

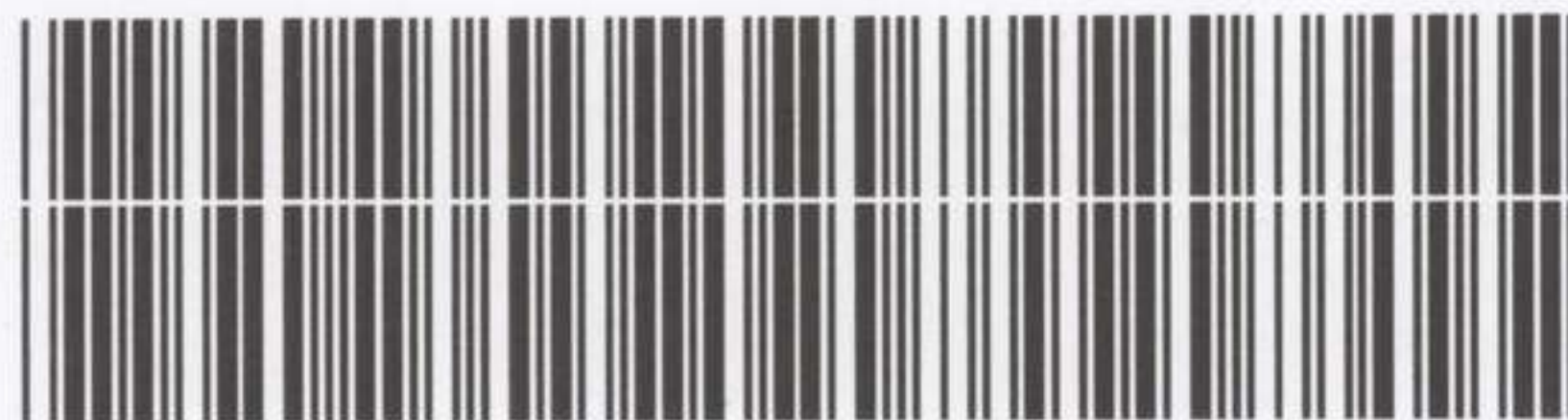
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**WAR DIARY**

OF  
*No 3 Aust. M. T. Coy*

FOR  
*November 1918*

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			Working with 3rd Aust Divn	
			No 3 Aust. M. T. Coy	
Araucanes	1-11-18		Headquarters, three sections of transport, two workshops and the supply section quartered as per margin.	
	10 9-11-18		Two sections of transport and one workshop detached with 3rd Div. Artillery and stationed at Brancourt; Captain A. B. Harper in command.	
			Supplies	
	1-11-18		Supplies for 3rd Aust. Division were drawn from section 99 and issued to the 9th, 10th and 11th Inf. Brigades per Horse Transport.	
	10		5 Lorries used daily for coal wood and extras on Pack Train.	
Araucanes	9-11-18		Transport	
	1-11-18		Vauschall open towing car 25 H.P. Type D. WD no M 18053 evacuated to 3rd Heavy Repair Shop, Honfleur as result of accident - 5/11/18	
	10		Vauschall open towing car 25 H.P. Type D WD no M 14024 received from 5th Aux. Petrol Coy. 26/11-18.	See Appendix No 1 for Mileage for this period
Araucanes	9-11-18		3rd Aust Div. Sig Coy - Triumph 4 H.P. Solo machines 4 motor cycles evacuated as unserviceable and 4 machines received as replacements.	
			Talbot Ambulance WD no A 25266 evacuated to 3rd Heavy Repair Shop Honfleur 10-11-18	
			Sunbeam Ambulance WD no A 53454 received from 5th Aux Petrol Coy in replacement. 22-11-18.	

