

**AWM4**  
**Australian Imperial Force unit war diaries,**  
**1914-18 War**

Infantry

**Item number:** 23/56/16

**Title:** 39th Infantry Battalion

August 1917



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War Diary - Month of August '17				
Date	Location	Details	Handled Casualties	Remarks
1. 8. '17.	Tranches Mellines.	Very little artillery activity. Aircraft normal.		Maps Ploegheboor R.S.W.
2. 8. '17.	U. 1. 9. 70-63	Situation normal.		Ed. 4.
3. 9. '17.	"	Heavy rain. No artillery activity.		
4. 9. '17.	"	Relief order issued. 39th Bn. to be relieved by 15th Bn. 4th Ausk. Div. at 9 pm. Relief completed at 5 am. Heavy enemy shelling resulting in 2 Casualties. Bn proceeded to Hillside Camp near NEURVE EGLISE.	Dr. Lewis Lt. Gifford Lt. Davis wounded. Pl. John killed.	VOLUME 10
5. 9. '17.	Hillside Camp.	Orders issued to proceed to Tank Camp. etc.		

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Date	Location	Details	Number of Present Casualties
5. 9. 17	Camp	arrived at 4.30pm.	
6. 9. 17	Camp	new hutting.	
7. 9. 17	Map. Rd. Baited	do do and cleaning	
	T. 12	up equipment.	
8. 9. 17	Central	Inspection by 2 <sup>nd</sup> in Command Scouts complimented on their turnout.	
9. 9. 17		Training	
10. 9. 17		Rehearsal for inspection by the Army Commandant.	
11. 9. 17		Inspection by Army Command at 12.20pm. Arrived camp at 2pm.	
12. 9. 17		Church Parade.	
13. 9. 17		Training. Orders issued for Battalion movement	
			Lt O. Henderson Lt Col CO. 39th Bn at

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Date	Location	Details	Name of Recd. Co. Casualties
13.9.17		From Tank Camp, to ZOTEUX.	
14.9.17		Battalion entrance at 10am, detrained at WIZERNES at 12.30pm.	
15.9.17	ZOTEUX	Resting.	
16.9.17	MAD. REF.	Training.	
17.9.17	CALAIS.	do.	
18.9.17	1.100000 5. E. 5040	Battalion Church parade Route march from ZOTEUX to FANCHELLES to COURSE to DO DEANVILLE thence ZOTEUX.	
19.9.17		Training.	
23.9.17		Training.	

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