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2/1 Infantry Battalion

October 1942

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit.....

Date and Time.—From.....

To 2359 hrs 1 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
JAWARERE	1 Oct 42	0715	Stand down - dinner	
		0800	Officers patrol sent along track EAST towards BAIFANA	Att. 1
		1000	Message received from 16 Bde HQ recalling CO to Bde HQ. As b.o. had not returned a runner was sent out to locate him near camp, the b.o. went straight back to Bde.	
		1530	Patrol from BAIFANA track returned.	
			b.o. did not return to camp.	
		1800	A 101 W/T set arrived from 16 Bde.	
			55 Pkty had reached JAWARERE as was anticipated.	
		2030	A news summary furnished by Bde HQ was received	Att is org of HQ Coy. Also Supply.

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JAWAKERE	1 OCT 42		Present Organisation of HQ Coy	
1	At Wallgrove		14 MMGs were received & an MMG wing of 4A was formed, organised on a similar basis to the 4 Bn Secs. This permitted MMG's to be mounted in carriers.	
2	On leaving Port Moresby Area		all carriers were brigaded, with 2 officers & 39 OR's, the carriers being armed with 10 MMG's & 4 Brens.	
3	6 Mortar carriers		were also brigaded (7 landed but one burnt). With these were 6 drivers, 1 Sgt & 4 mortar Nos with two 3" mortars	
4	2 Qc (A/A) & 5 Pl (Pns)		were each reorganised as rifle Coy Pls.	
5	Transport landed		comprised 17 vehicles (1 car DS, 1 office Van, 1 water cart 3/3 ton & 11/15 cwt) & 15 M/bicycles which were brigaded	
6	1 off, 1 WO II & 3 OR's		were left with Bn as L.O.B.	
7	1 off & 32 OR's		were also left at Bn.	

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			ORGANISATION of HQ Coy	
On departure from ITIKI for JAWARERE			HQ Coy was organised & armed as follows	
A Coy HQ	1 OFF	6 OR's	B SIG. Pl 1 OFF 26 OR's	
			Each rifle boy 3 OR's, one 108 R/T set with key attachment (W/T only being used) One L.S.D.S.R. One D5 telephone & 400 yds cable.	
			One OR with D5 at rear dump & at B/HQ one OFF 13 OR's, with 2/108 sets with key att, 2x D5, one mile cable, 2 LSDSR's	
C 2 Pl (A/A) discharged	1 OFF	29 OR's	org & equipped as a rifle Pl with 3 Brens 4 TSM/G's, 1x 2" mortar & 1 cut	
D 3 Pl (Mortars)	1 OFF	27 OR's	with 2/3" mortars organised into 2 secs, 4 men in each section were armed with pistols only. 33 bombs were carried to JAWARERE. 2 men in each sec were armed with TSM/G	
E 4 Pl. M/M/G	1 OFF	36 OR's	with 2/M/M/G's org. into 2 secs each with 4 men armed with a pistol	
			27 belts of 250 rds were carried. 2 men in each sec were armed with TSM/G	
F 5 Pl Quarters	1 OFF	26 OR's	org & equipped the same as 2 Pl except they also carried 2 picks 2 spades & a small quantity of explosives.	

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			ORG OF HQ Coy	
G	6 PM	(Adm)	1 OFF & 21 OR's	
H	GR PM		1 OFF 14 OR's 1 Med orderly — 3 TSMG's	
9/	All personnel were armed with either an automatic weapon rifle or revolver & one grenade.			
10/	1 Sig pistol & 18 flares were carried by Coy HQ			
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Unit 2/1 Aust Inf Bn

Date and Time.—From

To 2359 hrs 2 OCT 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
JAWARERE	2 OCT 42	0715	Stand down - sit down	
		0800	Patrol under Capt King sent East along track to Bayana on further recon.	
		0930	Warning order received from Col-bullen that unit will be relieved by 5 OCT 42 & will move back to Division Reception Camp at Base Area, and thence to NAURO. Recce party of relieving unit to arrive today.	
		1150	Warning Order — B Coy 100 HQ Coy to move 0800 hrs 3 OCT. A Coy Balance HQ Coy 4 OCT.	
		1300	Lieut Leamy at NIGABAIFA advised to retire as soon as possible to JAWARERE	
		1355	Blankets have been recalled & 1/2 blankets issued to each man.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
JAWARERE	2 OCT 42	1510	C Coy advised — One pl return to JAWARERE	
			3 OCT 42 . Pl to patrol NIGA BAIFAX ALLENS JUNG.	
			Further orders JAWARERE.	
		1530	Advice received from Lt B.O that he had left 16 Bde HQ & calling conference of Coy Comd here D & C Coy at 1700 hrs.	
		1630	Patrol under Capt King returned.	
		1815	B.O. returned & conference held.	1 & Supply
			The Sigs have tapped into the line laid by 55 Bty & there is now line communication back to Subitana where Bde HQ is situated.	
			All med are now ^{taking} genuine tablets daily.	
			Weather has been fine & warm all day.	

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*2/1 AUST INF BN*

Date and Time.—From

To

*2 OCT 42*

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
<i>JAWARERE</i>			<p style="text-align: center;"><i>C.O's conference</i></p> <p><i>Personnel will move to SUBITANA where a meal will be waiting &amp; will be picked up by transport and taken to Div Reception Camp.</i></p> <p><i>The 2/3" MORTARS &amp; 2 VICKERS Guns to be transported by mule &amp; truck back to SUBITANA. 16 empty Vickers belts only to be carried.</i></p> <p><i>The MORTARS &amp; VICKERS were man handled to JAWARERE with 33/3" MORTAR bombs &amp; 29 VICKERS belts.</i></p>	



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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
JAWARERE			<p style="text-align: center;">b.o's conference</p> <p>emergency rations, unconsumed portions of days meal.</p> <p><u>Ammt</u>, 10 Rfman all grenades</p> <p>2 loaded hand mags 10 empty mags</p> <p>2 " TSMG mags 8 " "</p> <p>Draw of Base</p> <p>Sat. 3 <del>July</del></p> <p>0600 Hrs B Coy</p> <p>0700 " D Coy from SAMS CNR</p> <p>0800 " Part of HQ Coy &amp; part of BNHQ</p> <p>4.</p> <p>0600 " A Coy</p> <p>0700 " 70 HQ Coy</p> <p>5</p> <p>0600 " C Coy</p> <p>0700 " Blnce HQ Coy</p> <p>Blnce Bn HQ</p>	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
JAWARERE	2 OCT 42	1800	<p>L.O's Conference 2 OCT 42</p> <p>Unit is to be relieved by 4 Co of 36 BN &amp; will move to NAURO through ITIKI &amp; UBERI.</p> <p>Recess party of 36 BN to arrive 3 OCT 42.</p> <p>Unit will stage first night at UBERI, second night at IORABAWA &amp; third night NAURO.</p> <p>Unit will commence to leave JAWARERE morning of 3 OCT 42 &amp; will move to Divisional Reception Camp at Base Area &amp; will move fwd to UBERI at 0600 hrs 6 OCT 42.</p> <p>Arrangements have been made to pick up equipment &amp; ammo at Base Area &amp; men will only carry back the following, full web equip, toilet &amp; mess gear, g.d. sheet, caps A/Sas, personal gear</p>	/

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When C.O. returned he was in an exhausted condition having walked approx 36 miles in 32 hrs & it was decided ^{to ask that} in future that when Bns are some distance from Bde HQ that C.O's be not recalled when the distance is to be covered on foot but that liaison officers be used.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
JAWARERE	3 OCT 42	0600	B Coy left for Dev Reception camp	
		0700	Lieut Leany with Pioneer Pl arrived back from NIGUBAIFA	
		0800	Part of HQ Coy & S of BSHQ left for Base Area	
			<p>Weather was fine &amp; although quite a bit of mud was found in difficult parts of the track going was not over difficult.</p> <p>Arriving at SUBITANA a meal was waiting for the men consisting of</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">1 tin peas or leaches, 1 tin apricots &amp; 1 tin cream between 3 men</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">2 Tins bread butter &amp; jam</p> <p>and an issue of comforts was received of PK's</p>	

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The meal had been splendidly organised by Lieut Harpley who has remained at rear HQ & was greatly appreciated by the men who after the hard march back of approx 7 miles exhibited very high spirits when the meal was completed

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			poor underpants.	
SUBITANA	3 OCT		Transport lifted the men from here back to Reception camp at Base Anua, the last load being brought in at 1720 hrs.	
JAWARERE	3 OCT	0900	Lieut Nathan & 4 OR's left with Lieut Brooke (who is working for CRE 7 Div) to make a run to NAURO & act as an escort for him.	See Att.
			A JEEP was passed within 10 mins drive from JAWARERE.	
			Although the CO had arranged for a jeep to pick him up, the driver wanted to try & reach JAWARERE & the vehicle subsequently broke down, the CO having to walk, being picked up approx 1 mile from Subitana.	

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It is suggested that where possible, after or during a hard march, that the men be given a drink or a meal, as the subsequent rise in morale of the troops has proved the value of such.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	4 Oct 42	0900	<p>L.O's orderly room held</p> <p>Pay was made to the men limit of £1 &amp; canteen goods made available. No razor blades however &amp; men are having difficulty in obtaining supplies as they are to shave every day.</p>	
		1400	<p>Vickers Pl &amp; Brenner Pl arrived at Rest bank.</p>	
		1700	<p>One Pl of C Coy arrived.</p>	
			<p>Weather is warm &amp; fine &amp; men are taking advantage of swimming facilities nearby.</p> <p>With a few picture show (shown on) nearby the men are leaving almost an hour before the show begins in order to obtain a seat.</p>	

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Date and Time.—From _____ To 2359hrs 5 OCT 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BASE AREA	5 OCT	0900	<p>boys on short route marches. checking up on equipment &amp; clothing. All men have had dubbin rubbed into their boots &amp; spurs hammered in. 5 bootmakers being supplied by A.O.C. doing what you want.</p> <p>A further comforts issue was made of handkerchiefs, soap, tooth paste, shaving soap, toilet soap, writing material.</p> <p>The following note was received from Major Miller 2 IC of Unit who had been left at Jawarere —</p> <p>"Relief of JAWARERE by "C" Coy 36 BN</p> <p>Capt Power 36 BN arrived before dusk 30 OCT 42</p> <p>given info —</p> <p>Believing parties arrived 1030 hrs 4 OCT 42</p> <p>Strongest Pl- 1 off 13 OR's — Many stragglers</p>	<p>doing what you want service.</p>

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To 2359 hrs 5 OCT 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BASE AREA	5 OCT 42		No sign of 4th Pl - Capt Powers O.C. decided relieve NIGA with one Pl which set off at 1230 hrs. remainder followed 1445 hrs.	See Att. 1
		1400	Lecture given to Officers & Pl Sgts and Patrols by Lieut Traise (110).	
		1640	L.O.'s conference Unit preparing to move out.	See Att. 2.
			Weather has been fine & dry.	



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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
			C.O.'s conference	
			Unit to leave camp for UBERI 6 OCT 42	
			Move as follows	
		0600	A Coy } Embus & move off	
			B Coy }	
		0630	D Coy } Breakfast 0500 hrs.	
			Bn HQ }	
			60 HQ Coy }	
		0800	Remain HQ Coy	
		0815	C Coy.	
			Trucks will move unit as far as FSD.	
			when unit will march to UBERI.	
			Revised at UBERI & move on 7 OCT 42	
			commencing 0600 hrs moving to IORABAWA.	
			It is expected that tea will be ready for the	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
			<p style="text-align: center;"><u>C O's conference</u></p> <p>at post 44.</p> <p>Rations to be carried</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">3 days emergency</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">1 days normal ration</p> <p>Amms</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">TSMG. max 6 mag loaded 4 unloaded</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Bren max 10 " " 2 "</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Grenades 1 each per man</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">50 rpm .303</p> <p>Loos. <span style="float: right;">No mortar amms to be carried</span></p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">1 Axe per boy</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">1 Shovel per sec.</p> <p>Oil bottles to be filled</p> <p>Salt cans be drawn if required.</p>	

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To

2359 hrs 6 OCT 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Bass Area	6 Oct 42	0600	<p>boys commenced leaving camp in following order A. B. D HQ Coy Bn HQ C Coy</p> <p>Unit was transported by truck to Newtons Dump approx 1 hrs journey towards UBERI</p> <p>Received coffee from Salvation Army at there after very difficult descent where flying fox is installed. Then crossed Inuta Range and camped near a creek at foot of range. Good running water - no rain. Lads in good spirits - no one dropped out. E. Coy to spend night at <del>there</del> UBERI. C.O. went on with Adj. to post 44. Over the very steep</p>	

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			<p>inclines, rests were found necessary at every convenient halting place, and at least every 30 mins it was advisable to loosen equipment. Rations were picked up at UBERI.</p> <p>Marching out from 7th Aust Div Reception Camp personnel of unit numbered 27 officers and 560 O/R's</p> <p>The C.O. is faced with the problem of moving the unit &amp; keeping it in a fit condition to fight. Consequently orders have been issued to buy bonds not to force the pace &amp; to rest the men as found necessary and where possible arrangements will be made to have tea ready for the men as they pass certain points. Lieut Frew has been sent to Post 44 to prepare the first supply of tea &amp; biscuits for the unit.</p> <p>Camp was made for the night at the northern side of</p>	

Imita Range at the bottom of the mountains approx 6 1/2 hrs marching time from NEWTONS DUMP

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Date and Time.—From 0001 hrs  
~~2359~~ To 2359 hrs 7 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Creek at foot of IMITA RANGE	7 Oct	0600	<p>Leading Coy left at 0600. Remainder bathed and washed in fresh running water. B.H.Q. moved off at 0900 to post 44 - 2 hrs. Given tea and picked up rations. Resting at frequent intervals found necessary. Some doubt exists about purity of water sopts instructed to use water tablets. Instruction generally disregarded as men are firmly of opinion that running water cleans itself in 100 yards. No ill effects. Passed graves of Australian soldiers marked "killed in Action" on IORABAIWA RANGE. Some Japanese soldiers also buried on range. Arrived at river for beautiful swim in waist-deep water. Ground polluted - graves nearby - flies bad - Camped at foot of IORIBAWA RANGE ALONGSIDE RIVER</p>	

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			<p>Journey became one long climb which appeared unending. Steps had been cut along the path but going is very arduous &amp; slow.</p> <p>Nearing the top of the 1000 BAWA Range a 37 mm gun &amp; ammo was seen by the track. It was in good order &amp; carefully guarded.</p> <p>The descent down the mountain was also very steep steps again leading from top to bottom where a fast flowing stream gave welcome relief &amp; camp was made for the night.</p> <p>The area however had been spoilt by JAP occupation &amp; conditions for camping were unpleasant. Fortunately no rain fell at night &amp; rest was undisturbed.</p> <p>Average boy marching time of second stage was 5 1/2 hrs.</p>	

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Date and Time.—From

To 8 OCT 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Foot of LORABAWA RANGE			<p>Steps led straight from river up the mountain range.                      Post 88 approx $\frac{3}{4}$ this march from the river was passed.                      Going again was arduous &amp; slow.                      The trip down the other side of the MAGOLI Range                      was also very steep &amp; led to NAURO where a supply                      dropping pt has been formed.                      Here A Coy remained while the remainder                      of the Unit followed the track for about an hour                      further camping near the river with 16 Bde HQ.                      Ground is very boggy almost swampy &amp;                      rain fell at 2330 hrs.                      Average Coy march time on 3rd stage was                      7 hrs.</p>	

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Unit 2/1. Aust Inf Bn

Date and Time.—From 0600 hrs To 2359 hrs 8 Oct 1942

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Foot of LORABAWA RANGE	9 Oct 1942	0600	Great difficulty experienced in lighting fires for breakfast. Leading Coy left at 0600. Some of steepest climbing yet experienced. Water was difficult to find and there were some empty water bottles. There were many signs of Japanese occupation, also quite a lot of discarded Australian equipment. Last stage of journey down hill using many steps to NAURO "dropping area" thence over boggy track to Bde H.Q. and camped on river bank. Rain at night. Padre Gallagher is with a Coy and intends coming on by 2 or 3 easy stages	



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Unit 2/1st Inf Bn

Date and Time.—From 0900 hrs

To 2359 hrs 9 Oct 1942

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
NAURO	10 Oct 1942	1000 hrs	<p>Majority spent night propped against tree-trunks with gas-capes over head. A miserable night spent in steamy undergrowth. Spirits rose though with the sun and clothes were washed in wide creek. No one seems to have discovered a good burning wood. Meals take up to 2 hrs to prepare and fires always require fanning. <del>Small</del> Rations are drawn from the dropping Area. 45 mins dist. an arduous, stumbling trip.</p> <p>C.O.'s conference at 0900 hrs see appendix 1. See Also Supply.</p> <p>C Coy arrived at 1300 hrs muddy and tired.</p> <p>Carrier Advance party under Lt. Wiseman notified to proceed to Menari</p>	AT NAURO

RAIN fell during afternoon & night

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Date and Time.—From 0201 hrs To 2359 hrs 9 OCT 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
NAURO	9 OCT 42	0900	CO's conference	
<p>It is expected unit will move to MENARI on 11 OCT 42.</p> <p>The following will be taken</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 Vickers MG with all belts &amp; boxes — 12 filled</li> <li>1/3" Mortar 36 Bombs HE</li> <li>100 SAA per man / Average 100 per man</li> <li>150 4 per Bren</li> <li>200 TSMG. per man</li> <li>Average 2 grenades per man if sec x 7 sec</li> <li>2 days hard ration 3 days emergency</li> <li>25 1/2" Mortar bombs.</li> </ul> <p>No fire to be lit after dark. Stand to 0600/0700 18/5/1915</p>				

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Date and Time.—From 000hrs 10 Oct 42 To 2359hrs 10 Oct 1942

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
NAURO	10 Oct 42	0600/700	Stand down — sitnor.	
			weather wet and very muddy underfoot	
		0730	advance party with carriers left for MENARI	
		0930	Pioneer pl. received orders to pack up and move to MENARI immediately	
			Day has brightened up and sun is shining.	
			Rations are plentiful but are drawn from dropping area at NAURO. Biscuits are all broken into very small pieces.	
			By instruction from Capt Cox 100 set and flags to be carried by sig. personnel on all future moves. Carriers, when available to take reserves of bty's etc.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
NAURO	10 Oct 42	1630	<p>The Bn has been ordered to move forward to MENARI to-morrow. Bde H.Q. is going on also, aided by 83 carriers who are proving invaluable in this very difficult country.</p> <p>Advice has been received that 16 OR's are moving from 7 Aust Div Reception camp to join the Unit.</p> <p>The Men have taken advantage of the dry day to wash in the river &amp; are all in good spirits anxious to move on.</p>	see movement order

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Unit 2/1 Aust Int Bn.