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Le Cateau	10-11-18		<p>No 3 Aust. M.T. Coy</p> <p>Under instructions from S.M.T.O. Aust Corps, contained in Movement order no 49 of 8/11/18, this Company changed over with 4th Amst Coy and moved forward with 4th Division.</p>	Working with 4th Aust Div
	to		<p>Headquarters workshop + Transport Section - with the exception of those detached under Capt A.B. Harper - and Supply Section moved to Le Cateau.</p>	
	30-11-18		<p>All the repairs for cars and ambulances of 4th A.M.T. Coy attached to the 4th Aust Div. were carried out by 3rd Amst Coy.</p> <p>Sunbeam open touring car wd no 18529 received for 4th Australian D.H. Co.</p>	
	to		<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Supplies</u></p> <p>Railhead: - Billy-sur-Somme.</p> <p>Supplies drawn from section 15 and issued to 4th and 12th Brigades by Horse Transport and 13th Brigade by M.T. and taken to ROISEL and dumped.</p>	
	11-11-18		<p>The supply train on this date due to arrive at Roisel was very late and did not arrive until</p>	
12-11-18		<p>I am on the 12th when supplies were delivered to Dumps in Roisel the lorries returning immediately to Railhead to clear the Pack Train of the 12th which arrived during the morning.</p>	mt	



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			<u>Supplies</u>	
	13-11-18		Railhead: <u>Roisel</u>	
			Supplies for 4th Aust Divn were drawn off section 15 and issued to Brigades by M.T.	
	15-11-18		The 12th Brigade having their move postponed, their supplies were sent to <u>ailly sur Somme</u> by M.T.	
	16-11-18		Railhead: <u>Bellecourt</u>	
			Supplies drawn by M.T. from section 15 and issued to formations at <u>Fresnoy</u> .	
	20-11-18			
	21-11-18		Railhead: <u>Fresnoy-le-Grand</u>	
			The supply train did not arrive until the morning of the 22nd inst when the supplies were issued to formations the lorries proceeding to:	
	22-11-18		Railhead: <u>Honnechy</u> the train arriving there at 8pm.	
			M.T. used to clear supplies for 4th, 12th, 13th Bdes, 4th Div 24ps.	
	27-11-18		No supply train arrived on the 23rd, but at 9-45 am on 24th inst. 104th ABR & A attached.	
			16 Tons wood and 30 Tons of received and issued.	
			The supply train due to arrive at Honnechy on 24th inst did not arrive until 6pm on 25th inst when the rations were loaded up and despatched to Brigade Dumps, where	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references Appendices
	28-10-18		<p>No 3 Just met Coy</p> <p>they were received in just sufficient time to issue to units in time for Breakfast.</p> <p>The pack train for the 25th arrived in the morning of the 26th inst and was immediately cleared and sent to Dumps at <u>Sains</u>, <u>Flaumont</u>, <u>Ramoussies</u> and <u>Solre le Chateau</u>.</p> <p>The Railhead was changed to <u>de Cateau</u> on the 28th inst the pack train for the 27th arriving there on that date. On the 29th inst the pack train for both 28th and 29th inst arrived but owing the long journeys the motor lorries had to make over bad roads and the great scarcity of carbide for the lamps it was not possible to deliver the two days supplies on one day without additional transport which Corps could not provide so that the supply situation at the end of the month was: the supplies for the 4th Aust Division were 24 hours late, i.e. supplies were drawn at Railhead one day for consumption the following day.</p>	<p>333</p>
	30-11-18			<p>10</p> <p>M. J. G.</p>



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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
			<u>Transport</u>	
	17/11/18		Evacuations and transfer of vehicles:-	
	10/11/18		3 Ton Daimler 4" wd no 16161 evacuated to 2nd asc Repair Shop Rouen	
	25/11/18		3 Ton " " " 16131 " " " "	
	22/11/18		3 Ton Locomobile wd no 60295 received from 5th Base Petrol Coy	
	16/11/18		30cwt C.B Daimler wd no 11396 transferred to 50th Field Searchlight Coy	
			in exchange for 30cwt C.B. Daimler wd no 2137	
			(authority DdST 4th Army T 360 of 15/11/18)	
			30cwt C.B Daimler wd no 2137 transferred to 6th Aust. M.T. Coy.	
			Crossley Box Car, type 8T wd no 59706 transferred to 37th Division	
			(authority DdST 4th Army 2703 of 15/11/18)	
	30/11/18		Douglas 2 3/4 H.P. Solo motor cycle frame no 39310 engine no 29321 received from 1st Base M.T. Depot on 27/11/18. This brings the Coy. up to strength in motor cycles.	
	13-11-18		Under authority DofT 11860 of 26/10/18, Triumph motor cycle frame no 273112 was written off as charge against public funds.	
	19-11-18		The D.A. Section consisting of 2 officers 4100 O.R. with 32 lorries one workshop and stone wagon, 1 first aid and one Box car and 3 motor cycles, under the command of Captain A.B. Harper rejoined the unit at <u>Le Cateau</u> from <u>Brancourt</u> .	

