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56 Infantry Battalion
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56 AUST INF BN (A.I.F.)

Sunday

- 1 Aug 43 - Normal Church Parades held in Unit Lines. Protestant Denominations at 1100 hours and Roman Catholic at 0830 hours.
 A Coy - Rifle practices at GERALDTON Rifle Range.
 B Coy - Part of Coy on Blitz Course.
 C Coy - Semaphore, holding, aiming and firing in preparation for forthcoming range practices.
 D Coy - Working on blitz course and Fd.Craft & Battle Drill.
 HQ " - Normal Pl training.
 In the afternoon the Bn Sports Programme was commenced, but owing to inclement weather, the sports had to be abandoned.
 A Bn representative team played an Australian Rules Football Match against R.A.A.F. team at GERALDTON OVAL, which resulted in a win for the ~~form~~ RAAF.

Monday

- 2 Aug 43 - A Coy - Rest Day. Morning devoted to washing and afternoon Coy proceeded to GERALDTON on leave.
 B Coy - Coy departed for rifle range at 0715 hrs. Proceeded with firing of Table A Part 11. Weather was fairly fine, although several showers interrupted firing. Returned to Camp at 1800 hrs.
 C Coy - Rest Day. Morning devoted to washing and afternoon leave.
 D Coy - " " " " " " " "
 HQ " - Some pls on rest day and leave. Remainder on normal training.
 In the evening, visiting artists gave a piano recital of classical music in Bn Lines. Programme was arranged by Education Offr, 2 Div.

Tuesday

- 3 Aug 43 - A Coy - Rifle practices at GERALDTON Rifle Range.
 B Coy - Rest day. Morning devoted to washing and afternoon to leave.
 C Coy - proceeded to Rifle Range and all personnel exercised in Musketry Table A Part 11.
 D Coy - On blitz course for 1 hour - remainder of day on Fd.Craft & B.D.
 HQ " - Part of Coy on rest day and leave. Lecture to remainder on various points from A.S.O's.
 On the Bn Sports Ground, two selected teams from units in 5 Aust Inf Bde, played Rugby League Football Match in order that a representative team could be selected to play 8 Aust Inf Bde team.

Wednesday

- 4 Aug 43 - A Coy - Fd.Craft & Battle Drill.
 B Coy - Q Store issues. Coy preparing for Div Duties. Blitz course and Fd.craft & Battle Drill.
 C Coy - Blitz course. Fd.Craft & Battle Drill. Coy remained in Training Area for mid-day meal.
 HQ Coy - Sig Pl on Compass exercise including signal communications.
 Ref Map GERALDTON 1" = 1 ml.
 Half of Coy proceeded to GERALDTON Rifle Range and the remainder proceeded with normal training and work.
 Capt McAlister, Education Officer, 2 Aust Div, accompanied by a representative from Dalgety & Co Ltd and a wool expert from the Dept. of Agriculture, visited the lines and outlined the functioning of the Correspondence Course in Sheep and Woollassing through the Education Service scheme. Such lecture was delivered by men who have already enrolled with Sydney Technical College in this course.

Thursday

- 5 Aug 43 - A Coy - Fd.Craft and Battle Drill; semaphore & Blitz Course.
 B Coy - " " " " " " "
 C Coy - Fd.Craft and Battle Drill. Blitz Course for 1 hour after lunch.
 Capt. E.J.Callan and certain NCO's and "I" man inspected CWP's which Coy is take take over for Div Duties.
 D Coy - Blitz Course; Fd.Craft & Battle Drill.
 HQ " - Remainder of Coy proceeded to Rifle Range. Balance on normal pl training.
 Lt Col MADGEWICK of L.H.Q. Education Service, accompanied by Capt McAlister, Education Offr, 2 Div and the Education Offr of WA L of C Area,

- 56 AUST INF BN (AIF) -

visited Lines to inspect display of models and handicraft made as hobbies by members of the Unit. Display was large one and of articles of varied shape and design. Display brought forth praise from the Officers concerned.

Friday

6 Aug 43 -

- A Coy - Rifle practices at Rifle Range.
- B Coy - Blitz Course - Fd.Craft & Battle Drill. Troops washing clothing and equipment in preparation of mounting Town Picquet.
- C Coy - Preparations for mounting of Div Duties.
- D Coy - Fd.craft and battle drill; blitz course.
- HQ " - Normal pl training.

The party of Offrs, NCO's and men who proceeded to SWANBOURNE RIFLE RANGE as competitors and representatives of GERALDTON AREA in 3 Aust Corps Shoot, returned to Camp.

The men from 56 Bn gained most favourable results as follows:-

Pte CRERAR, J of C Coy 56 Bn gained Champion Rifle Shoot of 3 Corps
 Capt J.W.Hough of C Coy " gained Champion Pistol Shot of 3 Corps
 16 Pl, C Coy secured 2nd place in Platoon Shoot.

Hobbies taken to Div HQ and displayed for inspection of C.O's of Units.

Saturday

7 Aug 43 -

- A Coy - Rifle Practices at Rifle Range.
- B Coy - Inspection of Coy by O.C. - Men packing gear and loading transport and in the afternoon the Coy moved to GERALDTON and took over the Town Picquet section of Div Duties from 54 Aust Inf Bn.
- C Coy - Preparations and taking over of Div Duties consisting of Divisional Guard, Brigade Guard & Coast Watching Patrols. Certain men left in Camp, who were to attend various courses to be conducted in unit lines, commencing on 9 Aug 43.
- D Coy - Talk on results of shoot at range. Fd.Craft & Battle Drill and period on blitz course.
- HQ " - Personnel who failed to qualify at Rifle Range, proceeded to Range to re-fire. Pls carried out specialist training.

During the afternoon several War Correspondents were shown through the Unit Lines, and a special feature was the show of Hobbies which was again displayed for inspection.

Sunday

8 Aug 43 -

- A Coy - Fd.Craft & Battle Drill in the morning.
- B Coy - Coy camped in GERALDTON and on Div Duties as Town Picquet
- C Coy - Div Duties. C Coy taking over Div HQ Guard, Bde HQ Guard & CWP's.
- D Coy - Preparing for Div Duties. D Coy engaged on 2 Div Fwd Guard, DID Guard, AWA Wireless Station, Road Working party at NARNGULU.
- HQ Coy - Pls on normal training.

The usual church parades were held in the unit lines as follows:-
 PROTESTANT Denominations at 1100 hrs and R.C. Service at 0915 hrs.
 In the afternoon, part of the Bn moved per M.T. to GERALDTON to witness a Rugby League Football Match between teams drawn from 5 Bde & 8 Bde. 8 Bde team won the day the score being 18 points to 10.
 In the evening, the Mobile Cinema visited the lines and screened a programme of one feature film.

9 Aug 43

to

14 Aug 43

Bn still on Div Duties and various Coys, Pls etc carrying out their respective duties. Men remaining in camp proceeded with camp maintenance parties, effecting repairs to existing amenities and facilities.

