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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Longmoor Camp, Longmoor, HAMPSHIRE.	1918. 1st to 7th April.		<p><u>MARCHED IN - CASUALS.</u></p> <p>The undermentioned Casuals of Units in France marched in from Overseas Training Brigade, Longbridge Deverill and were posted to Companies as under:-</p> <p>2 Other Ranks 1st Aust L.R.O.Coy. 2 Other Ranks 2nd Aust L.R.O.Coy.</p>	
do.	do.		<p><u>MARCHED OUT TO HOSPITAL.</u></p> <p>1 Other Ranks - 1st Aust L.R.O.Coy - marched out to Cambridge Hospital, Aldershot. 1 Other Ranks - Reinforcements - marched out to Military Isolation Hospital, Aldershot.</p>	
do.	do.		<p><u>MARCHED IN FROM HOSPITAL.</u></p> <p>3 Other Ranks - Reinforcements - marched in from Military Isolation Hospital, Aldershot and were taken on strength.</p>	
do.	do.		<p><u>MARCHED IN.</u></p> <p>1 Other Ranks - A.A.S.C - marched in on transfer from No 4 Camp, Parkhouse and was posted to Reinforcements. 1 Other Ranks - Reinforcements - Marched in from Overseas Training Brigade, Longbridge Deverill and was taken on strength.</p>	
do.	do.		<p><u>MARCHED OUT - DENTAL STAFF.</u></p> <p>1 Other Ranks - 60th Dental Unit (attd Depot Staff) marched out to 6th Training Battalion, Fovant, for duty.</p>	
do.	do.		<p><u>STRENGTH.</u></p> <p>The Average daily strength of the Depot for week ended 7th April 1918, as under:-</p> <p>3. Officers. 61. Other Ranks.</p>	

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Longmoor Camp, Longmoor, HAMPSHIRE.	1918. 1st to 7th April.		<p><u>HEALTH.</u></p> <p>The health of the men in Camp for week ended 7th April 1918 was good.</p>	
	8th to 14th April		<p><u>MARCHED IN - CASUALS.</u></p> <p>1 Other Ranks - 2nd Aust L.R.O.Coy - marched in from No 1 Command Depot, Sutton Veny and was posted to Company.</p> <p>The undermentioned Casuals of Units in France marched in from Overseas Training Brigade, Longbridge Deverill and were posted to Companies as under:-</p> <p>1 Other Ranks 1st Aust L.R.O.Coy. 1 Other Ranks 3rd Aust L.R.O.Coy.</p>	
do.			<p><u>MARCHED OUT - DENTAL STAFF.</u></p> <p>Hon-Capt.D.P.Lucadou-Wells and staff (2 Other Ranks) marched out to Machine Gun Training Depot, Grantham, for duty.</p>	
do.			<p><u>DRAFT PROCEEDING OVERSEAS.</u></p> <p>On 8th April 1918, draft composed of 45 Other Ranks, Mixed Trades, proceeded Overseas in fulfilment of our advice of 31st March of total number of men available.</p>	
do.			<p><u>REINFORCEMENTS.</u></p> <p>On 11th April 1918 advice was sent Headquarters that we had 9 Other Ranks, mixed Trades (Reinforcements) and 6 Other Ranks, mixed trades (Casuals) available for procedure Overseas when required.</p>	
do.			<p><u>HEALTH.</u></p> <p>The health of the men in Camp during the week ended 14th April 1918, was good.</p>	

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Longmoor Camp Longmoor HAMPSHIRE.	1918 8th to 14th April		<p><u>STRENGTH.</u></p> <p>The daily average strength of Depot for week ended 14th April 1918 was as under:-</p> <p>2. Officers. 48. Other Ranks.</p>	
	15th to 21st April.		<p><u>MARCHED IN.</u></p> <p>1 Other Ranks - 1st Aust L.R.O.Coy- marched in from No 2 Command Depot, Weymouth and was taken on strength. 2 Other Ranks - Reinforcements - marched in from No 4 Command Depot, Hurdcott, and were taken on strength. The undermentioned Casuals of Units in France marched in from Overseas Training Brigade, Longbridge Deverill and were posted to Companies as under:-</p> <p>2 Other Ranks 1st Aust L.R.O.Coy. 2 Other Ranks 3rd Aust L.R.O.Coy.</p>	
do.			<p><u>MARCHED IN - DEPOT STAFF.</u></p> <p>1 Other Ranks - 3rd Aust L.R.O.Coy.- marched in from Unit in France for duty with Depot Staff.</p>	
do.			<p><u>MARCHED IN FROM HOSPITAL.</u></p> <p>1 Other Ranks - Reinforcements - marched in from Military Isolation Hospital, Aldershot and was taken on strength.</p>	
do.			<p><u>PROCEEDURE OVERSEAS.</u></p> <p>On 16th April 1918, 15 Other Ranks, mixed trades, proceeded Overseas in accordance with our advice of 11th idem of men available.</p>	
do.			<p><u>DEMAND FOR DRAFT.</u></p> <p>On 19th April 1918, demand was received from 3rd Echelon for 32 Other Ranks, mixed trades. Reply sent that we could only supply 3 of the trades asked for.</p>	<p>33</p> <p><i>John - 2</i></p>

