

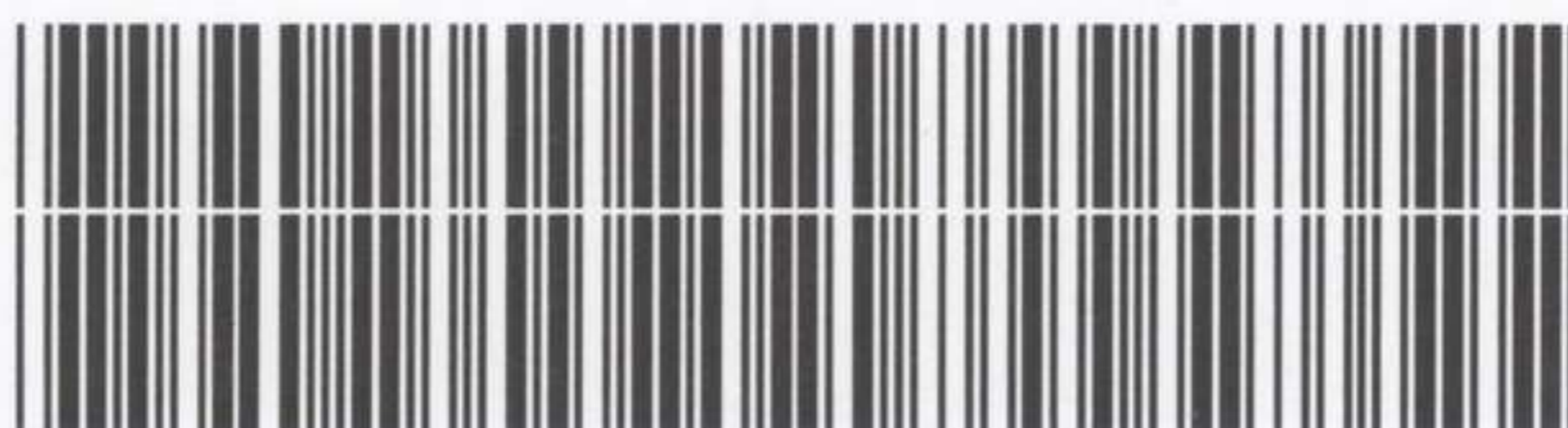
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**Australian Imperial Force unit war diaries,  
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Signature of Officer Commanding  
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<u>HARBONNIERES</u> W.6.c.2.10.	1 Sept. 1918.		Move to HARBONNIERES completed from DACOURS. Location of camp has recently been evacuated by the enemy. Lorries fully detailed on Ammunition work. Routine as usual. Weather fine.	
	2.9.18.		Drew Imprest 13,500 Francs and Unit paid, rate for the month being 5 Francs - 3/8. First Aid Lorry and party of Artificers detailed to work at Advanced Dressing Station to do minor repairs on Ambulances and Lorries working in Forward Area. Routine as usual. Weather fine.	
	3.9.18.		Big details received for Lorries, all being carried out as per instructions. Lorries working	
	4.9.18.		day and night on Ammunition. Roads in this district in good condition, although dusty. Weather fine.	
	5.9.18.		Railhead changed to FROISSY. Details still large, all Lorries being full out. Weather fine.	
	6/8.9.18		All available Lorries fully detailed, principally on Ammunition in Forward Area. Orders received on 8th inst. to move to a new location on 9th inst. Routine as usual. Weather fine.	
Sheet 62C/I.9.c.5.8	9.9.18.		Moved to Sheet 62C/I.9.c.5.8, <u>MONT ST. QUENTIN</u> . Workshops moved to PERONNE, Supply Section to LA CHAPELLETTE. Routine as usual. Weather fine.	
	10/12/9/18.		All details being carried out as instructed. Inspection made of all new sites occupied by Unit, all found to be going along satisfactorily. Big Lorry Details still being received. Weather wet.	
	13.9.18.		Hostile bombing planes very active during the night, two being brought down by one of our planes in the vicinity of camp. Routine as usual. Weather fine.	
	14.9.18.		1 Officer and 8 Other Ranks marched out from Unit for 6 months furlough to Australia.	
	15.9.18		Lorry Details very big, every available Lorry being used on Ammunition and other work. Imprest 12,000 Francs drawn. Weather fine.	

