proceeding to FTD Tactical Course for Officers at Chermside.	Rw
	5 July		The following FTD Officers proceeded to Chermside to attend	
			Tactical Course (under First Aust Army) from 5 - 17 July - Capt R.P. Watson SC, 'E' Gp. HQ., Lieut Groundwater G, Adjt 7 Bn VD	Rw
			Lieut P.R.A.G. Ohlsen Adjt 8 Bn VDC, and Lieut W.Norrie Adjt 9 B VDC(Q).	n
	9 July		Gp.Comd visited Tactial School Chermside in company with Major	Pho
	22 July		Cox CI of First Aust Army, and attended lecture by Major Cox. Gp, Comd visited 8 Bn area to contact S & W MTU while at Ingle-	
			wood, Goondiwindi and Warwick, and discussed training and equipment with CI of MTU. It is noted since the recent statement by	Rw
			the Prime Minister that Australia was safe from invasion that attendances at parades is falling away. Other factors affect-	
			ing parades are the continued dry season, and the practical impossibility to obtain tyres and tubes for M.T. Vehicles.	
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Date and Time. -From 1 August 43 To 31 August 43

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
oowoomba	Aug 2 to	11.	BM of 'E' Cp.HQ completed tour of inspection embracing	Rw
			portions of 8 and 19 En areas - visited Warwick, Stanthorpe Goondiwindi, St. George and Roma.	MW .
	11 7/8		Cp.Comd attended 8 En VDC(Q) Warwick - Officers Tactical Course	. Rw
	" 10		Gp.Comd accompanied by St.Capt departed by train for Charlevill	e
			to attend Tactical Course 12-15 Aug held by 'E' Coy.19 Bn VDC School held at Mr.East's property, 12 miles out along the Adavat	2) · Rw
			Road. 70 Students attended. School in charge of Capt.Len King, Glll of Corps HQ., assisted by WOll Bishop.	
			Mr.Colin Butler, and Mr.Capper of Quilpie Platoon waited on Gp. Comd to discuss difficulties of holding parades, owing to excess	-
			ive distances to be covered and lack of supply of tyres. This Platoon agreed to carry on for the time being if possible.	
	" 23		Cp.Comd attending Conference 23/25 Aug at Corps HQ., Enoggera.	Rw
	" 20/22		Capt.King,Glll Corps HQ.,attended and instructed Officers Tac-	Rus
	" 29		tical Course 19 En HQ, Roma. Gp.Comd left to attend Second Aust Corps School of Instruction	Rw
			Narellan (NSW) for period of 4 weeks.	100
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			" Group, Drill Hall, Tecwoomba	

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Date and Time.-From 1 Sep 43 To 30 Sep 43.

Place.	Date. Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Toowoomba	Sep 1-28	Gp Gord attending Second Aust Army School of Instruction, Narellan, N.S.W.	S
	Sep 4-5	Short Tactical Course, 7 En Area, Dalby conducted by Capt. L. King CIII, Corps HQ. Visit by Major Cox CII Ops VDO, First Aust Army.	L
	Sep 23	It-Col N.C. Hatton, GSO I Corps HQ accompanied by Capt C.R. Carleton D VDC Melbourne visited Gp HQ. Capt Carleton gave an instructive address to Ciffcers of "E" Gp, 7 and 9 Ens re Engineer and Fiencer activities in VDC and proposals in regard to future instruction courses and training generally.	d
	Sep 24	Capt Carleton accompanied by BM "E" Gp visited Coeby Creek Dam and Power Station.	d
	Sep 29	Gp Comd returned from Second Aust Army School, Narellan.	d
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Place.	Date.	Hour. Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Toowoomba	7 Oct 43	Gp Comd visited 9 En Area	ch
	9 Oct 43	Gp Comd visited Pittsworth with CO 7 Bn and attended	1
		conference of Cadets B Coy	4
	16 Oct 43	Gp Cemd accompanied by GSO II Corps HQ VDC(Q) and CO 9 Bn	
		visited 8 Bn Officers School.	a
	22 Oct 43)	Op Comd visited Clifton Area NTU Course with C.I. Capt.	1
	23 Oct 43	Williams.	d
	28 Oct 43	Conference at Corps HQ VDC(Q) attended by Gp Comd accompanied	1
		by GSO I and II Corps HQ VDC(Q).	A
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Unit "E" Group HQ VDC(Q) Date and Time. From 1 Nov 43 To 30 Nov 43

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Toowoomba	2 Nov		Group Comd accompanied by GSO II Corps HQ visited	C4
			19 Bn HQ, Roma.	
	16 Nov		Corps Comd with Gp Comd and GSO II left for 3 weeks tour	
			of Western Area 7, 19 and 8 Bns.	
	21-23 Nov		DAAG Corps HQ accompanied by Capt Crompton, VDC Directorate	d
			visited "E" Gp HQ; also 7, 8 and 9 Bns.	
	26 Nov 43		B.M. visited "E" Goy 19 Bn for MTU Camp 1-5 Dec 43.	9
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			axE" Group, Drill Hall, Toomoomba	



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Unit "E" Group Me VDC(Q) Date and Time.—From 1 Dec 43 To 31 Dec 43.