Date and Time.—From 0001 hrs 11 Oct 1942 To 2359 hrs 11 Oct 1942

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
<del>MENARI</del> NAURO	11 Oct 1942	0800	Moving on behind 'C' Coy after a good night with no rain. Troops are refreshed in body and spirit with clean clothing freshly shaven.	
MENARI		1300.	Brig. K. W. Eather as C.O. 2/1 Bn. met C.O. and Adj. at 25 Bde. H.Q. As a result of consultations together our Bde Comd. advised that the Bde would move forward to <del>Myata</del> MYOLA, a two-day's march - will leave on 14th behind the 2/2, one day ahead.  The march to MENARI was over a muddy, treacherous track for almost (Average march time 4 hrs)	

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Date and Time.—From 0001hrs 11 Oct 42 To 2359hrs 11 Oct 1942

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
MENARI	11 Oct 1942		<p>the entire journey. A welcome cup of tea was provided by 2/3 Bn. on whose area the unit camped. The various pl. and sections set to preparing shelters immediately against the usual evening fall of rain. Each group <del>is</del> camped alongside corresponding group of 2/3 Bn. Almost continual is the roar of planes in the air. Fortunately all friendly and mostly engaged in dropping supplies about 250yds along the track.</p>	

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Unit 2/1 Aust Inf Bn

Date and Time.—From

To 2359 hrs 12 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
MENARI	12 Oct 42	0615	Stand to.	See Att. 1
		0700	Stand down — sit down	
			2/3 Bn preparing to move to Efogi & every assistance with preparation of breakfast was given them.	
			The camp itself is on the top of a ridge approx 600' north of a clearing where supplies are dropped by plane. Water is obtained from a swiftly flowing stream at the bottom of the ridge.	
			The camp site has been partially cleared but once rain has fallen becomes very boggy & slippery.	
			Some trouble with flies is being experienced & old latrines have all been filled in & new ones dug.	

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Unit 2/1 Aust Inf Bn

Date and Time.—From _____ To 2359hrs 12 OCT 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
MENARI	12 OCT 42	1000	<p>The boys were engaged in the following</p> <p>A Coy — boy exercise until approx 1315 hrs then issue of clothing, drawing rations, repairing equipment</p> <p>B Coy — engaged in making steps up the track on the ridge leading to EFOGI &amp; bridge over river. Ref Mal KAGINDORA 415685</p> <p>C Coy — boy exercised involving an attack</p> <p>D Coy — 25 men constructed a wooden bridge at the foot of the ridge approx 200 yds north of camp area &amp; improved the track. Some men also assisted B Coy repair the track further north — see B Coy.</p> <p>HQ boy. Every available man was engaged in clearing the dropping area ^{of stumps + rubbish} for supplies.</p> <p>Day was fine throughout &amp; men are in splendid condition. Supplies are not short</p>	



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Unit 2/1 Aust Inf Bn

Date and Time.—From 3 To 2359 hrs 12 OCT 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
MENARI	12 OCT 42		<p>and the following can be obtained, bully beef, biscuits, bacon, tea, sugar, powdered milk, dried fruits &amp; rice, tinned.</p> <p>Advance party to EFOGI &amp; MYOLA under Capt MacArthur King was advised to be ready to leave at 0630 13 OCT 42. See ATT 2.</p> <p>The Unit has been instructed to move to MYOLA via EFOGI on 14 OCT 42 &amp; will assist in clearing site for a drome at MYOLA, also defense of MYOLA LAKE &amp; be prepared to move through 25 Bow &amp; capture KOKODA.</p>	
		1800	<p>A sitrep received said that 25 Bow had contacted the JAP between MYOLA &amp; TEMPLETONS crossing, but one Bn had pushed on to TEMPLETONS CROSSING.</p>	
		1930	<p>Stand down — sitrep.</p>	
			<p>NX 936 &amp; S/Sgt Lakinwood CS has been appointed RSM att. 3.</p>	

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Unit 2/1 AUST INF BN

Date and Time.—From _____ To 12 OCT 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
MENARI	12 OCT 42	WX	<p>Cpl Pryor of 2/16 Bn has been attached for the purpose of acting as a guide to the unit, having previously been at Lae towards as I SURAVA. Day has been fine &amp; men's spirits have been high.</p>	
		1700	<p>Paddy Gallagher reached MENARI camp and</p>	

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Unit 211 Aust. Inf. Bn.

Date and Time.—From 2359 HRS 12 Oct '42 To 2359 HRS 13 Oct '42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
MENARI	13 Oct '42 -	0615	STAND TO	
		0700	STAND DOWN - SITTING  ADVANCE PARTY CONSISTING OF RP, INTELLIGENCE, POWERS AND REPRESENTATIVES FROM EACH Coy (2 OFFS 32)  UNDER CAPTAIN McARTHUR KING LEFT 0630 HRS FOR EFOGI AND THENCE MYOLA (26 OFFS) ONE Lt. C. Coy UNDER LIEUT. POWELL LEFT AS ESCORT TO MAJOR GENERAL ALLEN AND G.G. "D" Coy MOVED INTO 2/2nd BATTALION AREA TO SECURE APPROACHES TO EFOGI. THE MORNING IS QUITE COOL AND WEATHER FINE  COL. CULLEN RECEIVED A REPORT ON THE CONDITION THAT THIS BATTALION LEFT 4TH Div STAGING CAMP, BAKE AREA. A CONFERENCE OF ALL OFFS HQ'S COYS WAS CALLED AND COL. CULLEN STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF THE HYGIENE QUESTION. WHILST IT WAS KNOWN THAT MORALE AND DISCIPLINE WAS VERY HIGH, THE HYGIENE SIDE WAS NOT UP TO STANDARD.  COLONEL CULLEN AND MAJOR GENERAL ALLEN DISCUSSED A PLAN FOR DEALING WITH JAP PARAGLIDERS OF 1 OR 2 Coy STRENGTH BY (A) CUTTING DOWN THE TREES ALL AROUND THEM WITH A SPECIAL COMPANY OF BREMEN.  (B) USING THIS METHOD TO INDICATE TO THE AIR FORCE POSITION OF THE ENEMY FOR DIVE BOMBING PURPOSES.	

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Unit 2/11 Aust Inf Bn.

Date and Time.—From 2359 hrs 12 Oct 42 To 2359 hrs 13 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
MENARI	13 Oct 42		<p>At 0700 this morning planes unloaded supplies on Menari dropping area approximately 250 yds from camp.</p> <p>Area several tins of grenades were wrapped in cotton waste fell in camp area.</p> <p>Starting work at 0615 hrs</p> <p>B Coy completed bridge and later across creek by 0800 hrs enabling 2/2nd Battalion to use it. This crossing considerably hampered Japanese march movements where it had been destroyed by our own or Jap forces retiring.</p> <p>A draft of personnel of hospital of 12 GPs under Sgt Brown OB arrived in Bn area.</p> <p>At 0800 hrs bringing with it Bn Q Coy pack which had been left, Sawarere area.</p> <p>Rain fell heavily at 1400 hrs approx, the first for two days.</p> <p><del>At 1000 hrs the</del> <del>messengers</del> <del>with</del> 150 men of HQ under their Officers cleared dropping area.</p> <p>Bn movement order out for cautious march to Fregi as per sig. Parcels issued.</p> <p>A JAPANESE CODE LIST WAS RECEIVED TODAY BY Bn HQ.</p> <p>The Battalion strength is now 29 Officers and 562 O'R's. etc. etc.</p> <p>Bn stood to 1830 hrs.</p> <p>Bn stood down 1930 hrs. SILENT. FINE NIGHT. After 1 1/2 days of fine weather troops are greatly bucked up &amp; ready to move fwd again.</p>	<p>SEE APPENDIX 1</p>

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Unit 2/1 Aust Inf Bn

Date and Time.—From 2359 HRS 13 Oct 42 To 2359 HRS 14 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
MENARI	14 Oct '42	0530	<p>REVEILLE 0530 Bn moves to MVOA via EFOGI. Start times as follows D+B Coy from their location 0530 HRS Bn HQ 0400 HQ Coy 0415 C Coy 0430 A Coy 0520 R.M.O. and body move in rear of last Coy. Recent rain made track muddy. The track was heavy for about four hours and reach top of ridge (4600'). The track from here was very rough and in one spot each man had to move around a dangerous rocky curve on his own. South of EFOGI heavy rain set in and slowed the progress of the formation considerably. Several skeletons were seen on this track some by the machine gunners in slit trenches and one on stretcher. It rained continuously until EFOGI. After leaving EFOGI the track down to river was very steep and muddy and the climb through the heavy rain was done under great difficulty. The troops were very disoriented and sour but on reaching destination (EFOGI North) the rain had cleared up. The Bn bivouacked north of 4th Field Ambulance less Co A companies who stayed the night between EFOGI &amp; EFOGI North. Fires were lit and night was fine and by dark the good spirit of the tracks was once more evident. SIT HOR.</p>	

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Unit 2/1 Aust. Inf. Bn.

Date and Time.—From 2359 HRS 14 Oct '42 To 2359 HRS 15 Oct '42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
EFOGI NORTH	15 Oct '42	0600 HRS	<p>REVELLE 0600 HRS. WEATHER FINE. A &amp; C Coy's caught Bn up and Bn moved B. D Coy's Bn HQ HQ Coy C &amp; A Coy's. THE TRACKS APPREHEND A LITTLE TIRED AFTER BRICKS DAYS EXHAUSTING MARCH</p> <p>THE TRACK IS STILL VERY ROUGH AND IS DEFINITELY A FAIR WEATHER TRACK. RAIN AGAIN AT 1300 HRS MADE THE TRACK A QUAGMIRE. ON ARRIVAL AT MYOLA THE ADVANCE PARTY PROVIDED THE Bn WITH HOT TEA. THE TEA MADE QUITE A DIFFERENCE TO THE TRACKS. QUITE A LARGE MOLL DIVALTED Bn. TWO BLANKETS OF C Coy ON ARRIVAL WENT STRAIGHT TO 2/12th BATTALION AREA. THE WEATHER IS AGAIN FINE AND A DAY NIGHT IS ANTICIPATED.</p> <p>THE Bn STOP TO sleep STOP DOWN ON 130. DURING THE AFTERNOON SEVERAL OF OUR OFFICERS VISITED 2/6th BRIGADE HQ WHICH IS SITUATED QUITE CLOSE TO Bn AREA AND CONTACTED BRIGADIER KADNER WHO UNTIL RECENTLY WAS 2/11th COMMANDING OFFICER.</p> <p>From EFOGI NORTH track continued slipping for approx 4 hrs &amp; thence 1 1/2 downhill to LAKE MYOLA No 1 which is a clearing approx 1 mile sq &amp; SE of LAKE MYOLA No 2. The tea which awaited the troops was very well organised by Capt MacArthur being &amp; Lieut Loney &amp; once again proved how beneficial &amp; hot drinks prove to tired troops as the morale of the men rose considerably after receiving it.</p>	

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Unit 2/11 Aust. Inf. Bn.

Date and Time.—From 2359 HRS 15 Oct '42 To 2359 HRS 16 Oct '42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
MYOLA	16 Oct '42	0600	<p>Bn Stead to Bn Stead down 0400. SITOR</p> <p>Col. Cullen inspected B &amp; C Coy's position and DALLARE DROME from C Coy's position.</p> <p>Planes unloading stores on MYOLA DROPPING AREA THE WHOLE MORNING. THERE WAS A CONFERS ISSUE TO Bn TODAY OF TOBACCO, MATCHES, PK.</p> <p>Lieut PELLET with pl. of C Coy RETURNED AFTER ESCORTING Major General ALLIN TO MYOLA.</p> <p>Patrol from D Coy went out to LOCATE TRACKS AND REPORT ON MYOLA MISSION TRACK</p> <p>Local patrols from A &amp; C Coy's FOUND TRACKS WHICH ARE TO BE RECCÉ TOMORROW.</p> <p>Bn Stead to 1930 HRS</p> <p>Stead down 1945 HRS. SITOR</p> <p>Morning was fine but light rain fell during the afternoon.</p> <p>Nights have been very cold &amp; men have been hard put to keep warm.</p> <p>C.O. held a conference at 1800 hrs giving information of enemy &amp; tasks allotted to boys</p>	

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C/O's. CONFERENCE  
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Date and Time.—From _____ To 16 OCT 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
MYOLA	16 OCT 42	1800	<p>Information. Enemy pushed back by 33 BN north of IORA CK</p> <p>OWN TROOPS: 3 Militia Bn are coming in on the left</p> <p>3 mortars from 16 Bde have been sent fwd.</p> <p>2/2 &amp; 2/3 Bns are patrolling on flanks northwards in an attempt to find tracks leadg north upon which a Bn could move</p> <p>2/1 Bn was present to protect MYOLA LAKE (SMALL) area, collect air droppings &amp; patrol as directed.</p> <p>The following patrols are to be carried out</p> <p>D Coy. Patrol of PI strength along the old MYOLA - MISSION station the task - to keep the clear of enemy &amp; make the road.</p> <p>Patrol to be out 24 hrs moving approx 3 hrs out when it will form a strong patrol on suitable ground.</p>	<p>REF MAP KOKODA AREA 1:126720 7363</p>



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Unit 2/1 AUST INF BN

Date and Time.—From..... To 16 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
B Coy			To patrol track MYOLA to KAGI 1 sec strength	
C Coy			From bay locality to both flanks - local only.	
A Coy			To recce from Duntys Hill (southern side of LAKE) to JOCKS HILL on western side of LAKE about D Coy post.	
			Patrol to go as lightly equipped as possible & therefore will not take 80lb or 2" mortars & other unnecessary gear	

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Unit 21 Aust Inf Bn

Date and Time.—From

To 2359 14 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Lake Myony	14 Oct 42		Dropping from the small lake is to be discontinued after today. Further dropping will be made on the side of the big lake north.	Appendix 1
			We were advised today of the birth of <del>W/1</del> NX 416 WOL. RHA Bourke.	Appendix 2
			<del>Telephone from</del> Pk Coy started at 0630.	
			0645	
			Telephone from Pk Coy about 2000 hrs advising the following: (This Coy to move 19 Oct 42 to relieve a Coy of 25 in Pk Coy post Tamborine crossing (properly 3rd Mils Coy Bn) Adv Party 3 Coffs with representatives of R.P. & Intelligence and a brigade section from HQ Coy to leave 18th Oct. to contact 25 Coy HQ at Tamborine Crossing. The advance party is in charge of Major Millett with Capt Christie & Lt Joice.	

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Unit 211 Aust. Inf. Bn

Date and Time.—From..... To 2359 14 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
LEAVE MYOLA 1	14 OCT 42	0600	<p>Bn started to move 0715</p> <p>THE NIGHT WAS FINE AND NOW THE TROOPS HAVE DRIED OUT COMPLETELY AND COMPLETELY RESTED</p> <p>DURING THE FEW DAYS THE UNIT HAS BEEN LOCATED AT MYOLA WE HAVE RECOVERED A LARGE QUANTITY OF RIFLES AND STORES DROPPED BY OUR ENEMIES ON THE SMALL LAKE. IT IS ESTIMATED THAT THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RIFLES BROUGHT UP TO BE APPROXIMATELY 30,000 AS WELL AS 3" MORTAR ORDNANCE STORES</p> <p>AMMUNITION AIR CRAFT ROCKETS. SOME OF THE BIRKENHEADS RECOVERED FROM THE SWAMP WERE DATED AUG 1942 MYOLA. SO ALTHOUGH SOME OF THE RIFLES WERE DROPPED BEFORE THE JAP. ADVANCE WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO REPAIR THE BIRKENHEADS. THE ENTIRE POSITION AT MYOLA NOW, WHICH YESTERDAY WAS CONSIDERED ALMOST DEAD IS NOW IN A VERY FAVOURABLE CONDITION. WE HAD OVER 400 MEN OF THIS Bn WITH THEIR OFFICERS &amp; NCOs RETURNING AND THE MEN DID A GRAND JOB. AS ALL Bns WERE TO HAVE THIS HQ THE COMPANY DUMB WAS ESTABLISHED IN THIS AREA. THE Bn WAS ALSO DELETED IN CLOSING UP A POSITION THAT ABANDONED SOME TIME AGO IN REVERSE AREA. THE PLANTING STANDING ON THIS DUMB HAD TO BE CHANGED AT FREQUENT INTERVALS DUE TO THE DUMB BEING IN AN ADVANCED STATE OF PURIFICATION</p>	

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Unit 2/1 Aust. Inf. Bn

Date and Time.—From

^{18 Oct 42}  
0600 hrs To 18 OCT 42  
0600 hrs To 0600 hrs 19 Oct.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Myola	18	0600	Stand to - Stand down 0700 Situation normal. Weather very fine with no wind	
		0900	Advance party of Maj Miller left for Templetons Crossing Strength of party 3 Officers and 9 O.R.'s Coy's were again engaged in clearing the dropping <del>party</del> area and drawing rations.	
		1330	Slight drizzle commenced but did not last for long.	
		1630	Lieut. Wiseman's patrol reported in.	

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Unit *2/1 Aust Inf Bn*

Date and Time.—From *0600 18 Oct* To *at night*

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
<i>Myala</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>1830</i>	<i>Bn stood to and stood down at 1930 hrs. Situation normal</i>	

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Date and Time.—From 0600 19 Oct To 19 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Myola	19 Oct	0600	Bn packed ready for move	
		0800	C Coy moved out from their position.	
		0700	A Coy moved out followed by Bn HQ at 0745 hrs, HQ Coy 0800 hrs, B Coy 0800 hrs and D Coy 0800 hrs. Route taken via 25 Bde Old HQ and C Coy position around Lake Myola No 2 through A.S.C. Dump to Templeton's Crossing. The track was very easy until just before the A.S.C. dump when it became more difficult.	

