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6TH ABAUST FA PARK SECT.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
FIELD	1/5/18		<p>Unit situated at MOLLIEAU BOIS sheet 62D B 7 b 2.3 Parked with N^o 1 PARK SECT GROUP.</p> <p>6TH ABAUST FAPS. N^o 5 ABR HAPS 108, 189 and 282 ABR FAPS forms N^o 1 PARK SECT GROUP. LIEUT F.W.G ANDERSON of 6TH ABAFAPS in Command.</p> <p>4 Horses in Workshop, 5 Horses drawing supplies from AILLY S. SOMME and delivering to 6TH Bgde. daily. 1 Horry carrying rations and petrol drawn at POULAINVILLE and VIEYACOURT to N^o 1 P.S. GROUP. 8 Horses working under CE carrying stores from POULAINVILLE to BAZIEUX.</p> <p>1 Horry returned from HESDIN after having new rubbers fitted to both front wheels and left side rear wheel 236 miles. Loaded 395 miles Empty 149 Gallons petrol drawn.</p>	<p>PHWA</p>
	2/5/18		<p>4 Horses in Workshop 5 Horses carrying supplies to Bgde 1 carrying rations and petrol to N^o 1 PSG 2 Horses working under French Mission carrying refugees from ST GRATIEN to CANAPLES 1 Horry working under CE carrying RE stores from POULAINVILLE to</p>	<p>PHWA</p>

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FIELD	2/5/18		CONQUERRIEU 167 Miles Loaded 247 Miles Empty 98 Gallons petrol drawn	swga
	3/5/18		4 Lorries in Workshop 6 Lorries carrying Supplies to Bgde 3 Lorries working under Staff Capt. R.A. moving 169 A/Bgde RFA to 2 A/DIV. Area 1 Lorry working under Corps Q. carrying furniture from PERIECOT to FLIXECOURT. 1 Lorry carrying rations + petrol to No PSG. 1 Lorry working under CF carrying RE stores from POULAINVILLE to QUERRIEU. 279 Miles Loaded 301 Miles Empty 122 Gallons petrol drawn.	swga
	4/5/18		3 Lorries in Workshop 5 Lorries carrying Supplies to Bgde 2 Lorries carrying rations + petrol to No PSG. 1 Lorry working under CF carrying RE MATERIAL from VIENACOURT to POULAINVILLE. 1 Lorry working under CF carrying RE material from POULAINVILLE to WARLOY.	swga

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6th AB Aust. FA. PS.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
FIELD	5.5.18		3 Ls in Workshop. 5 Ls carrying Supplies to the Brigade 2 Ls working under CE carrying Labor boy. from QUERRIER to BERTANGES 5 Ls working for A/Co Amm. OFF. carrying Ammunition from FLESSELLES to A/C/B. DUMP. 1 Cy carrying Rations + Petrol to N°1. P.S. GROUP 1 Off. HQ O/R + 15 3TON PEERLESS Ls. marched out from N°1 Park Section Group and In to N°3. A.M.T.C. All papers + command of N°1. P.S. Group handed over to Lieut Murphy of 96 th AB. RFA. PS.	PWSA
	6.5.18		3 Ls in Workshop. 6 Ls carrying Supplies for the Brigade 4 Ls carrying Ammunition FERRIERS-QUERRIER 5 trips 88 Miles Loaded 89 Miles Empty 36 gals Petrol drawn.	PWSA
	7.5.18		3 Ls in Workshop. 5 Ls carrying Supplies for the Brigade 5 Ls carrying Supplies from Vignacourt to FOULAINVILLE 4 trips 1 Cy. carrying TYRES to HESLIN TYRE PRESS. 281 Miles Loaded 203 Miles Empty 104 gals Petrol drawn. N°14843 PTE. CROOKS, GHR. STRUCK OFF STRENGTH. as to Hospital 7-5-18	PWSA
	8.5.18		3 Ls in Workshop. 5 Ls carrying Supplies for the Brigade 7 trips 8 Ls carrying Ammunition FERRIERS-DAOURS 8 trips Miles Loaded 234. Miles Empty 305 118 gals Petrol drawn.	PWSA