On 9 Aug 43, in C Coy Lines, various training cadres schools got under way. Courses as follows,

N.C.O's and I.S.L. Course, M.T. Wing, M/C Wing, Intelligence Wing, Signal Pl Training Cadre. All personnel completing these courses, accommodated and messing at C Coy.

Tuesday 10 Aug

Band personnel who had been in NSW on 24 days ARL returned to Camp. On this day at the Sgts Mess, a Formal Mess was held to suitable bid Farewell to W.O.i D.P.J.WOODWARD who for approx 18 months had been RSM. and who had been selected by the C.O. to attend O.C.T.U. in S.A.

Thurs. 12 Aug

An N.C.O. from Education Service, 2 Div attended the unit lines and on a Bn Parade gave an address on the Constitution and Parliament of the Commonwealth, as a guidance for Polling Day at the Elections.

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Saturday
14 Aug 43

- B Coy Hockey Team played a match between the R.A.A.F. Geraldton. B Coy was defeated, 3 to NIL.
Capt. McAlister, Education Officer, 2 Div accompanied by the Official AIF Photographer and a War Correspondent visited the lines and took photographs of a collection of hobbies and articles made by men of the Unit.
The various Cadre schools still in progress and coys and pls still out on Div Duties.

Sunday
15 Aug 43

- Bn still on Div Duties. - The usual church parades were held in unit Lines.
Visit to Unit Lines of 2 Aust Div Concert Party.
Troops proceeded to GERALDTON to witness Band Contests.

Monday
16 Aug 43

- Capt E.J. Callan and party took over 2 Aust Div Detention Barrack Compound situated at UTAKARRA.

Tuesday
17 Aug 43
to

Coys still out on Div Duties. HQ Coy training in Camp and carrying out maintenance to existing facilities.

Thursday
19 Aug 43

On Thursday 19th., the Giant Lancaster Bomber which is on a goodwill tour of Western Australia, visited R.A.A.F. Station GERALDTON. The visit of the bomber brought forth much interest from all army units. The plane flew over the camp on various occasions and thus it was possible for all to gain a good view of it in flight.

Friday
20 Aug 43

- In the morning, a party of men from 56 Bn marched to R.A.A.F. Station and viewed the bomber at close range. A large percentage of these were permitted to enter the plane and thus gained an insight into the controls, and the build of the plane.
All Coys, pls and parties who had been on Div Duties, returned to Camp; the duties being handed over to 44 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

Saturday
21 Aug 43

- Coys settling back into camp. From 0800 to 2000 hrs, the presiding offrs were in attendance at the Salvation Army Recreation Hut, which had been proclaimed a special Polling Booth for the Federal Elections. All eligible men casted their votes as absentees in their various electorates.

Sunday
22 Aug 43 -

Protestant Church Parade in Unit Lines at 1130 hrs; Roman Catholic Parade at 0700 hrs. In the afternoon, Bn Sports programme of inter coy competitions was continued.

Monday
23 Aug 43 -

A Coy - Rest Day. Washing in morning, leave to GERALDTON in afternoon.
B Coy - Coy exercise Combined Operations.
C Coy - Blitz Course - inter pl drill competition. Leave to GERALDTON in afternoon.
D Coy - Rest Day. Washing in morning, leave to GERALDTON in afternoon.
HQ Coy - Usual training.
In the evening, Army Mobile Cinema visited the unit lines and screened a programme of two feature films.

Tuesday
24 Aug 43 -

A Coy - Mounted Bn Duties
B Coy - Coy exercise Combined Operations.
C Coy - Supplied working parties on brick making, firewood etc.
D Coy - Coy drill and selection of Pl for Pl drill competition.
HQ Coy - Rest Day - Morning washing, leave in afternoon.

Wednesday
25 Aug 43 -

A Coy - Drill & Pl training and blitz course.
B Coy - Coy exercised combined operations.
C Coy - Proceeded to C.D.T.C. practice landings with A.L.V.C.
D Coy - Coy drill and organisation for sports competition.
HQ " - Usual training.

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Thursday
26 Aug 43 -

A Coy - Bn Duty Coy.
B Coy - Rest Day - washing in morning. Leave to GERALDTON in afternoon.
C Coy - Completed first day's training for Combined Operations.
D Coy - Combined Operations.
HQ Coy - Normal Pl training.

Friday
27 Aug 43 -

A Coy - Training in Pl drill.
B Coy - Training and selection of pl for forthcoming Pl Drill competition.
C Coy - Coy proceeded to C.O.T.C. with bedding etc - completed day's training in combined ops and stayed out during the night.
D Coy - Coy out on Combined Operations.
HQ Coy - Normal pl training.
The troops were paid during the afternoon.

Saturday
28 Aug 43 -

A Coy - Training for Pl Drill competition.
B Coy - " " " " " " . Battle Drill Sec 22.
C Coy - Combined Operations. dawn landing with new A.L.V.C. Returned to Camp on foot.
D Coy - Combined operations. Personnel left in camp received lectures on driving and maintenance of army vehicles and map reading.
HQ Coy - Normal Pl Training.
During the day, an inspection of the unit lines was made by the G.O.C. 3 Aust Corps (Lt Gen Gordon Bennett) accompanied by the G.O.C. 2 Aust Div, (Maj Gen H.W.Lloyd)

Sunday
29 Aug 43 -

* ~~Coy~~ - Church parades were held in unit lines. It had been advised that the GOC 3 Aust Corps and GOC 2 Aust Div would attend Church Parade in unit lines and the whole Bn was in attendance at church parades dressed in SD with side arms, however the GOC did NOT arrive.
In the afternoon, a party of troops were transported to GERALDTON to witness an return inter-Bde Football Competition between 5 Aust Inf Bde & 8 Aust Inf Bde. The game resulted in a win for 8 Bde teams, the main match score being 23 points to 10.

Monday
30 Aug 43 -

"INDENT" EXERCISE commenced. Troops who did NOT proceed on this exercise but remained in camp, carried on with normal training with particular attention laid upon training for the forthcoming Pl Drill Competition to be held on 1 Sep 43.

Monday
31 Aug 43 -

"INDENT" EXERCISE continued. Troops still out on this exercise. Others in camp continued with training and pl drill practice.
In the evening, about 50 men proceeded to GERALDTON and attended a concert of Light and Classical music which had been arranged by Army Education Service, 2 Aust Div.

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AUSTRALIA.
5 Aug 43.

CIVIL DEFENCE EXERCISE

1. GENERAL
 - (a) A Civil Defence Exercise is being held in GERALDTON morning 8 Aug 43.
 - (b) GERALDTON will be out of bounds to all leave personnel between 0800 hrs and 1200 hrs on 8 Aug 43.
 - (c) Duty personnel in GERALDTON between above hours will be kept to an irreducible minimum.
 - (d) B. Coy will please note in particular as they will be on Town Picquet during above period.
2. CASUALTIES

D. Coy will supply 50 men to act as casualties during above exercise.
3. TIME & PLACE OF REPORTING-

Party will report to GERALDTON Council Chambers at 0830 hrs on 8 Aug 43.
4. DRESS

Working Dress only.
5. SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS
 - (a) Six men to be good swimmers and to have bathing costumes
 - (b) Three men to have respirators.
6. DURATION OF EXERCISE

Exercise should be finished by 1200 hrs.
7. INSTRUCTION IN DUTIES

A.R.P. Wardens will explain what is required of each man on the morning of the exercise.
8. TRANSPORT
 - (a) D. Coy will utilise Coy Tpt and when personnel have been delivered to the council Chambers vehicles will move to Unit Parking Area.
 - (b) All Drivers will conform to all A.R.P. Wardens Instructions.
 - (c) Collecting personnel at the conclusion of the exercise will be responsibility of O.C. D Coy.