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Unit 2/ Aust Inf Bn

Date and Time.—From 0600 19 Oct To 19 Oct 42  
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Templeton's Crossing	19 Oct	0630	D Coy remained to guard N.S.C. Dump while rest of Bn moved on to Templeton's Crossing	
		1500	Coy arrived Templeton's Crossing and were followed in at short intervals by the rest of the Bn less D. Coy.	
		1845	Bn stood to and stood down at 1930 hrs.	
		1900	Situation normal. L.O. called conference at 1900 hrs. to discuss move to 3rd Bn posn. See ATT Bn bivouaced night with 2/33 Bn	

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To 19 OCT 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TEMPLETONS CROSS	19 OCT 42	1900	<p style="text-align: center;"><del>60's conference</del></p> <p>2/1 Bn to relieve 3 Malacca Bn</p> <p>6 Coy will go to right flank B " " " " in centre A " " " " left along rd.</p> <p>C.O. pointed out that 2/2 Bn would attack in morning. Six boys of 2/1 Bn would sweep enemy off high ground right of 6 Coy, then remaining 2 boys would leapfrog through, turn left &amp; moving to the rd sweep enemy from front in front of 2/1 Bn.</p> <p>On a given signal ABC boys will move fwd &amp; occupy the positions now occupied by the enemy</p> <p>The following will be taken</p> <p>2" Mortars 500 lbs 303 per man 200 T.S.M.G per man 2 grenades 8 beer mags 2 days reserve ration</p> <p>When boys arrive at fwd Coy area a dump is to be made</p>	



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Date and Time.—From ⁽²⁾ To 19 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	C. O.'s CONFERENCE Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
			<p>of blankets &amp; gds sheets as it is considered men could not go into action carrying too much gear. Men to take anti gas capes.</p> <p>Reveille will be at 0600 &amp; move will commenece 0700 a guard being sent back from 3 Bn to guard us in.</p> <p>It is anticipated that 2/2 Bn will pass by C Coy at approx 1100 hrs. 20 Oct 42</p> <p>Motor &amp; Truckers Ols personnel will be used as carriers of ammun rations and stretcher parties.</p>	

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Date and Time.—From..... To 2359hrs 20 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Templtons crossing	20 Oct 42	0620	<p>Reveille &amp; troops were ready to move into fwd posns. A cold breakfast only was had but troops are keen to get fwd.</p> <p>3 Bn HQ was situated approx 250' north of Templtons crossing, right on the eastern bank of a fast flowing stream. On both sides the ground rises steeply almost forming a V with the river flowing along the bottom.</p>	
		0730	<p>At Bn HQ the heads off to right up the steep bank to the fwd posns of 3 Bn. C Coy moved on to right hand posn relieving 2 boys of 25 Bn. B Coy moved into centre posn &amp; A Coy on left flank extending from stream up to B Coy.</p> <p>2 boys of 2/2 Bn were to move on high ground on right of 2/1 Bn &amp; sweep the enemy from the ridge. 2 further boys of 2/2 Bn were then to move through the two former boys &amp; turning left move down to the stream pushing enemy from his posn in front of 2/1 Bn. When this was done, 2/1 Bn, 3 boys were then to move forward &amp; with 2/2 Bn on left &amp; 1/2 Bn on the right form a complete line on the high ground the enemy previously occupied.</p>	

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Date and Time.—From..... To 2359 hrs 20 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	20 OCT 42	0800	b. O of 2/1 Bn contacted Col Cameron of 3 m. Bn & troops were passing by to their fwd posns.	
		1022	All boys reported in posns	
		1055	b. boy reported that part of 2/2 Bn were passing through their area	
		1230	JAP mortar fire now began to fall in C Coy area. Gas. 1 OFF wounded 1 OR killed & wounded Lieut barett wounded. One 108 set was also destroyed.	
		1300	D boy arrived from ASC dump area & were told to hold themselves in readiness for an attack.	
		130/1405	Enemy mortar began falling at rear of BNHQ & 2 OR of D boy which were at rear of BNHQ were wounded	
		1410	Our mortars opened up on JAP posns. One smoke bomb blew up & 2 mortar numbers injured	
		1545	2 boys of 2/2 Bn who were swinging left were held up approx 250' from rear & C Coy has been advised to move fwd & close the gap between 2/2 Bn on the high ground on right & the 2 boys held up. D boy to relieve C Coy.	
		1610	A boy ordered to try & knock out enemy LMG which is holding up 2/2 Bns movement with 2" mortar	
		1645	A boy commenced to shoot. Definite results not ascertained	

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Date and Time.—From

To 2359 hrs 20 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	20 OCT 42	1740	D Coy reported that they were now in C Coy position & that C Coy were approx 500 ⁺ further on	
		1745	<p>G.O. called to Pugadans conference. All CO's of 2/1, 2/2/3 in attendance.</p> <p>It was decided that at 0730 hrs 21 OCT 42 B Coy would push forward and go round the 2 boys of 2/2 BN in an outflanking movement. A Vickers from A Coy position would assist and A Coy would also give covering fire. B Coy were to take phone &amp; line with them &amp; were also to take ammo to the two boys of 2/2 BN.</p> <p>The night was quiet, a little rain falling but was very cold.</p>	

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To 2359hrs 21 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Templetons crossing	21 Oct 42	0545	Stand to	
		0645	C.O. went forward to B Coy to see OC B Coy re attack	
		0725	Two boys of 25 Bn commenced to pull out	
		0915	B Coy had moved forward & contacted one boy of 2/2 Bn. B Coy expected to continue on at 0930	
		0950	Our mortar commenced firing	
		1005	B Coy again moved forward but making no contact with the enemy continued forward and striking the track continued along as a boy patrol	
		1200	C.O. called to Brigade and on return instructed A Coy to move at rear of B Coy with HQ Coy & Bn HQ. B Coy was to occupy A Coy's position & D Coy move into the position vacated by C Coy.	SEE ATT. 1
		1330	A Coy commenced move with remainder following on. B Coy reported still no contact with enemy & kept on.	
1400	Passing JAP position. It appears as if at least a Bn has been camped there. Indications show that the JAP had been using a mountain howitzer.			

Some empty shell cases & fuses sent back along with a diary & papers.

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Date and Time.—From

To 2359 hrs 21 OCT 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	21 OCT 42		Track is very boggy & continues to climb. Going is very slow.	
		1610	B Coy again contacted enemy approx 300 yds from Templetons crossing Cas. 2 Killed & wounded. all OR's	
			JAP was sitting on top of the having approx 3 LMG's & 1 MMG. Also est. 1 Coy in posn. Pl under Lt Body swung left up the & pl under Lt Frew went right but no headway could be made.	
		1700	A Coy moved into a defensive posn behind B Coy Rain now began to fall.	
			As it was growing dark rapidly C.O. decided he would not attack with A Coy until morning when that Coy would go to the right & swing down on the left of the JAP	
			D Coy was to move up first thing on the 22 OCT 42 & would form a reserve	
		2000	Advice received that 2/3 Bn had contacted enemy on point of crest. Also that 2/4 Bn would be patrolling down hill to contact us. Leaving 0730. A Coy advised Rain fell during the night & it was very cold.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	22 OCT 42	0545	Stand to	
		0600	B Coy ordered to find out whether enemy were still in position as night had been quiet A Coy NOT to move until it is established that enemy have gone.	
		0745	B Coy found enemy gone so A Coy were ordered to move forward as vanguard	
		0840	D Coy arrived at Bn HQ	
		0850	Brigadier Lloyd arrived at Bn HQ	
		0905	It was decided that D Coy now become vanguard Coy but were to skirt EORA CK VILLAGE on the left, but make limit of their exploitation ALOLA.	
			A patrol from B Coy was to move straight across EORA CK to area between EORA CK VILLAGE and ALOLA making for the high feature in an endeavour to gain information of enemy movements & if possible ambush him as he moved back.	
		0930	B Coy patrol set out & D Coy took vanguard position from A Coy. with remainder of unit less C Coy following	
		1030	D Coy left the main track to cut across the CK & skirt EORA CK VILLAGE	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	22 OCT	1110	<p>Contact was made near EORA CK village with two boys of 2/3 Bn</p>	
		1140	<p>EORA CK village was reached &amp; it was found that the enemy were holding up 2/3 Bn on a high feature overlooking the village.</p> <p>The tk here runs straight down a valley with high ridges on both sides, with EORA CK running through it. A tongue protrudes between the 2 ridges with a smaller stream flowing on the right hand side, linking with the main stream at the bottom of the tongue. The tk leading down from the tongue is very steep to some flat ground just above the main stream &amp; on this the village is situated.</p> <p>This low ground was covered by enemy fire from approx 600 yds north where the ridges appeared to close in on the main stream. Two bridges had to be crossed over subsidiary &amp; main stream &amp; both these were under enemy fire.</p> <p>See Sketch att.</p> <p>One Pl of 2/3 Bn which had gone down the tk as far as the village was pinned down on the flat.</p>	



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			<p>Enemy strength was difficult to estimate but it was apparent he was there in some force. Est. given was ONE Coy.</p> <p>In an endeavour to outflank the enemy one Coy (D) of 2/3 Bn was sent round the high ground on the right.</p> <p>It was also decided to make an attack on the left flank &amp; consequently at</p>	
		1215	A Coy (O.C. Capt Sanderson) set out to go round the left flank.	
		1430	B Coy arrived from TEMPLETONS CROSSING but remainder of BN HQ & HQ Coy (A/A PI & Coy HQ) under Major Baines failed to put in an appearance.	
		1445/1530	JAP MORTAR & MOUNTAIN GUN commenced firing & appeared to have the high ground above the village where BN HQ was situated well taped.	
			6as. 3 OR's killed 9 OR's wounded & 2 subsequently died.	
		1750	All was quiet until 1750 hrs. when Cpls. Bullen & Stevenson with Capt's box & Walker went on a recon down the track towards the village & were fired upon by MMG's & mountain gun. No one was hit.	

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To.....

22 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
			<p>As it was apparent that troops could not pass down the tk in daylight Bde decided that one Coy of 2/3 Pw up Capt Galle one of whose pl was punned down on the flat at the village establish a bridge head across the tk during the night &amp; that C Coy &amp; B Coy follow at 0630 hrs 23 Oct 42</p> <p>Capt Galle reported that he considered 3 LMG's &amp; 1 mortar &amp; gun were trained on bridge &amp; tk.</p> <p>Col Bullen rang Bde &amp; explained position &amp; said that he considered such an attack on the face of known opposition tactically unsound &amp; asked that time be allowed for A Coy of 2/1 Pw and D Coy of 2/3 Pw to get around &amp; attack on the flanks.</p> <p>Bde ordered attack to go on. Col Bullen promised to do his best. Capt Galle was to try &amp; find out where right hand gun was situated so that our mortar may be put on to it.</p> <p>C.O. decided that C. Coy would go down tk at 0430 hrs 23 Oct 42</p>	
		1900	<p>in the cover of darkness &amp; that B Coy would hold itself ready to go forward if the attack obtained success.</p>	

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Unit *2/1 Aust Inf BDE*

Date and Time.—From..... To *29 OCT 42*

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
			<p><i>Rain fell during the early part of the night &amp; it was quite moonlight later.</i></p> <p><i>Rations arrived at approx 1800 hrs.</i></p> <p><i>Major Paines &amp; party did not arrive.</i></p> <p><i>At intervals during the night light firing was heard.</i></p>	

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Unit 2/1 Aust Inf Bn

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
EORA CK			<p>The following promotions are advised</p> <p>Capt Golding to be A/Major</p> <p>WO's Carter Gernell Johnstone Dyer Brown Letto</p> <p style="margin-left: 150px;">} to be A/Lieuts.</p> <p style="margin-left: 100px;">dates not known.</p>	

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EORA CK	23 OCT 42	0330	It was quite moonlight at this time & the C.O. went forward as far as the first bridge on a recess	
		0400	B. Coy commenced to go forward down the track leading across the bridges to the enemy.	
		0630/0830	S.A. fire & mortars can be heard. Better fighting is going on slightly north of the bridges. The enemy mountain guns again came into action shelling Bn HQ area.	
		0645	Brigadier Lloyd arrived	
		0815	It was decided to try & get into communication with C. Coy & one pl B Coy with 3 sigs set out & to go down the slope. The enemy was again using his mortar on this area as well.	
			One Sec of B Coy Pl started down the tk but immediately the enemy MG opened up & they were pinned down half way down the hill. 2 casualties were caused by the mortar fire	

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EORA CK	23 OCT 42	0855	<p>b.o. now attempted to move his HQ fwd &amp; tried again to move down the hill but again MG's opened up &amp; prevented movement that way. It was then necessary to go back round the reverse side of the hill &amp; blaze a track down the very steep slope. At the foot the subsidiary stream which linked 150 yds down with the main stream had to be crossed &amp; proved a hazardous venture owing to the swiftness of the <del>country</del> current, but east side of the stream was reached without loss. However it was still necessary to climb up &amp; along a rock face before any open ground was reached.</p> <p>With the C.O. was remainder of B Coy and escort from mortar pl &amp; a number of saps who laid cable as the party went along.</p>	
		1120	<p>b.o. was in touch with Bde &amp; was informed a Coy of 2/3 BN O.C. Capt Lyraght was U.S. 2/1 BN.</p>	
		1140	<p>Enemy mortar again firing on south side of ridge just vacated.</p>	
		1150	<p>Squad Pollitt of 14 Pl C Coy contacted. b.o. He alleges a party of 40/50</p>	

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EORA CK	23 OCT 42		<p>JAPS about to patrol our feature after affecting a crossing of river north of 2nd bridge. This is only supposition as JAPS were only seen moving north of west side of CK. b. D. is of opinion JAPS are moving out NOT doing offensive patrol.</p> <p>B. Coy commenced to move fwd along main tk to again contact enemy. JAP appears to have gone although snipers seem to be active &amp; there is some mortar fire by enemy.</p> <p>Approx 100[*] north of where subridge stream was crossed the main tk is met heading 200[*] north on east side of stream and then crossing by a wooden bridge again to the west side.</p>	
		1230	<p>As B Coy struck no opposition Bns HQ moved across bridge onto west side CK. Several dead JAPS were found including 2 officers &amp; papers &amp; maps found were sent back to Bde.</p>	
		1330	<p>100[*] further along tk were a lot of our own A Coy dead showing where A Coy had struck the enemy.</p>	See ATT

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EORA CK	23 OCT.		A further 50 yds along was found the body of Capt Sanderson OC A Coy. The body had been stripped.	
		1400	B Coy which had advanced approx 300' from the bridge again contacted the enemy. The tk after crossing the bridge runs away 75 yds from the stream & then follows north climbing around the spur which appears to run down to the CK. The ridge on the left of the tk is very steep & appears to run SW from the stream with the enemy holding all the high ground. As only 2 pls of B Coy were in contact (the 3rd pl still being on ridge at old Bn HQ) b. I asked for assistance from Pde and one Coy of 2/3 Bn under Capt Lysaght was sent out. At time of contact present were 2 pls B Coy, Pm Pl, 12 sigs and 6 Bn HQ personnel.	
		1615	Pioneer Pl under Lieut Leamy was sent round left flank B Coy on high ground.	
		1625	2 Bns reported and looking for D Coy, arriving from Transit camp just when Unit was in a ticklish spot.	



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EDRA CK.	23 OCT 42	1715	<p>Boy under Capt Lysaght of 2/3 Bn arrived with 2 VMG. to Capt Lysaght 60. placed one Pl on east side of Lk, one Pl on the high ground on the left of Pioneers &amp; the remaining Pl with VMG &amp; boy HQ remained with Bn HQ</p>	<p>After explaining the position one Pl was sent on to</p>
		1800	<p>A great deal of firing &amp; grenades were heard indicating that the Pioneers had made contact with the enemy.</p> <p>Barrage now began to fall.</p>	
		1845	<p>Pte Stewart &amp; Pte West reported going back to RAP from Pioneer Pl slightly wounded. They reported having knocked out 4 men operating an LMG but were driven out before destroying the gun.</p>	
		1905	<p>Major Barnes with Bn HQ &amp; AIA Pl reported in.</p> <p>Fighting continued until dark &amp; throughout the night light firing was heard.</p> <p>Est. loss. 3 off K. 1 off W. 17 ORK 25 OR's W</p> <p>Est. En loss. 50K 6W.</p>	

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Date and Time.—From 2³rd Oct. 42 To _____

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
			<p style="text-align: center;">Statement by <u>Plt. Hancock</u> of <u>2nd Sec. Pl. Coy.</u> at <u>Cora Bk. 23-10-42.</u></p> <p>At approximately <u>0730 hrs</u> on the <u>23rd</u> <u>Curly Henderson</u> &amp; I who were scouts started down the slope &amp; I spotted a few Japs, moving about among the trees on our right. I waved to Curly to tell <u>Bill Donnelly</u>, that the Japs were no more than <u>30 or 40 yds</u> ahead &amp; to come down. "Bill came down &amp; I pointed the Japs out to him. Bill said he would go forward <u>ten yards</u> ahead of me &amp; throw a grenade in amongst them." As Bill crept forward I spotted a Jap on our left &amp; opened fire as Bill threw his grenade. Then down came <u>Capt. Sanderson</u> &amp; told the <u>N.C.O.'s</u> to lead the men straight out in extended line &amp; charge.</p> <p><u>Capt. Sanderson</u> bided time for the men to get into position, then blew his whistle. <u>Bill Donnelly</u> &amp; myself, <u>Joe Fahey</u> &amp; the <u>Prvy Sheldon</u> went forward &amp; opened fire in amongst the Japs, &amp; threw a couple of grenades. <u>Bill Donnelly</u> told me &amp; <u>Sheldon</u> to go forward, because his <u>Tommy Gun</u> had jammed. He sang out that he had a lump of <u>shrapnel</u> through his leg. Approximately <u>four or five minutes</u> everything</p>	

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Unit 2/1 Aust. Inf. Bn.

Date and Time.—From 29th Oct. 42 To 3rd

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
			<p style="text-align: center;">Statement by J.L. Hancock fle. - Continued.</p> <p>was quiet. then the enemy came down back of us + opened fire. We crept down close to the river, when Bill Donnelly gave orders to "Vamoose".</p> <p>While crossing Boy Sheldon said to me, watch me Tom while I'm crossing this stream. I said O.K. I'll do the best I can. I went first, + that was the last time I saw Sheldon. I estimate we killed 8 Japs with the first grenade + a total of about 15.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Signed J.L. Hancock.</p>	

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Unit 2^d Aust. Inf. Bn.

Date and Time.—From 29th Oct 42 To 3rd

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
			<p style="text-align: center;">Statement by C. F. Blakiston Lieut - R. Capt. Sanderson.</p> <p>"A Coy left Era Village, for high ground left of stream at 1230 hrs 22nd Oct. at approximately 1845 the point section of 7 pl. located enemy forward. Capt Sanderson went forward to investigate. Owing to confusion in orders 7 pl + 9 pl + Coy HQ. had become out of position + 7 pl. moved forward, leaving inadvertently their last four men." "As soon as it was realised that 7 pl. had gone forward a patrol was sent to locate them, but was unable to do so before dark. They returned + Coy settled down for the night."</p> <p>"At first light the following morning another patrol went forward to endeavour to locate 7 pl., but again this was unsuccessful. At 0645 we were joined by Lt. McCloy + his platoon, + together with them, launched an attack higher up the hill. This attack was unsuccessful as the enemy had MG's above our start line + we were unable to attack them."</p> <p>As rations were very short + the men having reached a state of exhaustion</p>	

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Unit 4 Aust Inf. Bn

Date and Time.—From 29th Oct 94. To 3rd Oct 94.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
			<p style="text-align: center;">Statement By C.F. Blakiston Lieut - Continued</p> <p>the Coy moved to higher ground in rear &amp; had just camped down for the night, when Capt Simpson of B Coy arrived &amp; took charge of the party."</p> <p>"the following day the Coy assisted Capt Simpson on a strenuous patrol &amp; the day following that, returned to Battalion near H.Q.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Signed C.F. Blakiston Lieut.</p>	

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Date and Time.—From 23rd Oct. 42 To _____

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
			<p style="text-align: center;">Statement by Pte. Elliott. N.S. No. 24202. - Re. Capt. Sanderson.</p> <p>"After manœuvring 7 pl. into position for attacks on the morning of the 23rd Oct 42 Capt Sanderson personally directed such attacks regardless of all personal risk."</p> <p>"He was with our section when we charged down the hill, shouting orders, blowing his whistle, &amp; firing his T.S.M.G. in an effort to demoralise the Jap."</p> <p>"He sent me back for more ammunition &amp; was killed near the track a few minutes after I had given him the extra ammunition."</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Signed N.S. Elliott.</p>	

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EORA CK	23 OCT 42	1600	<p>Pioneer Pl as retold by Lt. R. J. Stewart</p> <p>Pioneer Pl consisted at the time of 1 OFF and 21 OR's. Comd. Lt. G. Leamy</p> <p>The Pl had been given orders to move to the left of B Coy and attempt to relieve the pressure on that Coy by attacking down the ridge on B Coys left flank. As the track ran at the very foot of the ridge this meant turning left from it and commencing a very arduous climb in an endeavour to reach the top &amp; thus attack along the top onto the JAP positions which were on the high ground forward.</p>	
		1600	<p>At 1600 hrs the Pl commenced the climb No 1 section under Lt Stewart being point section the section being 10 yds in advance of main body</p>	
		1730	<p>Top of ridge was reached and a track was discovered running north and south. No 2^{sec} turned left or south to investigate the while No 1 turned right or north and moved down the ridge to investigate in that direction</p>	