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Longmoor Camp, Longmoor. HAMPSHIRE.	1918. 15th to 21st April.		<p><u>REINFORCEMENTS EX AUSTRALIA.</u> On 21st April 1918, 40 other Ranks - December Reinforcements + and 40 Other Ranks - January Reinforcements - marched into Depot and were taken on strength.</p>	
	do.		<p><u>STRENGTH.</u> The average daily strength of the Depot for week ended 21st April 1918 as under:- 2 Officers. 46. Other Ranks.</p>	
	do.		<p><u>HEALTH.</u> The health of the men in Camp during the week ended 21st April 1918 was good.</p>	
	22nd to 30th April.		<p><u>MARCHED IN.</u> The undermentioned Casuals of Units in France marched in from Overseas Training Brigade, Longbridge Deverill, and were posted to Companies as under:- 1 Other Ranks 1st Aust L.R.O.Coy. 2 Other Ranks 2nd Aust L.R.O.Coy 2 Other Ranks 6th Aust B.G.R.O.Coy.</p>	
	do.		<p><u>MARCHED OUT TO HOSPITAL.</u> as under:- 2 Other Ranks - Reinforcements - marched out to Hospitals 1 Other Ranks to 1st A.D.Hospital, Bulford. 1 Other Ranks to Military Isolation Hospital, Aldershot.</p>	
	do.		<p><u>ISOLATION.</u> On 24th April 1918, the occupants of one hut (14 Other Ranks) were placed in isolation on account of an outbreak of measles.</p>	

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Longmoor Camp, Longmoor HAMPSHIRE.	1918 22nd to 30th April.		<p><u>DEMAND FOR DRAFT.</u> On 26th April 1918 demand was received from 3rd Echelon for 22 Other Ranks, mixed trades for Light Railways and 6 Other Ranks, mixed trades for Broad Gauge. Reply sent that we could only supply 3 of the Trades asked for.</p>	
do.	do.		<p><u>DENTAL STAFF.</u> On 28th April 1918 Lieut G.B.Chapman and staff (2 Other Ranks) marched in from Overseas Training Brigade, Longbridge Deverill, for Dental duties.</p>	
do.	do.		<p><u>PROCEDURE OVERSEAS.</u> On 30th April 1918, draft composed of 4 Other Ranks, mixed trades proceeded Overseas to fulfil demand received from 3rd Echelon on 19th idem.</p>	
do.	do.		<p><u>STRENGTH.</u> The average daily strength of Depot for the 9 days ended 30th April 1918 as under:- 2 Officers. 118. Other Ranks.</p>	
do.	do.		<p><u>HEALTH.</u> The health of the men in Camp during the 9 days ended 30th April 1918 was good.</p> <p>-----</p>	
			<p><u>TRAINING.</u> During the month, training as per attached Syllabus was carried out. All reinforcements prior to being sent Overseas, attended a course of instruction in Anti-Gas Training with P.H.Helmet and Small Box Respirator, and passed through Gas Chamber.</p>	<p>57</p> <p><i>John H.</i></p>

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Longmoor Camp Longmoor, HAMPSHIRE.			<p><u>DISCIPLINE.</u></p> <p>The discipline of the men in Camp during the month was good.</p> <p><u>HEALTH.</u></p> <p>The general health of the men in Camp during the month was good.</p> <p>An outbreak of measles occurred in one hut, but further spread of the infection was avoided by isolating all contacts.</p>	

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STATEMENT DAILY STRENGTH.