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<p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">Araucarias and de bateau</p>	1-11-18		<p>No 3 Aust. M.T. Coy <u>General</u></p> <p>Moves of officers. Lieut Chas. E. <u>Windridge</u> proceeded on 75 days leave to U.K. in lieu of 6 months furlough to Australia - 22-11-18 -</p> <p>Lt A. K. <u>Lock</u> admitted to Hospital 22-11-18</p>	
	to		<p>Promotions. No 11935 C&amp;M.S. <u>Twiss</u> HQ promoted W.O. cl 1 and transferred to S.M.T.O Aust. Corps. (A.I.F. List No 409 of 12/11/18)</p> <p><u>Strength</u> Struck off:- 20 Hospitals 8 other Ranks 20 other units 1 W.O. and 1 other Ranks.</p>	
	30-11-18		<p>Taken on:- from other units 2 other Ranks from Base 10 other Ranks</p> <p>Curses and Punishments:- 4 (minor offences)</p> <p>Leave:- To U.K. 10ff 27 O.R. 20 Paris 7 O.R. No 1856 M.T. Driver <u>Buckingham</u> 25 proceeded to U.K. on 75 Days leave in lieu of 6 months furlough to Australia 7-11-18</p>	
16-11-18		<p>Deaths:- No 11843 M.T. Driver <u>MYORS</u> D.I. of injuries received through accident</p> <p>Education:- 2 men of 38th Battalion, one of 39th, and 2 men of 3rd Aust Pioneer Battalion were attached to workshops for <u>Refresher Courses</u> under the Educational Scheme.</p>	<p>ind. J.</p>	