LOCATION

The Exercise will take place in an Area from the wharf to the Railway Workshops.

MIDDAY MEAL

Arrangements for the Midday Meal will be under Coy Arrangements.

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(L.H. MACAULEY) Adjt
56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

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ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO 8

SECRET

Copy No. 19
5 Aug 43.

1. GENERAL

56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) will mount 2 Aust Div Duties on 7 Aug 43 as per appx "A" attached.

2. ALLOTMENT OF DUTIES

- (a) C Coy will take over Duties Serial Nos 1 to 10 (Incl)
- (b) B Coy will take over Duties Serial Nos 11 to 18 (Incl) and 20, 21.
- (c) Band Sgt will detail Serial 19 and O.C. Guard Fwd Div HQ will be responsible for movement.

3. TIMINGS.

- (a) Serial Nos 1 - 7 (Incl) will be mounted in accordance with HQ 5 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) O.I. No 12 commencing at 1000 hrs and relief to be completed by 1600 hrs.
O.C. C Coy will carry out Recce of C.W.P's and liase with O.C. Coy of 54 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) at present on duty prior to relief.
- (b) Serial Nos 12 to 17 (Incl) will be mounted at 1500 hrs 7 Aug 43 and O.C. Town Picquet will become acquainted with HQ 5 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) standing orders for Town Picquet.
- (c) All other serials NOT mentioned in sub para (a) and (b) will change at 1600 hrs 7 Aug 43.

4. TRANSPORT

- (a) Coys will as far as possible use their own Coy Tpt and Coy Comds will contact T.O. in this respect.
- (b) With the exception of serial Nos 12 - 17 (Incl) 56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) will take out new duties to various posts and return all old duties to 54 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) lines.

5. DRESS.

- (a) Picquet
Picquet dress while on duty will be Jackets W.D. or Shirts Khaki, Trousers KWD and anklets web, Helmets Steel with Camouflage Nets, Sidearms.
Officers will wear Equipment and carry arms.
- (b) Guards.
Battle order (less Respirators) Long Trousers and anklets web, Helmets Steel with Camouflage nets as above.
- (c) HYGIENE - PICQUET
Fatigue dress. Duties will be to clean and attend:-
 - (i) Latrines at Cathedral South of Township.
 - (ii) Latrines opposite "Radio" Theatre.These duties will be detailed from Town Picquet each day.
Hygiene Sgt will make periodical inspections.

6. MEDICAL.

R.M.O. will make visits to C.W.P's and Town Picquet as required. O.C. to advise Bn HQ daily if R.M.O. is required.
R.M.O. will supply Coys on Out Posts with necessary medical and first aid requirements.

7. RATIONS.

Rations will be drawn as usual and issued to Coys with the following exceptions:-
Serial No 8 draw direct from D.I.D.
Serial No 9 Rationed by HQ 5 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)
Serial No 10 Rationed by HQ 2 Aust Div (AIF)
Serial No 18 Rationed by 5 Aust Fd Amb.
Serial No 11 Rationed by Rear Div HQ.
Serial Nos 1 - 7 as arranged by W.O. Caterer.

8. RETURNS

- (a) Usual returns will be furnished by Coys to Bn HQ. Coys will ensure that they are forwarded to reach Bn HQ at times required.
- (b) C.W.P's will report to HQ 5 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) repeated to 56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF).
- (c) O.C. Town Picquet will forward one copy of Town Picquet Report daily direct by D.R. to Staff Capt HQ 5 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) and one copy to 56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

9. DISCIPLINE HYGIENE

All tps will ensure that posts and areas are kept in a clean and tidy condition and that instructions as for Hygiene strictly adhered to. All tps will be shaven daily and all clothing kept clean and tidy. Compliments will be paid at all times.

L.H. Macauley
Lieut.
(L.H.MACAULEY) Adj. 56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

ACK.

Issued by S.D.R.

Signed at 1400 hrs.

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MAP GERALDTON 1 in to 4 miles.

ISSUED WITH OPERATIONAL INSTRUCTION NO. 8.

SERIAL NO.	POST	LOCATION OF PLACES OF DUTY	STRENGTH	WATER	RATIONS	COMMUNICATIONS	EQUIPMENT TO BE TAKEN OVER OR REQUIRED
1.	No 1 CWP	232478	One Sec	NOT MANNED.	BE PREPARED TO MAN AT SHORT NOTICE.	NO ALLOTMENT OF W/T SET.	
2.	No 2 CWP	243467	One Sec	NOT MANNED.	BE PREPARED TO MAN AT SHORT NOTICE.	NO ALLOTMENT OF W/T SET.	
3.	No 3 CWP	SMUGGLERS COVE 251444	One Sec.	NOT MANNED.	BE PREPARED TO MAN AT SHORT NOTICE.	NO ALLOTMENT OF W/T SET.	
4.	No 4 CWP	CHAPMAN R. 2524380	1 NCO 8 ORs 1 Dvr 2 Sigs.	1 100 gal tank filled every third day.	Scale G Tinned rations every 6 days.	Line through 44 Bn to Bde switchboard.	Tent complete; 100 gal tank.
4 A.	No 4 A CWP	Lighthouse 24794317	1 Offr 1 NCO 8 ORs Sigs as req.	1 100 gal tank filled every third day.	Scale C. Tinned rations every 6 days.	To be arranged by Sig O.	Tent complete; 100 gal tank.
5.	No 5 CWP.	253141261	1 NCO 8 ORs 1 Dvr 2 Sigs.	1 100 gal tank filled every third day.	Scale C. Tinned rations every 6 days.	PMG GERALDTON Magneto phone reqd.	Tents complete.
6.	No 6 CWP.	Feature 227 26014141	One Sec.	NOT MANNED.	BE PREPARED TO MAN AT SHORT NOTICE.	NO ALLOTMENT OF W/T SET.	
7.	No 7 CWP.	High Ground 26894058	One Sec.	NOT MANNED.	BE PREPARED TO MAN AT SHORT NOTICE.	NO ALLOTMENT OF W/T SET.	
8.	GUARD DID.	Northern Gully 284441	1 NCO 4 ORs.	DID Container needed for immediate uses.	By DID. Cooking utensils reqd.	0930	Tent complete.
9.	GUARD	5 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)	1 Sgt 2 Cpls 12 ORs.	6 Cans 2 Gal.	By Bde.		Tents complete.
10.	GUARD	2 Aust Div (AIF)	1 Offr 1 Sgt 3 Cpls 1 Cook, 30 ORs.	do	By Div.		do.

NB. TAKE FOUR BRENS FOR INSTRUCTIONAL PURPOSES.

