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**1914-18 War**

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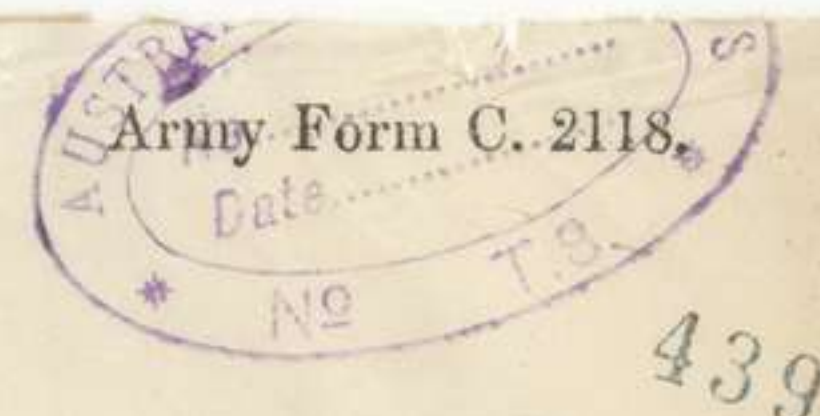


# WAR DIARY

or

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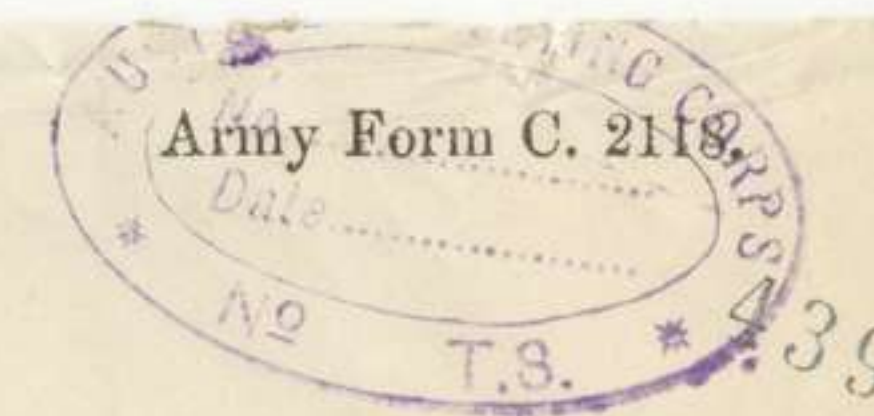
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| Minchinhampton. | March 1st    |      | Three other ranks taken on strength from A.F.C. Depot.   |                                      |
|                 | 2nd          |      | Thirty-three other ranks, Motor Transport, struck off strength to Minchinhampton Station Transport and attached to 6th T.S. for rations, accommodation, pay and discipline.  |                                      |
|                 | 3rd          |      | Sunday - nothing to report.  |                                      |
|                 | 4th          |      | Captain F.M. Kitto, R.A.F. struck off strength on proceeding overseas. Four A/Sergts. promoted to substantive rank of Sergt, 4 Other ranks to Corporal and one 2nd A/M. to 1st A/M. to complete establishment.   |                                      |
|                 | 5th          |      | Station Fire Committee, consisting of the following Officers, constituted:- Major G.A.C. Cowper, President - Captain J.L. Middleton, and Lieutenant E.F. Serman, Members - 1st A/M. Gilkes E.J., admitted to Cottage Hospital, Tetbury. Twenty-three other ranks, Motor Transport, attached Station Transport from A.F.C. Depot, Wendover.   |                                      |
|                 | 6th          |      | Court of Enquiry formed to enquire into accident. One Flight/Sgt. one Sergt. and one Corpl. appointed.   |                                      |
|                 | 7th          |      | Fortnightly holiday.   |                                      |
|                 | 8th          |      | No. 6 (T) Squadron, A.F.C. to be Station Squadron, Minchinhampton Station. (Vide Wing Orders No. 4 dated 6-3-18.) No. (Aus) 503 Sgt. T.M. Sykes attached Station Transport for temporary duty.   |                                      |
|                 | 9th          |      | Lieut. W.J. Warneford (E.O. Stores Class ii) struck off strength on proceeding overseas. 2/Lieut. E.F. Serman (E.O. Stores Class iii) and 2/Lieut. N. Hazelwood taken on strength from 1st Wing A.F.C. Captain F.E. Tregilles and Lieut. E.J. McCloughry proceeded to School of Special Flying Gosport for course. Following communication from G.O.C. Training Division, R.A.F. "A Fine record of Pilots has been turned out by this Training Division for the past week and the Divisional Commander wishes to congratulate all Wing and Squadron Commanders for this achievement". Six other ranks taken on strength from A.F.C. Depot, Wendover. |                                      |
|                 | 10th         |      | Sunday - nothing to report.  |                                      |
|                 | 11th         |      | Lieut. A.F.G. Stafford appointed Compass Officer, Minchinhampton Station. Two other ranks taken on strength from A.F.C. Depot.   |                                      |