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	16.9.18.		Unit paid. Routine as usual, all lorries being detailed. Weather fine.	
	17-19.9.18.		Lorries working full out on Ammunition, Stone and other duties in forward Area. All Sections of Unit inspected, and everything is going along very smoothly. Weather fine.	
	20.9.18.		Railhead changed to CARTIGNY. Divisional Ambulances visited in forward Area, same being very busy owing to operations. Lorries still on big details for Ammunition. Weather fine.	
	21-22.9.18		Very heavy Details for Lorries on Ammunition. Routine as usual. Weather fine.	
	23.9.18.		Railhead changed to TINCOURT, Supplies being drawn from Pack Train at 8 a.m. 12 Other Ranks marched out for 6 months furlough to Australia, this being privilege granted to men who embarked from Australia in 1914. Weather wet. Routine as usual.	
	24-25.9.18.		All available Lorries detailed on forward area work, details being carried out as instructed. Weather showery.	
	26-27.9.18		Big details received for Lorries on Ammunition and general work. Forward Area Ammunition Dumps visited. Routine as usual. Weather fine.	
	28-29.9.18		Big Lorry details still being received. An Officer from this Unit is acting as Liaison Officer for 5th Aust: Divisional Artillery.	
	30.9.18.		All available Lorries working full on various duties. Routine as usual. Weather showery.	
			For Work Done, Miles travelled by Lorries during the month, please see Appendix No. 1.	
			For Casualties, Transfers etc. regarding Personnel, please see Appendix No. 2.	

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			<u>TRANSFERS - OUTWARDS.</u>	
			No. 13444 Dvr. Miller A. to 1st S. B. A. C. - 13309 Sgt. Robinson R. to Aust. Flying Corps.	
			<u>TRANSFERS - INWARDS.</u>	
			16139 Pte. Collins H. E. - 16158 Pte. Wood E. A. - 16204 Pte. Calvert A.M. - 16203 Dvr. Shmith A. H. 16394 Pte. Morgan G. - 16195 Dvr. Potts E. - 16140 Pte. Davidson E. M. - 16150 Pte. Parrott R. 2419 Art. Wood J. H. - 16391 Pte. Austin R. G. from A. G. B. D., Havre. 13484 Dvr. Rowe B. J. from 5th Aust. Div. Wing. - 26 Dvr. Lever A. S. from D.M.T.S., AIF. - 13229 Dvr. Emerson R. G. from A.G.B.D. 1910. Sgt. Ross J. C. (MM). from No. 1 S. B. A. C. 16669 Dvr. Murray W. A., 11556 Pte. Christperson NCJ. 16314 Pte. Nankwell H. E. - 2995 Dvr. Johnson R. C. 16315 Pte. Reynolds T. H. from A.G.B.D. - 12742 Pte. Stephenson W. A. 1712 Dvr. Morrow W. J. from A.G.B.D., Havre.	
			<u>ADMISSIONS TO HOSPITAL.</u>	
			6005 Pte. Donaghy J - 13215 Dvr. Cornwell H. - 4185 Dvr. Down E. A. - 1098 Bdr. Martin E. V. - 13297 Cpl. Pierce S. H. - 13305 Dvr. Stidwell H. - Lieut. T. C. Logan - 3458 Pte. Alford J. - 7395 Dvr. Savory H. - 13873 Dvr. Prowse F. G. - <del>3302</del> Pte. Williams H. F. - 3055 Dvr. Carr G. - 13365 Dvr. Cooper J. L. - 13479 Dvr. Lominoga M. -	
			<u>6 MONTHS PURLOUGH TO AUSTRALIA.</u>	
			Capt. H. M. Tatham (MC)., 2284 CQMS. Adams T. E. - 639 Pte. Martin J. A. - 3420 Pte. Fahy M. P. - 1523 Corpl. Horley H. - 2416 Pte. Lucas G. M. - 1819 Sgt. Gibbs F. - 81 Dvr. Harrison N. - 259 Sgt. Ayliffe K. 2245 Cpl. Ralph A. E. - 1665 Corpl. Wicks F. - 1590 Cpl. Kennedy A. - 1031 Cpl. Grenell F. T. - 2578 Corpl. Hardcastle E. G. - 1541 Dvr. Neale T. C. - 44 Art. Longley A. - 314 Pte. Mangan M. - 2223 Pte. Cumberland C. E. - 623 Pte. Duncan W. - 492 Pte. Butler E. A.	
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			<p><u>APPOINTMENTS.</u></p> <p>To be M. T. Drivers under A. I. F. Order 785.</p> <p>1163 Pte. Salisbury I. - 14543 Pte. Smithson R. E. - 15703 Pte. Agnew T. - 3190 Pte. Harders J. - 12303 Pte. Lennon H. - 1928 Pte. Richards E. - 2773 Pte. Powell J. P. - 2819 Pte. Ferrington E.H. - 6131 Pte. Collins C. J. - 16158 Pte. Woods E. A. - 16150 Pte. Parrot R. - 16391 Pte. Austin R.G. - 16394 Pte. Mergan G. - 16140 Pte. Davidsen E. M. - 16139 Pte. Collins H. E.</p> <p>To be Fitter and Turner under A. I. F. Order 1231</p> <p>No. 3765 Pte. Abbott J. W?</p> <p><u>LEAVE.</u></p> <p>During the month 70 Other Ranks enjoyed the privilege of 14 days' leave to the United Kingdom.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>A. B. James</i> Major. Commanding 5th Aust: M. T. Company.</p>	

