

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

Light Horse

**Item number: 10/22/6**

**Title: Light Horse Training Depot,**  
**Tidworth**

February 1918



## WAR DIARY

Army Form 2118.

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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LIGHT HORSE TRAINING DEPOT  
CANDAHAR BARRACKS.  
FEBRUARY 1918.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Candahar Barracks Tidworth	Febry 1918.		<p>"A" <u>METEOROLOGICAL NOTES</u></p> <p>The weather during February was suitable for outdoor training .</p> <p>"B" <u>STRENGTH.</u></p> <p>As per attached appendix "B"</p> <p>"C" <u>REENFORCEMENTS FROM AUSTRALIA.</u></p> <p>N I L.</p> <p>"D" <u>MEDICAL STATISTICS.</u></p> <p>As per attached appendix "D"</p> <p>"E" <u>TRAINING.</u></p> <p>Satisfactory progress has been made in the items as per attached syllabi marked "G".</p> <p>"F" <u>DISCIPLINE</u></p> <p>Good.</p> <p>"G" <u>TRAINING SYLLABI.</u></p> <p>As per attached syllabi, appendix "G"</p> <p>"H" <u>OTHER RANKS ATTENDING SCHOOLS.</u></p> <p>1 O/Rank attending No 2 Cadet Battalion, Cambridge, with view to Commission in A.I.F.</p> <p>"I" <u>INSPECTION BY G-O-C.</u></p> <p>N I L.</p>	



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Candahar Barracks. TIDWORTH	Febry 1918.		<p>"J" <u>POLICY OF ADMINISTRATION.</u></p> <p>To make N.C.O's and men efficient in every way to take their place in the field, special attention has been paid to the training of Signallers, Farriers and Hotchkiss Gun Teams.</p> <p>"K"</p> <p>The organisation and Establishment laid down has stood the test of demands made upon it.</p> <p><u>TRANSFERS AND PROCEEDED OVERSEAS.</u></p> <p>1 Officer transferred to O'Seas Tng Bde.</p> <p>10 O/Ranks proceeded overseas to reenforce Anzac Light Horse in FRANCE</p> <p>10 O/Ranks proceeded overseas to reenforce Light Horse in EGYPT.</p> <p><i>Type page 3 as marked.</i></p> <p><i>B.E. Lyndard</i> Captain.</p> <p>O.C. Light Horse Training Depot.</p>	



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CANDAHAR BARRACKS.  
FEBRUARY 1918.

"B" (STRENGTH)

	(Off	O/Rks.)
1st Feby 1918.	4	138
2nd "	4	138
3rd "	4	145
4th "	4	145
5th "	4	145
6th "	4	145
7th "	4	135
8th "	4	135
9th "	4	135
10th "	4	135
11th "	4	135
12th "	4	139
13th "	4	139
14th "	4	139
15th "	4	139
16th "	4	140
17th "	4	140
18th "	4	140
19th "	4	141
20th "	4	140
21st "	4	140
22nd "	4	141
23rd "	4	141
24th "	4	141
25th "	4	141
26th "	4	146
27th "	4	145
28th "	4	146
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"D" MEDICAL STATISTICS.

Hospital admissions

Off	O/Rks
-	2

Venereal Admissions

Off	O/Rks.
-	1

Hospital Discharges.

Off	O/Rks.
-	3

Venereal Discharges.

Off	O/Rks.
-	2



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SYLLABUS OF TRAINING.

Light Horse Training Squadron  
Candahar Barracks.

For Week Ending 2nd Feby 1918.

MONDAY. Morning:- Dismounting for Action, and handing over of horses.  
Afternoon:- Lecture on Outposts.

TUESDAY. Morning:- Outposts (Mounted).  
Afternoon:- Judging distance and Visual Training.

WEDNESDAY. Morning:- Patrols.  
Afternoon:- Troop Drill Dismounted with Gas Respirators.

THURSDAY. Morning:- Protection while on the March.  
Afternoon:- Rifle Exercises with Gas Respirators.

FRIDAY. Morning:- Reconnaissance.  
Afternoon:- Lecture on Morning's Work.

SATURDAY. Kit Inspection.

*G. E. Lydward* Captain.  
O.C. Light Horse Training Squadron.



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SYLLABUS OF TRAINING FOR  
WEEK ENDING 9th FEBRUARY 1918.