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EORA CK			<p>N^o 2 Sec advanced a short way up the track &amp; came upon the bodies of two Australians and then returned to the PI. During this time N^o 1 section proceeded down the track (almost 75 yds in front of the PI) and came across a clearing. At one end of clearing was an MG post which Sgt Stewart attacked with his Tommy Gun killing 2 JAPS in it. The Bren gunner attacked a party of JAPS on his left flank who were down in a gully having a meal. Cas unknown.</p> <p>Within 10 minutes the JAPS counter attacked forcing us to retire, one of our men being killed. The remainder of the PI had not then reached us &amp; were up to 100 yds away when we retired.</p> <p>N^o 2 &amp; 3 sections were then sent forward to attack N^o 2 Sec on left of &amp; N^o 3 on right. On reaching edge of clearing N^o 2 attacked with grenades inflicting 5 cas on the JAP but were forced to retire to a better position, but N^o 3 held their position on right flank until dark. 1 man of our slightly wounded</p>	



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To 2359 hrs. 23 OCT 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
			<p>Sgt R. J. Armstrong NX5429 OC. 15 Pl. — Morning 23.</p> <p>Moved from point RAP on top of ridge 0415</p> <p>Thro. village thence across 1st bridge by pls - 13 over 2nd bridge and left of track 14 pl. crossed and went right of track. 15 pl. attempted to move across bridge but 14 pl. were clustered at big rock - 15 pl. then moved to left of track with 13 pl. and moved up steep hill behind 13 pl. 15 and 13 pls got mixed and pushed as many up hill as possible in dark and got in behind Mr Mc Cloy^{Pl.} (At foot of hill Capt Barclay and runner) I followed 13 around flank and met 2 pls W. Coy (Mr Gotts, Wyburn, Blakiston) I was then ordered to move over towards track. We moved in formation 13 and 14 pls making a composite pl. Mr Blakiston right - myself left and Mr Wyburn in rear. As we moved over a ridge (?) I ran into fire from two automatics also snipers who appeared to be firing MG's. There I was held up and could not locate enemy positions (two wounded - Drayton and L/Cpl Milton) I contacted Mr &amp; Mc Cloy and told him the position. He had not been fired on and I was told to</p>	

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			<p><i><del>to</del> withdraw my men and on doing so 1 man (Bassett) was killed. I believe also Pte Gordon was killed. I then decided to move back on Lotherhigh ridge. We moved onto a track used by "A" Coy on top of ridge and on way up heard firing from top of ridge which we later found out to be "D" Coy who contacted a small enemy force. Moving along side of ridge we contacted "D" Coy and that night took up a position covering the track. Next morning I was given a message by Capt Simpson to bring back to Bn giving his position on feature. I left 0720 hrs arrived Bde 1445 hrs and handed message to Capt Burrell.</i></p>	

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To 24 OCT 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
EORA CK	24 OCT 42	0545	Stand to - situation unchanged	
		0630	During the night rations came up & at first light ammo came in b.o. went forward to B Coy which had sent out 2 patrols	JAP still about.
		0815	Pioneer Pl with one Pl of B Coy 2/3 now attempting to push round on the high ground on the left.	
		0900.	Enemy mortars now began to fire. Stragglers from A.C. & D Coys were coming back to Pn HQ & b.o. reorganised them into one group under Lieut Prewin & Prier. No further news had been heard of remainder of the 3 above Coys b.o. considers enemy in some strength on ridge further back and wants strong force sent round on left flank as he deems it improbable that the opposition will shift & accordingly asked Pn that 2 Coys be sent round. Enemy gun appears to be in same posn but big mortar seems to have shifted back.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
EORA CK	24 OCT 42	0950	B Coy 2/3 Bn now ordered to commence outflanking movement on the left with a further Coy to follow later	
		1000	2 GR's sent out in an attempt to find mortar O.P.	
		1030.	Pl B Coy 2/3 Bn now relieved by composite Pl under Lieut Druon & Brewer the latter then setting out for high ground on the east flank.	
		1105	Pl B Coy 2/3 Bn now came through.	
		1130	Enemy mortar opened up again apparently trying to get onto Bn HQ area.	
		1415	6. Coy of 2/3 Bn with Lt Stevenson came through making round left flank. Reported now 2 Coys of 2/3 Bn on point on ridge & expect to attack approx 1600 hrs.	
		1520	Lieut Frew B Coy now wounded in both feet while doing a recon.	
		1530.	All has been quiet until 1520 when enemy mortar again opened fire.	
		1830.	Reported that 2/3 Bn had contacted enemy & were making headway slowly.	

One VMG back on ridge at EORA village was destroyed during the day by mortar fire

Heavy rain fell at night & it was very cold.  
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
EORA CK	25 OCT 42	0600	Enemy still in posn Mail arrived with the rations	
		0945	2 Aircraft strafed enemy posns. From eastern ridge appeared to be doing little good.	
		1045	Enemy mortar again firing	
		1230	Lieut Gosnell with a composite platoon now sent approx 200* up ridge to prevent enemy coming straight through on to Bn HQ B. Coy Pl patrol reported back extremely exhausted not having made contact with enemy or gaining any information	
		1300	Pioneer Pl reported having again met the JAP killing 2 & wounding 1	
		1600	D Coy now contacted 2/3 Bn. D Coy intact but calling for rations urgently 130 rations, all available, despatched immediately to 2/3 Bn.	
			2 G.R.'s reported back & although they struck enemy they failed to find the OP.	
		1700	Pioneer Pl considered they could use 2" Mortars from their posn & asked that one be sent up.	

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all afternoon has been quiet but sun shone all day making things a little brighter  
Enemy mortar & MG. opened fire on bald hill near village.

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Unit 2/1 AUST INF BN

Date and Time.—From.....

To 24 OCT 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
EORA CK	24 OCT 42		<p>Night of 23 OCT 42 was quiet</p> <p>During the day the Pl remained in position watching the tk and acting as snipers. N° 2 Sec. were also covering a further tk which led into the JAP position.</p> <p>During the afternoon the Pl was re-organised &amp; took up a circular defence astride the tk leading up and down the ridge.</p> <p>A considerable number of JAP casualties were caused.</p>	
			25 OCT.	
			Sniping continued throughout with good results.	
			26 OCT.	
			<p>2" Mortar was received and in morning and afternoon a shoot was carried out with seemingly good results. Rifle grenades were also used.</p>	

Sniping also continued.

# WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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(adapted)

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Unit 2/1 Aust Inf Bn.

Date and Time.—From _____ To 26 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
EORA CK.	26 Oct 42		During the night rain fell & rifle fire heard at intervals	
		0600	Enemy reported still in posn.	
		0715	Our 3" mortar opened up from posn on bald hill at village	
		0930.	Enemy mortar opened up & inflicted 2 casualties on our mortar crew. Mortar posn now being changed.	
			D Coy. 2 Pts A boys 13 Pt C Coy now back at Base.	
			Lieut Prior taking over C Coy.	
			It was decided that more offensive action should be taken as a distraction to the enemy in this area. Consequently it was arranged that the 3" mortar continue as soon as possible & that the 2" mortar be used by Pioneer Pl.	
			To the Pioneer Pl was sent 2 2" mortars 24 bombs 12 grenades & were subsequently fired. Results could not be observed but fire from mortars etc. undoubtedly fell in posns occupied by the enemy.	
		1100.	B Coy fired 5 rds per man and 1 mag per hour at known enemy posn which it is hoped caused casualties.	

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To 27 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
<u>KORA CK.</u>			<u>Day was pretty quiet with odd sniping taking place.</u>	
			<u>During afternoon C. Coy came up &amp; relieved the PI which moved</u>	
			<u>back to cover Ben Lof b.</u>	



MEDICAL

WAR DIARY OF ~~INTELLIGENCE~~ SUMMARYArmy Form C.2118  
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Unit

2/1st Aust. Inf Bn

Date and Time.—From

1st October '42 To 31st Oct. '42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
JAWERERE (N.G)	1 st Oct.		2/1 Aust Inf Bn encamped at Jawerere - Troops fit, occasional tinea of feet otherwise all men fit after 6 hrs. march - first in N.G. Stores (medical) carried by troops - ample.	
Base Area	4 th Oct.		Withdrawn to Base area - men over age of 36 yrs or those knocked up left in Base area. Supplies of Sulphaguanidine NOT ample - otherwise all supplies ample for men to carry. No diarrhoea at present.	
UBERI, IMITA RIDGE	6 th Oct.		no kwaco, men knocked up, taking too much gear. No diarrhoea.	
NAURO - MENARI	10-14 th Oct.		22 cases P.O. ? malaria. Quinine supply not available from AASC. after 9 th Oct. at about 23 rd Sept. Bootless Bay was site of Bn. Still using stock supply of Sulphaguanidine - None available this supply.	
M YOLA - TEMPLETON'S CLIFF	15-20 th Oct.		Very cold for troops, only 1/2 blanket each. dysentery very few - only 3 cases. 5 cases P.O. kwaco. 8 other cases kwaco. Troops moral good - food excellent at Myola, stores adequate except for no Sulphaguanidine	

# WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit 2/1st Aust Inf Bn Date and Time.—From Oct 1 '42 To Oct 31 '42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Tampelton Crossing	20. X. 42		Action commences - Troops fit. RAP sewing up 1, 2/2, 3 rd th units ^{Bn}	
	21. X. 42		Rear RAP estab. loses this fwd RAP <del>31</del> due to action 1 sick 4 persons loses most cases to W. back.	
EORA CREEK	22. X. 42		2/1 st Vanguard - Troops fit - most casualties due to mortar fire. [L/Sgt DORAN. J. recommended] RAP received direct hit 2 orderlies killed, 1 wounded. Rear RAP M.I.D. for work done stab. working for work of 16 th Bde. <u>21</u> cases evac. fwd. RAP.	
"	23. X. 42		Action continues - difficult to evac. wounded from fwd. RAP's to rear RAP & fighting troops. Suggest SB's of 7d. Ambos be allocated for this specific purpose. Can only evac. at night as under direct fire. <u>36</u> cases evac. fwd. RAP.	
"	24. X. 42		<u>7</u> cases evac. fwd. RAP - For each shelter case it takes <u>12</u> fit men to carry.	
"	25. X. 42		RAP moved to more fwd. area to get cases early should same till dark. <u>37</u> cases evac.	
"	26. X. 42		15 cases evac. RAP dug in bet. rocks, can hold 15 shelter cases	
"	27. X. 42		27 cases evac. Supplies difficult espec. food for pts. as they leave their rations in the line.	
"	28. X. 42		46 cases evac. attack by 12 Bns. commencing	
"	29. X. 42		action ceased - 2/1 st to advance, Troops tired require sugar, Vit B, foot treatment.	
ALOLA	30. X. 42		Dysentery quite prevalent - No chloroquine, salts or Sulphaguanidine	
ALOLA	31. X. 42		Rest 9 24 hrs, Troops <u>20</u> % ^{dysentery} but can cope. Total casualties approx <u>130</u> over action.	

J. Powell  
X 13901  
AAHQ  
Reno 2/11 Pm

Govt. Printer, Brisbane  
ALOLA

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TO B Cryptd Area

FROM M Aust Inf Bn

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

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Papers	0	Offes	patrol	one	Section
to	BAIFANA	0	Task	tracks	piece
and	protection	0	Time	cut	0730 HRS
today	for	eight	hours	0	Patrol
could	report	Bn HQ	immediately	for	further
orders					

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*C. S. Brown Capt*

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TO *VIVA*

FROM *LOKV*

Originator's Number

*5*

Date

*9*

In Reply to Number

<i>VIVA</i>	<i>⊙</i>	<i>WORA</i>	<i>located</i>	<i>400 yds north</i>	
<i>VIVA</i>	<i>across</i>	<i>river</i>	<i>⊙</i>	<i>around</i>	<i>1400 hrs.</i>

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1 OCT 42

2/1 AUS INF BN.

Owing to the nature of the country it was found necessary to reorganise HQ Coy.

barriers it was found could not be used in the hilly country & that the full number of 3" Mortars & Vickers MG could not be taken owing to the difficulty of carrying same & replenishment of amm.

Personnel carrying the above have been armed with pistols as the extra weight of a rifle has been found too great to carry, 2 men in each section also being issued with TSMG.

As the A/A PI has been found entirely unnecessary it has been reorganised as a rifle by PI. The Pioneer PI also been organised & equipped as a Rifle by PI except they also carry a quantity of tools & explosives

(See Att 2) These two PIs being used for the protection of the HQ.

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VIVA

FROM

LOKU

Originator's Number

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Date

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In Reply to Number

Location	statement	confirmations	0	unit	less
two	companies	150 yds	north	VIVA	<del>0</del>
NAHU	situated	NAURO	WORA	at	post
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0730 ~~1115~~

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*C.S. Bowker*

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TO

*D'Leay*

FROM

*Butt HQ.*

Originator's Number

*11*

Date

*9,*

In Reply to Number

<i>Lieut</i>	<i>WISEMAN</i>	<i>will</i>	<i>report</i>	<i>to</i>	<i>Butt HQ</i>
<i>at</i>	<i>0730</i>	<i>4RS</i>	<i>10 Oct</i>	<i>with</i>	<i>full</i>
<i>equip</i>	<i>as</i>	<i>O.C.</i>	<i>Unit</i>	<i>adv</i>	<i>party</i>
<i>to</i>	<i>MENARI</i>	<i>⊙</i>	<i>Three</i>	<i>days</i>	<i>hard</i>
<i>and</i>	<i>Three</i>	<i>days</i>	<i>emergency</i>	<i>rations</i>	<i>⊙</i>
<i>Further</i>	<i>instructions at</i>	<i>Butt HQ</i>	<i>at</i>	<i>at</i>	<i>above</i>
<i>time</i>	<i>⊙</i>	<i>see</i>			

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HQ 21. Aust Inf Bn  
9 Oct 42

~~Capt Macarthur King~~  
Lieut Wiseman

move to MENARI  
Advance Party

1. GENERAL.

You will move to MENARI from  
Bul HQ at 0800 HRS 10 Oct 42 as OC  
Lieut Advance party

2. STRENGTH OF PARTY

1 Officer & 6 NCOs  
composition as follows.

OC Capt Macarthur King  
A/Sgt & 2 "I" personnel  
R/Sgt & 1 RP  
CQMS Toovey { also  
1 mortar man  
1 MMC man

3. CARRIERS

A party of 25 native carriers  
will proceed to MENARI under  
your control & with loads all-  
otted by G/M. You will leave  
with G/M re loads prior to  
departure.

4. DUTIES OF ADV PARTY

(A) On arrival at MENARI, you  
will report to Capt BURRELL, who  
(over)



is the Bus adw. party

(b) Capt BURRILL will allot the Bus area & you will sub-allot same.

(c) You will dump unit equip in dump in unit area & obtain all available information available re drawing of rations etc.

(d) You will prepare tea for the Battalion to consume on arrival at METTARI. Be peaked. Time of arrival after 1500 hrs 11 Oct 42

(e) You will arrange guides to conduct subunits to their areas immediately after ~~the~~ tea has been consumed.

C. S. Con Capt  
Adjvt. Trust Dept

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TO

2/1 2/2 2/3 Aust. Inf Bde rfta Dunlop

FROM

16 Aust. Inf Bde HQ

Originator's Number

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Date

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In Reply to Number

NUGO	will	move	from	present	location
to	MENARI	in	accordance	with	verbal
instructions	contact	EATHER	for	location	⊙
move	to	commence	0700 hrs	8 Oct.	anticipated
move	⊙	PASU	0730 hrs	9 Oct	⊙
NIVA	and	LOKU	0800 hrs	11 Oct	⊙
destination	and	confirmation	of	letter 3	will

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be patrons boxes 3 per average second	advised to twelve men man 2 grenades grenades 400	later include filled with 200 rds per man 4 second	Unit one 36 rds TSMG over total available	arms VMG all one 100 150 rds unit strength NOARU dropping area	ammun belts and mortar SAA per Bren 250
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FROM

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<i>to</i>	<i>complete</i>	<i>this scale</i>	<i>3 days</i>	<i>hard and</i>	<i>at least</i>
<i>2</i>	<i>drop</i>	<i>emergency</i>	<i>ration</i>	<i>additional</i>	<i>VIGGS</i>
<i>and</i>	<i>mortar</i>	<i>3 inch</i>	<i>and</i>	<i>accessories</i>	<i>will</i>
<i>be</i>	<i>delivered</i>	<i>thru HQ</i>	<i>prior</i>	<i>to</i>	<i>morning</i>
<i>-38</i>	<i>carriers</i>	<i>for</i>	<i>BN</i>	<i>will</i>	<i>be</i>
<i>made</i>	<i>available</i>	<i>to</i>	<i>report at</i>	<i>time and</i>	<i>place to</i>
<i>be</i>	<i>notified</i>	<i>by units</i>	<i>suggest</i>	<i>some</i>	<i>carriers be</i>

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IN *War Plans*  
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TO

*2/1 2/2 2/3 Dist Inf Bde Bde HQ Personnel*

FROM

*16 Dist Inf Bde*

Originator's Number

Date

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<i>in</i>	<i>future</i>	<i>fires</i>	<i>will</i>	<i>NOT</i>	<i>be</i>
<i>used</i>	<i>and</i>	<i>silence</i>	<i>will</i>	<i>be</i>	<i>maintained</i>
<i>in</i>	<i>all</i>	<i>brigades</i>	<i>areas</i>	<i>after</i>	<i>dark</i>
<i>0</i>	<i>until</i>	<i>further</i>	<i>notice</i>	<i>essential</i>	<i>lights</i>
<i>for</i>	<i>adm</i>	<i>and</i>	<i>medical</i>	<i>purposes</i>	<i>may</i>
<i>be</i>	<i>used</i>	<i>when</i>	<i>shaded</i>	<i>usual</i>	<i>stand</i>
<i>to</i>	<i>morning</i>	<i>and</i>	<i>evening</i>	<i>will</i>	<i>be observed</i>

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*Dawson May*  
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*by L.O.*

*2130*

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T.H.I.

*2200*

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T.O.R.

3/1 Bow

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WAR DIARY (SUPPLEMENTARY)

2/1 AUST INF BN.

9 OCT 42

C.O. pointed out to key bonds that they should adopt a Pen outlook as far as the defence of the Unit was concerned & it would be the responsibility (without waiting forwards) for a key bond to patrol tracks in his area during stand to periods which will be done both night & morning.

Owing to supply droppings at MENARI being on a limited scale as yet, the Unit will have to carry extra rations & ammo on the scale as previously stated.

Due to the fact that enemy territory is nearby, files are not to be lit at night & noise is to be kept at a minimum at night.



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*NSA RD copy*

FROM

*NSA*

Originator's Number

Date

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TO *Capt Barclay.*

FROM

*Lt Col. Bullen*

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

<i>C Coy</i>	<i>will</i>	<i>stage</i>	<i>overnight</i>	<i>8/9</i>	<i>Det</i>
<i>42</i>	<i>at</i>	<i>cross</i>	<i>NORTH</i>	<i>of</i>	<i>OURIBAIWA</i>
<del><i>88</i></del>	<i>half</i>	<i>an</i>	<i>have</i>	<i>below</i>	<i>post</i>
<i>88</i>	<i>o</i>	<i>move</i>	<i>to</i>	<i>NAURO</i>	<i>9 Oct</i>
<i>42</i>					

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*Blkone*  
*Capt*

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TO *2/1 2/2 2/3 Aust Inf Bns rptd 25 Aust Inf Bde, Capt Dunlop, 1 Sec Sigs*

FROM <i>16 Aust Inf Bde</i>	Originator's Number <i>7</i>	Date <i>8</i>	In Reply to Number
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<i>2/2</i>	<i>Bn</i>	<i>will</i>	<i>more</i>	<i>from</i>	<i>present</i>
<i>location</i>	<i>to</i>	<i>MENARI</i>	<i>area</i>	<i>at</i>	<i>0830</i>
<i>hrs</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>oct</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>2/3</i>	<i>Bn</i>
<i>to</i>	<i>arrange</i>	<i>reception</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>carriers</i>	<i>reporting</i>
<i>2/2</i>	<i>Bn</i>	<i>0830</i>	<i>his</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>bde</i>
<i>party</i>	<i>under</i>	<i>comd</i>	<i>Capt</i>	<i>BURRELL</i>	<i>will</i>
<i>accompany</i>	<i>2/2</i>	<i>Bn</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>2/3</i>	<i>Bn</i>

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T.O.R.

