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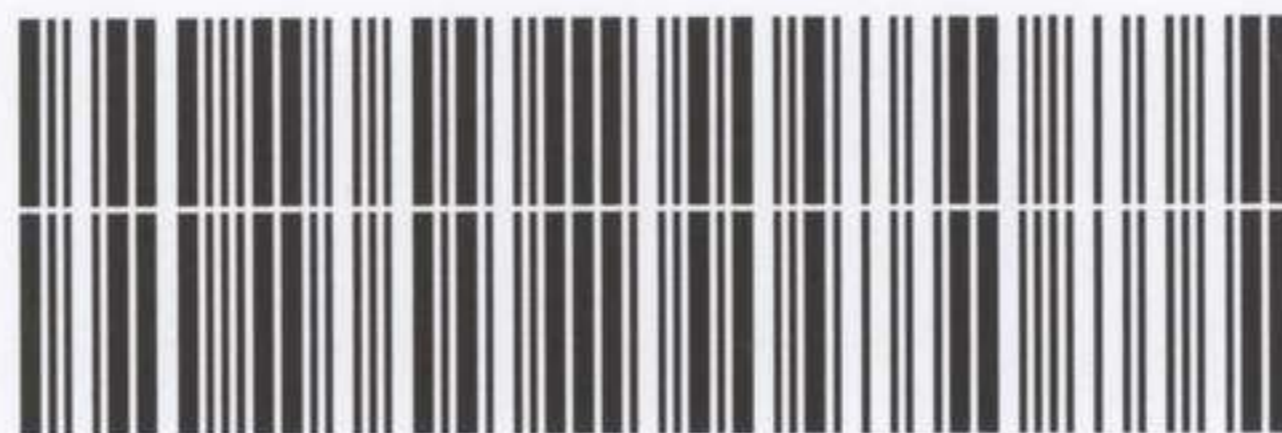
**Australian Imperial Force unit war diaries,
1914-18 War**

Cyclists

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WAR DIARY

OF

Australian Corps Cyclist Bn.

FOR

July, 191*8*.

AUSTRALIAN CORPS	
CYCLIST BATTN.	
No.	<i>AVCF 826</i>
Date	<i>7.8.18.</i>

Signature of Officer compiling *Dawson Lieut & Adj.*

Signature of Officer Commanding *Harrison Captain.*

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CYCLIST BATTN.

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Army Form C. 2118.

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

Australian Corps Cyclist Bn
Sheet 1.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Map. Ref. Sheet 62 D B 20. c 8. 8.	1. 7. 18		<p>The Battalion in ST. GRATIEN wood. Aust. Corps Intd Troops Headquarters LONGPRÉ.</p> <p>Battalion strength - Officers 18. Other Ranks, 305. Attached - 1 armoured 2 a.s.c. Drivers 4 Amb Orderlies and 100 Other Ranks authorized supernumerary personnel.</p> <p>Total strength - 18 Officers, 412 Other Ranks.</p> <p>Distribution of personnel:- On detachments 11 Officers, 309 Other Ranks</p> <p>In Camp - 5 Officers, 85 Other Ranks.</p> <p>In Hospital - 1 Officer 14 Other Ranks, On English & Paris leave - 4 Other Ranks.</p> <p>One platoon attached each Aust. Div. for patrol & reconnaissance duties</p> <p>Platoon with 1st Aust. Div. engaged on northern front.</p> <p>Lieut. G. J. Butler & 30 O.R.s detailed for 2 days duty with Corps Camouflage Officer, on Camouflage Dump. 1 O.R. from Hospital. 1 O.R. from Base</p> <p>Weather report - Fine.</p>	
"	2. 7. 18		<p>Word received that the Hon. Wm Hughes Prime Minister of Australia would visit A.S.F. units, but later in the day the visit was cancelled.</p> <p>1 O.R. reported from Hospital. Weather report - Fine.</p>	
	3. 7. 18		<p>Nothing to report.</p>	

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Map. Ref. Sheet 62D B. 20. c. 8. 8.	3.7.18		Nothing to report.	
	4.7.18		During a successful engagement in which the Corps line was advanced, Cyclists co-operated for purpose of liaison between Battns, & Brigades of 4th Aust Div in vicinity of HAMEL, Sheet 62D. P. 10. central. 2 O.R.'s evacuated to Hospital. 1 O.R. proceeded on overseas leave.	
			Weather report - Fine	
"	5.7.18		Lieut. P. J. Baylies & Lieut. L. J. Trout re-transferred ^{from} to XXII Corps Intd. Regt., to unit Lieut. H. J. MacLennan is transferred to XXII Corps Intd. Regt.	
			During the evening Divine service was held in camp by Aust. Corps Intd. Troops Chaplain, Capt. H. W. Johnson.	
			2 O.R.'s rejoined from Hospital. 1 O.R. evacuated to Hospital.	
			Weather report - Fine.	
"	6.7.18		Lieut. A. E. Lord relieved by Lieut. J. J. Butler as ofc Corps Reinforcement Staging Depot. Sheet 62E. F. 21. d.	
			3 O.R.'s rejoined from 8 days Paris leave. 3 O.R.'s from Hospital. Weather remains fine.	

