

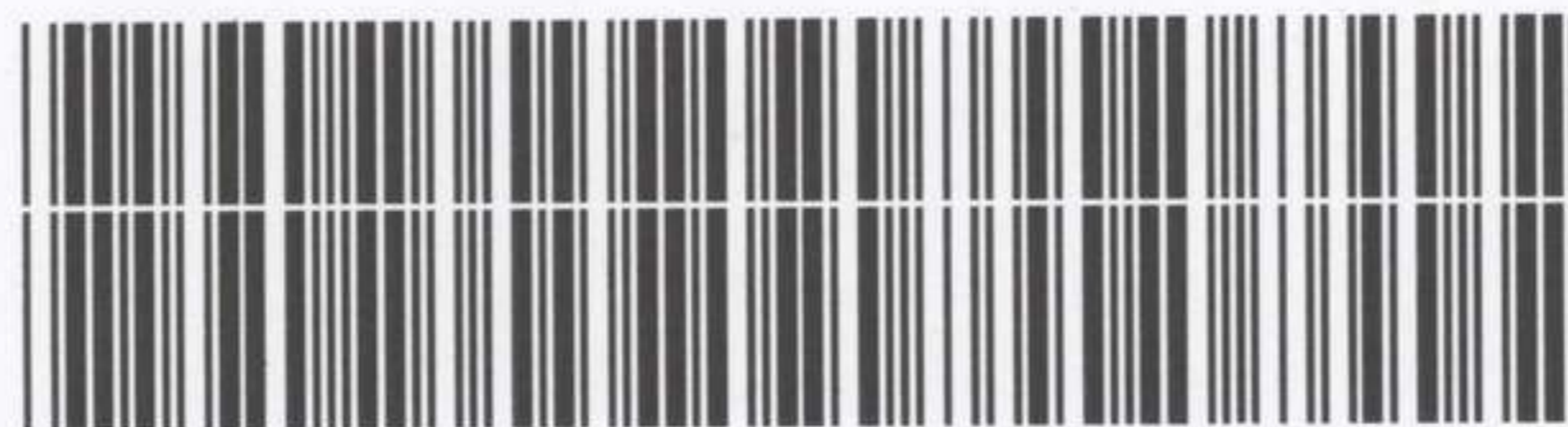
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Ouderdom	1/11/17		Weather wet. Enemy aircraft overhead during night. 53 Lorries detailed for Road Repairs etc.; carried 200 loads weighing 600 tons, running 758 full and 1050 empty miles using 455 gals. petrol.	
	2/11/17		Weather wet. 53 Lorries detailed for Road Repairs etc.; carried 196 loads weighing 576 tons, running full 752 miles and empty 1055 miles consuming 405 gals. petrol.	
	3/11/17		Weather fine. Cpl. Rendall + 6 men were transferred to 6 <sup>th</sup> A (Aust.) B.F.A. Park section. 49 Lorries detailed for Road Repairs etc.; carried 200 loads weighing 486 tons, running full 663 miles and empty 905 miles consuming 395 gals. petrol.	
	4/11/17		Weather fine. 50 Lorries detailed for Road Repairs etc.; carried 220 loads weighing 602 tons running full 714 miles and empty 970 miles consuming 428 gals petrol.	
	5/11/17		Weather fine. 52 Lorries detailed for Road Repairs etc.; carried 227 loads weighing 613 tons running full 720 miles and empty 990 miles consuming 430 gals. petrol.	

*Sh. Perkins 2nd Major*

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Ouderdom	6/11/17		Weather changeable. Sgt. A.M. Turner promoted M.S.S. and transferred to 4 <sup>th</sup> Austr. D.L.C. 52 Lorries detailed for Road Repairs etc.; carried 243 loads weighing 659 tons, running full 799 miles and empty 1088 miles, consuming 497 gals. petrol.	
	7/11/17		Weather changeable. 55 Lorries detailed for Road Repairs etc.; carried 246 loads weighing 687 tons, running full 750 miles and empty 1155 miles consuming 492 gals. petrol.	
	8/11/17		Weather changeable. 5 Ammunition details taken on strength from A.G.B.D. 55 Lorries detailed for Road Repairs etc.; carried 246 loads weighing 725 tons, running full and 985 miles empty, consuming 450 gals petrol.	
	9/11/17		Weather wet. 53 Lorries detailed for Road Repairs etc.; carried 152 loads weighing 408 tons, running full 787 miles and 1021 miles empty, consuming 453 gals. petrol.	
	10/11/17		Weather fine. 53 Lorries detailed for Road Repairs etc.; carried 176 loads weighing 474 tons, running full 770 miles and empty 1079 miles, consuming 500 gals. petrol.	