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FIELD	9/5/18.		4 Hs in Workshop. 5 Hs Carrying Supplies for the Brigade 6 trips 6 Hs carrying Ammunition FERRIERS-DAOURS 8 trips 234 Ms Loaded 305 Miles Empty 118 Gals Petrol Issued.	shya
	10/5/18		3 Hs in Workshop 5 Hs carrying Supplies for the Brigade 5 trips 7 Hs carrying Ammunition FLESSELLES - DAOURS 12 trips 283 Miles Loaded. 277 Ms Empty 125 Gals Petrol issued.	shya
	11/5/18		3 Hs in Workshop. 5 Hs carrying Supplies for the Brigade 6 trips 7 Hs carrying Ammunition FLESSELLES to ALLONVILLE + QUERRIER 7 trips 208 Miles Loaded 299 Ms Empty 102 Gals Petrol Issued.	shya
	12/5/18		4 Hs in Workshop. 5 Hs carrying Supplies for the Brigade + Wool to ALLY SUR SOMME 10 trips 7 Hs carrying Ammunition FLESSELLES-DAOURS-QUERRIER. 247 Miles Loaded 262 Ms Empty 116 Gals Petrol drawn.	shya
	13/5/18		3 Hs in Workshop. 5 Hs carrying Supplies for the Brigade 7 trips 7 Hs carrying Ammunition from ALLONVILLE - DAOURS - QUERRIER. 10 trips 297 Ms Loaded 310 Miles Empty 138 Gals Petrol drawn STRUCK OFF STRENGTH. MT. Dvr Roberts. F.B.	shya
			N° 11890. 20 Hospital 13/5/18.	shya

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6th AB. Aust FA. PS.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
FIELD	14/5/18		4 Co in Workshop. 5 Co carrying Supplies for the Brigade & wool to ALLY SUR SOMME. 9 trips. 4 Co carrying Ammunition FLESSELLES - ALLONVILLE.	
			200 Miles Loaded. 210 Miles Empty. 86 Gals Petrol drawn.	SWGA
	15/5/18		4 Co in Workshop. 5 Co carrying Supplies for the Brigade & Wool to QUERRIER. 9 trips. 140 Miles Loaded. 142 Miles Empty. 58 Gals Petrol drawn.	
	16/5/18		4 Co in Workshop. 5 Co carrying Supplies for the Brigade. 8 trips. 6 Co carrying Ammunition FLESSELLES - PT. NOYELLES. 6 trips. 234 Miles Loaded.	SWGA
			262 Miles Empty. 108 Gals Petrol drawn.	SWGA
	17/5/18		3 Co in Workshop. 5 Co carrying Supplies for the Brigade & wool to QUERRIER. 8 trips. 4 Co carrying Ammunition FLESSELLES - PT. NOYELLES. 4 trips. 160 Miles Loaded.	
			188 Miles Empty. 80 Gals Petrol drawn.	SWGA
	18/5/18		4 Co in Workshop. 5 Co carrying Supplies for the Brigade. 5 trips. 5 Co carrying Ammunition to PT. NOYELLES. 1 Off. 52 O/R together with 16 PEERLESS HORRIES marched out from No 3 A.M.T Co. and In to No 5 A.M.T Co. Unit situated at BELLOY SUR SOMME.	
			Sh. 63 E 1022. 10.5. 218 Miles Loaded. 230 Miles Empty. 96 Gals Petrol drawn.	
			ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL. Wient ANDERSON F.W.G. suffering from slight scalp wounds.	SWGA

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
FIELD	18/5/18 (cont ^d)		caused by Motor Cycle accident while travelling through ARGOEVES to join Unit at BELLOY SUR SOMME OFFENCE. No 13925 MT Dvr HIRST. F. Whilst on active service being absent from his Gorry without permission. Awarded:- forfeiture of 3 days pay.	AWYA
	19/5/18		4 Hs in Workshop 5 Hs carrying Supplies for the Brigade 6 trips 1 H carrying Ammunition ALLY SUR SOMME - POULAINVILLE 1 trip STRUCK OFF STRENGTH. No 15293	AWYA
			PTE. SEYMOUR G. R. TO HOSPITAL.	AWYA
	20/5/18		3 Hs in Workshop 5 Hs carrying Supplies for the Brigade 5 trips 1 H carrying Rations for the Company from ST. SAUVEUR 1 H carrying Ammunition FLESSELLES- P ^r NOYELLES 120 Miles Loaded 155 Miles Empty 64 Gals Petrol drawn.	AWYA
	21/5/18		4 Hs in Workshop 5 Hs carrying Supplies for the Brigade 5 trips 4 Hs working for Aust. Corps Troop carrying Ordnance Stores ALLY SUR SOMME - SALEUX 4 trips 1 H carrying Rations for the Company from ST SAUVEUR 2 Hs carrying RE STORES POULAINVILLE to BERTRICOURT. 221 miles Loaded 284 Miles Empty 107 Gals Petrol drawn. OFFENCE. No 4887 MT Dvr. CRESSWELL H.E. Whilst on Active Service (1) Absent without Leave from Gorry No 8132 (2) Drunkenness. Awarded:- 14 days F.P. No 2.	AWYA