SERIAL NO.	POST	LOCATION OF PLACE OF DUTY.	STRENGTH.	WATER.	RATIONS.	COMMUNICATIONS.	EQUIPMENT TO BE TAKEN OVER OR REQD.
11.	REAR DIV HQ GUARD.	REAR DIV H.	1 Sgt 2 Cpls. 22 ORs.	DIV	By DIV.		Tents complete.
12.	P.O. GUARD	GERALDTON.	1 NCO 6 ORs.	Local.	Daily by Coy.		Quarters with Picquet.
13.	TOWN PICQUET.	GERALDTON	1 Capt, 2 Lieuts. 6 NCO's, 2 Cooks. 4 ORs, 4 Sigs.	Daily by Coy.	Do	Ring 331 Power House.	Seven Tents.
14.	HYGIENE DUTIES.	Do	Hyg. Sgt 3 ORs.	PROVIDED FROM TOWN PICQUET STRENGTH.			
15.	FATIGUE PARTY	BULL CAMPEN	4 ORS 1 x 3 Ton Truck.	QUARTERED WITH TOWN PICQUET.			
16.	COOK. ALL SERVICES	CAMPEN	1 PASTRY COOK.	Do.			
17.	FATIGUE	Birdwood House GERALDTON.	1 Cpl. 6 ORs.	Local.	Midday meal provided by Birdwood House.		Report Caretaker 0900 hrs Wednesday morning.
18.	INSTRUCTOR	Rest Station NEWMARRACARRA.	1 Cpl (Lieut A.C. Edghill) 1 Sgt.	Do	By Rest Station.	NB. Tommy, Austen and Owen Guns for instruction.	Full marching order.
19.	DUTY BUGLER.	FI. HQ. 2 Aust Div (1 IF)	1 Bugler.		Div HQ.		Full marching order.
20.	RTO	GERALDTON.	1 NCO 4 ORs.		Cut Lunch.		Report to R.T.O. 1000 hrs each Thursday.
21.	COW HAND	UTAKARRI Anderson's Dairy.	1 OR.				Quartered and rationed by Dairy.

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AUSTRALIA.
5 Aug 43.

A.B.C.D.HQ Coys

INDEX: RUGBY LEAGUE FOOTBALL

The following Team will represent 5 Aust Inf Bde against 8 Aust Inf Bde on GERALDTON OVAL at 1500 hrs on 8 Aug 43.

FLYNN(54 Bn)

GREEN(54 Bn)

ELLERY(54 Bn)

EWEN

SPOKES

MULCHAY(Capt)

LAY ~~54~~ (54 Bn)

GARNER

HEATHERINGTON

BASHAM

WEBSTER (54 Bn)

CULKIN (54 Bn)

COLLINS

RESERVES

Forward
Back

CULKIN, T.J.(54 Bn)
LECKIE (Tk A Regt)

56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) players will report to Lieut J. Hollier at 54 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) lines for training at 1430 hrs on 5 and 6 Aug Sgt Mulchay, N.J. will be in charge.

L.H. Macauley

(L.H.MACAULEY) Adjt Lieut
56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

TABLE "A"

Rifle Course - All units armed with rifles.
(Bayonets to be fixed for all Practices up to and including 300 yds by personnel so equipped.)

PART 1 - Preliminary

No. Practice.	Target.	Range.	Rounds.	Details	Remarks	H.P.S.
Introductory	NIL	Any available	5	To be fired in the following sequence Lying, kneeling, sitting, standing & from the hip. (stationary)	To introduce the recruit to firing of service rifle in varying service positions.	6
1. Grouping	Grouping	100 or 30 yds	5	Lying with wrist & forearm supported on suitable cover.	4 in gp 25 pts 8 " " 20 " 12 " " 15 " 12 " one wide 10 Pts	25
2. Applicatn	Small	200 or 30 yds	7	Lying-wrist & forearm supported on suitable cover.	Two initial shots as sighters (NOT to count.)	25
3. Applicatn	Large	300 or 30 yds	7	Lying-wrist & forearm supported on cover	Two initial shots as sighters (NOT to count)	25
TOTAL:			24		Total Part 1	75

QUALIFICATION: 40 pts and a grouping standard within the limit shown in Practice 1.
Repetitions allowed in order to reach above standard.
When the above practices are fired on 30 yds ranges, the representative "Grouping" target will be used for Practice 2, the aiming mark being suitably covered.

PART 2 - CLASSIFICATION

No. Practice.	Target.	Range.	Rounds.	DETAIL.	REMARKS	H.P.S.
1. Applicatn	Small	200	7	Lying in the open	Two initial shots as Sighters (NOT to count)	25
2. Snapshot	Large	200	10	Sitting in the open. Firer may be in the aiming posn when target appears. 5 exposures of 10 secs ea. 2 shots to be fired at each exposure. An interval of 20 secs between exposures.	Scores to be 'phond or signalled at conclusion of practice & hits indicated by spotting discs. No marking during pract.	50
3. Applicatn	Large	300	7	Lying in the open.	Two initial shots as sighters (NOT to count)	25
4. Rapid	Large	300	10	Kneeling in the open. Rifle loaded with charger, remaining charger buttoned in pouch. Firer may be in the aiming posn when target appears. Exposure - 1 minute.	Scores 'Phoned or signalled at conclusion of practice & hits indicated by spotting discs.	50
5. Applicatn	Large	400	7	Lying in the open	2 initial shots as sighters (NOT to count)	25

No.	Practice.	Target.	Range.	Rounds.	Detail.	Remarks	H.P.S.
6	Attack fire with movement.	Large	500/50	10	Firer in posn (Kneeling) at 500. Rifle fully loaded. On appearance of target. move to 400 & fire 2 rds in lying posn. On re-appearance of target move to 300 and fire 2 rds in sitting posn. On re-appearance of target move to 200 and fire 2 rds in kneeling posn. On re-appearance of target move to 100 and fire 2 rds in standing posn. On re-appearance of target firer will advance at "High Port". He will halt & fire 2 rds in standing posn when the target appears.	Scores will be 'Phoned or signalled at conclusion of practice and hits indicated by spotting discs. 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th exposures of target will be for 1 minute each, with an interval between exposures of 15 secs. on each occasion 5th exposure to be for 8 secs & to be made before the firer passes the 50 yd point. Good control & fire discipline essential.	50
7	Firing from hip (optional)	Figs 2 or 3 placed in front of mantlet.	100	5	To be fired if possible by a party or section of firers under control of an NCO. The initial round will be fired whilst the party is stationery; the detail will then advance & will then fire the remaining rounds as ordered by NCO in control.	Good control & fire discipline essential. Suitable intervals to be maintained between firers. Firers must NOT halt to fire whilst advancing.	
TOTAL 56						TOTAL PART 2	225

RUGBY LEAGUE FOOTBALL.

The undimentioned teams will play a trial match on 56 Aust Inf. Bn. A.I.F. GROUND AT ~~1345~~ 1345 hrs. on 3rd August. 43. All players will be on the ground at 1330 hrs ready to play. This match will be followed by a trial match between two teams selected from 2 Aust Div. Sigs. 17 Coy. A.A.S.C., Div. H. Q., 104 Tk/A and 18 Aust Field Regt.

