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WAR DIARY

of

11th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

For

JANUARY, 1919.

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*R. H. W. Boyer Capt*

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY. 11th. INFANTRY BRIGADE. A.I.F.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
RAMBURES.	1st.		Weather fine and cold. Divisional Sweepstake No. 1 drawn. Brigade won Cash Prize. Brigade Sheep breeding, rearing and selection, Carpentry, Poultry School commenced. <i>AT FRESNES</i>	
	2nd.		Weather wet and cold. Education Lectures at night.	
	3rd.		Weather wet and cold. Debating Class at night.	
	4th.		Weather fine. Rugby Team Football Practice. Tickets issued for Brigade Sweepstake No. 1. Education Lectures at night.	
	5th.		Weather wet and cold.	
	6th.		Weather fine. First Run of Brigade Harriers' Club. Education Lectures at night.	
	7th.		Weather fine and cold. Conference of C.Os. at 44th. Battalion, CERISY, to discuss organisation of Division, etc., in future. Brigade versus 11th. M.G. Coy. Rugby. M.G. Coy. won by 18 points to Nil.	
	8th.		Weather fine. Brigadier-General CANNAN, C.B., C.M.G., went to Division as G.O.C. during absence of G.O.C. Division in hospital. Brigade H.Q. v. "A" Coy. 44th. Battalion. AUSSIE Rules. Win for 44th. Battalion.	
	9th.		Weather fine. Concert Party from ABBEVILLE showed at Chateau, RAMBURES Lecture on Repatriation and Demobilisation by Brigadier-General McNICOLL <sup>CB, CMG, DSO</sup> at 44th. Battalion, CERISY. Education Lectures at night.	

*W. J. Ryan*



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RAMBURES.	10th.		Weather fine and cold. Lieut.-Colonel HERON, D.S.O., to Brigade as G.O.C. during absence of Brigadier-General CANNAN, C.B., C.M.G., at Division. Debating Class at night.	
	11th.		Weather fine. Brigade Hdqrs. v. 11th. Field Engineers - Rugby. Engineers won by 6 points to 3.	
	12th.		Weather fine. Lieut. GROVES, M.C., Signal Officer, left for AUSTRALIA.	
	13th.		Weather fine. First Brigade Sweepstake drawn at Brigade Headquarters. Brigade Harriers' Club Run. Education Lecture at night.	
	14th.		Weather fine. Meeting of Battalion Sports Officers at 44th. Battalion, CERISY. Conference G.Os.C. Brigades at 10th. Brigade Headquarters, MARTAINNEVILLE. Football practice. Debating Class at night.	
	15th.		Weather wet and cold. Divisional Sweepstake drawn. AUSSIE Rules Football Match WITH 44th Bn cancelled. Brigade Telegraphy Course commenced at ST. MAXENT.	
	16th.		Weather fine. Conference of Battalion Educational Officers at 43rd. Battalion, RAMBURELLES. Education Lectures at night.	
	17th.		Weather fine. Meeting of all Sports Officers at 10th. Brigade Headquarters, MARTAINVILLE, to discuss Corps Competitions. Football practice. Debating Class at night.	
	18th.		Fine. Brigade H.Q. v. 11th. Field Engineers. Rugby. Draw 3 all. Lieut. ALLEN, Signal Coy., reported to Brigade Headquarters. Brigadier-General CANNAN, C.B., C.M.G., returned from Division. Lieut-Colonel, HERON, D.S.O., remains on Brigade.	

*M. J. O'Brien Capt*



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RAMBURES.	19th.		Weather fine.	
	20th.		Weather cold and cloudy. Conference of G.O.C's Brigade at 11th. Brigade Headquarters, RAMBURES. Brigade Education Class, Mathematics, etc., commenced at RAMBURES. Brigade Harriers' Club Run. <del>Weather fine.</del>	
	21st.		Brigadier-General CANNAN, C.B., C.M.G., leaves for ROUEN as President of Court-Martial. Captain BENNETT leaves for PARIS on Leave. Meeting of Arts and Crafts Committee at 10th. Brigade H.Q., MARTAINVILLE. Football Practice. Debating Class at night.	
	22nd.		Weather fine and cold. Brigade v. 11th. Field Engineers - AUSSIE Rules. Win for Brigade by 7 goals 6 behinds to 2 behinds. Brigade Telephone Mech. School commenced at ST. MAXENT.	
	23rd.		Weather fine; with heavy frost. Education Lectures at night.	
	24th.		Fine, heavy frost. Debating Class at night. Brigade Commercial School commenced at TRANSLAY.	
	25th.		Weather fine and cold. Brigade H.Q. v. "B" Coy. 41st. Battalion - Rugby. 41st won by 5 to Nil.	
	26th.		snow fell for first time this winter.	
	27th.		Cold and cloudy. 1st. Divisional Demobilisation Circular issued. <sup>N<sup>o</sup> 12</sup> <sub>1</sub> showing 1st allotment. Education Lecture at night.	
	28th.		snow fell during morning. Debating Class at night.	
	29th.		Weather cold and slight snow fall. Meeting of Arts and Crafts Committee at 10th. Brigade	

