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March 1916 - August 1917



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4th Aust Field Butchery A.I.F.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
			March 1916	
Sel-el-Kebir Egypt	7/3 1916	—	<p>N^o 5362 H. Officer Major Young, 4th Aust Field Butchery was promoted Lieut (Hon) to command the 4th Aust Field Butchery, a new unit formed under the command of Major General Coy 70th Provisional Formations A.I.F. Egypt.</p> <p>As a nucleus of the new unit 7 members of the 1st Aust Field Butchery were transferred. The remainder to war establishment strength being drawn from infantry reinforcements present at Sel-el-Kebir. The unit when complete plus ten per cent over strength were in the absence of Slaughtering Work, detailed to carry out general supply duties on the Main Supply Depot Sel-el-Kebir.</p> <p>on the 30.3.1916 the unit was ordered to proceed to the supply Depot Sirapeam.</p>	
Sirapeam	30/3/16	11.30	<p>Marched into Supply Depot Sirapeam. unit was detailed to General Supply Duties by the Depot Major Milne S. S. O 4th Aust Divisional Train.</p>	
	April	1916	<p>Nothing of any importance happened for the Month of April other than general routine supply duties which were carried out efficiently.</p>	
	May	1916	<p>Nothing of importance occurred during the Month of May 1916 concerning the unit. General Supply Duties.</p>	

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June	1916			
Brasov	5/6/16	5.30	The 4 th Aust Field Bakery at full strength entrained for Alexandria	
Alexandria	6/6/16	0300	Embarked on the H. M. S. Craua for overseas.	
Marseille	7/6/16	0900	Disembarked to train with 4 th Div Ammunition Column & 4 th Div Field Bakery.	
Rouen	11/11/16	1400	Left the train & marched into camp on the strength of No 2 BSD. B.E.F	
"	15/11/16		Unit detailed for General Supply Duties No 2 BSD. B.E.F.	
			For the months of July, August, September, October, November, December 1916 the unit carried out general supply duties on the No 2 BSD Rouen satisfactorily	
1917	January to			
	July 9 th	1917	The 4 th Aust Field Bakery carried out general supply work on No 2 BSD Rouen to provide a change & repose & a fresh stimulus to the work of the unit a change was asked for, which request was granted & on the 9-7-1917 the unit marched on to the strength of the No 4 BSD. Dieppe to carry out general supply duties.	

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4th Aust Subd Butchery

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<p><i>Duppe</i> <i>August 1917</i></p>	<p>The unit still pursuing an uneventful career carried out General Supply Duties at the No 4 B S D for the month of August.</p> <p>From the birth of the unit in March 1916 to date there has not occurred one event that might be cited other than the fact that wherever work has been taken in hand, it has been carried out efficiently & given satisfaction, in plain words we have been doing "our bit" & not grumbling even though at times we have seemed to be superfluous & were forgotten. The question has oft times arisen, have we a place in the formation known as A.I.F. or are we the result of a precedent. In the histories of Aust Subd Butchery it is a fact that the only killing done is 80 head of sheep on the H.M.T. Malda by the 1st Aust Subd Butchery in April 1915</p>	

Max Young Capt.