DATE.	Officers.	Other Ranks.	
		Total.	Rationed.
April 1st.	3	97.	45.
2nd	3	97.	36.
3rd.	3	97.	37.
4th.	3	97.	62.
5th.	3	97.	76.
6th.	3	102.	85.
7th.	3	102.	85.
8th.	3	102.	86.
9th.	2	56.	42.
10th.	2	56.	44.
11th.	2	51.	42.
12th.	2	51.	42.
13th.	2	53.	39.
14th.	2	53.	40.
15th.	2	53.	40.
16th.	2	54.	41.
17th.	2	40.	28.
18th.	2	40.	28.
19th.	2	40.	32.
20th.	2	44.	35.
21st.	4	124.	116.
22nd.	4	124.	116.
23rd.	2	124.	116.
24th.	2	124.	116.
25th.	2	124.	114.
26th.	2	124.	115.
27th.	2	129.	121.
28th.	3	131.	120.
29th.	3	131.	123.
30th.	3	127.	119.

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			MARCHING IN AND OUT STATE.								
			MARCHED IN.				MARCHED OUT.				
	DATE.	Australia.	Hospital.	Training Depots.	On Transfer.	TOTAL.	Overseas.	Hospital.	Other Causes.	TOTAL.	
	April 2nd	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	
	3rd	-	1	-	1	2	-	-	1	1.	
	4th	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	
	6th	-	-	5	-	5	-	1	-	1	
	7th	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	
	9th	-	-	3	-	3	45	-	2	47	
	13th	-	-	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	
	16th	-	-	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	
	17th	-	-	-	-	-	15	-	-	15	
	19th	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	
	20th	-	-	4	-	4	-	-	-	-	
	21st	80	-	1	-	81	-	-	-	-	
	24th	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	
	25th	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	
	27th	-	-	5	-	5	-	-	-	-	
	30th	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	4.	
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FIRST WEEK.

	MONDAY	TUESDAY.	WEDNESDAY.	THURSDAY.	FRIDAY.	SATURDAY.	REMARKS.
9.a.m.to.10.a.m.	SQUAD DRILL.	SQUAD DRILL.	SQUAD DRILL.	SQUAD DRILL.	SQUAD DRILL.	SQUAD DRILL.	SQUAD DRILL
10.a.m.to.10.45.	P.T.	KIT INSPTN.	P.T.	P.T.	P.T.	P.T.	
11.a.m.to.12.p.m.	SQUAD DRILL.	KIT INSPTN.	SQUAD DRILL.	LECTURE ON DISCIPLINE.	KNOTTING & SPLICING.	SQUAD DRILL.	
12.p.m.to.12.15.	SALUTING.	KIT INSPTN.	SALUTING.	SALUTING.	SALUTING.	SALUTING.	
2.p.m.to.3.p.m.	ROUTE MARCH.	SQUAD DRILL.	GAMES.	SQUAD DRILL.	ROUTE MARCH.		
3.15.to.4.30.p.m.	ROUTE MARCH.	KNOTTING & SPLICING.	GAMES.	FIRST AID.	ROUTE MARCH.		

SECOND WEEK.

9.a.m.to.10.a.m.	GAS.	GAS.	GAS	GAS.	SQUAD DRILL.	SQUAD DRILL WITH ARMS.	
10.a.m.to.10.45.	GAS.	GAS.	GAS.	GAS.	P.T.	P.T.	
11.a.m.to.12.15.	GAS.	GAS.	GAS.	GAS.	RIFLE EXERCISES.	FIRST AID.	
2.p.m.to.3.p.m.	GAS.	GAS.	GAS.	GAS.	ROUTE MARCH.		
3.15.to.4.30.p.m.	GAS.	GAS.	GAS.	GAS.	ROUTE MARCH.		

THIRD WEEK.

9.a.m.to.10.a.m.	SQUAD DRILL WITH ARMS.	P. T.	SQUAD DRILL WITH ARMS.	SQUAD DRILL WITH ARMS.	SQUAD DRILL WITH ARMS.	SQUAD DRILL WITH ARMS.	
10.a.m.to.10.45.	P. T.	KIT INSPTN.	P. T.	P. T.	P. T.	P. T.	
11.a.m.to.12.p.m.	RIFLE EXERCISES.	KIT INSPTN.	RIFLE EXERCISES.	FIRST AID.	LECTURE.	GUARD MOUNTING.	
12.p.m.to.12.15.	RIFLE EXERCISES.	KIT INSPTN.	SALUTING.	FIRST AID.	LECTURE.	GUARD MOUNTING.	
2.p.m.to.3.p.m.	GUARD MOUNTING.	ROUTE MARCH.	GAMES.	KNOTTING & SPLICING.	ROUTE MARCH.		
3.15.to.4.30.p.m.	SQUAD DRILL WITH ARMS.	ROUTE MARCH.	GAMES.	GUARD MOUNTING.	ROUTE MARCH.		

Drivers and firemen to attend course of Instruction in Westinghouse & Vacuum Brake.

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