Number one team will wear D. Coy (56 Bn.) football jerseys, and No. 2. team will wear H. Q. Coy. (56 Bn.) football jerseys. Jerseys to be delivered to Bn. H. Q. by 0900 Hrs. on 3 August. 43.

NO. 1. team

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FLYNN.

GREEN

EWEN
.....

ELLERY

SOPKES.
.....

MULCAHY
SLOANE
.....

WEBSTER.

MUNRO

GARNER
.....

CULKIN

HEATHERINGTON.
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HART

NO. 2. TEAM

.....
HENNESSEY (H.Q.5 INF. BDE.)

YATES

O'NEIL.

BAGLEY
.....

RYNEHART
.....

GRAY

LAY

BASHAM
.....

CULKIN

MURRAY

JONES

ARMSTRONG
.....

SMYTH.
.....

RESERVES.

BACKS.

BARTON.

FORWARDS

DURR

56 AUST INF. BN. (A.I.F. PLAYERS ARE UNDERLINED.)

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56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
AUSTRALIA.
5 Aug 43.

D Coy.

ROAD WORKING PARTY

1. D Coy will detail a Road working Party to relieve 54 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) road working party on Rd vicinity of NARNGULU.
2. Party will consist of 1 Offr and 30 O/Rs.
3. Offr I/C will liase with Offr I/C 54 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) party and obtain details of work prior to commencement of duty.
4. TRANSPORT.
5 - 3 Ton Trucks and 5 Drivers from A.A.S.C. will be attached for duty and will report 1730 hrs 7 Aug 43. Drivers to be rationed by D Coy.
5. Party will work from unit lines and will be rationed in camp.
6. Duty will commence as from morning of 8 Aug 43.
7. Duration of duty will be 14 days unless contract is completed prior to releif of duties by 44 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

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SYLLABUS c- CADRE TRAINING - 56 AUST INF BN (AIF)

Day	0900- 0950	1000 - 1050	1100 - 1150	1200 -1215	1400 - 1450	1500 - 1550	1600-1630	1900 - 2000
1	Squad Drill & M.I.	Rifle 1 am 3 Less 1.	Bayonet ATM No 35 Less 1 Stage 1.	COMMUNICATION - DRILL AND VOICE CONTROL	Grenade Pam 13 Less 1 & 3	L.M.G. Pam 4 Less 1,2.	COMMUNICATION - DRILL AND VOICE CONTROL 15 mins P.T. with Rifle	PRIVATE STUDY
2	L.M.G. Pam 4 Less 4	Bayonet ATM 35 Less 1 Stage 2.	Compass and its uses		Rifle Pam 3 Less 3	Grenade Pam 13 Less 2 & 4.		PRIVATE STUDY
3	Bayonet ATM 35 Less 1 Stage 3,4	L.M.G. Pam 4 Less 5, 6	Rifle Pam 3 Less 6,7,8,		Map Reading	Grenade Pam 13, Less 8		COMPASS MARCH Arranged by Lieut Curran
4	Coaching Range Practice	Grenade Pam 13 Less 9	L.M.G. Pam 4 Less 11		L.M.G. Pam 4 Less 22	AUSTEN Gun		PRIVATE STUDY
5	L.M.G. Pam 4 less 13	Rifle Pam 3 Less 9	Map Reading		Gas I.M.T. XV11 Chap Page 123-127	Austen M.I.		Lecture department, dress conduct on leave, saluting & Complaints
6	L.M.G. M.I.	Rifle M.I.	Map Reading		Gas I.M.T. Pages 128/132	Owen Gun		PRIVATE STUDY
7	L.M.G. Pam 4 Less 14	Rifle Pam 3 Less 10	Duties of "I" in the Field		Owen Gun M.I.	Gas I.M.T. Pages 133/36		Lecture on W.E. & En organisation, R.S.M.
8	L.M.G. Pam 4 Less 15, 16	Rifle Pam 4 Less 13, 14	Bayonet ATM 35 Less 1 Stage 5		F.C.O. with M.I.	Map Reading		MOVEMENT BY NIGHT BATTLE ORDER
9	Rifle Pam 3 Less 15	L.M.G. Pam 4 Less 19	Bayonet A.T.M. Less 2		Compass with M.I.	F.C.O. with M.I.		PRIVATE STUDY
10	Guards and sentries and ceremonial drill		Bayonet M.I.		L.M.G. Pam 4 Less 21	Map Reading		Compass March Arranged by Lieut Curran
11	T.O.E.T.'s Rifle Tests 6 & 7	T.O.E.T.'s L.M.G. Tests 2,4,6.	Theory of Small Arms Fire		Compass & Map Reading	Austen & Owen Recapitulation		Lecture Gas By Capt Mason

Notes:- (i) Syllabus to be conducted on rotary system
(ii) Instructors to be careful in checking ALL faults as they appear,

INSTRUCTORS
Lieut Curran (Wing Comd)
W.O.1 Woodward
Cpl Barnes
Sgt Flemming
Sgt Cheney
Cpl Gallagher

SUBJECTS v (S.A. Fire
Coaching, Rifle, Gds & Sentries Theory /
L.M.G. (Bren)
Bayonet. Austen & Owen
Grenades, Gas, F.C.O.'s
Map Reading & Compass.

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AUSTRALIA.
13 Aug 43.

All Coys.

DIVISIONAL SPORTS MEETING.

1. The date for the Divisional Sports Meeting has been fixed for 15 Sep 43.
2. Bde Eliminations will take place on 8 Sep 43 and Bn Sports on 1 Sep 43.
3. The finalists in the Div Sports will compete against 1 Aust Armd Div at a Date to be notified later.
4. As a preliminary guide, to enable Coys to commence training and conduct eliminating contests, a list of probable events to be included in the programme is shown hereunder.

No of Competitors for 5 Bde Group.

100 Yds	1
440 Yds	1
800 Yds	2
Tug of War	1 Team of 6
Hop Step & Jump	2
Troops alarm Race	3
Relay Race	1 Team of 6.
Oftrs Relay Race	1 Team of 8.
	2 under 25 Yrs
	2 25 - 29 Yrs
	2 30 - 35 Yrs
	2 Over 35 Yrs
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Coy Relay Race)	
(Coy of Bn).)	1 Team of 8.

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3 AUST CORPS CIPHER SCHOOL

1. A Cipher Course will be run by 3 Aust Corps for a period of approximately two weeks. Dates Location and Joining instructions will be notified later.
2. OBJECT.
To train personnel with a view to filling vacancies in Corps and Div Cipher Secs.
3. SELECTION.
Applicants will be interviewed by OC 37 Aust Cipher Section for final selection. Date and place of interview to be notified in due course. The following qualifications are necessary :--
 - (a) Intermediate Certificate or equivalent essential
Leaving Certificate or equivalent preferable.
 - (b) Applicants must be of highest integrity.
 - (c) Legible-handwriting and experience with figures essential.
 - (d) Candidates NOT to be above the rank of Corporal.
 - (e) Suitable applicants will be required to supply three character references.
4. DISPOSAL OF PERSONNEL.
Personnel qualifying will be required to transfer to Corps of Sigs.
5. APPLICATIONS.
 - (a) Personnel desirous of applying are to submit applications in their own handwriting to Bn H.Q. NOT later than 1200 hrs 14 Aug 43.
 - (b) Nil Returns will be submitted where applicable.
 - (c) Applications should set out the following particulars.

