

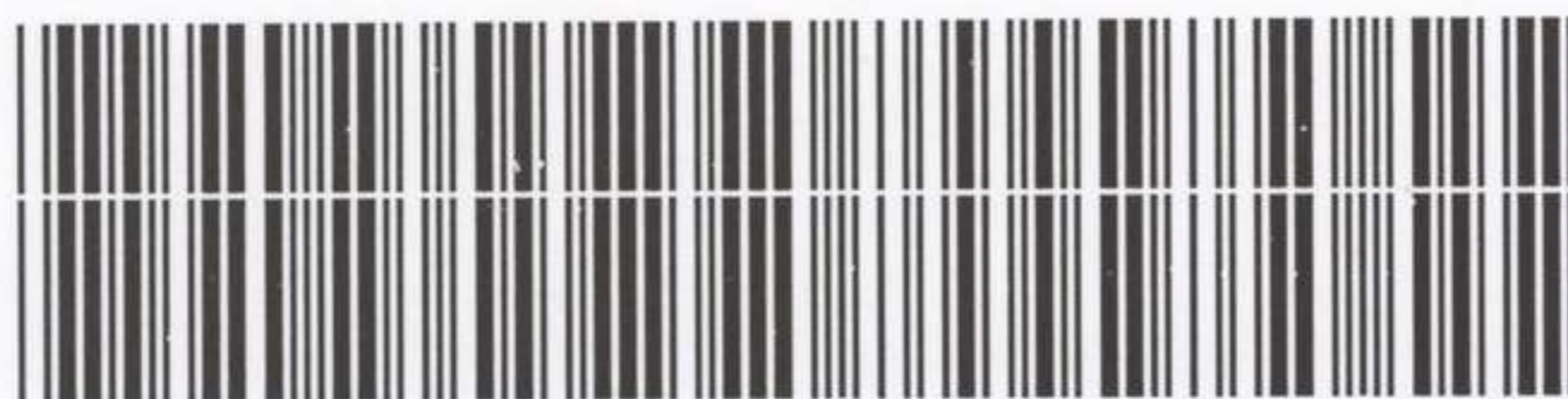
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
134 a 2.5	1-7-17		Issued DA Order N° 98 (copy attached) re relief of 1st Aust Div Arty by 3rd Div Arty	Appendix A
			Issued DA Order N° 99 (copy attached) re assistance to be given by Light Group in a raid by 42nd Division on our right	Appendix B
	2-7-17		CRA visited 1st Bde Wagon lines Issued Disposition Report (copy attached)	Appendix C
	3-7-17		CRA met Army Commander at 2nd FA Bde HQ Captain C R RIGG reported from Corps Artillery School to understudy of Capt	Appendix D
	4-7-17		Issued DA Order N° 100 (copy attached) re move of French Mortars to BAVELINCOURT	
	5-7-17		CRA and Brigade Major visited CRA 42nd Division Issued DA Order N° 101 (copy attached) re relief by 3rd Div Arty and march of 1st Aust Div Arty from the line to BECOURT Street	Appendix E
	6-7-17		CRA and Brigade Major visited RA IV Corps Issued Addendum to DA Order N° 101 (copy attached) re location of DAHQ	Appendix F
VIVIER MILL	7-7-17		1st Australian Divisional Artillery relieved by 3rd Divisional Artillery DAHQ moved to VIVIER MILL near MEAUKTE	
	8-7-17		CRA attended unveiling of Memorial to Officers and Men of 1st Aust Div who fell at the taking of POZIERES Issued DA Order N° 102 (copy attached) re move to 5TH Army Area	Appendix G

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VIVIER	9-7-17		CRA visited 1 st and 2 nd Brigade Camps at BECOURT	
MILL	10-7-17		Brigade Major left for RENINGHELST to attend conference at 30 th DAHQ	
ORVILLE	11-7-17		1 st Aust Div Arty marched from BECOURT to SARTON	
HOUVIN	12-7-17		1 st Aust Div Arty marched from SARTON to ETREE-WAMIN	
ST POL	13-7-17		1 st Aust Div Arty marched from ETREE-WAMIN to ST MICHEL	
ST POL	14-7-17		Issued DA Order N ^o 103 (copy attached) re marched on 15 th 16 th 17 th 18 th July	Appendix "H"
ST POL	14-7-17		NIL	
FONTAINE-LES-HERMAINS	15-7-17		1 st Aust Div Arty marched to AMES area	
STEENBECQUE	16-7-17		1 st Aust Div Arty marched to OIRE area	
STAPLE	17-7-17		1 st Aust Div Arty marched to STAPLE area	
CODWERSVELDE	18-7-17		1 st Aust Div Arty marched to EECHE area Issued DA Order N ^o 104 (copy attached) re march of 1 st Aust Div Arty from EECHE area to wagon lines near RENINGHELST. CRA Brigade Major and Brigade Commanders visited CRA 30 th Div at RENINGHELST	Appendix "J"

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Headquarters RA
1st Aust Div

