

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

Artillery

**Item number:** 13/95/7

**Title:** V1A Heavy Trench Mortar Battery

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WAR DIARY  
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Albert	January 1917	1 <sup>st</sup>	Tramway work. Strength 2 officers 60 other ranks.	VIA H Q M Battery 1 <sup>st</sup> Australian Division
		2.	Tramway work Gunner Healy to Hospital 2 officers 59 OR	
		3.	Tramway work	
		4.	Tramway work. Lt Johnstone with B. S.M.C. inspected front line to find Heavy Trench Mortar Positions. Serjeant Challen J.L.G. No 245 Killed in Action Strength 2 officers 58 OR	
		5.	Tramway Work	
		6.	Tramway Work	
		7.	Tramway Work	
		8.	Tramway Work	
		9.	Tramway Work	
		10.	Tramway Work	
		11.	Tramway Work	
		12.	Tramway Work & Ammunition work (18 pdr)	
		13.	Salvaging 18 pdr ammunition & storing same in dug outs.	
		14.	Ammunition Work. Gunner Taylor G transferred to Corps Light Railway Strength 2 Officers 57 Other Ranks	
		15.	Ammunition work	
		16.	Ammunition work	
		17.	VIA Battery came out of the line to Rest Billet Meaulte	
		18.	Battery taken to Divisional Baths. Clothing & Equipment inspection	

Lt Johnstone sent

WAR DIARY

Army Form C. 2118.

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Albert	Jan 19		VIA Battery proceeded to 4th Army Trench Mortar School Vaux-en-Amiénois		
			Gunner Myhill CA No 11096 to Hospital Strength 2 Officers 56 O.R.		
		20	Instruction at School.		
		21	Instruction at School		
		22	Instruction at School		
		23	Instruction at School		
		24	Instruction at School Bombardier Sweeney P No 2903 to Hospital Strength		
			2 Officers 55 O.R.		
		25	Instruction at School		
		26	Instruction at School.		
		27	Instruction at School Lt H Bird transferred to 1st B. A.C 25/1/17 Strength 1 Officer 50 O.R.		
		28	Instruction at School		
		29	Instruction at School. 8 reinforcement joined up the Battery. 1 Officer 63 O.R.		
		30	VIA Battery returned from School to Rest Billet at Meaulhe		
		31	Camp Fatigue Lt J. L. G. Johnstone inspected front line and positions for Heavy Trench Mortar		

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