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FROM

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Date

In Reply to Number

<i>refer</i>	<i>our</i>	<i>6/7</i>	<i>7/1</i>	<i>BN</i>	<i>2/2</i>
<i>BN</i>	<i>Capt</i>	<i>Dunlop</i>	<i>refer</i>	<i>our</i>	<i>4/8</i>
<i>⊙</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>Bde</i>	<i>refer</i>	<i>our</i>	<i>7/7</i>
<i>⊙</i>	<i>all</i>	<i>unformed</i>	<i>all</i>	<i>ack</i>	

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# MESSAGE FORM

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.**

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TO

*16 Aust Inf Bde.*

FROM

*240 Aust Inf Bde*

Originator's Number

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Date

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In Reply to Number

*7/8*

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**T.O.R.**

Night 6/7 Oct (cont)

Bun H. H. G. Coy ~~Post 66~~  
~~Post 66~~ Post 66.

Night 7/8 Oct.

A. B. D. Coy C.O. Creek  $\frac{1}{2}$  hr  
past IGRAEAIWA.

Bun H. H. Coy - post 44.

Night 8/9 Oct.

All boys NAURO.

C. S. on Capt.  
Aoyi. G. Aust. Inf. Coy.

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SECRET

Adv HQ. 7/1 Aust Inf Bn

6 Oct 42

~~1940~~ HQS

2 1/2 HQ. A B C D Coys

Staging

1 Coys will stage night 7/8 Oct as follows:

HQ. A B D Coys Bn HQ. Post 88, which is beyond ~~POST~~ IERABAIWA and approx 4 hrs from Post 44.

C Coy. Post 44.

2 All coys will arrive NAWRO 8 Oct 42, leading Coy NOT before 11.00 hrs.

3 Rations are NOT available at post 88, therefore one day (plus special transport as advised by Lint' Brey) will be taken from post 44 in addition to rations at present with Coys.

4 CO. will arrive NAWRO approx 1300 hrs 7 Oct 42. Post 88 on 6/11



HQ 5/1 Amst Bn  
6 Oct 42

OC Key

Staging

1. C Key will stage night- 6/7  
- Oct 42 UBERI as indicated by  
Lt Col Castello (R.P.).
2. Rations for 7 Oct 42 will be  
- drawn from ASC dump UBERI
3. Move 0600 HRS 7 Oct 42 to  
- post 44 (7 hrs march). Draw  
rations for 8 Oct 42 at post 44
4. Move 0600 HRS 8 Oct 42 to  
- NAURO - (10 hrs).
5. Hygiene. 10 RABAINA out of bounds  
- Use Water Sterilizing outfits with  
water drawn after UBERI.
6. Other keys  
- Night 6/7 Oct. ABD keys + CO.  
at break North of  
IMITA range.  
over.

Adv HQ, 57, Aust Inf Bn  
6 Oct 44.

Bn HQ  
HQ Coy.

### Staging

1. Bn HQ & HQ Coy stage  
night 6/7 Oct. post 66 ( $\frac{1}{2}$  mile past UBERI)  
" 7/8 Oct post 44 (This march)  
" 8/9 Oct. NAURO. (10 hrs march)

### Other Coys.

night 6/7 Oct. A B D Coys & CO.  
Creek, North of IMITARA range  
C Coy UBERI.

night 7/8 Oct. A B D Coys & CO.  
Creek  $\frac{1}{2}$  mi beyond IMITARA  
C Coy post 44.

night 8/9 Oct. All Coys NAURO.

### Rations

For 7 Oct draw from ASC dump  
" 8 Oct " " UBERI  
" " " " ASC dump  
" " " " post 44  
" " " " only

(2)

4. Hygiene

After UBERI use Sterilizing  
Tablets for water drawers.

5. Start Time each day

0600 hrs

C. S. Cow, Capt.  
Adj. of Aust Inf Bn

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

Headquarters.  
16 Aust Inf Bde.

Headquarters.  
2/1 Aust Inf Bn.  
6 Oct 42

STRENGTH RETURN

1. The following is the number of personnel of this unit marching out to forward area from 7 Aust Div Reception Camp 6 Oct 42. (includes all Attached personnel)

27 OFFICERS                      560 O/Rs.

2. The following are lists of personnel of this unit Detached.

	OFFICERS	O/Rs
16 Aust Inf Bde. Carrier Group.	2	61
2nd. Echelon. Sydney. N.S.W.		1.
16 Aust Inf Bde Details.	6	63
	<u>8</u>	<u>125</u>

3. Members of this unit evacuated from H.T. "ANHUI" to shore hospital at Port Moresby, 9.0/Rs.

4. Number of personnel, unit strength and attached, who disembarked from H.T. "ANHUI" at Port Moresby (excluding those evacuated to shore hospital) 38 Officers 656 O/Rs.

5. 1 Officer and 4 O/Rs of No 6 Dental Ubit who disembarked at Port Moresby are no longer attached.

6. 1 Officer (Capt. J.C. Burrell) Seconded to 16 Aust Inf Bde as BM Learner.

*Paul A. Cullen*  
.....Lt. Col.  
Comd. 2/1 Aust Inf Bn A.I.F.

WAR DIARY (SUPPLEMENTARY)

3 OCT 42

2/1 AUST INF BN.

Lieut Brooks left TAWARERE looking for a possible JEEP track to NAURO.

Lieut Nathan & 4 OR's were to act as escort for him.

The trip took 5 1/2 days

at BUBINI a party of 9 wounded 2/14 BN men were met & at THAIAT a further 2 were given assistance.

On day 3 out Capt Cummings was met with a large party, bringing out 2/27 BN stretcher cases

On the track an abundance of game & wild fruit was seen.

Approx 1/2 hr from NAURO a JAP defensive post was passed through & an apron fence constructed of vines was seen. The latter appeared to be very effective.

The party arrived NAURO on 8 OCT 42 at 1200 hrs. No casualties occurred but the trip was found very difficult & strenuous.

A separate report has been made to 16 Bde HQ

Lt Col Cullen

4 Oct 42.

↓

Relief of JAWARERE by 'C' Coy 36 Bn.

Capt Powers 36 Bn arrived before dusk 3 Oct 42 given info.—

Relieving parties arrived 1030 hrs. 4 Oct 42.

strongest Pl. — 1 Off. - 13 ORs. - many stragglers

no sign of 4th Pl. — Capt Powers. O.C. decided

relieve NIGA with one Pl. which set off at 1230 hrs.

— remainder of Pl. followed at 1445 hrs. — Sgt Lewis

with message from 'C' Coy reported Pl. at BUBINI at

approx. 1600 hrs. — so do not expect our 'C' Coy details

here tonight — Am sending on rear Bn H.Q. personnel

at 0600 hrs 5 Oct 42. — will follow with 'C' Coy

details as soon as possible — should arrive SUBITANA

not later than 1400 hrs. — Am leaving the following:—

6 Pl.	{	Sgt Killey.	dispatching final loads.
		Pte Souters	assisting Sgt Killey.
		" Rogers.	" " " "

2 ligs to move with 108 sets lamps etc.

File  
War  
Diary

Miller Major

Lt. Col. Cullen

2/1 Bn

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FROM <b>16 aust inf bde</b>			

(Write horizontally)					
WARNING	ORDER	(o)	1	(o)	5
16	aust	inf	bde	will	10
move	to	NAURO	area	as	15
follows	(o)	2	(o)	2/3	20
bn	to	stage	UBERI	night	25
3/4	oct	(o)	2/2	bn	30
stage	UBERI	night	4/5	oct	35
(o)	2/1	bn	to	stage	40
UBERI	night	6/7	oct	(o)	45
3	(o)	relief	of	2/2	50
bn	patrols	by	36	bn	55
will	be	completed	by	2400	60
hrs	3	oct	(o)	4	65
(o)	relief	2/1	bn	JAWARERE	70
by	details	36	bn	will	75

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be	completed	by	2400	hrs	5
4	oct	(o)	method	of	10
movement	will	be	advised	later	15
(o)	ack				20
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					45
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*by Hand C.O.*

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T.H.I.

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RECEIVED BY THE COMMANDANT GENERAL'S OFFICE  
MILITARY DEPARTMENT  
MELBOURNE

1000

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3/4  
4/5  
5/6

total

balance

11/12

10/11

20

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300  
170  
130

1000

1000

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300  
470  
620

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**TO** 2/1 2/2 aust inf bns

**FROM** 16 aust inf bde

Originator's Number

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Date

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In Reply to Number

(Write horizontally)

WARNING	ORDER	(.)	1	(.)	5
36	bn	will	relieve	2/2	10
bn	KOITAKA	which	is	moving	15
to	NAURO	area	commencing	4	20
oct	(.)	36	bn	will	25
move	from	UBERI	3	oct	30
(.)	2/2	bn	patrols	all	35
be	relieved	by	2400	hrs	40
3	oct	(.)	2	(.)	45
36	bn	will	provide	one	50
coy	of	four	pls	to	55
relieve	2/1	bn	at	JAWARERE	60
(.)	this	coy	will	take	65
over	functions	and	name	of	70
<b>JAWFORCE</b> <del>JAWARERE</del>	(.)	recce	party	will	75

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<b>FROM</b>	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
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<small>(Write horizontally)</small> move	JAWARERE	2	oct	(.)	5
relief	of	2/1	bn	will	10
be	completed	by	2400	hrs	15
4	oct	(.)	ack		20
					25
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TO

2/1 Bn

FROM

16 Bde

Originator's Number

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Date

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In Reply to Number

SITREP	⊙	2/3	Bn	on	12 hrs
notice	from	0700 hrs	1 oct.	2/2	bn
on	24 hrs	notice	from	0700 hrs	1 oct.
⊙	2/3	bn	have	recalled	long
orange	patrols	rece	patrol	from	2/3
bn	to	TUPUSELEI	returned	1320	hrs
⊙	all	informed			

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2100/1

T.O.R.

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*2/1 BN*

FROM

*16 BDE*

Originator's Number

*4*

Date

*1*

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<i>ref</i>	<i>map</i>	<i>MORESBY</i>	<i>IDROBAIWA</i>	<i>2 miles</i>
<i>1 inch</i>	<i>⊙</i>	<i>KARAKOTANA</i>	<i>DROME</i>	<i>2334</i>
<i>completely mined</i>	<i>⊙</i>	<i>warning</i>	<i>notices</i>	<i>being</i>
<i>erected</i>				

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*Always Cipher*  
*Sgt*

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*O/R Ept  
note pass diary  
to War Secy*

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TO

*✓* *1/1 1/2 1/3 Bns*

FROM

*16 aust inf bde*

Originator's Number

*851*

Date

*10*

In Reply to Number

<i>following</i>	<i>personnel</i>	<i>moving</i>	<i>from</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>aust</i>
<i>div</i>	<i>reception</i>	<i>camp</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>oct</i>	<i>to</i>
<i>rejoin</i>	<i>units</i>	<i>(.)</i>	<i>1/1</i>	<i>Bn</i>	<i>16</i>
<i>1/5</i>	<i>bv</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>1/3</i>	<i>bun</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>(.)</i>	<i>arriving</i>	<i>LIBERI</i>	<i>1300</i>	<i>hes.</i>	

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T.H.I.

*0750*

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TO *HQ ABCD boys R1110* (ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

FROM *211 Aust Inf Bn*

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

*10*

*10*

<i>B Coy</i>	<i>moves</i>	<i>with</i>	<i>16 Bae</i>	<i>HQ</i>	<i>to</i>
<i>MEMPHI</i>	<i>11 Oct 42</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>Start</i>	<i>Times</i>	<i>as</i>
<i>Yellows</i>	<i>from</i>	<i>present</i>	<i>SUBUNIT</i>	<i>locations</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>B Coy</i>	<i>0745 HRS</i>	<i>D Coy</i>	<i>0800</i>	<i>HRS</i>	<i>Per HQ</i>
<i>and</i>	<i>B Coy</i>	<i>0830 HRS</i>	<i>16 Bae HQ</i>	<i>0900 HRS</i>	<i>HQ Coy</i>
<i>0930 HRS</i>	<i>A Coy</i>	<i>0830 HRS</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>A Coy</i>	<i>will</i>
<i>pass</i>	<i>present</i>	<i>Per HQ</i>	<i>Location at</i>		<i>1000 HRS</i>

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RMO	and	party	will	move	at
near	of	A Coy	○	A Coy	will
halt	south	of	16 Bde	present	location
until	16 Bde	and	HQ Coy	move	○
NO	Coy	pl	or	person	will
pass	through	any	other	Coy	or
pl	of	Part	○	Act	

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*W. B. ... Capt.*

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**T.H.I.**

**T.O.R.**

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War Diary  
CCND Coy  
Sig Offr.

HQ 21 Aust Inf Bn  
10 Oct 42

Signal Equip

1. Until further notice the following equip will be carried by sig personnel for all moves:

~~by~~ 108 Sets, D Vs, & flags.

2. In addition Sig Pl HQ's will carry a ppw of the reserve keys, valves etc

3. Carriers when available will carry:

Exchange

Dullephone

3 Lamps

Spare Btys & Valves

3 Miles of Cable

Clifton Cope  
Capt G. A. Cope

MESSAGE FORM

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TO 2/1 2/2 2/3 Aust Inf Bns I sel Sigs CAPT BURRELL REPTD 25 Bde Capt DUNLOP  
LIEUT MURRAY

FROM 16 Aust Inf Bde

Originator's Number 8 Date 10 In Reply to Number

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bde	HO	and	2/1	bn	
will	move	from	present	location	10
to	MENARI	on	11	out	15
0	timings	2/1	bn	less	20
one	coy	0800	hco	file	25
HO	plus	one	coy	0900	30
ho	0	capt	BURRELL	ensure	35
adequate	reception	0	2/1	bn	40
refer	our	4/8	0	83	45
carriers	report	bde	HO	0830	50
hco	0	40	carriers	report	55
2/1	bn	0800	ho	0	60
carriers	loads	will	be	ready	65
for	immediate	movement	when	carriers	70
report	0	all	informed	ACK	75

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SIGNATURE	SIGNATURE <i>Bawson Maj</i>		

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												T.O.R.

L/1 Inf Bn

# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No.

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IN

OUT

*War Diary*

No. of Groups

GR

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3

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TO

*HQ ABCD Camp*

FROM

*Smith*

Originator's Number

5

Date

12

In Reply to Number

*H/1 9302*

*S/Sgt*

*ISHERWOOD*

*CS*

*appx*

*ASW*

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Time of origin

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T.H.I.

T.O.R.

C.E.A. 5/40 50,000 pads.

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TO HQ ABED Coy RSM.

FROM

*On 11/4*

Originator's Number

*8*

Date

*12*

In Reply to Number

<i>Ref</i>	<i>STAND</i>	<i>TO</i>	<i>periods</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>Coy's</i>
<i>will</i>	<i>occupy</i>	<i>and</i>	<i>man</i>	<i>position</i>	<i>to be</i>
<i>over</i>	<i>front</i>	<i>of</i>	<i>the</i>	<i>stand</i>	<i>ensure</i>
<i>correct</i>	<i>detail</i>	<i>paid</i>	<i>to</i>	<i>stand</i>	<i>to's</i>
<i>0</i>	<i>fixed</i>	<i>bayonets</i>	<i>and</i>	<i>correct</i>	<i>dress</i>
<i>etc</i>					

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*1510*

Signed

*Allen Capt*

Signed

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T.O.R.

C.E.A. 5/40 50,000 pads.

40 Coy  
Platoon A/B

6th Div  
C Coy  
B Company  
Manning  
Corps

Wey  
A Coy  
ack'd by Signal

40 Coy  
Platoon  
A/B



War Diary

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TO HQ ABCD Coy 4th Bn 8th Div

FROM Capt.

Originator's Number

6

Date

12

In Reply to Number

Advance party	to	move	0630	1st Lt
1300	to	area	0	Capt
1st Lt	to	1st	less	one
sections	to	one	1 sec	one
plus	to	one	and	one
private	to	and	one	RQMS
rep	to	detail	personnel	to

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T.O.R.

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TO

FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
HV	B Coy	0600	1025
will	provide breakfast	for	complete party
at	0600	hrs	0 M
provide	rations	for	B Coy
breakfast	and	three	days
for	party	0	ack
			to hard
			Brisbane rations

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## Australian Comforts Fund

Following receipt of order that Bn was responsible for protection of Lake Myoha Noi, it was decided to find out what tracks went into the lake as it was suspected that not all tracks were shown on available maps; accordingly patrols were sent out as shown on attached sketch.

Working on a compass bearing roughly parallel to the sides of the lake it was hoped that all tracks running into the lake would be encountered by these patrols. The results were as follows:

- ① C Coy patrols working from their HQ on a bearing of  $180^\circ$  discovered a track running from the SE corner of the lake in a westerly direction.
- ② Patrol by Lieut. Wyburn moving north from the high point at S.W. corner of the lake discovered two tracks running into S.W. corner of the lake. This patrol went as far north as D Coy position.
- ③ A Coy also sent a patrol in a westerly direction from their HQ covering parallel to South end of lake (Mrs. Blackiston) and turning North to come in at Bn HQ. The only track encountered by him was Mr. Marsh's patrol of the North.
- ④ D Coy sent out a patrol northwards to the high feature at the N.W. corner of the lake which crossed the two tracks as shown on the map as running through E Fog. Unfortunately for lack of time these tracks could not be followed up.

Attached sketch shows these tracks ~~as~~ referred to

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*Wandering*  
~~SECRET~~  
*ANNEXMENT 1*

No. of Groups.

GR.