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
STEENVOORDE	19-7-17		1st Aust Div (less Head Quarters) marched from EECHE area to wagon lines near RENINGHELST. and OUDERDOM and came under orders of 30TH Div Artillery HQ Head Quarters 1st Aust Div moved to STEENVOORDE and reported here	
	20-7-17		CRA visited wagon lines of 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 101st Batteries near RENINGHELST. Major Forbes MC proceeded on leave from 21-7-17 to 31-7-17 Captain C.R. RIGG proceeded to 30TH Div RAHQ to administer 1st Aust DA attached	AGS
	21-7-17		CRA visited wagon lines of 4th, 5th, 6th and 102nd Batteries and DAC	AGS
	22-7-17		CRA visited 30TH DA at RENINGHELST. and called on General LOGAN 2ND CORPS HQ. CRA inspected model of trenches at G 22 B 8.4	AGS
	23-7-17		CRA proceeded to RENINGHELST to visit Staff Captain and inspected wagon lines of 3rd and 101st Batteries	AGS
	24-7-17		CRA visited OC 1st DAC at RENINGHELST and also new 30TH DAHQ near DICKEBUSCH	AGS
	25-7-17		NIL	AGS
			CRA visited Staff Captain at 30TH DA Head Quarters near DICKEBUSCH and inspected 1st and 101st Batteries wagon lines on return	AGS

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Head Quarters RA
1st Aust Div

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
TEENVOORDE	27-7-17		CRA visited Staff Captain at 30TH DAHQ near DICKEBUSCH and inspected DAHQ wireless lines on return	HPB
	28-7-17		CRA visited General Huber at 1st Aust Div Head Quarters HAZEBROUCK	HPB
	29-7-17		CRA visited Staff Captain at 30TH DAHQ near DICKEBUSCH	HPB
	30-7-17		CRA visited Staff Captain at 30TH DAHQ near DICKEBUSCH and conferred with General Stevenson and General Kirby	HPB
	31-7-17		CRA visited Staff Captain at 30TH DAHQ near DICKEBUSCH but 10419 and again at 6 PM CRA called on 10419 Workshop No 2 & 16 near ABEELE	HPB
			Operative Reports No 7 to 11 attached as "Appendix K"	

W. J. Strong
Lieut.
1st Aust Div Army Signal

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FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY

Order No 98.

Headquarters 1.7.17.

Ref Map. 57C NW. NE. SE.

1. The following guns and howitzers of 1st Australian Divisional Artillery will be replaced by guns and hows of 3rd Div. Arty. on night of 3rd/4th/ July in order that they may be sent to Ordnance Workshops, ALBERT for overhaul.

<u>Bty</u>	<u>Gun or How.</u>	<u>Present position.</u>
1st	5350) 5318)	J 7 A 9.6
2nd	1031) 2252) 6372) 1096)	J 15 B 92.40 J 15 A 10.07
3rd	3095) 356) 2226) 5946)	J 11 C 20.45 J 1 D 5.4
101st	1825) 1859) 589)	J 10 C 10.02 J 15 A 10.09 At present at I.O.M.
4th	2557) 4043)	J 34 A 0.6
5th	4986) 1123)	J 38 A 9.2
6th	4596) 336) 2035) 3968)	J 27 D 2.8 J 35 C 0.5

2. The guns and hows of 3rd Div. Arty to replace these will be brought to I 27 C (near A Echelon of D.A.C.) at 6 pm on 3rd inst.
3. Teams and limbers of 1st Australian Div. Arty belonging to guns to be replaced will be at this position at the hour named in para 2.
4. One officer from each group will accompany these teams and will take over guns and howitzers for his Group from corresponding officers of 3rd Div. Arty.
5. Guns of 3rd Div. Arty will then be taken to wagon lines by teams of 1st Div. Arty and will replace guns detailed above as soon after dark as possible.
6. Guns of 1st Div. Arty as soon as they have been replaced will be taken straight from their present positions and parked at I 27 C, the limber gunner of each gun remaining with it.
7. Teams and limbers of 3rd Div. Arty will pick up these guns at I 27 C at 9 am on 4th July and will take them to Ordnance Workshops, ALBERT.

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8. Group Commanders will detail one officer each to be at I 27 C at 8 45am on 4th inst. to proceed to Workshops with the guns. The senior officer will be in charge of the party on the march to ALBERT. Arrangements for the billeting of these officers will be notified later.
9. Limber gunners will accompany their guns and will take their kits with them.
10. Limber gunners of 3rd Div. Arty will accompany their guns into the line and will remain with them until the relief on the night 6th/7th July, being rationed by 1st Aust. D.A.
11. The First Aust. D.A. with its remaining guns will be relieved by 3rd Div. Arty on the night 6/7th July.
12. The C.R.A. 3rd Division will take over command of the Divisional Artillery covering the 3rd Division Front at 12 noon on July 7th.
13. One officer and one telephonist per Brigade H.Q. and battery of 3rd Div. Arty will report to their corresponding brigade or battery of 1st Aust. D.A. on July 5th. Units of 1st Aust. D.A. will make necessary arrangements for their accommodation.
14. All maps, aeroplane photos, documents etc affecting the front will be handed over.
15. Trench Mortars will be relieved under arrangements to be made direct between D.T.M.O.s
16. 1st Aust. D.A. will march to staging area on July 7th under orders to be issued later.
17. Units of 1st Aust. D.A. will move out with Echelons full.
18. Separate orders will be issued regarding handing over of ammunition surplus to establishment.
19. ACKNOWLEDGE.

sgd. Alec M Forbes Major
Bde Major 1st Aust. Div. Art.