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RAMBURES.	29th.		Headquarters, MARTAINNEVILLE. Captain CRUICKSHANK reported to Brigade Headquarters. Euchre Tournament at night.	
	30th.		Weather cold. English Leave stopped. 1st. Demobilisation Circular issued by Division <sup>showing</sup> for 11th. Brigade. <sup>allotment</sup> Second Brigade Sheep rearing, selection, Carpentry, Poultry, etc., School commenced.	
	31st.		Cold and cloudy. Captain BENNETT returned from PARIS Leave. Brigade Headquarters team win Brigade Cross Country Competition. Divisional Sweep No. 3 drawn.	

*R. W. Boyer Capt*



W A R D I A R Y.

of

11th. INFANTRY BRIGADE.

JANUARY, 1919.

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A P P E N D I X 1.

SPORTS REPORT.



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11th. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

SPORTS REPORT.

JANUARY, 1919.

Besides the Australian Rules Football Team on Brigade Headquarters, a Rugby Team was formed early in January.

We were lucky in having both a good Rugby and Australian Rules ground.

Football practice took place on Tuesdays and Fridays of each week, and matches were played - Australian Rules on Wednesdays and Rugby on Saturday.

Owing to the inclement weather conditions Football was suspended at the latter end of January.

The following Matches were played:-

R U G B Y.

January 7th. v. 11th. Machine Gun Coy. at RAMBURES.  
Machine Gun Coy won: 18 to Nil.

January 11th. v. 11th. Field Engineers at RAMBURES.  
Engineers won by 6 to 3.

January 18th. v. 11th. Field Engineers at BERNAPRE.  
Draw: 3 all.

January 25th. v. "B" Coy., 41st. Battalion at RAMBURES.  
41st. Battalion won: 5 to Nil.

AUSTRALIAN RULES.

January 8th. v. "A" Coy. 44th. Battalion at CERISY.  
44th. Battalion won: 3 goals 3 behinds to 4 behinds.

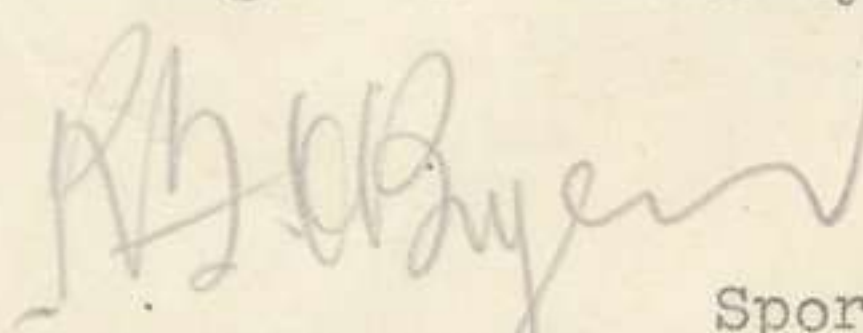
January 22nd. v. 11th. Field Engineers at RAMBURES.  
Brigade H.Q. won: 7 goals 6 behinds to 2 behinds.

HARRIERS' CLUB.

A Brigade Headquarters Harriers' Club was formed at the beginning of the month, and a good deal of enthusiasm and good form were shown by the number that joined in the Weekly Club Runs, which were held on Monday afternoons. Owing to a forfeit Brigade Headquarters team was selected to represent the Brigade with Divisional Cross Country Competition.

EUCHRE TOURNAMENT.

A Euchre Tournament was held on the night of Wednesday, 29th. January, and was very successful.

  
11th. Australian Infantry Brigade.

Captain.  
Sports Officer.



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APPENDIX. 2.

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RUGBY FOOTBALL.

11th. BRIGADE HEADQUARTERS V 11th. FIELD ENGINEERS.

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AT

RAMBURES - SATURDAY, 11th. January, 1919 at 2 p.m.

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Full Back.

O'DONOHUE.

Three Quarters.

WASLEY, DANIELS, KERLIN, RAINBIRD.

Five Eighths

DOIG.

Half.

SQUANCE.

FORWARDS.

CARNEY, WILSON, CHISHOLM, E

Lt. LLOYD, HALL.

Capt. O'BRYEN, BRYANT, MENZ.

Emergencies.

DALTON. BARR.

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N O T I C E.

F O O T B A L L.

The Rugby Team will go out with the Harriers to-morrow  
afternoon (Monday) 13th. January.