Number
Rank
Name in full
Unit
Educational qualifications
Civil Occupation.

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ORDERLY OFFICER ROSTER

The following roster of Orderly Officers will operate as from 1800 hrs on 13 Aug 43. Orderly Officer to carry out normal duties of orderly officer and to see that all Bugle Calls are sounded and that all activities cease after Lights Out.

<u>DATE.</u>								<u>ORDERLY OFFICER</u>	
1800 hrs	13 Aug	to	1800 hrs	14 Aug.	Lieut.	A.V.G. CHRISTIE			
"	"	14	"	"	"	J.A. KILBY			
"	"	15	"	"	"	J.L. BENNETT			
"	"	16	"	"	"	G.L. MURPHY			
"	"	17	"	"	"	A.G. CURRAN			
"	"	18	"	"	"	R. BROWNING			
"	"	19	"	"	"	B.W. KING			
"	"	20	"	"	"	G.W.B. DAVIS			

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14 AUG 43.

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 9.

2 AUST DIV BARRACK DETENTION COMPOUND.

1. A Barrack Detention Compound will be established at **UTAKARRA** Map Ref H/50/1 - 255433 (Race Course) as from 18 Aug 43.
2. The Detention Compound will be known as "2 Aust Div Barrack Detention Compound".
3. (a) Such Barrack Detention Compound shall be established for the purpose of Detention of Soldiers under sentence (SUS) for periods of less than 21 days unexpired sentence at date of admission; and temporary custody of personnel awaiting trial, or result of trial by Court Martial, for all units of 2 Aust Div and other units within 2 Aust Div Administrative Area.
(b) The Barrack Detention Compound is NOT to be regarded as a Field Punishment centre. Attention is directed to ASO 9/8 (h) which states -
"Sentence of field punishment will NOT be imposed in any summary award or Court Martial sentence, at present, or until further notice".
(c) In addition to drills and also two hours of Physical training in two periods daily, labour employment on, or in the vicinity of the Detention Barrack Compound, which SUS is medically fit to perform; may be made a normal incident of detention. Such work may be conducted for NOT less than 6, but NOT more than 9 hours each day, exclusive of the time allotted for meals; Sundays, Christmas Day and Good Friday excepted.
4. STAFF.
 - (i) Staff will be detailed as under :-

(a) Offr-I/C	Capt. E.J. Callan.
(b) 2 Sgts	One each from C & D Coys.
(c) 2 Cpls	One each from A & B Coys.
(d) 16 O/Rs	Four each from A, B, C and D Coys.
(e) Orderly Room Clerk.	Cpl Weller V.N.
(f) C.Q.M.S.	Cpl Randell A.H.
(g) One Cook	To be detailed by W.O. Caterer.
(h) Two Orderlies	To be detailed by A Coy, NOT to be good field soldiers.
 - (ii) The above staff are to be picked men and will be required for a tour of Duty of One Month duration.
 - (iii) Coys will submit to Capt E.J. Callan repeated to Bn HQ a nominal roll of personnel detailed as early as possible.
5. MOVEMENT.

The above staff will move with all necessary bedding and equipment from Car Park at 0800 hrs Monday 16 Aug 43 under Capt E.J. Callan.
6. TRANSPORT
 - (a) T.O. will detail one utility to remain with O.C. Detention Compound for full tour of duty.
 - (b) T.O. will detail necessary tpt as required by Capt E.J. Callan for movement to Detention Compound on mounting of duty.
7. TENTAGE.

All coys will each supply One Tent for quartering of Staff.
8. RATIONS.

Rations will be indented for direct from Detention Compound and W.O. Caterer will liase with BASCO in this respect.

9. It is most essential that only personnel capable of efficiently performing the duties of Guard and Staff, be detailed for above duties.

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DISTRIBUTION	COPY NO
5 Bde	1
C.O.	2
2 I/C	3
Adjt.	4
I.O.	5
Capt Callan	6
R.S.M.	7
Q.M.	8
A Coy	9
B Coy	10
C Coy	11
D Coy	12
HQ Coy	13
T.O.	14
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56 AUST. INF. BN (AIF)

SIGNAL PL. TRAINING SCHOOL.

EXAMINATION PAPER.

AUGUST 1943

Time allowed:- 2 hours

ALL QUESTIONS TO BE ANSWERED.

CABLE:-

1. Give a short description and nature of insulation of cable.
2. (a) Give THREE reasons why jointing of cable is necessary.
(b) Give THREE general considerations of cable laying.
3. Explain fully, a buried crossing.

E & M:-

4. (a) Give the usual statement of OHMS LAW, then express it in symbols in THREE different ways.
(b) Find the value of the current flowing through a metal filament whose resistance is given as 460 ohms, if it is placed across a 230 volt supply.
5. (a) Describe FOUR methods by which an E.M.F. may be produced.
(b) Describe how you would produce THERMO - ELECTRICITY.
6. (a) Will a condenser readily allow high freq. currents to pass through it?
(b) What is a Dielectric?
(c) Why is a Dielectric necessary in a condenser?

PROCEDURE:-

7. Give the meanings of the following procedure signals:-

- (i) C.K.
- (ii) A.A.A.
- (iii) B.T.
- (iv) Z
- (v) D.W.C.

8. Give in correct sequence signal strengths and their meanings.

MAPS:-

- (a)
9. Define the following:-
 - (i) Knoll, (ii) Contour, (iii) re-entrant, (iv)
- (b) Variation is 5 degrees West. Convert 97 degrees GRID to M.N.
Variation is $2\frac{1}{2}$ degrees EAST. Convert 170 degrees GRID to M.N.
10. (a) What is the definition of a map.
(b) Give the conventional signs for (i) Water Hole.
(ii) 3rd Class Trig.

56 AUST INF BN (AIF) COMBINED OPERATIONS
TRAINING EXERCISE

Ref Map NANSON 1" to 1 Mile
& Air Photographs.