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1.	1st F.A.Bde	16.	SSO 2nd Aust. Div.
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3	D.A.C.	18	O.C., 18th Balloon Coy
4	D.T.M.O.	19	3rd Squadron RFC
5	S.C.R.A.	20	File
6	Sig. Officer 1st A.D.A.	21/2	War Diary
7	48th Division	23/4	Spare.
8	3rd Divis on		
9	3rd Div. Arty		
10	42nd Div. Arty		
11	62nd Div. Arty		
12	R.A. IV Corps.		
13	1st Aust. Div.		
14	R.A. 1st ANZAC		
15	SSO 1st Aust. Div.		

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FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERYOrder No 99

Reference Sunprint 1/10,000 G.M.3
(Copy to Right Group)

1. The 127th Infantry Brigade, 42nd Division, will raid WIGAN COPSE (K 26 D 3.3) and DEAN COPSE (K 32 B 9.7) on the night of July 2nd/3rd.
2. Right Group, 1st Aust. Div. Arty will assist as follows--

Unit	Time	Task	Ammunition.
2-18prs at Q 8 C 05.50	Zero to Zero plus 15'	Suspected M.G. at K 26 B 05.00	50%A. 50%AX. 4 rds per gun per minute.
8-18prs	Zero to zero plus 15'	Trench from K 26 B 05.00 to K 26 D 7.0	50%A. 50%AX. 4 rds per gun per min.
1-4.5 How.	Zero to zero plus 15'	Suspected M.G. at K 26 D 60 85	2 rds per How per minute.
1-4.5 How.	" "	Suspected M.G. at K 26 D 9.8	do
1-4.5 How	" "	Suspected M.G. at K 26 B 7.5	do
1-4.5 How	" "	Suspected M.G. at K 27 A 10.35	do

3. Zero hour is at 1 hour 8 minutes a.m. on 3rd July.
4. C.O., Right Group will synchronise watches with C.O. Left Group, 42nd Div. Arty on the evening of July 2nd.
5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Sgd Alec. M. Forbes Major
Bde Major 1st Aust. Div. Art.

Distribution

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2 Left Group
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Appendix "C"

DISPOSITIONS OF 1st AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY 2nd July 1917.

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GROUP.	BATTERY.	POSITION	WAGON LINES
<p>RIGHT GROUP.</p> <p>Lieut. Col G.I. STEVENSON C.A.G. Commandg 2nd F.A. Bde. H.Q. J.20. C.4.9. Wagon line I.36.C.8.8</p>			
	4th Bty 2 guns.	J.34.A.9.6 (D))	I.36.B.6.7.
	4 guns	J.35.C.0.3.)	
	5th Bty 2 guns.	J.35.B.8.2)	I.36.B.4.4.
	2 guns.	J.36.A.9.2 (D))	
	2 guns.	Q.8.C.05.50)	I.36.A.7.1
	6th Bty 4 guns.	J.27.D.2.8 (D))	
	1 gun.	J.36.B.35.60.)	J.31.A.0.3.
	102nd Bty 6 hows.	J.35.A.5.2. (D).	
<p>LEFT GROUP.</p> <p>Lt. Col. G. McLAUGHLIN M.C. Comdg 1st F.A. Bde H.Q. J.14.C.7.2.</p>			
	1st Bty 3 guns.	J.7.A.9.6 (D))	Along Road in J.31.C. to P.1.A.
	2 guns.	I.12.B.87.05.)	
	2nd Bty 2 guns.	J.16.A.1.2.)	
	2 guns.	J.15.B.8.4 (D).)	
	2 guns.	J.21.B.05.95.)	
	3rd Bty 2 guns.	J.15.C.15.85 (D))	
	2 guns.	J.9.C.8.7.)	
	2 guns.	J.1.D.5.4)	
	101st Bty 4 hows.	J.10.C.1.0 (D).)	
	2 hows.	J.14.A.20.91.)	
<p>WAGON LINES (Continued)</p> <p>H.Q. 1st Aust Div Arty. I.34.A.2.5. 1st Aust D.A.C. H.Q. I.22.C.1.6. 1st Section I.27.C.4.8 2nd Section I.27.C.4.1 B.Echelon. 0.8.B.7.6</p> <p>A.R.P. Dump. I.21.D.0.8... Grenade Dump. I.22.A.0.4 Gas Dump. I.16.C.4.1 Salvage Dump. I.22.C.8.1 Salvage Dump N.17.D.6.9. (BEAULENCOURT)</p> <p>T.M.'s H.Q. J.20.A.90.80. 1 H.T.M. K.19.B.35.80. 1 H.T.M. K.14.C.35.90 2 T.M.'s K.20.C.10.60 1 T.M. K.26.C.75.90</p> <p>WIRELESS MASTS. 102nd Bty J.34.D.8.8. H.Q. 1st F.A. Bde. J.14.C.7.2.</p>			

NOTE- (D). DEFENCE POSITION.