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Light Horse Training Depot  
Candahar Barracks  
4th February 1918.

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(MOUNTED).  
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MONDAY.

Morning. Troop Drill and Dismounting For Action.  
Afternoon. Rifle Exercises with Gas Respirators.  
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TUESDAY

Morning. Patrols.  
Afternoon. Rifle Drill with Gas Respirators.  
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WEDNESDAY.

Morning. Protection while on the march.  
Afternoon. Bayonet Fighting with Gas Respirators.  
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THURSDAY

Morning. Outposts.  
Afternoon. Squadron Drill (Dismounted).  
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FRIDAY.

Morning. Patrols.  
Afternoon. Squadron Drill (Dismounted).  
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SATURDAY.

Morning. Cleaning up and Inspection.  
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SYLLABUS OF TRAINING FOR WEEK ENDING 9th FEBRUARY 1918.  
(DISMOUNTED).  
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MONDAY.

Morning. Rifle Exercises.  
Afternoon. Same as morning.  
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TUESDAY.

Morning. Guard Mounting (1 hour). Rifle Exercises (1 hour).  
Afternoon. Route March.  
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WEDNESDAY.

Morning. Rifle Exercises.  
Afternoon. Troop Drill.  
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THURSDAY.

Morning. Rifle Exercises.  
Afternoon. Squadron Drill.  
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FRIDAY.

Morning. Troop Drill.  
Afternoon. Squadron Drill.  
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SATURDAY.

Morning. Kit Inspection.  
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*G. S. Lyndall* Captain.  
O.C. Light Horse Training Depot.



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SYLLABUS TRAINING WEEK ENDING FEBY'1918

Light Horse Training Depot.

M O U N T E D.

MONDAY	11th	Feb	Morning Afternoon	Patrols. Rifle drill with gas respirators
TUESDAY	12th	"	Morning Afternoon	Outposts. Squadron drill dismounted
WEDNESDAY	13th	"	Morning Afternoon	Troop drill & dismounting for action. Bayonet fighting with gas respirators
THURSDAY	14th	"	Morning Afternoon	Patrols Squadron drill dismounted
FRIDAY	15th	"	Morning Afternoon	Troop drill, cavalry formation. Rifle exercises.
SATURDAY	16th	"		Cleaning up & inspection.

DISMOUNTED.

MONDAY	11th	Feb	Morning Afternoon	Preliminary musketry, care of arms Troop drill mounted.
TUESDAY	12th	"	Morning Afternoon	Trigger pressing & aiming Firing positions.
WEDNESDAY	13th	"	Morning Afternoon	Aiming instruction Troop drill dismounted
THURSDAY	14th	"	Morning Afternoon	1 hour rifle exercises. 1 hour visual training. Route march.
FRIDAY	15th	"	Morning Afternoon	Use of ground & cover Recapitulation.
SATURDAY	16th	"		Cleaning up & kit inspection.

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O.C. Light Horse Training Depot.



SYLLABUS OF TRAINING FOR  
WEEK ENDING 23rd FEBRUARY 1918.

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Candahar Barracks  
17th February 1918.

(MOUNTED TROOP).

MONDAY

Morning. Troop Drill.  
Afternoon. Dismounting and Handing over of horses.

TUESDAY

Morning. Patrols.  
Afternoon. Troop Drill

WEDNESDAY.

Morning. Patrols.  
Afternoon. Troop Drill.

THURSDAY.

Morning. Dismounting and Handing over of horses.  
Afternoon. Squadron Drill Dismounted.

FRIDAY.

Morning. Troop Drill.  
Afternoon. Patrols.

SATURDAY.

Morning.

SYLLABUS OF TRAINING FOR WEEK ENDING 23rd FEBRUARY 1918. (DISMOUNTED).

MONDAY.

Morning. Musketry. Rapid Loading (Bummies to be used).  
Afternoon. Same as Morning.

TUESDAY.

Morning. Use of ground and cover.  
Afternoon. Fire Discipline.

WEDNESDAY.

Morning. Rifle Exercises.  
Afternoon. Troop Drill.

THURSDAY.

Morning. Troop Drill Mounted.  
Afternoon. Squadron Drill Dismounted.

FRIDAY.

Morning. ~~Transit~~ Rifle Exercises.  
Afternoon. Route March.

SATURDAY.

Morning. Route March.

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O.C.L.H. Training Depot.