1. All Coy of 56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) will carry out Combined Operations training exercise in succession commencing on 23 AUG 1943 at C.O.T.C. GERALDTON.
2. OBJECT (a) to practice tps in unopposed ship to shore operation.
(b) To familiarize tps in the use of Australian Landing Craft Vehicle (A.L.C.V.) during day and night.
3. LESSONS (a) Correct procedure in embarkation and disembarkation.
(b) Silent movement by night.
(c) Speed in reorganization and offensive action on landing.
4. TPS TAKING PART All Rifle Coys Tps of 56 Aust Inf Bn in following order.
B, C, D, A.
Each Coy landing will represent a Bn landing (with 3 token Coys)
5. ENEMY - Token.
6. ASSEMBLY b C.O.T.C. Geraldton at 0830 hrs on day set for down for respective Coy Gps.
7. CONFERENCES (a) Principles and lessons to be given with blackboard diagrams of operation area on evening before each exercise.
(b) All Tps participating after conclusion of each exercise.
8. ADM (a) Coy Gps to move to C.O.T.C. and return to unit lines at night on day one.
(b) Coy Gps move to C.O.T.C. on day two and camp in Silo at night in readiness for landing on day three.
(c) Rations under Coy arrangements.
(d) Dets of Tps as detailed by Coy Comd will move by M.T. from C.O.T.C. and arrive at landing area at 0530 hrs and participate in exercise from there.
9. SPECIAL INSTRS 44 Bn camp Area, all tomatoes gardens, cultivations and buildings are out of bounds.
10. EXERCISE ENDS On occupation of objective Coy gp will march back to camp. Coy will arrange for M.T. to carry stores to camp only.

OPENING SITUATION

- (1) 5 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) was allotted task of landing and establishing a Beach Head in vicinity Geraldton to cover the landing of the balance of the Division.
- (2) 54 Bn landed and is in occupation of Geraldton.
- (3) 44 Bn landed and established Beachhead vic Mouth of Chapman River
- (4) 56b Bn has received an order to land in vicinity Chapman River to deepen Beachhead and secure gap in Moresby Flat Top Range vic THE TWINS against enemy reinforcements.

56 AUST INF BN (AIF) O.O. No

Ref Map NANSON 1" to 1 Mile
and Air Photographs.

1. INFM ENEMY Air recce reports enemy force est on 2 Inf Bn Gp moving South on foot by rd through NABAWA.
2. OWN TPS (a) 54 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) is in occupation of GERALDTON
(b) 44 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) has landed and established Beach Head in vicinity mouth CHAPMAN RIVER and is exploiting north along rd GERALDTON - CARNARVON.
3. AIR SUPPORT We expect fighter superiority as from first light.
4. TOPOGRAPHICAL (a) Beach is flat inshore and shallow (1' to 4') for distance approx 40 yrs seawards - then slopes off to deeper water out a further 20 yds.
(b) HINTERLAND comprises coastal strip about 2 miles wide of sand plain undulation with low scrub - then rises in undulation to approx 500' to MORESBY FLAT TOP RANGE and THE TWINS - interspersed with cultivation and BANKSIA scrub
5. METEOROLOGICAL
 - (a) Tide rises approx 2'
 - (b) Low Water on
 - (c) High on
 - (d) Moon rises c and sets
 - (e) Wind is expected to be slight N/E breeze weather fine.
6. INTENTION 56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) will land and secure area of THE TWINS and MORESBY FLAT TOPPED RANGE and establish Rd blocks
7. METHOD
 - (a) LANDING POINT Beach 880 yds NORTH of Mouth of CHAPMAN RIVER
Ref 25224391
 - (b) Alternative L.H. at RLY YDS ref 25214357
 - (c) LANDING POINT will be marked by two Lucas Lamps operated by 44 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) (C.W.P. No 4)
 - (d) ALLOCATION OF CRAFT - Two A.L.C.V. (and one L.C.T. Token) per Coy group.
8. PHASE 1 Rifle Coy with attached
One Det Mortars Pl
One Sec Carrs Pl
One Det LT AA Pl
One Sub-Sec TK.A Pl
One Det Fnr Pl
One Det Sigs Pl
Will land on Beach at Bridge Head.
9. PHASE 11 Coy Gp will move via Rd BRIDGE HEAD - NARRATARRA and secure THE TWINS and establish RD BLKS vicinity THE TWINS
10. TIMINGS
 - (a) ZERO 0540
 - (b) Succeeding phases as per landing tables ABPX "A".
11. ASSEMBLY AREA WATER POINT rd junct ref 25284388
12. ADM BEACH ORGANISATION

U.L.O.'s - 2i/c each Coy.
U.L.O.'s will be responsible for assembly of attachments at Coy assembly areas

<u>DRESS</u> Battle Order less respirator	
<u>AMN</u> Rifle - 50 rds per man) IN TOKEN
Bren - 200 rds per gun	
M.M.G. - 1500 rds per gun	
Mortar 3"- 18 bombs per mortar	

- 13. S.A.A. Water Point ref 25284389
- 14. A.P. SCHOOL ref 25274381
- 15. RATIONS 24 Hrs battle rations per man (token)
- 16. TOOLS 30 Shovels 15 Picks , 3 Axes felling.
- 17. MEDICAL BN R.A.P. will establish B.D.S. at ASSEMBLY AREA ref 25284388
- 18. INTERCOMM 108 Set and runner.
- 19. SYNCHRONISATION of watches at 0430 hrs by Pl Comds at Coy HQ
- 20. SUCCESS SIGNALS RED GREEN RED.
- 21. BN HQ report centre at rear of water Pt. ref 25284388
- 22. ACK Signed at _____ hrs
Issued by hand.

Distribution	Copy No
A.	1
B.	2
C.	3
D.	4
HQ.	5
C.O.	6
2i/c	7
Adjnt	8
U.L.O.	9
5 Aust Inf Bde(AIF)	10
C.I.	11
File	12
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Spare	15/16/17.

METEOROLOGICAL
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 (b) Low water
 (c) High
 (d) Moon rises
 and sets
 Wind is expected to be slight W/E breeze weather fine.

1. INTENTION
 2. MARCH
 3. IMAGE 1
 4. IMAGE 11
 5. FINDINGS
 6. ASSEMBLY AREA
 7. PLAN

This Coy with attached
 One Det Mortars Pl
 One Sec Coy Pl
 One Det IR AA Pl
 One Sub-sec W.A. Pl
 One Det Pz Pl
 One Det Sign Pl

Will land on beach at Bridge Head.
 Coy Gp will move via BRIDGE HEAD - HARBORHEAD and secure THE
 TWIN and establish RD HQ vicinity THE TWIN

(a) ZERO ZERO
 (b) Successive phases on per landing tables SEE "A"

WATER POINT to front of
 EACH COMPANY
 U.L.O.'s - 2i/c each Coy
 U.L.O.'s will be responsible for assembly of elements at Coy
 assembly areas
 DRESS - battle Order less respirator
 50 lbs per man
 from
 1500 rds per Coy
 18 bombs per section

TENNIS.

56 AUST. INF. BN. (AIF) V 54 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

The following team will represent the Bn in the above match to be played on Town Courts on Monday 16 August 43.

Play to commence at 1100 hrs.

Major E.F. MURRAY (Capt)
Capt J.W. HOUGH
Lieut L.H. MACAULEY
Pte MYNOTT C.A.
Cpl WILL W.H.
Pte NEIL W.F.
Pte HORTON J.P.
Pte DUFFEY R.F.
Pte SARGENT L.F.
Pte CASEY L.R.

Players to assemble at Car Park at 0930 hrs.

DRESS. S.D. will be worn, change to Shorts and Shirts Khaki, at Court and will be worn during play.

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ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 10

1. GENERAL -

56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) will be relieved of 2 Aust Div Duties on 20 Aug 43 by 44 Aust Inf Bn (AIF).