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Alex M. Forbes Major.
Brigade Major 1st Aust Div Art.
2/7/1917.

APPENDIX "C"

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 D.A.C.
 D.T.M.O.
 48th Div "G"
 42nd Div Arty.
 62nd Div Arty.
 3rd Div Arty.
 No.1.Coy 1st Aust Div Train.
 H.A.IV Corps.
 18th Balloon Coy. (3).
 Staff Captain
 Reconnaissance Officer.
 File.
 War Diary (2)
 Spare (6).

APPENDIX - C

SECRETCopy No 15.FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERYORDER No. 100.Headquarters
4/7/17.

1. The 1st Aust. Div. Trench Mortar Batteries will be relieved by 3rd Div. Trench Mortar Batteries on night of 4/5th July instead of night 6th/7th.
2. Arrangements for relief will be made direct between D.T.M.O.s
3. Heavy Trench Mortars will be handed over in position. Med. Trench Mortars will be brought out by 1st Aust. Div. and will be replaced by those of 3rd Div., beds being left in position.
4. On 5th inst 1st Aust. Div. Trench Mortar Batteries will move to Prisoner of War Cage, BAVELINCOURT.
5. Motor lorries will be provided by IV Corps to transport all personnel and material there and will be at cross roads in BEUGNY I 22 A 3.8 at 8 am on 5th inst.
6. Arrangements are being made by G.O.C., R.A. 1st ANZAC for Medium Trench Mortars and personnel at present at Schools of Instruction to rejoin their unit at BAVELINCOURT.
7. ACKNOWLEDGE.

sgd. Alec M FORBES Major.
Bde Major 1st Aust. Div. Art.Distribution.

1. D.T.M.O.
- 2 3rd Div. Arty.
- 3 3rd Division
- 4 R.A. IV Corps.
- 5 R.A., 1st ANZAC
- 6 1st Aust. Div.
- 7 1st F.A. Brigade
- 8 2nd F.A. Brigade.
- 9 D.A.C.
- 10 S.S.O. 1st Aust. Div.
- 11 S.S.O. 2nd Aust. Div.
- 12 O.C., No 1 Coy 1st A.D:T
- 13 File
- 14/5 War Diary
- 16/7 Spare.

FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERYORDER No 101

Headquarters
5th July 1917

REFERENCE MAP ALBERT Combined Sheet.

1. Reference 1st Aust. Div. Arty Order No 98 para 11. Command of Groups will pass on night of 6/7th under mutual arrangement between Group Commanders Concerned.
2. On relief 1st Aust. Div. Artillery will move to present wagon lines.
3. Completion of reliefs will be reported by Groups to this office.
4. 1st Aust. Div. Artillery will march to BECOURT Area on 7th July in accordance with March Table attached.
5. (a) Intervals of 200 yards between batteries and sections of D.A.C. will be maintained on the march
(b) Not more than 2 gunners are to ride on ~~one~~ any one pair of wheels.
6. 1st Australian Divisional Artillery Headquarters will close at I 34 A 2.5 at 12 noon on 7th July and will reopen at THE DINGLE, X 27 B 3.5 at the same hour.
7. AMMUNITION. All ammunition at gun pits is to be handed over as at 12 noon on 6th inst. All expenditure after noon 6th inst will be reported by 3rd Div. Art.
Units will march with full echelons and must be filled before 12 noon on 6th inst.
Transfer certificates and marching out state to reach this office by 6 p.m on 6th inst.
8. AREA STORES All area stores such as tents, trench shelter camouflage at gun positions etc are to be handed over, and two copies of transfer certificates forwarded to reach this office by 12 noon on 8th inst.
9. TRANSPORT. Baggage wagons will join units on 6th inst.
10. SUPPLIES. Rations and forage for consumption on 8th inst will be drawn at E 6 C 2.6 on 7th inst.
11. BILLETING. Billeting parties from 1st and 2nd F.A.Bdes should proceed at least one hour in advance of their Brigades and report to Camp Commandant. Becourt Camp. Horse lines North of Camp are allotted to 1st F.A.Bde and those South of Camp to 2nd F.A.Bde. Billeting party from D.A.C. are to report to Area Commandant "A" Area at ANZAC Reinforcement Camp E 4 D 7.4 at 11 am on 7th inst.

Sgd Alec M Forbes. Major.
Bde Major 1st Aust. Div. Art.