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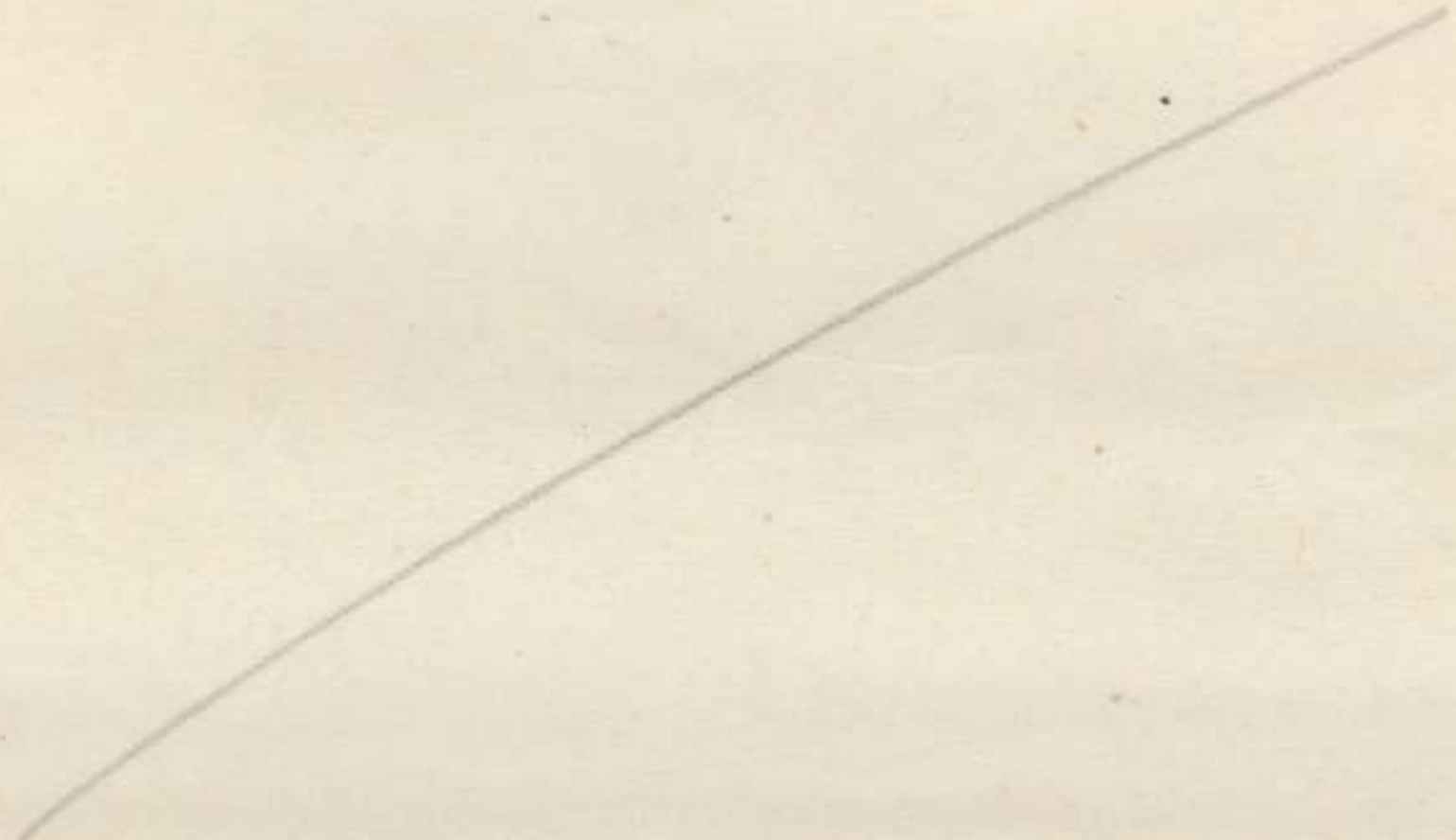
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Date	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	Loads Amm.	R.E. Work	Supply	Stores	Person'l	Various	Total Loads Done	Total Lorries Out	Miles Run Full	Miles Run Empty	Petrol Issued	Lorries Av'able Not used	Lorries Under Repair	Lorries D'tach'd
1st	-	3	9	2	4	1	19	18	308	159	95	16	10	41
2nd	-	3	10	2	7	2	24	17	294	139	90	16	11	41
3rd	-	2	11	4	7	1	25	15	343	288	134	17	12	41
4th	-	2	11	2	8	1	24	17	411	247	121	13	12	41
5th	-	2	10	2	4	1	19	16	343	258	125	14	12	41
6th	-	3	16	2	4	-	25	15	338	290	128	18	12	41
7th	9	1	26	2	5	-	43	21	501	481	195	8	12	45
8th	-	2	19	2	4	-	27	17	344	232	118	12	12	45
9th	-	3	32	2	4	3	44	24	515	520	226	7	12	43
10th	-	1	23	-	-	8	32	24	1060	463	311	11	6	41
11th	-	-	27	-	-	23	50	35	1747	400	438	-	2	45
12th	-	-	40	-	-	11	51	23	1580	825	485	5	14	40
13th	-	-	10	-	-	3	13	23	315	325	60	4	16	40
14th	-	-	30	-	-	8	38	22	1490	900	469	4	17	40
15th	-	-	20	-	-	7	27	22	740	310	76	5	19	40
16th	-	-	20	-	-	3	27	26	590	520	230	1	19	36
17th	-	-	21	3	-	1	24	23	735	735	309	4	19	35
18th	-	-	21	1	-	2	25	23	785	835	321	3	20	36
19th	-	-	20	2	-	6	28	28	560	595	240	4	19	29
20th	-	-	29	3	-	1	33	29	595	760	285	5	19	29
21st	-	-	2	1	4	2	9	29	160	125	60	3	21	37
22nd	-	-	34	2	-	1	37	23	354	375	137	3	21	33
23rd	-	-	25	1	-	2	28	23	48	60	25	1	20	39
24th	-	-	43	4	-	2	49	23	517	492	220	1	20	39
25th	-	-	32	3	-	2	37	33	521	682	260	-	18	31
26th	-	-	9	2	-	-	11	11	275	300	133	-	18	36
27th	-	-	21	2	-	3	26	34	1170	1140	503	-	18	29
28th	-	-	28	2	-	1	31	28	841	991	380	-	15	38
29th	-	-	22	3	-	1	26	28	764	764	354	-	21	32
30th	-	-	21	4	-	3	28	30	646	656	309	8	15	28
31st														
Total	9	22	642	53	51	103	880	700	18770	14867	6837	183	452	1132

A.I.F. P.S. - A/3-8-18

Approx. mileage of detached lorries. <sup>103</sup> Lorries 10688. Empty 8963.