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Map. Ref. Sheet 62D B.20. C. 8.8.	7.7.18		<p>Lieut. A.E. Lord marched out transferred to XXI Corps Intd. Regiment. Capt. J.S. Scouler + 2 O.R.'s proceeded on Paris leave. Lieut. J.G.W. White assumed duties as Area Comdt CAGNY during absence of Capt. Scouler 1 O.R. tried by F.G. Ctr. for breach of censorship regulations, found guilty & sentenced to 60 days F.P. No. 2 1 O.R. evacuated to Hospital. Weather report - Hot & sultry.</p>	
"	8.7.18		<p>All available personnel in camp being trained as Lewis Gunners 1 O.R. evacuated to Hospital. 2 O.R.'s reported from Hospital. Weather report - Hot during day, showery at night.</p>	
"	9.7.18		<p>1 O.R. to Corps Inf. School as candidate for O.I.C. 2 O.R.'s to Corps Lewis Gun School, RUE. Weather report - Showery.</p>	
"	10.7.18	13.7.18	Nothing to report.	
"	14.7.18		<p>1 O.R. tried by F.G. Ctr. on charge of (1) Striking his superior officer (2) Absence. Found guilty & sentenced to 6 mths I.H.L. 3 O.R.'s reported from Base.</p>	

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Map. Ref. Sheet 62 D B. 20. C. 8. 8.	14.7.18		3 OR ^s transferred to 1 st Aust. Division. 3 OR ^s evacuated to Hospital. Weather report - Dull.	
	15.7.18	16.7.18	Nothing to report.	
	17.7.18		Capt. J. F. S. Scouler + 2 OR ^s rejoined from Paris leave. Capt. Scouler took over duties as Area Commandant CAGNY from Lieut White.	
"	18.7.18		Weather report - Fine + warm during day, hailstorm during evening. Lieut. L. G. Trout proceeded to 1 st Aust. Div. to take command of Cyclist platoon attached.	
"	19.7.18		3 HCO ^s + 10 OR ^s marched out for duty as Bridge Guard AMIENS in relief of 9 th Corps Cyclist personnel. Weather report - Fine. Lieut P. C. Reid interviewed with view to transfer to Aust. Flying Corps. This officer also proceeded on leave to LE HAVRE	
"	20.7.18		Under instructions received from Corps, the Battalion moved to LONGPRÉ, sheet 62 E. L 20. d., and went into billets there temporarily. Route taken was via ALLONVILLE and POULAINVILLE distance approx. 70	

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Map Ref. Sheet 62D B. 20. C. 88.	20.7.18		13 kilos. move was completed by 1 pm. Excellent billets were obtained in the village. weather report - Showery.	
Map Ref. Sheet 62E L. 20. C. 8.4	21.7.18	23.7.18	Nothing to report.	
"	24.7.18		Lieut. W. Ward reported from Hospital. Capt. J. Harrison relieved by Lieut. P. J. Bayliss as Area Comdt. ST. GRATIEN. 2 OR's proceeded on Overseas leave.	
"	25.7.18		Major J. E. Hindhaugh proceeded on 30 days special leave to United Kingdom. Capt. J. Harrison assumed command during absence of Major Hindhaugh.	
"	26.7.18		Detachment of 7 OR's rejoined from Corps Chemical Adviser. This party have been engaged in fitting new eye pieces in Respirators in the forward area artillery & engineer units. weather report - Dull.	
"	27.7.18	30.7.18	Nothing to report.	
"	31.7.18		The health of the unit during month has been very satisfactory. Bathing facilities are available in the canal & daily bathing parades have been held. Battalion strength as at 31.7.18 - Officers 18. Other ranks 305. Attached :- 1 Armourer, 2 Asst Drivers, 4 Amb Orderlies, 107 other ranks authorised supernumerary personnel.	

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Detachments as at 31st July, 1918.

Particulars of detachment.	Offs.	O.R's.
Signals Australian Corps.	-	14
" " " Heavy Artillery.	-	3
" 1st Aust. Division.	-	9
" 2nd " "	-	8
" 3rd " "	-	9
" 4th " "	-	9
" 5th " "	-	9
A.P.M. 1st " "	-	3
" 2nd " "	-	2
" 5th " "	-	3
Salvage 1st " "	-	1
" 2nd " "	-	1
" 5th " "	-	1
A.P.M. Australian Corps.	-	57
Platoon attached 1st Aust. Division.	1	30
" " 2nd " "	1	30
" " 3rd " "	2	31
" " 4th " "	1	30
" " 5th " "	1	32
Corps Chemical Adviser.	-	27
" Reinforcement Camp.	-	4
" Staging Depot.	1	6
Attached XXII Corps Mounted Regt.,	-	1
4th Div. H.Q.	-	1
Aust. Corps H.Q.	-	1
" " School.	1	4
Corps Gas School.	-	3
Area Comdt ST. GRATIEN.	1	5
" " COISY.	1	1
" " CAMON.	1	5
" " CAGNY.	2	9
Corps Agricultural Officer.	-	7
Bridge Guard AMIENS.	-	13
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