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Toowoomba .	1-9 Dec		Corps Comd, Brig. E.H. Meyers and Gp Comd, Lt-col J.K. Murphy,	
			accompanied by GSO II, Capt MacDougall on tour of	4
			Western Areas 19 and 8 Ens. Returned to Gp HQ 10 Dec 43.	
	10 Dec		Corps Comd, Brig. E.H. Meyers, AA & QMG (Lt-col Marsland)	d
			and GSO II visited Gp HQ.	
	15 Dec		Group Comd accompanied by BM visited final Xmas Farade of	
			"A" Coy 7 Bn held at Band Hall, Toowoomba.	g g
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			"E" Group Commander, V.D	Col.
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Unit "B" Group HQ VDC(Q)

Date and Time.-From 1 Jan 44 To 31 Jan 44.

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Toowoomba	3-4 Jan		Gp Comd accompanied by BM visited 19 Bn Roma re Enquiry.	ay .
u.	14-17 "		Gp Comd visited 8 Bn Warwick for week-end Officers Course.	at,
1	18-21 "		Gp Comd accompanied by Assist S/Capt visited 19 Bn Area.	CA,
	23 "		Corps Cond visited Gp HQ together with DAAG & GSO II	
	24 "		Group Comd proceeded to Gorps HQ accompanied by DAAG & GSO II.	Sy
	26 "		Corps Cond and GSO I visited Gp HQ.	uf.
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Unit "B" Group HQ VDC(Q) Date and Time.—From 1 Feb 44 To 29 Feb 44.

Place		Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOOWOOMBA (18)	18	Feb		Op Comd visited Corps HQ for conference with Corps Comd. DVDC & Corps Comd visited "E" Op for address to available Off Q123215 Lieut F.O.L.Kempster reported for duty as SC HQ "E"Gp,	901K 301K 301K
dia.				vice Q112275 Lieut C.J.E. SHANN transferred.	
	15	"		Q226433 Lt-col E.D.Hutton (FTD) CO 8 Bn VDC(Q) appointed Adm Comd "E" Gp VDC(Q).	201K
	18	- i		Gp Comd, Q141213 Lt-col J.K.Murphy (PTD) Relinquished Appointment and discharged through GDD, Redbank.	DHC SOLK YOLK
	26	11		Conference of COs, 2 1/cs and Adjts 7,8,9,18 Bns held by Lt-col E.D.Mutton, Adm. Comd "2" Gp - Agenda: Adm, Trg, Q and general matters.	SOLK
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Unit "E" Gp HQ VDC (Q)

Date and Time.-From 1 Mar 44 To 31 Mar 44

10 Mar 44 18 - 20 Mar: 44 24 Mar 4 Apr. 44	Rde Major Capt Stewart W.D.P. reported for duty. Group Comds. Conference held at Corps HQ. VDO.(Q) Colonel-in-Chief VDC.(Q) Sir Leslie Orme Wilson visited 8 Bn. VDC.(Q) Area.	Stopfer Toxfer 504K 2n
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24 Mar		JOLK LA
26 Mar.44	Lt-sel, E,D,Hutton (Gp, Gemd, "E" Gp, VDC.(Q)) visited - Dn. VDC. (Q)	SOFK. In
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Warwick & South	24/3/44 to		Cel-in-Chief Sir Leslie Orme Wilson toured 8 Bn. VDC.(Q) Area with Capt. W.D. P. Stewart B. M. "E" Gp. VDC.(Q) in attenda	JAK LA
Stantherpa (Q)	8/4/44		Cel-in-Chief Sir Leslie Orme Wilsen toured 8 Bn. VDC.(Q) Area with Capt. W.D.F.Stewart B.W. "E" Gp.VDC.(Q) in attenda Gp. Grad. Litecol. E.D.Hutton. AASQUG Cepps Litecol. L.H. Mare and B.W. "E" Gp. Capt. W.D.F.Stewart attended Easter Trg. Camp of 8 Bn. VDC.(Q) 7-10 Apr. 44.	and YOLK LI
Ipswich	17/4/44		B.M. Capt, W.D.F.Stewart and Staff Capt, F.O.L.Kempster attended NQ. 9 BN, WDC.(Q) regarding re-organization.	JOHN KI
Warwick	21/4/44		Staff Capty F.C.L.Kempster attended HQ. 8 Rn. VDC.(Q) Administration inspection.	YOLK LA
Taoweenba	25/4/44		B.M. Capt. W.D.P. Stewart and Staff Capt. Lieut. F.C.L. Kempster attended Ansac Day Parade and March past of 1st. AIP, 2nd. AIP and assisting organizations.	JANA LA
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