

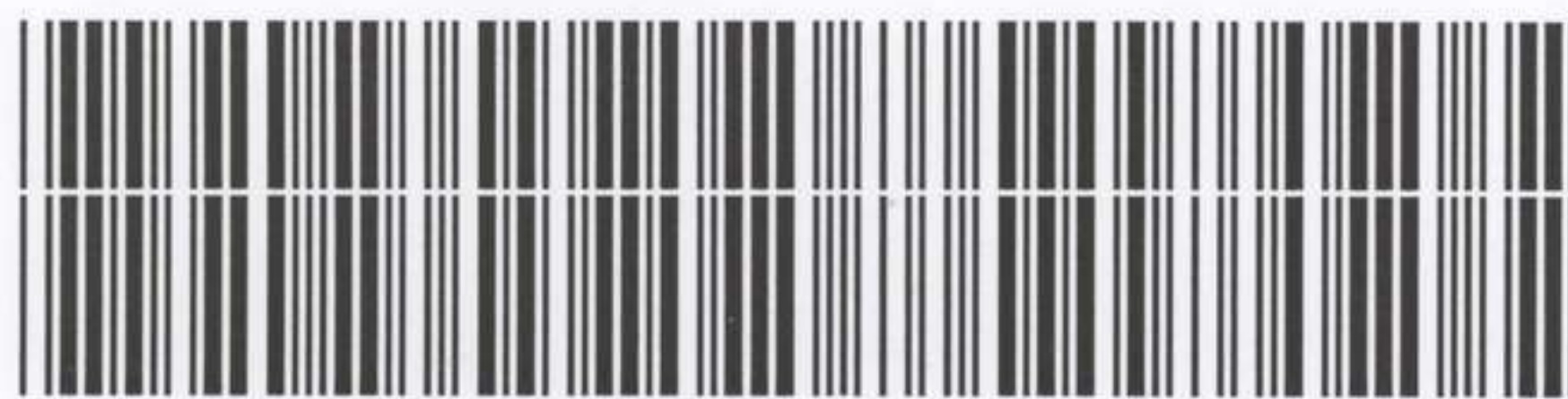
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
BAPAUME	JUNE 1 st		Strength 46 officers 1020 other ranks. 13 th training for specialists etc. 2 Coys on the Corps line working. 2 Coys. 5 mile route march.	46 8 th TB
"	2 nd		Strength. 46 officers 1026 other rks. 13 th Army as for the 1 st . Coys changing over. Men bathed.	
"	3 rd		Strength. 43 officers 1023 oth Rks. Church parade. Lt Col Beardmore to Gen List; Lt Wood sec to 8 th TB, Lt Walker to 8 th LTM B.	30 off to Sup.
"	4 th		Strength. 43 officers 1023 oth. Rks. 13 th route march with 1 st line transport.	
"	5 th		Strength 43 " 1018 " " " 2 Coys did the attack over the flagged course to 1 Coy. 1 platoon did a scheme with a LTM. 13 th Army for specialists. 2 Coys at work on Corps 2 nd Line.	to 1 Coy. 2 from "
"	6 th		Strength. 43 officers 1018 other Rks. Coy route marches of over 5 miles	
"	7 th		Strength 43 officers 1018 other Rks. 1 Coy on 9 mile route march. 1 Coy on Platoon schemes with LTM's, 2 Coys on the 2 nd Corps line. Specialists being regimentally.	
"	8 th		Strength 43 officers 1018 other rks. 3 Coys on 9 mile route march 1 Coy on Platoon schemes with LTM's. Specialists trained regtly.	
"	9 th		Strength. 43 officers 1019 other rks. 50% of 240 Rks reconnoitering for Bde scheme 1 Coy training in extended order work etc. 1 Coy on platoon schemes with LTM's. 2 Coys working on Corps 2 nd Line.	1 joined from 1 Coy.
"	10 th		Strength. 43 officers 1028 other Rks. 13 th practising the attack for Bde scheme. Church parades	14 from 1 Coy 1 " 31 6 to 1 Coy

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BATHURST	June 11 th		Strength. 43 off 1028 other rks. All officers and NCOs went over ground for attack except 4 officers who held a Coy each at work.	
"	12 th		Strength. 43 officers 1028 other rks. B ⁿ practised the attacks.	
"	13 th		Strength. 43 officers 1024 other rks. Bde scheme worked on.	4 to Hoop.
"	14 th		Strength. 43 officers 1020 other rks. 3 Coys in a Bde scheme. 1 Coy working on HORN dump.	
"	15 th		Strength. 43 officers 1021 other rks. Tactical exercises for 3 Coys. 1 Coy on HORN dump.	1 from ANZAC L Rumps.
W 2 Central near MARTINSART	16 th		Strength. 43 officers 1021 other rks. B ⁿ left BATHURST 11:20 am. Camped handed to 28 th B ⁿ . Arrived at VARENNES at 1 pm and marched to 26 th B ⁿ camp in W 2 central arriving at 4 pm.	
"	17 th		Strength. 43 officers 1020 other rks. Church parades.	1 to Hoop.
"	18 th		Strength. 43 officers 1020 other rks. B ⁿ bathed in fresh water near AVELLY all day.	
"	19 th		Strength. 43 officers 1020 other rks. Coys training at discretion of Coy Lndrs.	
"	20 th		Strength 44 officers 1032 other rks. St Andrews from Sec Lt. B & D Coys fired a musk. course on Bde range. A & C Coys carried on with Coy work.	12 ORs from Hoops.
"	21 st		Strength. 44 officers 1032 other rks. A & C Coys fired a course on Bde range. B & D Coys in Bde Field Firing competition. D Coy winner of this.	
"	22 nd		Strength. 43 officers 1024 other rks. St Madern to see Lt. Coys training in extended order.	To Hoop 8 ORs
"	23 rd		Strength 43 off. 1024 other ranks D Coy training in field firing. A Coy training for Coy drill competition. B & C Coys carrying out Coy schemes. Specialists and Reptly.	
"	24 th		Strength 43 officers 1023 other ranks. Church parades.	1 to Hoop 8 T.B.
"	25 th		Strength. 43 officers 1023 other rks. A & D Coys training for Competitions. B Coy doing platoon firing for attack as per memo. C Coy 3 platoons on assault course. 1 on obstacle race.	
"	26 th		Strength. 43 officers 1023 other rks. A Coy tied with 29 th B ⁿ Coy for Drill. B Coy. Platoon firing for attack. C Coy Army formations. D Coy training in field firing	

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W2 Central hr MARTINSBART	June 27 th		Strength:- 43 officers 1039 other ranks. Musketry. Bad shot on 30 ^x range. Remainder of 13 th on Bde Range. Practice to advance from 400 ^x to 300 ^x firing 10 rounds each at disapp. fig 3 targets while advancing. Day old field firing.	16 from Hoops.
..	28 th		Strength:- 43 officers 1036 other rks. Musk. postponed owing to wet. Coy trained under Coy cmdrs and was lectured on fire control etc. Day training for competition. Bad shot on 30 ^x range.	3 to Hoops.
..	29 th		Strength 44 officers 1036 other rks. Major C. Wright joined from See List 13 th trained in wood fighting, use of range finder, Adv Ed, Plt training for attack, and assault course. Lectures on night marches	
..	30 th		Strength. 44 officers 1036 other rks. 13 th route march postponed owing to heavy rain. Coy trained by Coy Cmdrs when possible during morning. Bathing postponed in view of rain. This was to have been in ponds near AVELEY.	

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