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|       | March        |      |   |  |
|       | 12           |      | Lieut. W.L.S. Keith-Jopp, R.A.F. taken on strength as Assistant Instructor. Six other ranks attached to this Squadron from 8th T.S., Leighterton.   |  |
|       | 13           |      | Seven R.A.F. Officers struck off strength of 6th T.S. to 29th Wing, R.A.F. Shawbury and Ternhill. Cpl. E.L. Spencer to be A/Sergt.  |  |
|       | 14           |      | Six Pupils (Officers) taken on strength from A.I.F. Headquarters. 2/Lt. J.S. Morgan and Lieut. Fuhr posted to 29th Wing, R.A.F.   |  |
|       | 15           |      | Court of Enquiry constituted to enquire into accident to Leyland Lorry No.61448. Three other ranks taken on strength from A.F.C. Depot, Wendover.   |  |
|       | 16           |      | Lieut. W.S. Martin A.F.C., taken on strength from Group Non-Effective Officers Pool.  |  |
|       | 17           |      | Sunday - nothing to report.   |  |
|       | 18           |      | Capt. J.L. Middleton R.A.F., struck off strength on proceeding to B.E.F. No.(Aus) 713 Cpl. Hall D.W. admitted to Military Hospital, Tetbury. Two other ranks struck off strength on proceeding overseas.  |  |
|       | 19           |      | Cadet V.E. Fetherston transferred to 7th T.S. Leighterton. No. (Aus) 1189 A/Sgt. Spencer E.L. attached to 1st Wing Headquarters, A.F.C.   |  |
|       | 20           |      | Fortnightly holiday.  |  |
|       | 21           |      | 2/Lieut. E.D. Grant appointed Station Sports Officer, Minchinhampton.   |  |
|       | 22           |      | Lieut. F.L. Roberts taken on strength from A.F.C. Depot, Wendover. <sup>Cadet</sup> 2/Lieut. F.C. Markham-Mills appointed 2/Lieut. in A.F.C. on graduation 10-3-18. Lieut. V.P. Barbat admitted to Military Hospital, Devonport, and 2/Lieut. E.H. Rowe reported back from Convalescent Hospital, South Kensington. |  |
|       | 23           |      | No. (Aus) 1060 2 A/m. W.J. Browne reported back from Military Hospital, Prees Heath.  |  |
|       | 24           |      | Sunday - nothing to report.   |  |