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6. Sig. Officer 1st A.D.A.
7. 3rd Division.
8. 3rd Div. Arty.
9. 42nd Div. Art.
10. 62nd Div. Art.
11. R.A. IV Corps.
12. 1st Aust. Div.
13. R.A. 1st ANZAC
14. S.S.O., 1st Aust. Div.
15. S.S.O. 2nd Aust. Div.
16. O.C., No 1 Coy 1st A.D.T.
17. Area Commandant "A" Area
18. " " "B.P." Area.
19. A.P.M. IV Corps.
20. File
- 21-22. War Diary
- 23-4. Spare.

MARCH TABLE (to accompany 1st Aust. Div. Art Order No 101)

Date	Unit	From	To	Route	Remarks.
7th July	1st F.A. Bde	Present Wagon lines Velu Wood	"B" Camp BECOURT X 26 C 4.3	BAPAUME-ALBERT BECOURT.	To be clear of present Wagon lines by 8 30am
do	2nd F.A. Bde	do	"C" Camp BECOURT X 26 C 5.3	do	To be clear of present Wagon lines by 7 30am
do	1st Aust. D.A.C.	Present wagon lines	<u>No 1 Section</u> No 11 Camp E 5 D 7.3 <u>No 2 Section</u> No 13 Camp E 6 C 8.3 <u>HQ & "B" Ech.</u> No 10 Camp E 5 D 3.5	BAPAUME-ALBERT BELLEVUE FARM	To be clear of present Wagon lines by 6 30 am.

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FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERYAddendum to Order No 101

Para 6 is cancelled and the following substituted
1st Aust. Div. Artillery Hd.Qrs will close at I 34 A 2.5 at
12 noon on 7th July and will reopen at VIVIER MILL (MEAULTE)
at the same hour.

Alec M. FORBES Major.
Bde Major 1st Aust. Div. Art.

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FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERYORDER no 102Headquarters
8.7.17.Reference Map

LENS 11. Scale 1/100000.

1. The 1st Australian Divisional Artillery (less Medium Trench Mortar Batteries and personnel of Heavy Trench Mortar Batteries) will move by march route from 3rd Army area to 5th Army Area.
Note. Artillery Headquarters Signal detachment and Artillery signal sub-sections of the Divisional Signal Company will accompany the Divisional Artillery.
2. The march will commence on 11th July. Marches for 11th, 12th, 13th and 14th July will be in accordance with March Table attached.
3. Orders for the march on 15th July will be issued on 14th inst at St. MICHEL.
4. (a) A distance of 500 yards will be maintained between batteries and between each section and echelon of the D.A.C.
(b) A distance of 20 yards only will be maintained between Headquarters of Brigades and D.A.C. and the leading battery of each Brigade or section of D.A.C.
5. Orders re supply and billeting will be issued separately.
6. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Alec M Forbes Major.
Bde Major 1st Aust. Div. Artillery.Distribution.

1. 1st F.A. Bde
2. 2nd F.A. Bde
3. D.A.C.
4. Staff Capt. 1st A.D.A.
5. Signal Officer
6. For information.
6. 1st Aust. Div.
7. 1st ANZAC Corps.
8. R.A. 1st ANZAC
9. S.S.O., 1st Aust. Div.
10. O.C., No 1 Coy 1st A.D.T.
11. S.O., 1st Aust. Div. Troops.
12. File
- 13-4. War Diary
- 15-6. Spare.

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MARCH TABLE TO ACCOMPANY 1ST Aust Div. Arty Order No 102.

Date	Starting Point	To	Route	Remarks.
11th July	Railway Crossing 600yds S.W. of <u>A</u> in <u>ALBERT</u>	SARTON	ALBERT BOUZINCOURT HEHAUVILLE FORCEVILLE ACHEUX LOUVENCOURT VAUCHELLES MARIEUX SARTON	Head of 1st F.A.Bde to pass Starting point at 4 a.m. Head of 2nd F..Bde to pass Starting point at 4 45am Head of D.A.C. to pass starting point at 5 30a.m:
12th July	Cross Roads 700 yds S.W. of <u>Q</u> in <u>ORVILLE</u>	ETREE WAMIN	ORVILLE HALLOY LUCHEUX le SOUICH IVERGNY BEAUDRICOURT ETREE WAMIN	Head of 2nd F.A.Bde to pass starting point at 4 30am Head of D.A.C. to pass starting point at 5 15 am Head of 1st F.A.Bde to pass starting point at 6 15 am
13th July	Church half a mile due S or B in <u>BERLINCOURT</u>	St MICHEL	HOUVIN HOUVINGEL MONCHEAUX BUNEVILLE OCOCHÉ TACHINCOURT St MICHEL	Head of D.A.C', to pass Starting point at 5 am Head of 1st F.A.Bde to pass Starting point at 6 a.m. Head of 2nd F.A.Bde to pass Starting point at 6 45 am.
14th July		H A L T		Orders for march on 15th inst will be issued at St MICHEL

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FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

ORDER No. 103.

HEADQUARTERS.

13th July 1917.