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UNIT 5<sup>th</sup> Aust. M. T. CoyDIARY APPENDIX No. 1 FOR MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 1918

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	51	2	.	.	.	3	56	40	823	1422	592	Nil	16	27
2nd	30	12	3	5	4	.	54	39	822	554	494	1	17	27
3rd	30	14	3	5	.	.	52	32	879	678	192	2	22	27
4th	46	2	2	5	.	.	55	33	654	814	808	Nil	23	27
5th	19	26	3	5	5	.	58	35	582	635	512	Nil	21	27
6th	19	25	3	5	.	.	52	34	463	777	694	4	19	26
7th	69	7	5	22	4	.	107	44	973	1324	490	Nil	13	26
8th	44	2	3	.	.	.	49	28	660	572	522	11	18	26
9th	45	3	10	2	2	.	62	38	1021	924	204	Nil	19	26
10th	45	.	14	.	.	.	59	38	864	1239	790	Nil	19	26
11th	34	.	6	2	.	.	42	39	971	1151	800	1	20	26
12th	43	.	6	.	.	7	56	31	997	1114	632	7	19	26
13th	24	13	18	1	.	.	56	29	646	864	1380	Nil	29	25
14th	66	4	15	.	.	.	85	42	1208	1386	826	Nil	18	24
15th	22	.	18	.	.	.	40	35	972	1140	407	2	22	24
16th	25	1	17	.	1	.	44	35	554	982	648	Nil	24	24
17th	53	.	17	.	.	.	70	38	959	642	957	Nil	22	24
18th	48	.	12	.	.	.	60	40	786	940	540	Nil	20	23
19th	23	9	13	.	.	6	51	36	577	739	858	1	23	23
20th	29	.	10	.	.	3	42	31	717	902	576	Nil	18	23
21st	28	.	5	.	.	.	33	35	528	685	950	6	18	24
22nd	26	41	13	.	.	10	90	36	459	868	654	7	17	23
23rd	23	13	5	.	1	3	45	41	576	1063	666	4	16	22
24th	19	46	13	.	.	.	78	50	1028	1245	1124	Nil	13	20
25th	55	36	7	.	.	.	98	51	1273	1609	1070	Nil	16	19
26th	40	26	7	.	.	.	73	51	689	1021	884	Nil	15	19
27th	50	24	7	.	.	2	83	48	783	1585	1198	Nil	16	19
28th	30	30	8	.	.	.	68	49	699	1082	784	Nil	12	22
29th	48	12	5	.	23	3	91	38	1374	321	738	10	13	22
30th	50	19	7	.	.	.	76	49	830	813	622	Nil	12	22
31st														
Total	1134	367	255	52	40	37	1585	1165	24313	29091	22112	56	550	719

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