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|       | March 25     |      | Lieut. P.J. Healy taken on strength as Station Messing Officer. 2nd A/M. Best D.A. remustered from M.T. Driver to Armourer.  |                                      |
|       | 26           |      | Lieut. F.L. Roberts and 2/Lieut. J.C.T. Donnelly proceeded to 55 T.S. Lilbourne for course of instruction. No.(Aus) 142 Cpl. J.F. Horrigan taken on strength from A.I.F. Headquarters, London. Two other ranks struck off strength on proceeding overseas. Six other ranks attached from 8th T.S., A.F.C. Leighterton for instruction. |                                      |
|       | 27           |      | Five other ranks attached from 1st Wing A.F.C. (A.R.S.) Leighterton for duty. Five other ranks attached from No. 5 T.S. SQMS. Britton, A. attached 6th (T) S. Cpl. J.C. Kenny admitted to Beaufort War Hospital, Bristol.  |                                      |
|       | 28           |      | Captain F.E. Tregilles returned from School of Special Flying, Gosport. Two other ranks taken on strength from A.F.C. Depot, Wendover, also twelve other ranks for Guard Duty and Station Fatigues.  |                                      |
|       | 29           |      | 2nd A/M. Best D.A. taken on strength from Station Transport. Sgt. T. Walsh proceeded to R.A.F. Farnborough for course on Hispano Suiza Engines. Cpl. D.W. Hall and 1st A/M. Gilkes E.J. returned from Cottage Hospital, Tetbury.   |                                      |
|       | 30           |      | Commencing from today 1st parade will be at 6.30 a.m. Lieuts. S.J. Moir and L. Wharton and ten other ranks attached from No. 5 T.S.  |                                      |
|       | 31           |      | Sunday - nothing to report.  |                                      |

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O.C. No. 6 T.S. A.F.C.



## 6th TRAINING SQUADRON, A.F.C. Minchinhampton - Glos.

TABLE SHOWING DAILY STRENGTH FOR MARCH, 1918.