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TO

*HQ ABCD Coy's RMO*

FROM

*7/1 Anst Inf Bn*

Originator's Number

*1*

Date

*13*

In Reply to Number

<i>Bn</i>	<i>issues</i>	<i>to</i>	<i>MYOLA</i>	<i>via</i>	<i>EFOG1</i>
<i>14 Oct</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>start</i>	<i>times</i>	<i>as</i>	<i>follows</i>
<i>from</i>	<i>present</i>	<i>Coy</i>	<i>positions</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>D</i>
<i>and</i>	<i>B</i>	<i>Coy's</i>	<i>0630</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>Bn HQ</i>
<i>0700</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>HQ Coy</i>	<i>0715</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>C Coy</i>
<i>0800</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>A Coy</i>	<i>0830</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>RMO</i>
<i>and</i>	<i>party</i>	<i>move</i>	<i>rear</i>	<i>of</i>	<i>last</i>

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TO

FROM

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

Company	0	March	discipline	as	for
last	move	0	Line	columns	with
subunits	ceased	1600	HRS	13 Oct	0
Fore	allowed	for	breakfast	14 Oct	0
back					

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1520

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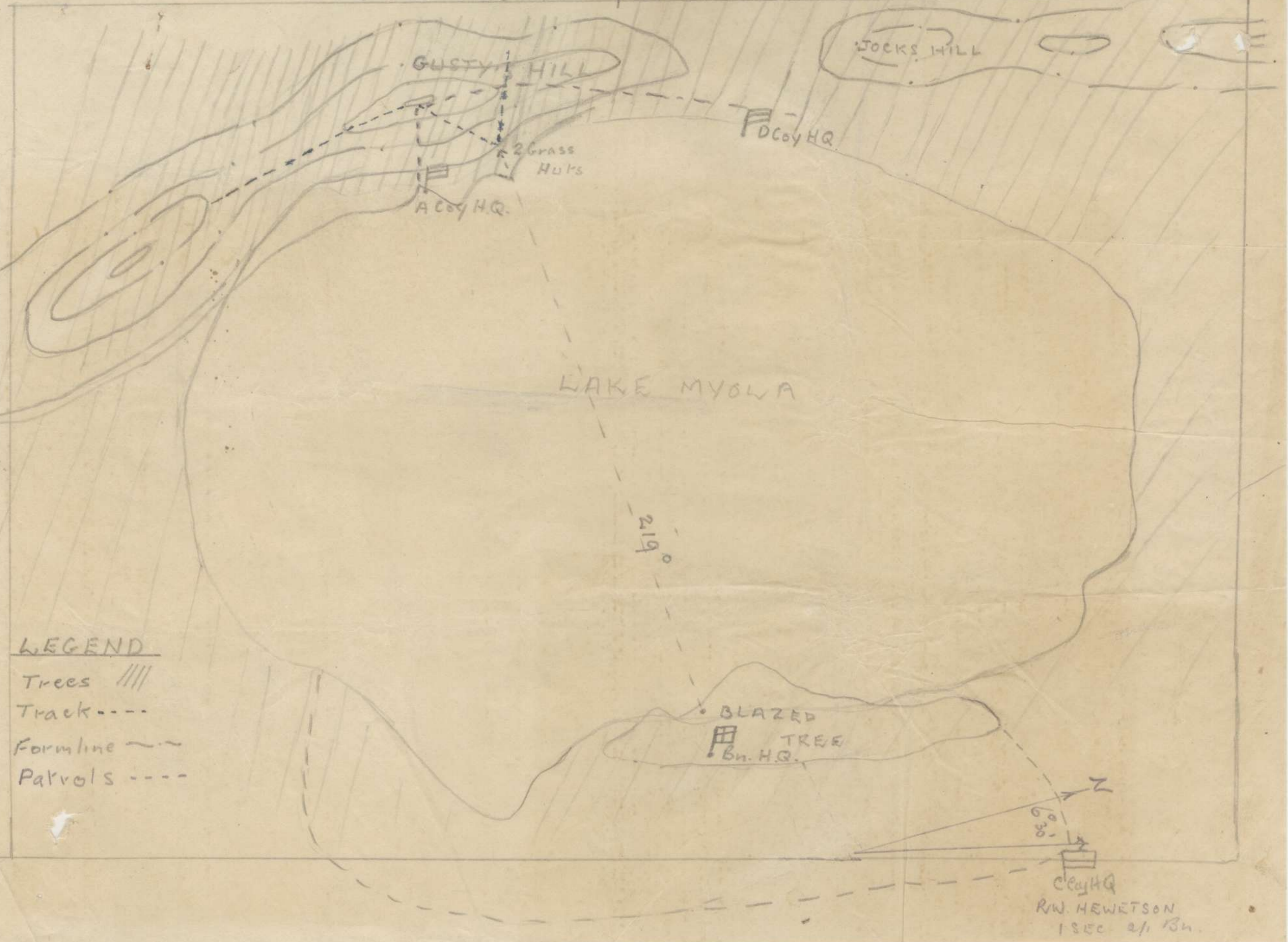
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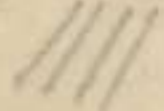
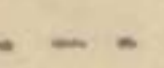
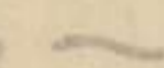

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FIELD SKETCH from B.H.Q. 18.10.42



LEGEND

- Trees 
- Track 
- Formline 
- Patrols 

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TO *16 Aust Inf Bde*

FROM <i>16 Aust Inf Bde</i>	Originator's Number <i>8</i>	Date <i>11</i>	In Reply to Number <i>2</i>

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												C.E.A. 5/40 50,000 pads.

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TO 2/1 2/2 2/3 Must Inf Bn 1 Sect Sigs Capt Burrell  
2/4 Comd Sp 7 Must Div 25 Must Inf Bde Capt McIntosh

FROM 16 Must Inf Bde  
Originator's Number 2  
Date 11  
In Reply to Number

(Write horizontally)

16	Must	Inf	Bde	will	5
move	from	MENARI	to	MYOLA	10
LAKE	staging	LEOGI	NORTH	0	15
Orders	of	move	0	2/3	20
Bn	12	out	0	Bde	25
HQ	and	2/2	Bn	13	30
out	0	2/1	Bn	14	35
out	0	on	arrival	MYOLA	40
LAKE	2/3	Bn	in	co-operation	45
with	25	Bde	will	be	50
first	responsible	for	defence	of	55
MYOLA	LAKE ^{area}	second	recovery	of	60
air	droppings	and	preparations	of	65
landing	ground	on	MYOLA LAKE		70
in	liaison	with	Sent	DAWES	75

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**TO** _____

<b>FROM</b> _____	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
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(Write horizontally)

RAE	O	Role	of	remaining	5
units	on	arrival	to	be	10
advised	later	O	preceding	units	15
will	ensure	reception	of	following	20
units	O	carriers	allotments	advised	25
later	O	all	informed	O	30
Ack					35
					40
					45
					50
					55
					60
					65
					70
					75

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T.H.I.  
T.O.R.

# MESSAGE FORM

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TO *2/1 Aust Inf Bn.* (ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

FROM *16 Aust Inf Bde.*

Originator's Number  
*2*

Date  
*18.*

In Reply to Number

<i>as</i>	<i>air</i>	<i>dropping</i>	<i>will</i>	<i>NOT</i>	<i>continue</i>
<i>on</i>	<i>this</i>	<i>LAKE</i>	<i>and but</i>	<i>commences</i>	<i>on</i>
<i>19</i>	<i>out</i>	<i>at</i>	<i>1030</i>	<i>hrs</i>	<i>on</i>
<i>Western</i>	<i>slopes</i>	<i>of</i>	<i>large</i>	<i>LAKE</i>	<i>namely</i>
<i>the</i>	<i>one</i>	<i>Stevenson</i>	<i>is</i>	<i>in</i>	<i>it-</i>
<i>will</i>	<i>be</i>	<i>necessary</i>	<i>for</i>	<i>your</i>	<i>bn</i>
<i>to</i>	<i>clear</i>	<i>the</i>	<i>catch</i>	<i>LAKE</i>	<i>area</i>

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*1745.*

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TO HQ A B C D Coys RMO. QM. 10.

FROM 2/1 Aust Inf Bn

Originator's Number

3

Date

18

In Reply to Number

5	from	move	will	Bn	The
10	CROSSING	TEMPLETONS	to	location	present
15	march	of	Order	○	19 Oct 42
20	from	follows	as	times	and
25	C Coy	○	locations	submit	present
30	0745 HRS	Bn HQ	0900 HRS	A Coy	0800 HRS
35	D Coy	0800 HRS	B Coy	0800 HRS	HQ Coy
40	follows	as	Route	○	0800 HRS
45	It	via	25 Bn HQ	Old	○
50	present	C Coy	to	NE	leading
55	by	directed	as	Hereafter	location
60	point	Checks	○	guides	C Coy
65	C Coy	near	Hill	of	top
70	pass	to	Coys	○	HQ
75	C Coy	○	times	following	at
80	0830	Bn HQ	0815	A Coy	0800
85	D Coy	0900	B Coy	0845	HQ Coy
90	discipline	march	Normal	○	0915
95	concentrated	be	to	Coys	○
100	to	Coys	BETWEEN	Contact	○
105	to	rear	from	maintained	be
110	ALL	sections	sections	○	front
115	at	patrols	protective	short	halts
120	Coy	Leading	○	Halts	prolonged
125	sections	and	pl	point	maintains
130		acks	○	scouts	with

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1600

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TO *10 ABC Coy, R 110, 10/10/42*  
FROM *2/11 Aust Inf Bn*      Originator's Number *3*      Date *15*      In Reply to Number

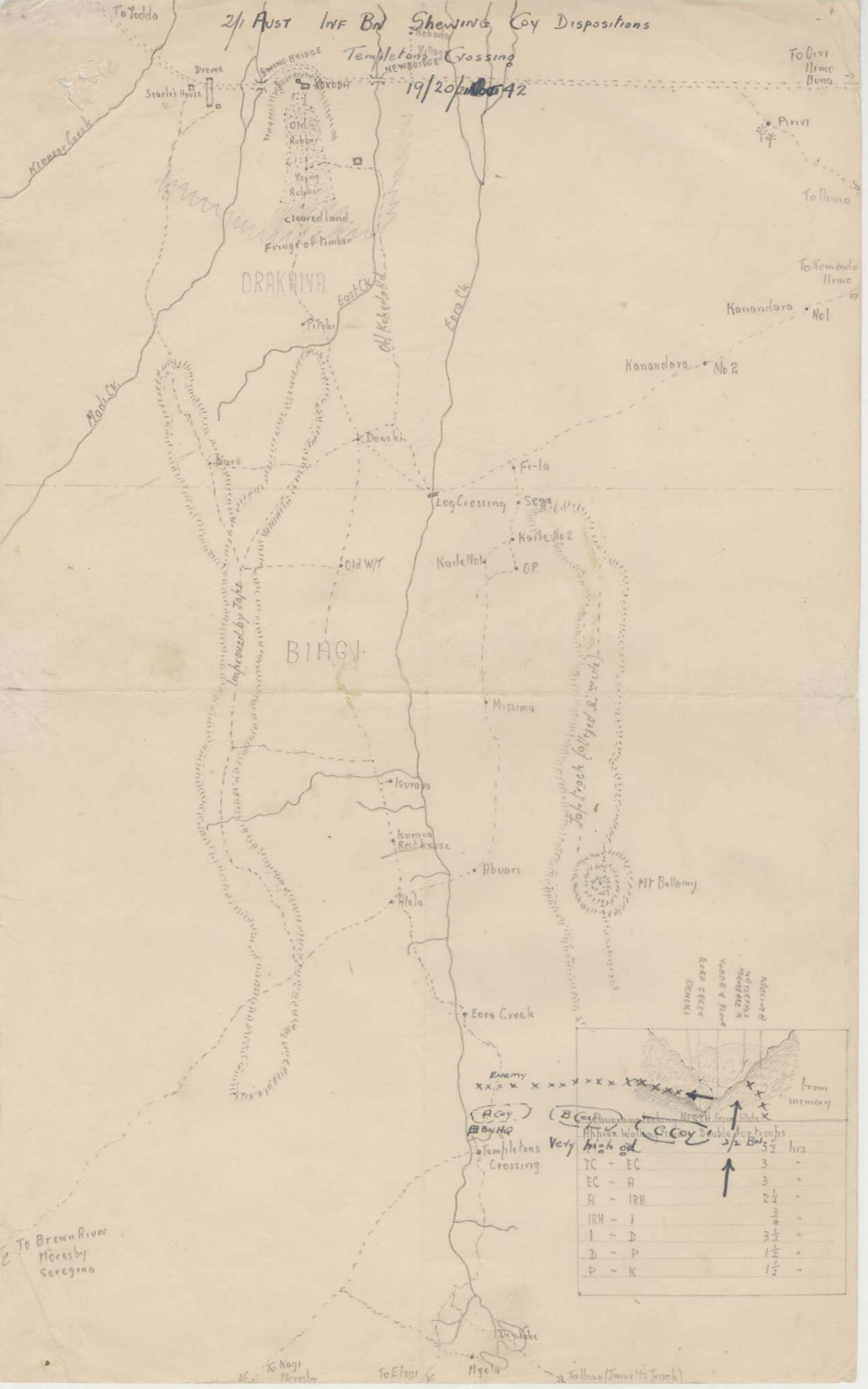
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10	ABC Coy	R 110	10/10/42
15	2/11 Aust Inf Bn		
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												T.O.R.			

2/1 Aust Inf Bn Shewing Coy Dispositions

19/20/21/22/42



TC - EC	3	hrs
EC - A	3	"
A - IRH	2 1/2	"
IRH - I	3/4	"
I - D	3 1/2	"
D - P	1 1/2	"
P - K	1 1/2	"

2/1 Aust Inf Bn

21 OCT 42

WAR DIARY SUPPLEMENTARY

1200. Brigade conf.

Pres. Col. Bullen, Stevenson, Edgar,  
Major Dawson.

The Brigade decided to move forward  
as enemy appeared to have gone.

2/1 Bn to move on axis of main th,  
less C & D boys, with B Coy vanguard.

Two Coy of 2/3 Bn & whole of 2/2 Bn  
to move on top of ridge above main th

Att. 1

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TO *LOKU*

FROM *PINA*

Originator's Number

*10*

Date

*21*

In Reply to Number

<i>SITREP</i>	<i>⊙</i>	<i>LEADING</i>	<i>SCOUT</i>	<i>RIGHT</i>	<i>OF</i>
<i>TRACK</i>	<i>FIRED</i>	<i>ON</i>	<i>BY</i>	<i>SNIPER</i>	<i>⊙</i>
<i>WOUNDED</i>	<i>IN</i>	<i>HEAD</i>	<i>⊙</i>	<i>INVESTIGATING</i>	<i>⊙</i>
<i>LOCATION</i>	<i>HIGH</i>	<i>GROUND</i>	<i>2600</i>	<i>YDS</i>	<i>FROM</i>
<i>BAYLISS</i>	<i>⊙</i>				

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*1610h*

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**T.O.R.**

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TO *LOKU*

FROM *PINA*

Originator's Number

*10*

Date

*21*

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*1610h.*

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**T.H.I.**

**T.O.R.**



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IN

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*War Diary*

(2)

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TO

D.D.M.C. N.G.F. LIASON OFFICER RECORDS N.G.F.  
O.C. 2/1 INF BN. N.G.F.

FROM

2/9 AUST. GEN. HOSPITAL.

Originator's Number

M. 25

Date

10/10/42.

In Reply to Number

NR4176

NO. 1.

BOURKE

R.N.A.

2/1 INF

BN

DIED

YESTERDAY

DIAGNOSIS

ACUTE

PHARYNGITIS

ALL

INFORMED.

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS  
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN

1000

SIGNED

*M. J. ...*

SIGNED

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T.H.I.

T.O.R.

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# MESSAGE FORM

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CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

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TO

FROM

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

tomorrow	19	Oct	by	1015	hrs
⊙	if	this	does	not	suit
your	arranged	movement	you	will	send
remaining	thrs	via	track	MYOLA	TEMPLETONS
CROSSING	⊙	ack			

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*Bawson May*  
SIGNED

*by L.O.*

*1745*

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TO 2/1 Aust Inf Bn

FROM 16 Aust Inf Bde

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

1

19

one	coy	will	be	left	at
no 1	forward	dump	from	MYOLA	for
protection	of	dump	until	further	orders
⊙	remainder	of	bn	will	continue
TEMPLETONS	CROSSING	⊙	GULLEN	7	to
move	ahead	and	report	to	EATHER
HQ					

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*Dawson My*

*by hand*

1328

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day

10

airline

R. P. ...

Ord. B. ...

# MESSAGE FORM

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.**

IN *Was Diary*  
 OUT

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**GR.**

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TO *D Coy rptd HQ ABC Camp*

FROM *Co Aust Inf Bn*

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

<i>Hand D Coy</i>	<i>will</i>	<i>occupy</i>	<i>a</i>	<i>defensive</i>	<i>position</i>
<i>ASC</i>	<i>dump</i>	<i>forward</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>Race</i>	<i>defence</i>
<i>of</i>	<i>ASC</i>	<i>dump</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>at</i>	<i>least</i>
<i>one</i>	<i>be</i>	<i>to</i>	<i>be</i>	<i>on</i>	<i>high</i>
<i>feature</i>	<i>NORTH</i>	<i>side</i>	<i>of</i>	<i>creek</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>balance</i>	<i>of</i>	<i>the</i>	<i>area</i>	<i>be</i>	<i>forward</i>
<i>at</i>	<i>TEMPLETONS CROSSING</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>Wait</i>	<i>until</i>

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**T.O.R.**

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TO *D Coy rptd HQ ABC keys*

FROM *Co Aust Inf Bn*

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

<i>Hand D Coy</i>	<i>will</i>	<i>occupy</i>	<i>a</i>	<i>defensive</i>	<i>position</i>
<i>ASC</i>	<i>dump</i>	<i>found</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>Race</i>	<i>defence</i>
<i>of</i>	<i>ASC</i>	<i>dump</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>at</i>	<i>least</i>
<i>one</i>	<i>be</i>	<i>to</i>	<i>be</i>	<i>on</i>	<i>high</i>
<i>feature</i>	<i>NORTH</i>	<i>side</i>	<i>of</i>	<i>cracks</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>balance</i>	<i>of</i>	<i>low</i>	<i>will</i>	<i>be</i>	<i>found</i>
<i>at</i>	<i>TEMPLETONS CROSSING</i>		<i>0</i>	<i>Subway</i>	<i>until</i>

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TO *2/1, 2/3 Aust Inf Bn.*

FROM *16 Aust Inf Bde.*

Originator's Number

*3*

Date

*18.*

In Reply to Number

<i>bde</i>	<i>less</i>	<i>2/2</i>	<i>bn</i>	<i>will</i>	<i>move</i>
<i>from</i>	<i>present</i>	<i>location</i>	<i>to</i>	<i>TEMPLETONS</i>	<i>CROSSING</i>
<i>area</i>	<i>and</i>	<i>take</i>	<i>over</i>	<i>from</i>	<i>25</i>
<i>bde</i>	<i>units</i>	<i>as</i>	<i>follows</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>ABQ</i>
<i>16</i>	<i>aust</i>	<i>inf</i>	<i>bde</i>	<i>departs</i>	<i>0700</i>
<i>hrs</i>	<i>19</i>	<i>out</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>2/1</i>	<i>bn</i>
<i>0800</i>	<i>hrs</i>	<i>to</i>	<i>clear</i>	<i>LARGE</i>	<i>LAKE</i>

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T.O.R.

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GR.

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TO

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FROM

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

area	by	1015	hrs	19	Oct
⊙	2/3	bn	departs	area	in
time	to	clear	dropping	ground	before
dropping	commences	20	out	⊙	three
days	hard	and	thru	days	emergency
carried	on	man	⊙	route	via
MYOLA	NO 2	LAKE	⊙	<del>50</del> 50	carriers

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T.O.R.

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CALL  
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IN

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No. of Groups.

GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

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TO

FROM

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

*report  
departure*

*each  
O*

*by  
ack*

*0800*

*day*

*7*

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS  
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

*by HAND*

TIME OF ORIGIN

*1900*

SIGNED

SIGNED

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T.H.I.

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T.O.R.

War Diary

Tomorrow, we will receive  
255 Bns which is left food  
Bns of 25 Bns at present  
operating against enemy  
positions in TEMPLE TONS  
CROSSING area. Understand  
our position is a wide ridge on  
^{WEST} ~~left~~ of creek, remaining through  
Kampetons crossing.

1940.

~~Answer is Wilby © suggest  
use new trade © Escort  
NOT arrived ©~~

1900

# MESSAGE FORM

**CALL  
AND  
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TIONS.**

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No. of Groups  
**GR.**

Serial No.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

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TO

*HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde*

FROM

*Hq Aust Inf Bde*

Originator's Number

*18*

Date

*18*

In Reply to Number

*3/18*

*ack*

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BY ANY MEANS:

*C. S. [Signature]  
Capt*

SIGNED

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS  
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TIME OF ORIGIN

*2035*

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**T.H.I.**

**T.O.R.**

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# MESSAGE FORM

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**GR.**

Serial No.  
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TO *LOKJ*

FROM *HQ HBCD Coy. Qm RMD 10.*

Originator's Number

Date  
*18*

In Reply to Number  
*3.*

*Ack*

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*1758*

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**T.H.I.** *1758*

**T.O.R.**

# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No.