Reference maps
LENS - 1/100,000
HAZEBROUCK. SA. 1/100,000.

1. The 1st Australian Divisional Artillery will resume its march on the 15th July.
2. Marches for the 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th July will be in accordance with attached March Table.
3. The marching portion of V. COMPS Headquarters (1 Officer 40 Other Ranks, 75 horses) will be attached to 1st Aust. Div. Arty from 14th inst until arrival in 5th ARMY Area. They will march with and under orders of 1st Aust D.A.C.
4. (a) During the march on the 15th and 16th insts., through 1st Army Area, distances of 500 yards will be maintained between batteries and sections of the D.A.Cs.
(b) During the march on the 17th and 18th insts, through 2nd Army Area, the distances of 500 yards between batteries and sections of the D.A.C. will be done away with and normal march distances only will be maintained.
5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Alec M. Forbes Major.
Brigade Major 1st Aust Div Arty.

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5.	Signal Officer
6.	Staff Captain
7.	O.C., No.1. Coy 1st Aust Div ² Train.
8.	Supply Officer 1st Aust Div Troops.
9.	1st Aust Div.
10.	L.A. 1st ARBAC.
11.	General Staff 1st ARMY.
12.	" " 2nd ARMY.)
13.	FILE.
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For information.

ARCH TABLE to accompany 1st Aust Div Arty Order No.103.

Date	Starting Point.	To.	Route	Remarks.
July 15th.	One mile North of <u>X</u> in <u>TROISVAUX</u>	AMES Area	via VALHUON-FAUX-PERNES-AUMERVAL.	Head of 1st F.A. Brigade to pass Starting Point at 5 a.m. Head of 2nd F.A. Brigade to pass Starting Point at 5.45 a.m. Head of D.A.C. to pass Starting Point at 6-30 a.m.
July 16th	Cross Roads half a mile .. of A in <u>AUCHY-au-BOIS</u>	AIRE Area	via <u>STHILAIRE-NORRENT</u> <u>PONTES-FONTES-MAZINGHEM-LAMBRES-AIRE.</u>	Head of 2nd F.A. Brigade to pass Starting Point at 5 a.m. Head of D.A.C. to pass Starting Point at 5.45 a.m. Head of 1st F.A. Brigade to pass Starting Point at 6.45 a.m.
July 17th	Cross roads half a mile S. of first <u>E.</u> in <u>STEENBECQUE.</u>	Area about <u>STAPLE.</u>	via first E. of <u>STEENBECQUE-R</u> of <u>SERCUS-WALLOU</u> <u>CAPPEL.</u>	Head of D.A.C. to pass Starting Point at 6.15 a.m. Head of 1st F.A. Brigade to pass Starting Point at 7 a.m. Head of 2nd F.A. Brigade to pass Starting Point at 7.30 a.m.
July 18th.	<u>LONGUE CROIX</u> Cross Roads.	Area about <u>STEENVOORDE</u>	<u>LONGUE CROIX-ST SILVESTRE</u> <u>CAPPEL-STEENVOORDE.</u> Note. Route from <u>LONGUE CROIX</u> to <u>ST SILVESTRE</u> <u>CAPPEL</u> will be as shown red on attached tracing.	Head of 1st F.A. Brigade to pass Starting Point at 5.15 a.m. Head of 2nd F.A. Brigade to pass Starting Point at 5.45 a.m. Head of D.A.C. to pass Starting Point at 6.15 a.m. Note. Head of 1st Brigade not to enter <u>ST SILVESTRE CAPPEL</u> before 7 a.m.

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18/7/17Reference Map
HAZEBROUCH 5A 1/100000

1. 1st Australian Divisional Artillery will march from the EECKE Area to join 30th Divisional Artillery on the morning of the 19th July.
2. Starting point will be the Railway Crossing $\frac{1}{4}$ mile N of G in DODEWAERSVELDE.
3. Route. GODEWAERSVELDE - BOESCHEPE \dagger HENINGHELST
4. Head of 2nd F.A. Brigade to pass starting point at 4 45am
Head of D.A.C. to pass starting point at 5 15am
Head of 1st F.A. Bde to pass starting point at 6 am.
5. Guides will meet brigades and D.A.C. in HENINGHELST and guide them to their wagon lines.
6. From the time of arrival at Wagon lines the 1st Aust. Div. Artillery (less Headquarters) will come under orders of 30th Divisional Artillery.
7. Until further orders 1st Aust. Div. Art Headquarters will be located at GODEWAERSVELDE
8. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Alec M FORBES Major.
Bde Major 1st Aust. Div. Art.Distribution

- 1 1st F.A. Bde
- 2 2nd F.A. Bde
- 3 D.A.C.
- 4 O.C., No 1 Coy 1st A.D. Train.
- 5 30th Div. Art.
- 6 R.A., II Corps.
- 7 1st Aust. Div.
- 8 R.A., 1st ANZAC
- 9 Supply Officer 1st Aust. Div. Troops
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FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY

ADDENDUM TO ORDER NO 104.