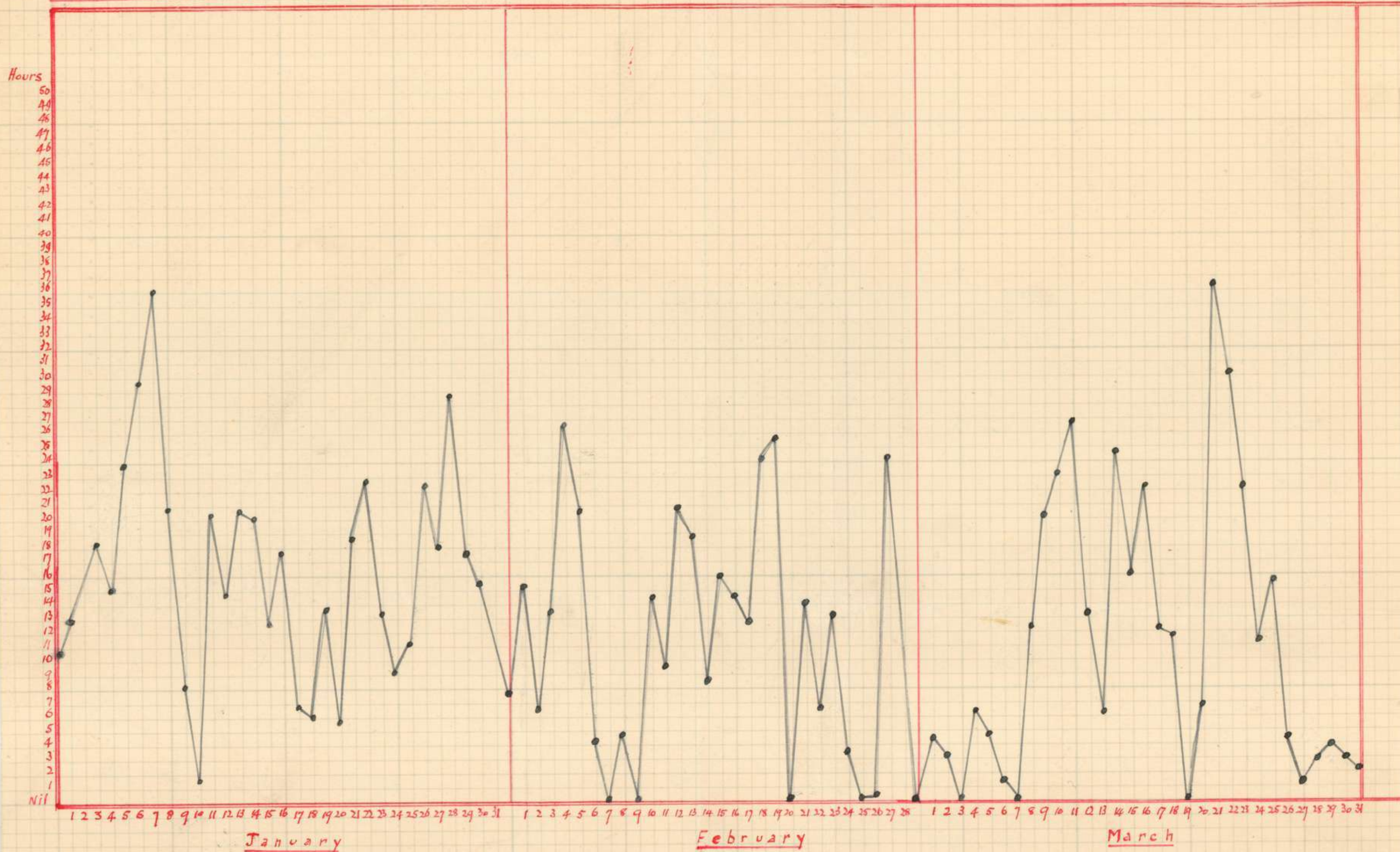
| Date<br>1918               | Officers |        | Other Ranks | Total.   |          |
|----------------------------|----------|--------|-------------|----------|----------|
|                            | A.F.C.   | R.A.F. |             | Officers | O/Ranks. |
| March 1.                   | 28       | 8      | 153         | 36       | 153      |
| 2.                         | 28       | 8      | 153         | 36       | 153      |
| 3.                         | 28       | 8      | 151         | 36       | 151      |
| 4.                         | 28       | 8      | 152         | 36       | 152      |
| 5.                         | 28       | 8      | 174         | 36       | 174      |
| 6.                         | 29       | 8      | 174         | 37       | 174      |
| 7.                         | 29       | 8      | 176         | 37       | 176      |
| 8.                         | 29       | 8      | 176         | 37       | 176      |
| 9.                         | 29       | 8      | 182         | 37       | 182      |
| 10.                        | 29       | 8      | 184         | 37       | 184      |
| 11.                        | 29       | 8      | 184         | 37       | 184      |
| 12.                        | 27       | 8      | 184         | 35       | 184      |
| 13.                        | 27       | 8      | 190         | 35       | 190      |
| 14.                        | 29       | 4      | 206         | 33       | 206      |
| 15.                        | 34       | 4      | 192         | 38       | 192      |
| 16.                        | 34       | 3      | 201         | 37       | 201      |
| 17.                        | 35       | 3      | 201         | 38       | 201      |
| 18.                        | 35       | 3      | 200         | 38       | 200      |
| 19.                        | 34       | 3      | 198         | 37       | 198      |
| X 20.                      | 35       | 3      | 195         | 38       | 195      |
| 21.                        | 35       | 3      | 196         | 38       | 196      |
| 22.                        | 35       | 3      | 195         | 38       | 195      |
| 23.                        | 35       | 3      | 195         | 38       | 195      |
| 24.                        | 36       | 3      | 194         | 39       | 194      |
| 25.                        | 38       | 3      | 194         | 41       | 194      |
| 26.                        | 38       | 3      | 202         | 41       | 202      |
| 27.                        | 38       | 3      | 204         | 41       | 204      |
| 28.                        | 38       | 3      | 194         | 41       | 194      |
| 29.                        | 38       | 3      | 194         | 41       | 194      |
| 30.                        | 36       | 2      | 124         | 38       | 124      |
| 31.                        | 36       | 2      | 124         | 38       | 124      |
| Daily average<br>strength. | 32.8     | 5.09   | 182         | 37.9     | 182      |



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ENDING 31st MARCH 1918

6th(T) SQUADRON A.F.C.  
MINCHINHAMPTON - GLOSTER.



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