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	OUT			

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TO HQ ABCD Coy RMO

FROM	2/1 Aust Inf Bn	Originator's Number	1	Date	13	In Reply to Number	
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Bn	moves	to	MYOLA	via	EFOG 1
14 Oct	○	start	times	as	follows
from	present	Coy	positions	○	D
and	B	Coy	0630	○	Bn HQ
0700	○	HQ Coy	0715	○	C Coy
0800	○	A Coy	0830	○	RMO
and	party	move	rear	of	last

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T.O.R.

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No. of Groups.  
GR.

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TO

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FROM

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

Copy	○	March	discipline	as	for
last	move	○	Line	columns	with
subunits	ceases	1600	HRS	13 Oct	○
Trics	allowed	for	breakfast	14 Oct	○
ack					

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*File on Capt.*

1520

SIGNED

SIGNED

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T.H.I.

T.O.R.

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CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS	IN	No. of Groups. <b>GR</b>	OFFICE DATE STAMP
	OUT		

TO *40 ABC Coy Butte. 8777.* (ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

FROM <i>Adj.</i>	Originator's Number <i>6</i>	Date <i>12</i>	In Reply to Number
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<i>Advance party</i>	<i>to</i>	<i>move</i>	<i>0630</i>	<i>hrs</i>
<i>BOct</i>	<i>from</i>	<i>area</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>Capt</i>
<i>MACARTHUR</i>	<i>Pioneer</i>	<i>R</i>	<i>less</i>	<i>one</i>
<i>section</i>	<i>two</i>	<i>RPs</i>	<i>1 sec</i>	<i>one</i>
<i>rig</i>	<i>plus</i>	<i>one</i>	<i>and</i>	<i>one</i>
<i>private</i>	<i>per</i>	<i>Coy</i>	<i>and</i>	<i>RQMS</i>
<i>rep</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>Coy</i>	<i>detail</i>	<i>personnel to</i>

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Originator's instructions Degree of priority

Time of origin.

Signed

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T.H.I.

System in	Time in	Reader	Sender	System out	Time out	Reader	Sender	System out	Time out	Reader	Sender

T.O.R.

C.E.A. 5/40 50,000 pada.



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TO

FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
RV	B Coy	0600	HRS
will	provide	breakfast	for
at	0600	HRS	0
provide	rations	for	B Coy
breakfast	and	three	days
for	party	0	ack

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Degree of priority

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1150

Signed

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T.H.I.

T.O.R.

C.E.A. 5/40 50,000 pads.

*By*

*Chas. H. P.*

*D Coy*

*e Coy. Lewis*

*B Coy R. Looney Sgt*

*Private L. Lewis*

2/1 AUST. INF. BN.

NEW GUINEA CAMPAIGN.

SKETCH MAPS.

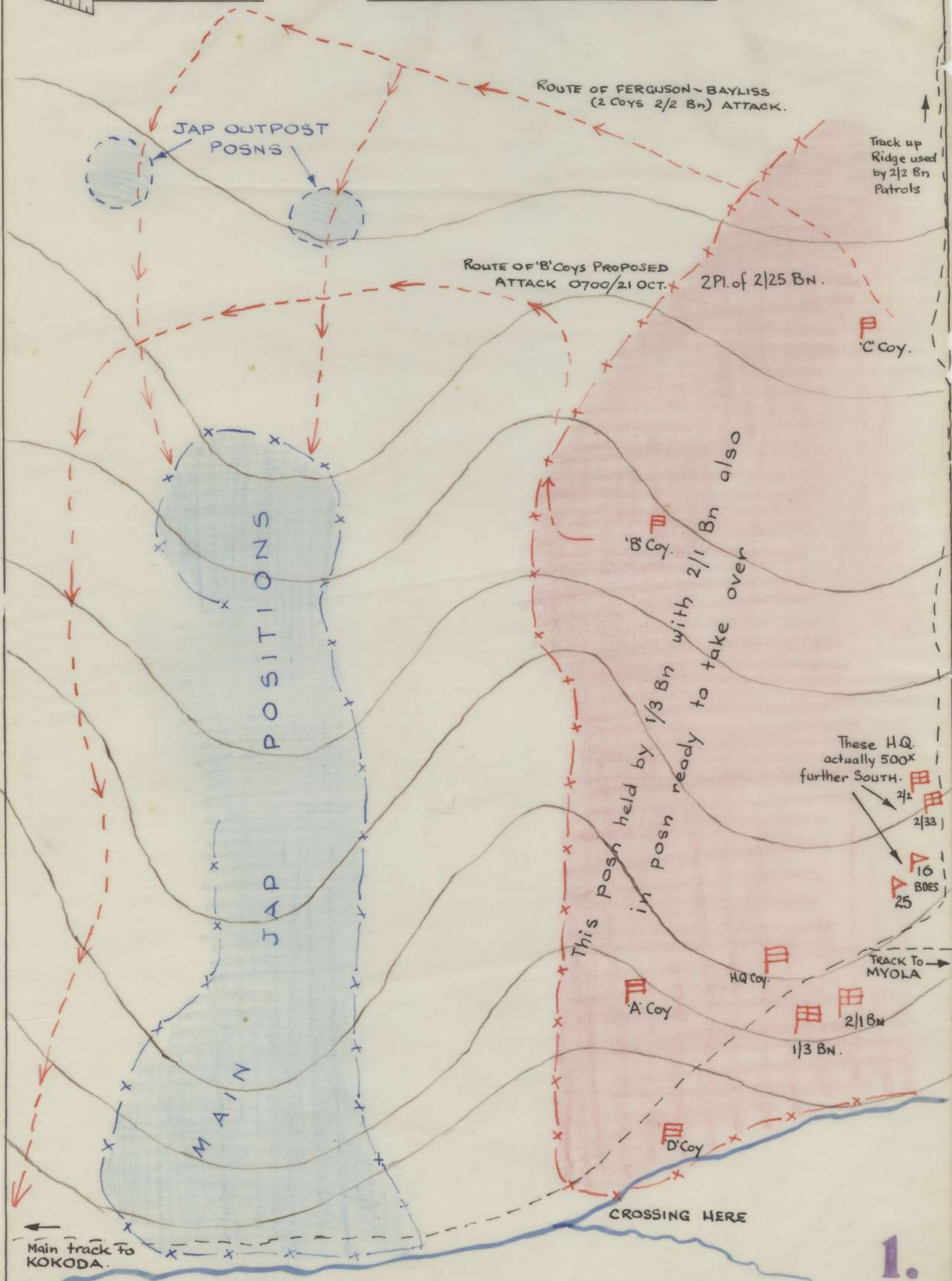
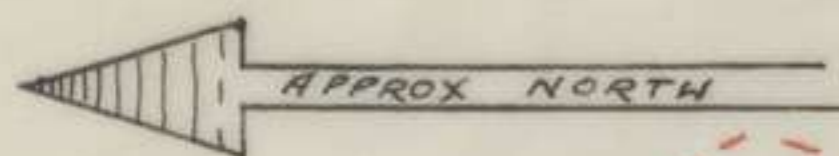
17 JUNE 1943

<u>Sketch No.</u>	<u>A R E A .</u>	<u>Date.</u>
1.	<u>TEMPLETON'S CROSSING.</u>	20 Oct 42.
2.	<u>EORA CREEK.</u>	22-23 Oct.
3.	<u>EORA CREEK.</u>	27-29 Oct.
4.	<u>GORARI.</u>	3 - 9 Nov.
5.	<u>GORARI.</u>	9 - 12 Nov.
6.	<u>SANANANDER TRACK.</u>	20-21 Nov.
7.	<u>SANANANDER TRACK.</u>	20-30 Nov.

# TEMPLETONS CROSSING

... 2/1 AUST INF BN = 20 OCT 42 ...

1.



Scale : 1 in. = 200 yds.

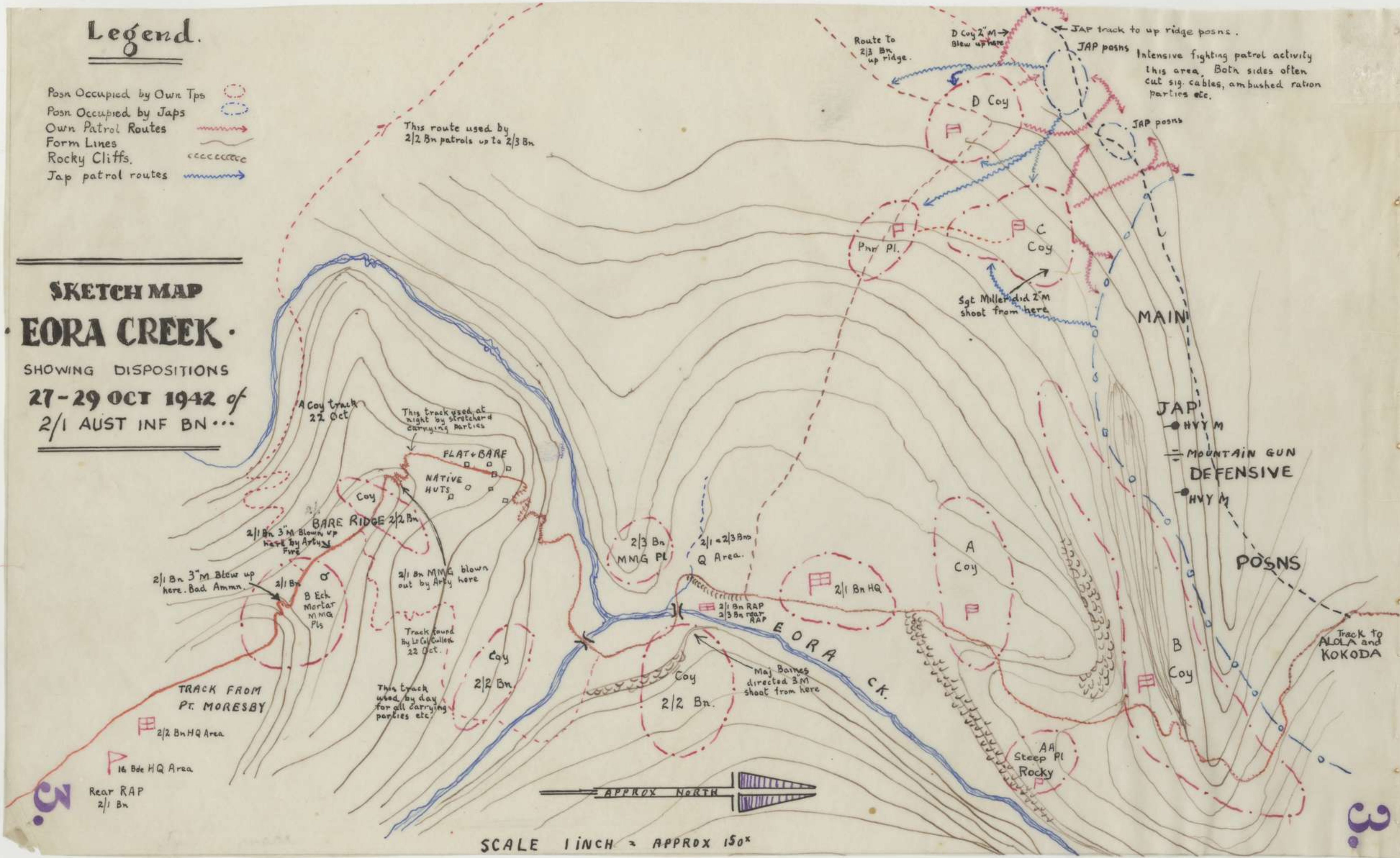
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# Legend.

- Posn Occupied by Own Tps ○
- Posn Occupied by Japs ○
- Own Patrol Routes →
- Form Lines -----
- Rocky Cliffs. ~~~~~
- Jap patrol routes →

## SKETCH MAP EORA CREEK.

SHOWING DISPOSITIONS  
27-29 OCT 1942 of  
2/1 AUST INF BN...



SCALE 1 INCH = APPROX 150'

# Legend.

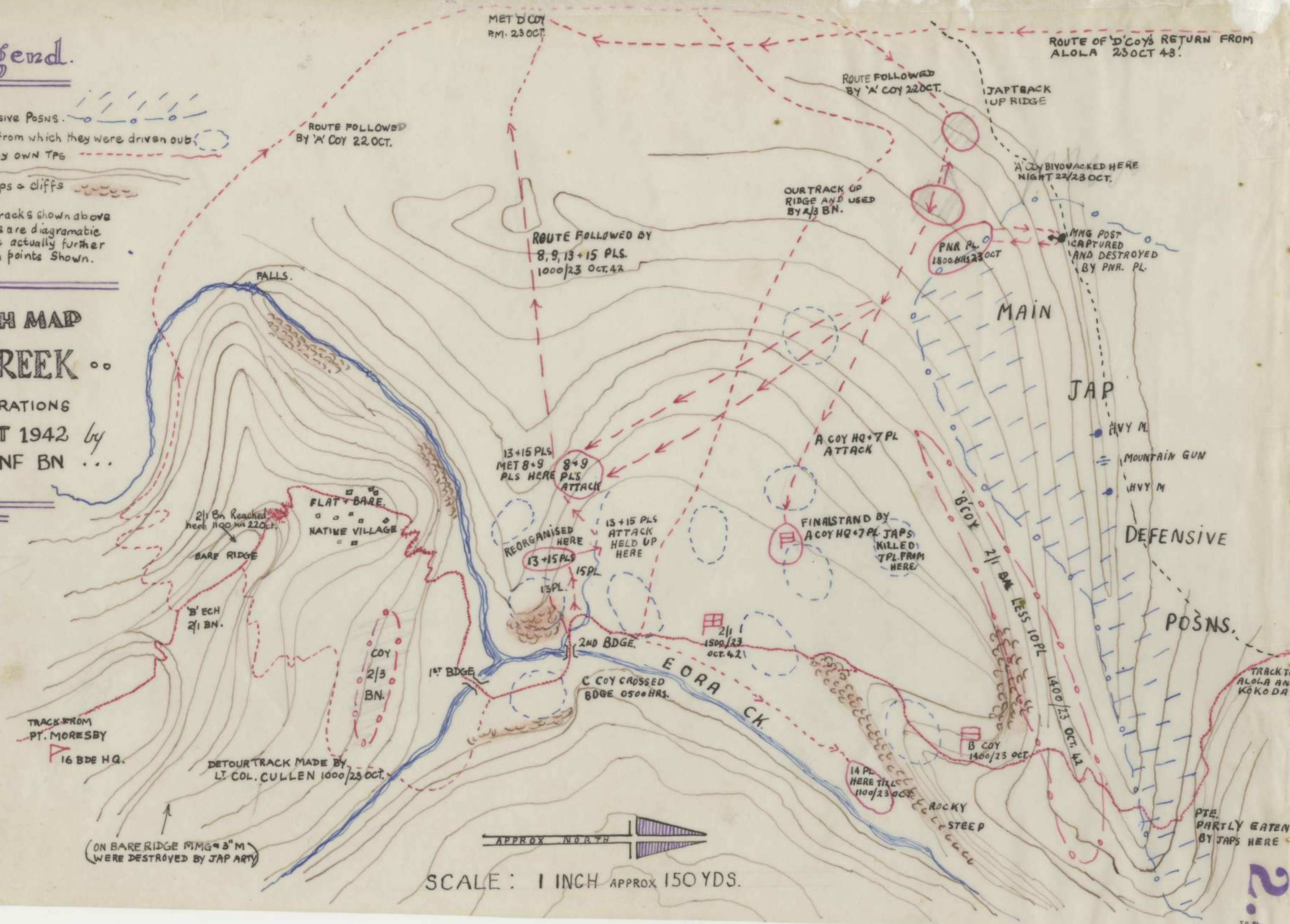
- Main Jap Defensive Posns. (dashed line with dots)
- Adv. Jap Posns from which they were driven out (dashed circle)
- Tracks used by own TPs (dashed line)
- Form Lines (solid line)
- Rocky Outcrops & cliffs (wavy line)

N.B. Routes & tracks shown above  
Form lines are diagrammatic  
only & are actually further  
west than points shown.

## SKETCH MAP

# EORA CREEK

SHOWING OPERATIONS  
22, 23 OCT 1942 by  
2/1 AUST INF BN ...



SCALE: 1 INCH APPROX 150 YDS.


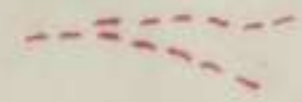


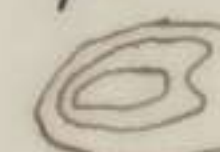
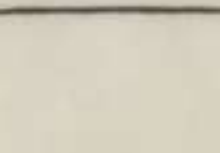
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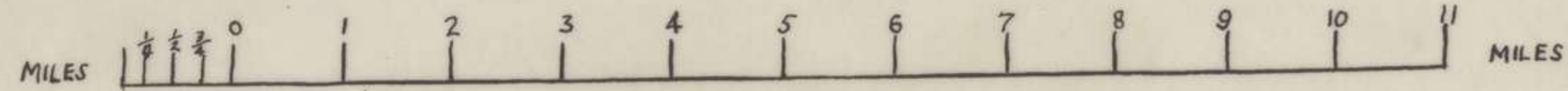
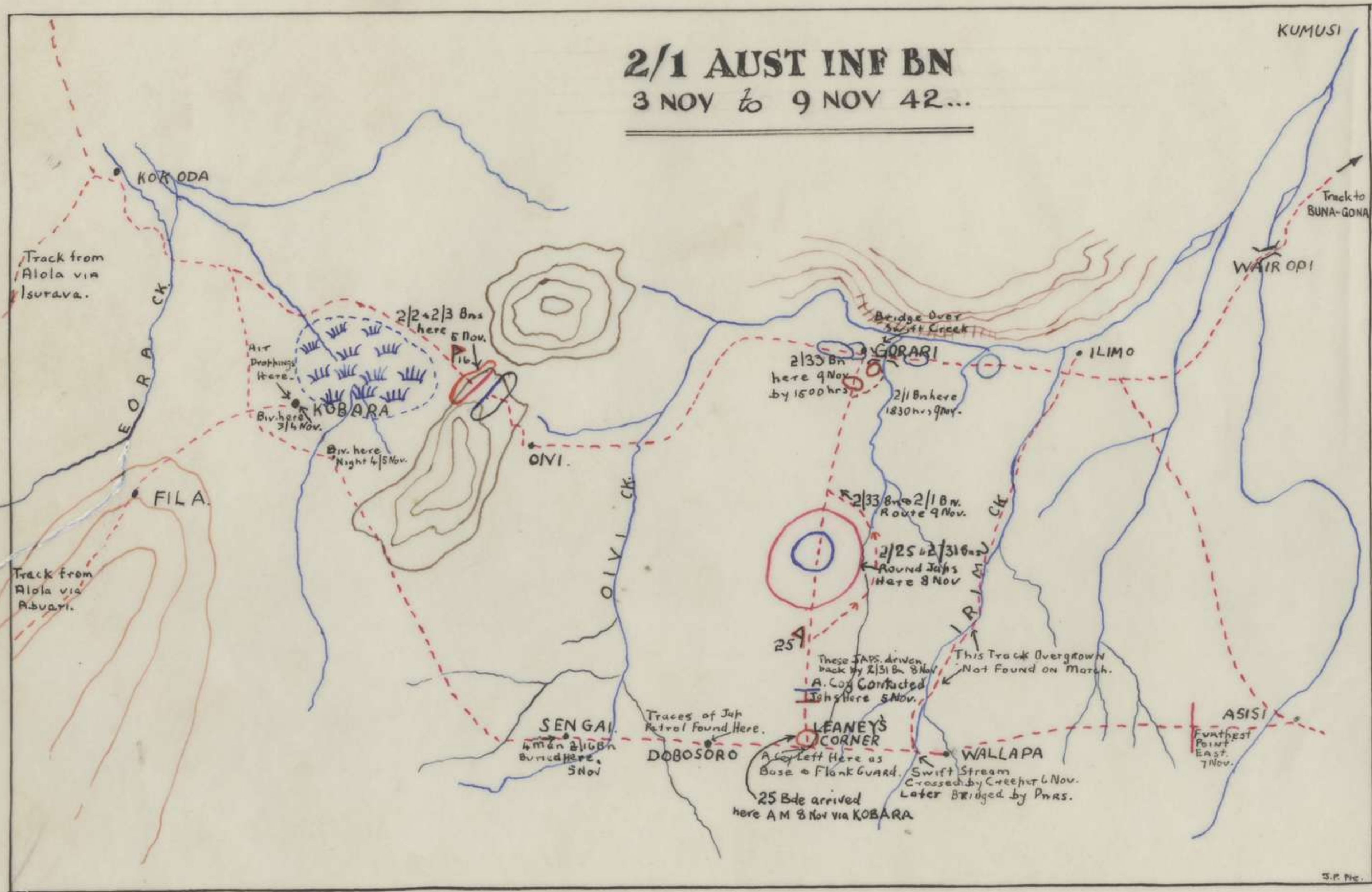
3 NOV to 9 NOV 42...

