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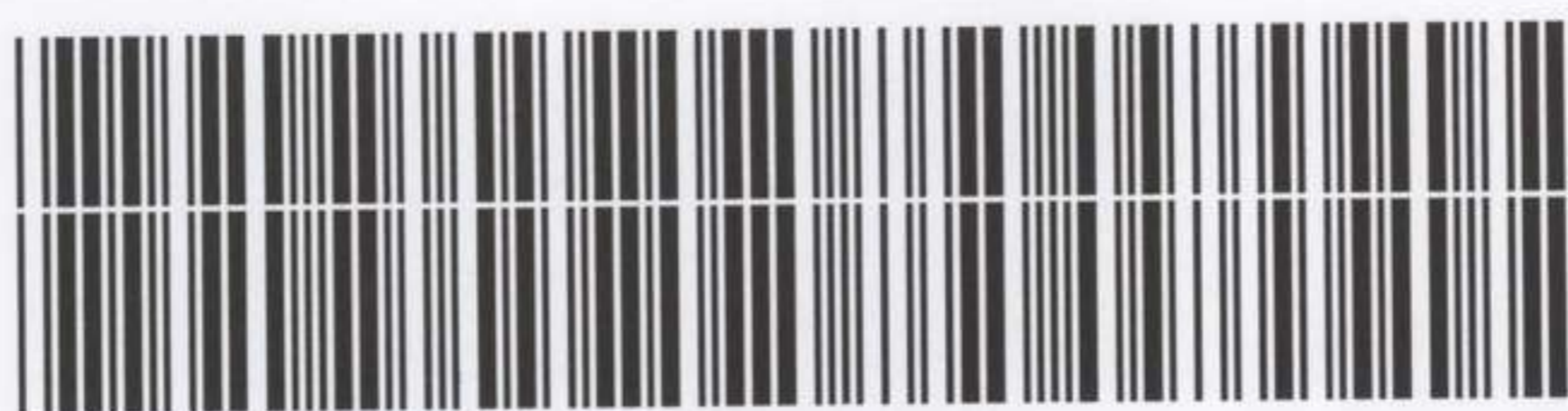
**Australian Imperial Force unit war diaries,
1914-18 War**

Infantry

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War Diary

15th Bn 4th Infy Bde

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| Bois Grenier | July 1 st / 1916. | | Entered into occupation of Bois Grenier Reserve line at midnight June 30 th / July 1 st . 13 th & 14 th Bns of this Bde in firing line, 15th Bn in this Bn being Divisional Reserve to be used only to occupy Bois Grenier line, 16 th Bn being Bde reserve for firing line. 1 st Australian Infy Bde on the Right and 6 th Australians on left of this Bde. | 2016 |
| | July 1 st to 4 th July 11 th . | | all ranks familiarising themselves with routes to firing line, also working on improving and finishing Bois Grenier defensive line, received numbers of Gas Alerts but have experienced no Gas. Personnel attending Stokes Gun, Grenade Signalling Schools. | |
| | July 11 th . | | Relieved about midnight 11 th / 12 th July by the 31 st Bn 8 th Aust Bde and this Bn moved to Billeting Area La Blanche Maison near Bailleul | |
| | 13 | | Moved from La Blanche Maison at 4 A.M. and marched to Bailleul Railway Station and entrained. Detrained at Candas and marched to St Ouen our Brigadier gone to command 3 rd Australian Division. Col CH Brand now commands 4 th Brigade. | |



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| St Owen | July 16 to July 21 st | | <p>Moved at 1 P.M. from St Owen and marched to Naours</p> <p>Training hard between movements from place to place Signallers, Lewis Gunners, Grenadiers, Musketry for the poorer shots, and plenty of route marching which is beginning to improve.</p> | |
| | July 25 th | | <p>Moved from Naours at 9 am. Arrived at Herissart about 1 P.M.</p> | |
| | 27 | | <p>Left Herissart at 9 am this morning and arrived at Warloy about 2 P.M.</p> <p>The men have been troubled a good deal with sore feet but strict attention to washing and wearing clean socks has got over the difficulty.</p> | |
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