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
FIELD	22/5/18		5 Hs in Workshop. 5 Hs carrying Supplies for the Brigade 5 trips 1 by carrying Company Rations from St SAUVEUR 110 Miles Loaded 135 Miles Empty 54 Gals Petrol drawn	MVA
	23/5/18		4 Hs in Workshop. 5 Hs carrying Supplies for the Brigade 6 trips 4 Hs carrying Ammunition DADURS - FLESSELLES 6 trips 1 by carrying Company Rations from St SAUVEUR. 266 Miles Loaded 203 Miles Empty 92 Gals Petrol drawn. N° 5530 M.T. DVR. BURNLEY G proceeded on Special Leave to England with HQ 114/7/920	MVA
	24/5/18		4 Hs in Workshop. 5 Hs carrying Supplies for the Brigade 6 trips 5 Hs carrying Ammunition ST. GRATIAN - FLESSELLES 14 trips 1 by carrying Rations for the Company from ST. SAUVEUR 294 Miles Loaded 265 Miles Empty 134 Gals Empty Petrol drawn.	
			Lieut ANDERSON F.W.G. returned from Hospital as from 23-5-18.	
			APPOINTMENTS. N° 4270. PTE PHILLIPS E. + N° 2301 PTE. BEAK J. F. appointed M.T. Drivers	
			C.M. W.M.TS. B/12 24/5/18.	MVA
	25/5/18.		5 Hs in Workshop. 5 Hs carrying Supplies for the Brigade 6 trips 1 by carrying Rations for the Company from ST. SAUVEUR 1 by carrying Ammunition FLESSELLES - AILLY SUR SOMME 5 trips 4 Hs working for Aust. Corps. carrying Ordnance Stores AILLY SUR SOMME - SALEUX 10 trips 255 Miles Loaded 289 Miles Empty 128 Gals Petrol drawn.	MVA

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
FIELD	26/5/18		<p>4 Hs in Workshop. 5 Hs supplying Brigade with Rations 5 trips 1 by carrying Company Rations from ST SAUVEUR 3 Hs carrying Ammunition DADURS- FLESSELLES 5 trips 1 by on escort duty carrying Personnel to Bertangles 1 trip</p> <p>189 Miles Loaded 178 Miles Empty STRUCK OFF STRENGTH N° 18561 MT DVR BURNETT S.</p> <p>Transferred as Steam Toden Driver to N° 3 Anst. M.T.Co. Anst. WMTS. B/12 24/5/18.</p> <p>OFFENCE:- N° 6843 Pte RENEHAN. FS. "Disobeying a lawful Command given by a Superior Officer" on May 12th 1918. Tried by F. G. Court Martial. Major A. Wynyard Joss. President. Plead "Guilty" found "Guilty". Sentence:- 90 days FPN° 2. Date 26/5/18.</p> <p>Confirmed by General Sir W^m Birdwood KCB, KCSI, KCMG CIE, DSC, ADC. 26/5/18.</p> <p>Promulgated by Lieut FWE ANDERSON. 29th May 1918.</p>	<p>AWY</p>
	27/5/18		<p>5 Hs in Workshop 5 Hs carrying Supplies for the Brigade 6 trips 6 Hs carrying Ammunition QUERRIER- FLESSELLES 14 trips 335 Ms Loaded 185 Ms Empty</p> <p>110 Gals Petrol drawn.</p>	<p>AWY</p>
	28/5/18		<p>4 Hs in Workshop. 5 Hs carrying Supplies for the Brigade 6 trips 6 Hs carrying Ammunition STSAUVEUR- SAHEUX 17 trips 363 Miles Loaded 151 Ms Empty</p> <p>116 Gals Petrol drawn.</p>	<p>AWY</p>

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FIELD	29/5/18		5 Ps in Workshop. 5 Ps carrying Supplies for the Brigade 5 trips 5 Ps carrying Ammunition STSAUVEUR - GLISSY - FLESSELLES. 9 trips 1 Worry on Escort duty carrying PTE RENEHAN & Escort to field Compound POULAINVILLE 283 Ms Loaded 165 Miles Empty 117 Gals Petrol drawn. STRUCK OFF STRENGTH. No 6843 PTE RENEHAN FS. To FIELD COMPOUND 90 days FP No 2 amb. FGCM 26/5/18	MUSA
	30/5/18		5 Ps in Workshop. 5 Ps carrying Supplies for the Brigade 6 trips 1 Worry carrying Petrol for the Unit, from STSAUVEUR 1 trip 5 Ps carrying Ammunition STSAUVEUR - GLISSY - FLESSELLES. 11 trips. 268 Miles Loaded. 202 Ms Empty. 108 Gals Petrol drawn.	MUSA.
	31/5/18		5 Ps in Workshop. 5 Ps carrying Supplies for the Brigade 5 trips 5 Ps carrying Ammunition QUERRIER - FLESSELLES 289 Miles Loaded 140 Miles Empty 102 Gals Petrol drawn.	MUSA
<p><i>PH. Anderson</i> <small>LIEUT. O IC 6TH A.B. AUST. FA.P.S.</small></p>				

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