Headquarters
19th July 1917.

1. Para No 7 is cancelled.
2. Until further orders 1st Australian Divisional Artillery Headquarters will be located at No 25 Rue NEUVE STEENVOORDE.

Alec M Forbes Major.

Issued to all recipients of Order No 104

FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

OPERATION REPORT No. 7.

From 4 pm. 30/17 to 4 pm 1/7/17.

OBSERVATION. Red owing to mist and rain.

OUR ARTILLERY. In accordance with Corps Night Programme our 18-pdrs shelled approaches to HORUVRES in E.16.C., E.16.D., K.20.A. and E.20.B. during the night, also tracks in K.8.C., K.9.A and B.

Our 4.2 howitzers expended a number of rounds on junction of roads, trenches and tracks at E.19.D.80.91 and on bridge in E.27.C.10.40.

A battery in K.10.B.5.8 was silenced and a working party in K.20.D. Central dispersed by our fire.

ENEMY ARTILLERY.

Time	Rounds	Nature of Gun or How.	Target	Locality of Battery	How located.
1.15 am to 2.30 a.m.	60	77 mm.	J.28.B.	HAIRINCOURT.	Sound.
1.10 p.m.	2	4.2. H.V.	J.24.C.	GRAINCOURT.	"

ENEMY MOVEMENT. Battery in action in K.10.B.5.8 and a working party in K.20.D. Central.

AERIAL ACTIVITY. NIL.

A. Brown
Lieut.
Reconnaissance Officer.
1st Aust Div Arty.

DISTRIBUTION.

- R.A. IV Corps
- Staff Officer R.A.IV Corps.
- 48th Division
- 4th Corps Heavy Arty
- Counter Batteries IV Corps
- 1st F.A. Sde
- 2nd F.A. Sde
- D.I.S.O.
- File
- Spare.

SECRET.FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.OPERATION REPORT No. 8.

HEADQUARTERS

2/7/17.

From 4 pm 1/7/17 to 4 pm 2/7/17.OBSERVATION. Good.

OUR ARTILLERY. In accordance with Corps Night Firing Programme our 18-pdrs searched the LOUVYRAL-ENCREY ROAD from D.24.A.80.88 back to ENCREY in bursts of gunfire throughout the night; also roads and tracks in K.18 and K.19.

At the request of the Left Infantry Brigade the following co-ordinates were shelled and very satisfactory results reported:-

D.20.A.80.80 to D.14.C.8.1; E.21.A.8.8 to D.16.A.8.8; D.21.B.8.8 to D.18.D.8.8 and D.22.A.8.8 to D.18.C.7.8.

Our 4.5" Howitzers dispersed a column of troops in K.18.E., and also shelled the following: E.20.A.4.8 to E.20.C.4.8. QUARRY WOOD at E.10.A. and TARPOLN COPSE E.18.8.

Five direct hits were observed on an enemy machine gun position shelled by our 18-pdrs at K.27.C.8.8.

ENEMY ARTILLERY.

Time	Rounds	Nature of gun or how.	Target	Locality of battery	How located.
4 pm to 8-30 pm	80	18 cm How.	J.6-C.8.8	Sound bearing 107° from J.8.C.85.08. Battery judged to be about K.17.	
10 am to 10-30 } 11 to 1-30 pm. }	80	18 cm How.	J.8.B.8 J.17.A.	GRAINCOURT	Sound.
8-30 pm to 2 am.	20	77 mm.	J.20.B.8.D.	North of HARRYNGOURT	Sound.
8-30 a.m.	200	77 mm	K.22 A & B.	FLESGUIRES	"
1.30 am to 2-30 pm.	80	8.8.	J.20.D.	Unknown.	-

MOVEMENT. Column of troops in E.18.E. Central dispersed by our fire. Movement observed in the following- D.18.C.8.8, K.24, E.18, and K.27.C.8.8.

Enemy working parties in K.20.B.8.8 and K.20.C.8.8; also a trench mortar observed in K.21.A.85.80.

AIRIAL ACTIVITY. 10 a.m. Two hostile planes over ENCREY were driven off by our A.A. guns.

GENERAL. 1/7/17, visibility generally low owing to mist.
2/7/17 visibility good.

H. Howard
Lieut.
Reconnaissance Officer.
1st Aust Div Arty.

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HEADQUARTERS,

OPERATION REPORT No. 9.

3rd July 1917.

From 4 AM. 2/7/17 to 4 PM 3/7/17.OBSERVATION.

Raid.

OUR ARTILLERY.

The LOUVERVAL-INCHEY ROAD from Orster at E.24.A.58.58 back to INCHEY was shelled by our 18-prs. during the night in accordance with Corps Night Programme No. 18, and Night Group searched and swept from K.10.A.50.75 to K.9.D.25.95 and cross roads at K.25.D. and K.15.D.