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Ouderdonk	11/11/17		Weather fine. Inspection Report of this unit's M.T. Vehicles received from D.D.S. & T. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Army. The vehicles reported to be in very good condition especially in view of constant & heavy work. 5 Lorries detailed for Road Repairs etc.; carried 8 loads weighing 49 tons, running full 29 miles & empty 64 miles, consuming 48 gals. petrol.	
	12/11/17		Weather fine. Sgt. Armstrong (blacksmith) taken on strength as supernumerary from "Y" Supply Col. 51 Lorries detailed for Road Repairs etc.; carried 190 loads weighing 442 tons, running full 829 miles and empty 1019 miles, consuming 453 gals. petrol.	Order Rein. Lt for Major. O.C. 2nd Australian Amm. Sub: Park.
	13/11/17		Weather wet. 51 Lorries detailed for Road Repairs etc.; carried 209 loads weighing 557 tons running full 725 miles & empty 1030 miles consuming 453 gals. petrol.	
	14/11/17		Weather wet. 50 Lorries detailed for Road Repairs etc.; carried 212 loads weighing 525 tons running full 733 miles & empty 1022 miles, consuming 424 gals. petrol.	
	15/11/17		Weather changeable. Notification received from Anzac Hd. Qrs. that the Corps Commander had awarded the following decorations: bar to M.M. No 1648 Sgt. E. Fuller the M.M. to No 1552 Driver G. Tutton and to No 1951 Driver W. V. Welch	

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Ouderdonk	15/11/17		52 Lorries detailed for Road Repairs etc: carried 212 loads weighing 573 tons: running full 711 miles & empty 1057 miles; consuming 478 gals. petrol.	
	16/11/17		Weather fine. No Lorries detailed out.	
	17/11/17		Weather dull. Bombs dropped in vicinity of camp by enemy aircraft.	
			51 Lorries detailed for Road Repairs etc, carrying 199 loads weighing 498 tons, running full 795 miles and empty 980 miles, consuming 473 gals. petrol.	
	18/11/17		Weather dull. <del>16</del> 16 Lorries detailed for Road Repairs etc carrying <del>22 tons</del> 25 loads weighing 88 tons running full 233 miles & empty 114 miles, consuming 35 gals. petrol.	
	19/11/17		Weather fine. 7 P. B. men taken on strength from A. G. B. D. 53 Lorries detailed for Roads Repairs etc carrying 202 loads weighing 642 tons, running full 747 miles & empty 975 miles; consuming 456 gals. petrol.	
	20/11/17		Weather fine. 36 Lorries detailed for Road Repairs etc carrying 129 loads weighing 406 tons, running full 664 miles & empty 806 miles, consuming 352 gals. petrol.	
	21/11/17		Weather fine. Enemy aircraft overhead during the night. 48 Lorries detailed for Road Repairs etc carrying 171 loads weighing 679 tons, running full 815 miles & empty 984 miles, consuming 442 gals. petrol.	

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Underdown	22/11/17		Weather wet. 46 Lorries detailed for Road Repair etc. carried 134 loads weighing 369 tons, running full 578 miles & empty 917 miles, consuming 380 gals. petrol.	
	23/11/17		Weather fine. Received instructions to strike camp & proceed to site near Bailleul. 66 <sup>th</sup> Aus. Petrol Coy & 5 <sup>th</sup> G.H.Q. Ammunition Park detachments moved off to 66 <sup>th</sup> Supply Col. 24 Lorries detailed for Road Repairs etc. carried 51 loads weighing 279 tons, running full 420 miles & empty 468 miles, consuming 234 gals. petrol.	O.C. 2nd Australian Amn. Sub. Park.
	24/11/17		Weather fine. Moved to Bailleul-Armentieres Road & pitched temporary camp at Sheet 28 S. 29. b. 3. 0. 37 Lorries detailed for Road Repairs etc. carried 35 loads weighing 72 tons, running full 538 miles & consuming 219 gals petrol.	O.C. 2nd Australian Amn. Sub. Park.
	25/11/17		Weather fine. Parked on Bailleul - Armentieres Road awaiting orders.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
<i>Field S. 28. A. 5. 3 Sheet 28</i>	<i>26 11 17</i>	<i>3pm</i>	<p><i>Took command of 2nd Australian Amm Sub Park from Capt A.B. Harper on the road Baillieu - Nippe. Sheet 28. S. 28. A. 5. 3. move into camp site. make necessary arrangements to drain &amp; erect huts, workshops etc. Met. heavy arty fire on front. Strength of unit 3 Officers, 145 OR. 1 touring car 4 motor cycles, 35. 3 ton lorries, 1 workshop, 1 store lorry. + trailer.</i></p> <p><i>Met &amp; miserable day. Camp erected. inspected vehicles, &amp; equipment. 17 lorries detailed for Ammunition</i></p> <p><i>Lt Col Tunbridge C.B. M.O. inspects Camp. 7 lorries on R.E. work.</i></p>	<p><i>Charley J. Leonard. Maj</i></p> <p><i>O.C. 2nd Australian Amm. Sub. Park.</i></p>
	<i>27 11 17</i>			
	<i>28 11 17</i>			

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
<i>Field S. 28. A. 5. 3 Sheet 28</i>	<i>29 11 17</i>		<i>Weather fine, cold. Park lorries on roadside &amp; clean off mud &amp; filth from lorry stand; Camp drained &amp; duck boards laid out. Cook house built 15 lorries detailed for P. E. work. 82 tons carted</i>	
	<i>30 11 17</i>		<i>Fine but very cold. Guard warned to keep strict watch on vehicles comming off duty late to drain off all water before turning in.</i>	
			<i>Heavy arty fire on front. 15 lorries detailed on P. E. work. 54 tons of material carted, 167 miles run full, 187 miles empty.</i>	

*Charles J. Townsend*  
O.C. 2nd Australian Amm. Sub. Park