Practice - At 2.30 on Tuesday.

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RUGBY FOOTBALL.

11TH BRIGADE HEADQUARTERS V 'B' COMPANY 41st. Battalion.

Match will be played SATURDAY, 25th. inst. at 3 p.m.

Ground. Probably RAMBURES.

sgd. R.F.O'BRYEN, Capt.  
Sports Officer  
11th. Infantry Brigade A.I.F.

RUGBY FOOTBALL

Practice will take place this afternoon at 3 p.m.

All Rugby Players must turn up.

sgd. R.F.O'BRYEN, Capt.  
Sports Officer.  
11th. Infantry Brigade A.I.F.

24th. January, 1919.



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N O T I C E

A meeting will be held in the Recreational  
Room at 5 p.m. to-day 23rd. January, 19 19  
for the purpose of discussing matters  
relating to Entertainments.

Sgd. R.F.O'BRYEN. Capt.  
Sports Officer.  
11th. Australian Infantry Brigade.

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RUGBY FOOTBALL.

BRIGADE HEADQUARTERS 'B' COY. 41st BATTALION.

at 2 p.m. Saturday 25th. Inst. at RAMBURNELES.

FULL BACK. O'DONOGHUE.

Three Quarters. RAINBIRD, KERLIN.  
DOIG, WASLEY.

FIVE EIGHTHS. DANIELS.

HALF. SQUANCE.

FORWARDS KEARNEY, BRYANT, CHESHAM.  
HALL, GOCKBURN.  
O'BRYEN, MENZ, GRAY.

EMERGENCIES. DALTON, BARR,

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All Barrackers will attend with heaps of noise.

*W. O. Byler*  
Captain.  
Sports Officer.  
11th. Australian Infantry Brigade

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RUGBY FOOTBALL

THIS MEETINGS 'B' COY. 1st BATTALION

at 8 p.m. Saturday 25th. Inst. of RUGBY

<u>FOURTEEN</u>	DALTON, HARR	O'DONOGHUE
<u>FIVE TEEN</u>	KARNEY, BRYANT, CHISHAM	RAIBY, RAY
<u>SIXTEEN</u>	HALL, O'DONOGHUE	WALLEN
<u>SEVENTEEN</u>	WALLEN	
<u>EIGHTEEN</u>		
<u>NINETEEN</u>		
<u>TWENTY</u>		

All players will attend with bags of notes.

*[Handwritten signature]*

Captain  
Sports Officer

1 lb. Australia 12 copper.  
 30 notes.  
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Sports Officer  
11th. Infantry Brigade A.I.F.

RUGBY FOOTBALL

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All Rugby Players must turn up.

sgd. R.F.O'BRYEN, Capt.  
Sports Officer.  
11th. Infantry Brigade A.I.F.

24th. Jenuary, 19 19.

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RUGBY FOOTBALL

THE BRIGADE HEADQUARTERS 'B' COMPANY 4th BATTALION

Match will be played SATURDAY, 28th, inst. at 2 p.m.

Ground. Probably RAMBURG.

1st Lt. Infantry Brigade A.I.F.  
Sports Officer  
Capt. R.F. O'BRYEN, D.S.O.

RUGBY FOOTBALL

Practice will take place this afternoon at 2 p.m.

All Rugby Players must turn up.

1st Lt. Infantry Brigade A.I.F.  
Sports Officer  
Capt. R.F. O'BRYEN, D.S.O.

A Base PQ  
St. Pancras St.  
Grunnes  
Kings Rd London  
W.W.

28th January, 1918.

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RUGBY FOOTBALL.

BRIGADE HEADQUARTERS 'B' COY. 41st. BATTALION.

at 2 p.m. Saturday 25th. Inst. at RAMBURELLES.

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~~WARR~~

All Barrackers will attend with heaps of noise.

Captain.  
Sports Officer.  
11th. Australian Infantry Brigade



EUCHRE TOURNAMENT.

A Euchre Tournament will be held in Recreation Room  
Wednesday night, 29th. inst, commencing at 7 p.m.

Please give your names and entrance fees to Sapper  
Gobbie, Sapper Grenicke and Private Moore.

Entrance fee  $\frac{1}{2}$  franc each.

Entries close Monday night 27th. inst.

*A. J. M. Capt*

Sports Officer  
11th. Infantry Brigade A.I.F.

A.J.M.  
24/1/19.



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N O T I C E.

CROSS COUNTRY RUN. - 4 MILES.

Brigade Headquarters. v. 43rd. Battalion.

RACE Starts , RAMBURELLES, at 2.30 p.m. Friday, 31st. January.

Winning Team will compete for Divisional Championship.

*PA O'Brien*

30/1/19.

Sports Officer, 11th. Aust. Infantry      Captain.  
Brigade.