## BATTLE-ZONE GORARI

SCALE 1 IN = 2 Mls

### LEGEND

-  SWAMPS
-  CREEKS
-  TRACKS
-  ALLIED POSITIONS
-  ALLIED POSITIONS
-  BRIDGES
-  CONTOURS
-  ENEMY POSITIONS
-  ENEMY POSITIONS

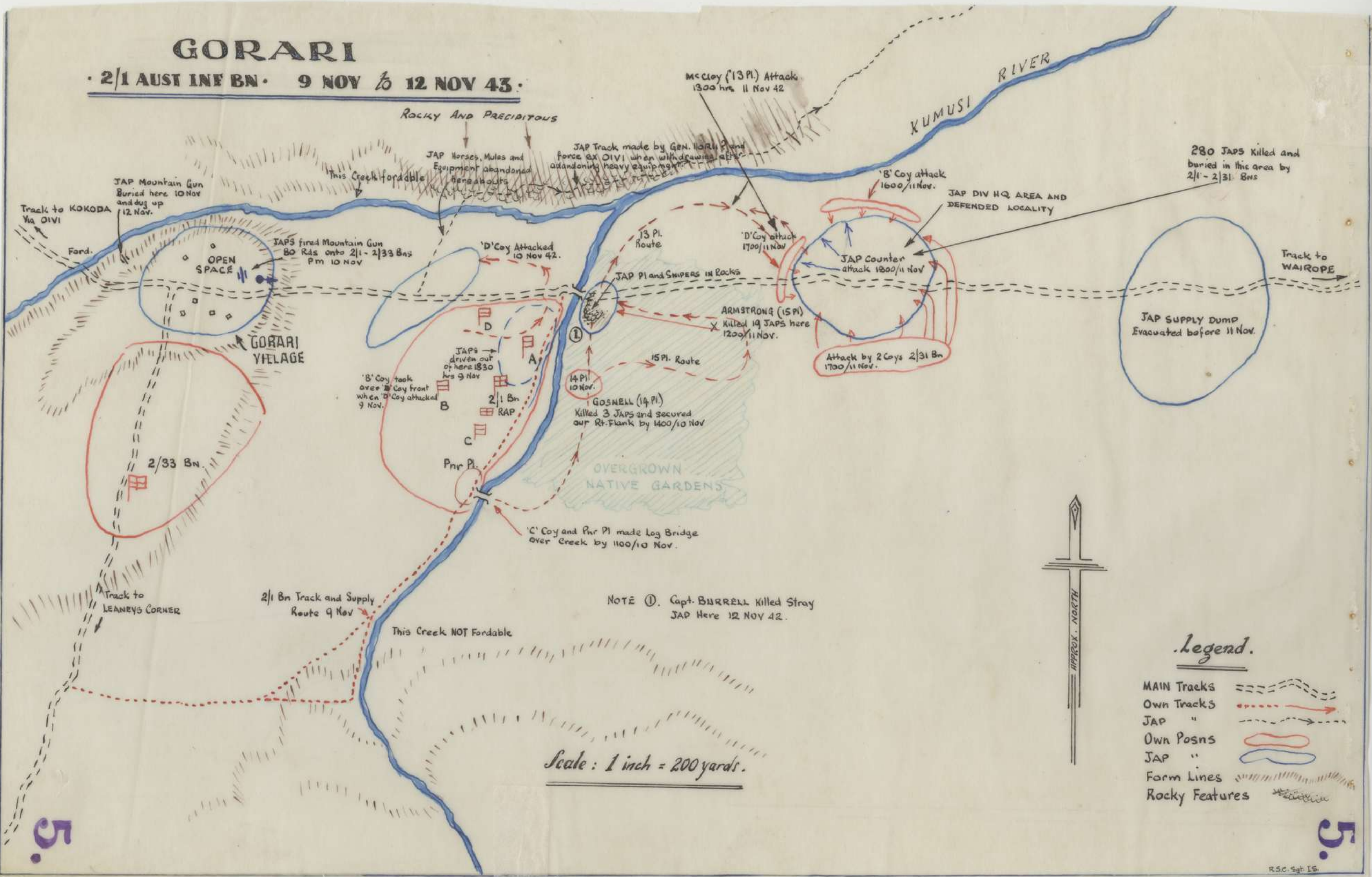


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# GORARI

2/1 AUST INF BN. 9 NOV to 12 NOV 43.



Rocky AND Precipitous

KUMUSI RIVER

280 JAPS Killed and buried in this area by 2/1 - 2/31 Bns

JAP Mountain Gun Buried here 10 Nov and dug up 12 Nov.

OPEN SPACE

GORARI VILLAGE

OVERGROWN NATIVE GARDENS

JAP SUPPLY DUMP Evacuated before 11 Nov.

McCloy (13 PI) Attack 1300 hrs 11 Nov 42

'B' Coy attack 1600/11 Nov.

JAP Horses, Mules and Equipment abandoned hereabouts

JAP Track made by GEN. HORII and Force ex OIVI when withdrawing after...

JAP DIV HQ AREA AND DEFENDED LOCALITY

'D' Coy Attacked 10 Nov 42.

'D' Coy attack 1700/11 Nov.

JAP Counter attack 1800/11 Nov.

ARMSTRONG (15 PI) Killed 19 JAPS here 1200/11 Nov.

Attack by 2 Coys 2/31 Bn 1700/11 Nov.

'B' Coy took over 'D' Coy front when 'D' Coy attacked 9 Nov.

GOSNELL (14 PI) Killed 3 JAPS and secured our Rt. Flank by 1400/10 Nov.

'C' Coy and Pnr Pl made Log Bridge over Creek by 1100/10 Nov.

NOTE ①. Capt. BURRELL killed Stray JAP Here 12 NOV 42.

Scale: 1 inch = 200 yards.



### Legend.

- MAIN Tracks
- Own Tracks
- JAP "
- Own Posns
- JAP "
- Form Lines
- Rocky Features

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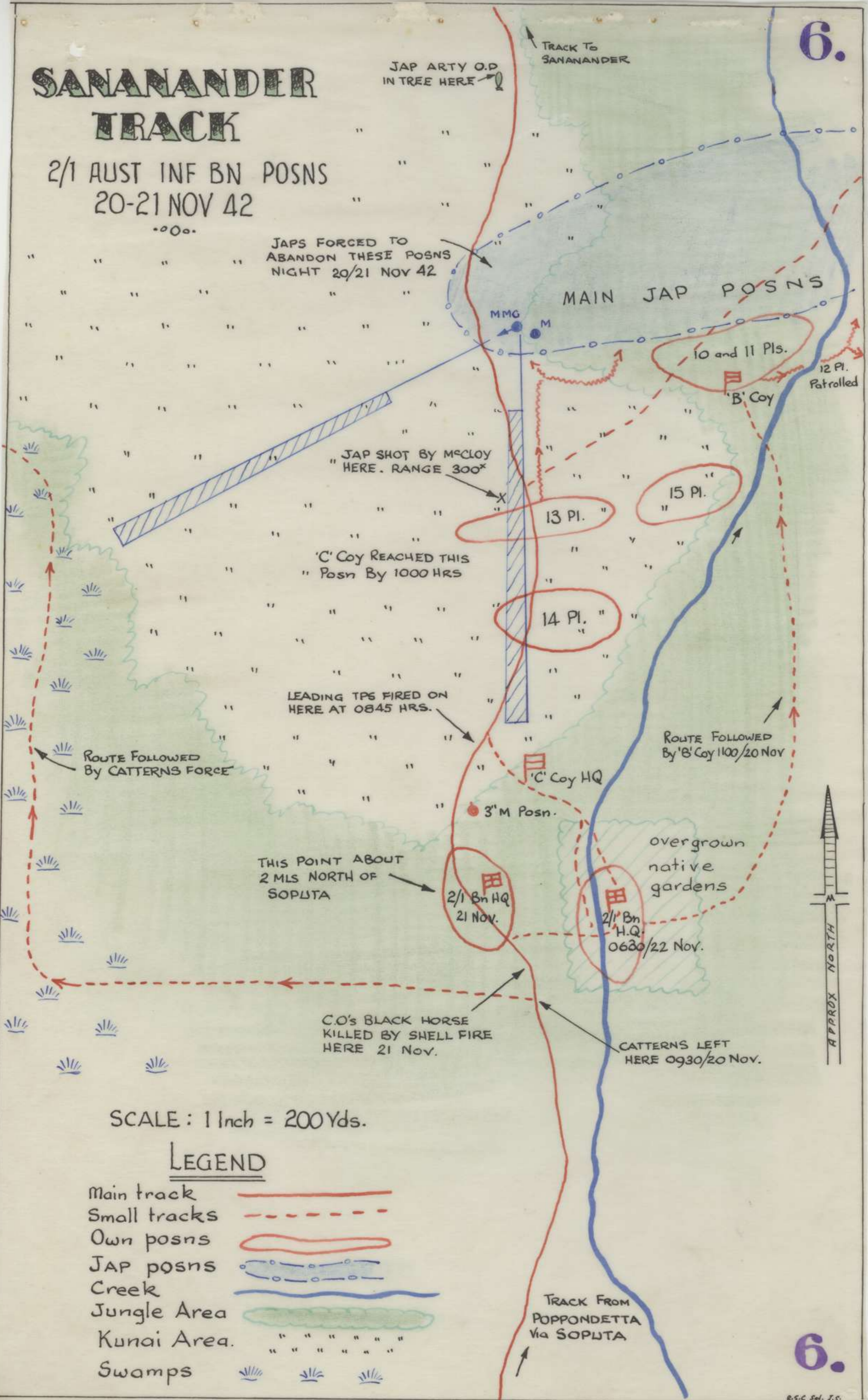
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# SANANANDER TRACK

## 2/1 AUST INF BN POSNS 20-21 NOV 42



JAP ARTY O.P. IN TREE HERE

TRACK TO SANANANDER

JAPS FORCED TO ABANDON THESE POSNS NIGHT 20/21 NOV 42

MAIN JAP POSNS

10 and 11 Pls.

12 Pl. Patrolled

'B' Coy

JAP SHOT BY McCLOY HERE. RANGE 300'

13 Pl.

15 Pl.

'C' Coy REACHED THIS Posn By 1000 HRS

14 Pl.

LEADING TPGS FIRED ON HERE AT 0845 HRS.

ROUTE FOLLOWED By 'B' Coy 1100/20 Nov

ROUTE FOLLOWED By CATTERNS FORCE

'C' Coy HQ

3' M Posn.

THIS POINT ABOUT 2 MLS NORTH OF SOPLUTA

2/1 Bn HQ 21 Nov.

2/1 Bn H.Q. 0630/22 Nov.

overgrown native gardens

C.O.'s BLACK HORSE KILLED BY SHELL FIRE HERE 21 Nov.

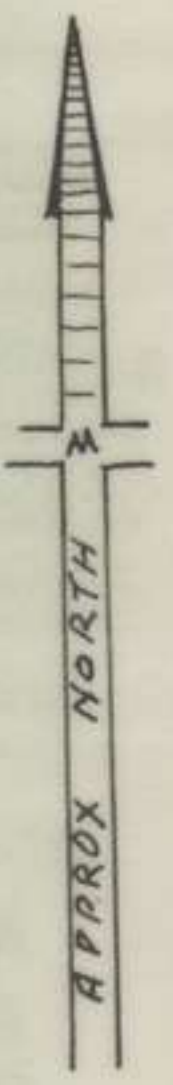
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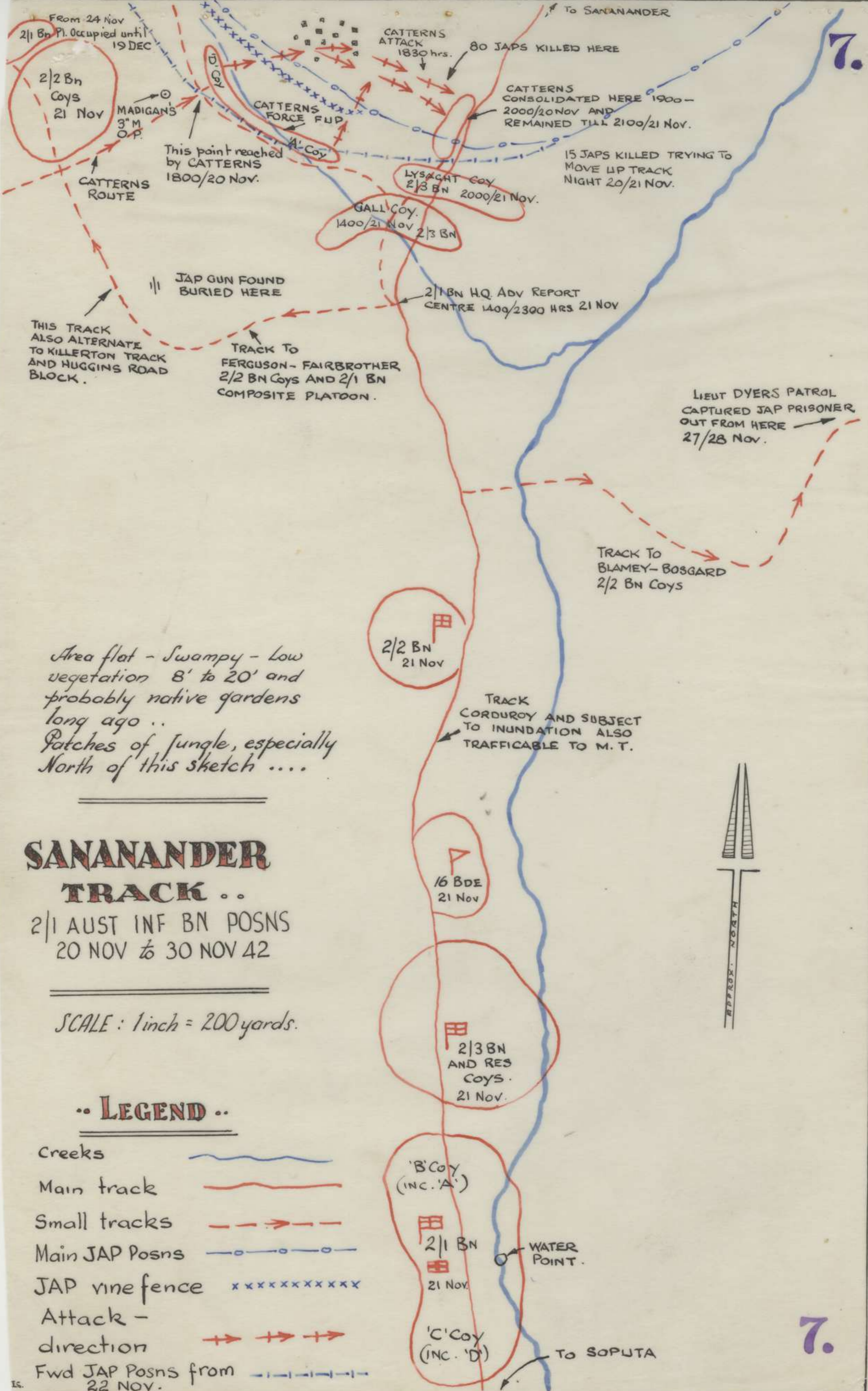
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### LEGEND

- Main track
- Small tracks
- Own posns
- JAP posns
- Creek
- Jungle Area
- Kunai Area.
- Swamps

TRACK FROM POPPONNETTA via SOPLUTA





From 24 Nov  
2/1 Bn Pl. Occupied until  
19 DEC

2/2 Bn  
Coys  
21 Nov

MADIGAN'S  
3" M  
O.P.

This point reached  
by CATTERNS  
1800/20 Nov.

CATTERNS  
ROUTE

CATTERNS  
ATTACK  
1830 hrs.

80 JAPS KILLED HERE

CATTERNS  
CONSOLIDATED HERE 1900-  
2000/20 NOV AND  
REMAINED TILL 2100/21 NOV.

15 JAPS KILLED TRYING TO  
MOVE UP TRACK  
NIGHT 20/21 NOV.

LYSAGHT Coy  
2/3 Bn 2000/21 Nov.

GALL Coy.  
1400/21 Nov 2/3 Bn

2/1 Bn HQ Adv Report  
CENTRE 1400/2300 HRS 21 NOV

THIS TRACK  
ALSO ALTERNATE  
TO KILLERTON TRACK  
AND HUGGINS ROAD  
BLOCK.

JAP GUN FOUND  
BURIED HERE

TRACK TO  
FERGUSON - FAIRBROTHER  
2/2 Bn Coys AND 2/1 Bn  
COMPOSITE PLATOON.

LIEUT DYERS PATROL  
CAPTURED JAP PRISONER  
OUT FROM HERE  
27/28 Nov.

TRACK TO  
BLAMEY - BOSGARD  
2/2 Bn Coys

2/2 Bn  
21 Nov

TRACK  
CORDUROY AND SUBJECT  
TO INUNDATION ALSO  
TRAFFICABLE TO M.T.

16 BDE  
21 Nov

2/3 Bn  
AND RES  
COYS.  
21 Nov.

'B' Coy  
(INC. 'A')

2/1 Bn  
21 Nov.

WATER  
POINT.

'C' Coy  
(INC. 'D')

TO SOPUTA



Area flat - Swampy - Low  
vegetation 8' to 20' and  
probably native gardens  
long ago ..  
Patches of jungle, especially  
North of this sketch ....

# SANANANDER TRACK ..

2/1 AUST INF BN POSNS  
20 NOV to 30 NOV 42

SCALE : 1 inch = 200 yards.

## .. LEGEND ..

- Creeks
- Main track
- Small tracks
- Main JAP Posns
- JAP vine fence
- Attack -  
direction
- Fwd JAP Posns from  
22 NOV.