A number of rounds were expended in support of Raid by 187th Infantry Brigade on WIGAN COPSE (K.26.D.3.3) and DEAN COPSE (K.22.D.9.7). Our 4.5. Howitzers assisted in this raid by shelling suspected machine gun positions as follows- K.26.D.20.88, K.26.D.20.80, K.26.D.70.50 and K.27.A.10.55 and also shelled Road Junction at E.15.D.50.95 and roads from K.14.C.40.55 to E.14.C.55.77.

ENEMY ARTILLERY.

Time	Shots	Nature of gun	Target	Locality of Battery.	How located.
1.30 P.M. to 5.30 P.M.	60	15 c.m.	J.9. & J.18.	GRAINCOURT	Sound.
10.45 AM to 11.30 A.M.	30	c.m.	K.14.C.	FLEQUIERES	Sound

ENEMY MOVEMENT.

Working parties at K.15.D.5.2 and K.27.C.45.20 were dispersed by our fire.

AERIAL ACTIVITY.

Enemy plane over BOUSSIERE.

A. J. Jones
Lieut.
Reconnissance Officer.
1st Aust Div Arty.

DISTRIBUTION.

R.A. IVth Corps.
Staff Officer R.A. IVth Corps.
48th Division.
IVth Corps Heavy Artillery.
Counter Batteries IVth Corps
1st F.A. Bde
2nd F.A. Bde
D.T.S.O.
File.
Spare.

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FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

OPERATION REPORT No. 10.

From 4 p.m. 3/7/17 to 4 p.m. 4/7/17.

HEADQUARTERS.

4th July 1917.

OBSERVATION. Bad owing to mist.

OUR ARTILLERY. In accordance with Night Firing Programme our 18.pdrs shelled the BAPAUME-CAMBRAI ROAD in K.26.D. and K.27.C.; LOUVERVAL-IBOY ROAD from D.24.A.25.25 to D.18.D.2.0 and tracks in K.20.B. K.20.D., K.21.C. K.22.C. and K.27.A.

4.5" Howitzers expended a number of rounds on bridge in K.20.B.27.25 and Enemy Trench Mortar Battery in K.9.C.6.2.

ENEMY ARTILLERY.

Time	Shots	Nature of Gun or How.	Target	Locality shelled	How located.
2.30 p.m. to 7 p.m.	70	B.9	DEICOURT	<i>of Battery</i> Unknown	-

ENEMY MOVEMENT. Enemy party at V.28.D.1.1 was shelled at request of Infantry; mist prevented observation.

Small party observed moving along trench in K.21.C.4.5.
Suspected 4.2 Battery at K.9.C.6.2.

AERIAL ACTIVITY. Enemy aeroplanes very active during the day at a high altitude.

DISTRIBUTION.

R.A. 4th Corps
Staff Officer R.A. IV Corps.
48th Division.
24th Corps Heavy Arty.
Counter Batteries IVth Corps.
1st F.A. Bde
2nd F.A. Bde
D.V.M.C.
File
Spare.

A. G. Thompson
Lieut.
Reconnaissance Officer
1st Aust Div Arty.

FIRST AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.SECRET.

OPERATION REPORT No.11.

HEADQUARTERS
5/7/17.From 4 p.m. 4/7/17 to 4 p.m. 5/7/17.OBSERVATION. Good.

OUR ARTILLERY. During the night our 12-pdrs shelled the INCHY-PRONVILLE ROAD and Copso at D.15.C.75.40 and D.14.D.0.8; also GRAINCOURT Road from K.9.E.35.90 to K.4.D.75.55 and tracks in K.9.A., K.9.B and K.9.E.

4.5. Howitzers expended a number of rounds on suspected O.P. at H.27.E.0.05 and enemy battery position at K.11.A.2.5 and K.9.D.0.5.

A few rounds were expended in checking Zero Lines.

ENEMY ARTILLERY.

Time.	Rounds	Nature of Gun or how.	Target	Locality of Battery	How located.
8 am to 11-30 a.m.	15	4.2 H.V.	J.35.	GRAINCOURT	Sound.
10 am to 11.15 a.m.	30	4.2 H.V.	J.36.	FUESQUIERES	"
8.15 pm to 9.40 pm.	30	77 mm.	K.7.C. 8.7.	K.11.A.2.5.	"
8 am to 9.45 am and 9 am to 11.20 am.	50	5.9.	J.35.C.	K.9.D.0.5.	"

Sunken road in J.17.B. was shelled intermittently throughout the day.

ENEMY MOVEMENT.

7.30 am. 1 Train proceeding from BOURLON to LE MARQUION.

7.45 am Trains proceeding from LE MARQUION to CA BIAI.

8.15 am Trains from CAGNICOURT to LE MARQUION.

Fairly heavy and continuous vehicular traffic along road from W.28.C. south east to BOURLON.

AERIAL ACTIVITIES. Normal.

[Signature]
2/Lieut.
Reconnaissance Officer.
1st Aust Div Arty.

DISTRIBUTION.
R.A. IV Corps.
Staff Officer R.A. IV Corps
3rd Division.
4th Corps Heavy Arty
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1st F.A. Bde
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