2. TIMES FOR CHANGE OVER -

- (a) GWP's will change at 1000 hrs
- (b) Town Picquet will change at 1500 hrs
- (c) All guards and additional duties will change at 1600 hrs

3. TRANSPORT

All duties will be returned to 56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Lines by 44 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) transport with the exception of Town Picquet which will utilise its own tpt and requisition to T.O. for any additional trucks required.

4. DRESS

- (a) Dress for all guards and picquets will be S.D.
- (b) Dress for all other duties will be working dress.

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Lieut
(L.H. MACAULEY) Adjt.
56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

DISTRIBUTION

Coys	5
44 Bn	1
File	1
Trng File	1
War Diary	2

56 Aust. Inf Bn (AIF) ENBARKATION TABLE APPX "A"
 TO 56 AUSTRALIAN INF BATTALION (AIF) O.O. No 1

Serial	Craft	Load From Ship	Leave Ship	Sub-Unit	No of Tps	Additional troops	Pos'n of Craft	Beach	Time of landing	Remarks
1.	A.L.C.V. No 1.	0435	0444	Coy One Pl One Pl	21 23	Sigs 1	NET	AS O.O.	0540	
2.	A.L.C.V. No 2.	0442	0447	Pl Coy HQ	22	Mortars 5 Sigs 1 A.A.4	NET	AS.O.O.	0545	
3.	L.A.C. No 1	Load from Abrolhos IS 0100	Leave Abrolhos IS 0130	Carrier Pl TK A Pl Pnr Pl	Dets			AS 00	0550(in token)	R

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Student's
Examination No. _____

Note:- Read all questions carefully.
All questions MUST be attempted.
All answers to be numbered.

- | Question No. | Question |
|--------------|---|
| 1. | Define the term ROUTINE MAINTENANCE. |
| 2. | Give the names and purposes of forms and books carried on M.T. vehicles. |
| 3. (a) | Give THREE (3) purposes of the gear box. |
| (b) | Give THREE (3) purposes of the clutch. |
| 4. | How is the fuel pump on a (F.D.) V8 engine driven? |
| 5. | State the responsibility of the driver of a M.V. when in convoy. |
| 6. (a) | What size tyres are on all vehicles on M.T. School? |
| (b) | What pressures are in the same? |
| (c) | What pressure (cross country) 1050 x 20? |
| (d) | What tyre pressure for 900 x 16. |
| 7. (a) | What lubricants are used in the following and what period changed?
(i) Conventional 1 ton
(ii) Ford 30 cwt
(iii) F.W.D. 4 x 4 3 ton. |
| (b) | All gear Boxes and differentials. |
| 8. (a) | Letter and name all maintenance groups in the correct sequence. |
| (b) | Write out in detail -
A group 1000 mile maintenance.
F " 1000 " " "
G " 1000 " " " |
| 9. | The motor is running, gear lever in neutral, vehicle moving down hill, what gears are revolving in the gear box? |
| 10. | Give FOUR (4) causes of an engine overheating. |
| 11. | Show by diagram, the tyre changes of:-
(i) Single wheels 18000 miles
(ii) Dual wheels 22000 miles |
| 12. | Give the conventional signs for the following:-
(i) Bridge (v) Cutting
(ii) House (vi) Swamp
(iii) Water Hole (vii) Church
(iv) First class road (viii) Non-perennial stream. |
| 13. | Give THREE important considerations when concealing a vehicle (M.T.) |

56 AUST. INF. BN (AIF)

MOTOR CYCLE TRAINING SCHOOL

WRITTEN EXAMINATION

AUGUST 1943

<u>Question No.</u>	<u>Question</u>	<u>Points Allocated</u>
1.	Detail 250 mile maintenance.	10
2.	(a) What oils are used in a Motor Cycle? (b) Where are such oils used?	5 5
3.	(a) What clearance is on a clutch release shaft? (b) What clearance is on a clutch hand lever?	3 2
4.	State the valve clearance on a SV B.S.A.	10
5.	Name FOUR (4) important G Forms.	5
6.	Name SIX (6) important rules on the road.	10
7.	(a) Name TWO (2) symptoms of a slipping clutch. (b) Name THREE (3) causes of a slipping clutch.	5 5
8.	What maintenance is carried out on a battery?	10
9.	What free movement is on primary & rear chains?	10
10.	What are the tyre pressures, front & rear?	5
11.	At what mileages are oils changed in the following:- Oil tank, Gear Box, Primary Chain Case.	10
12.	State the correct gap on points of spark plug, contact breaker points.	5
<u>total...100</u>		

3 AUST CORPS SCHOOL

R.S.M.'S COURSE SERIAL NO 1.

DUTIES OF THE COMMANDER OF THE GUARD

1. Acquaint himself with all the duties to be carried out by his guard, in addition to any special instructions that may be issued.
2. Take over all property under the charge of the guard, these to be entered in the Guard Report, (AAF. A18) any deficiencies to be noted.
3. He will visit his sentries at least twice by day and twice by night.
4. He will read and explain the orders of the Guard (after the old Guard moves off) also the first relief (on its return from first tour of duty)
5. He will inspect all sentries before going on and coming off duty.
6. He will ensure that no man takes off any article of equipment or clothing during his tour of duty, and that they are ready to turn out promptly at any time.
7. He will ensure that all members of the Guard receive meals and bedding.
8. He will ensure that the Guard Room or tent is at all times kept tidy
9. He will mount and dismount his Guard in accordance with instructions.
10. If he has occasion to leave the Guard, he will hand over to the next senior.
11. He will be responsible for the safe custody of persons committed to his charge, until relieved or Guard dismount.
12. He will ensure that all persons handed over to him for safe custody are accompanied by a charge sheet. In the event of no charge sheet being received he will immediately report the matter to the Orderly Officer.
13. He will see that all persons committed to his charge are provided with meals and bedding.
14. He will enter in the Guard Report the names of all persons committed to his charge.
15. He will ensure that all persons committed to his charge for safe custody, are relieved of all articles in their possession.
16. In the event of any unusual occurrence (unable to be adjusted on the spot) he will get in touch with the Orderly Officer immediately.
17. He will make out his Guard Report in duplicate, sign where marked and leave one copy in the Guard Room file, the other copy will be handed into the Orderly Room on dismissal of the Guard.
18. He will turn out his Guard and Present Arms to:-
 - (a) Armed Corps (between Reveille & Retreat)
 - (b) General Officers in Uniform (by day only)
 - (c) Area or Brigade Commanded (first visit of day only)
 - (d) Armed Parties (by day only)
 - (e) Grand Rounds (once by day and once by night)
 - (f) C.O. once by day or when ordered.

- 19. He will turn the guard out and remain at the slope to:-
 - (a) Reveille, Retreat, and Totto.
 - (b) Armed Parties after Retreat.
 - (c) Visiting Rounds (once by day and once by night)
 - (d) Alarm sounding
 - (e) Event of fire.
- 20. On turning out the Guard at reveille, Retreat and Totto he will inspect it prior to turning in.
- 21. He will ensure that the Guard is as clean coming off duty as when it mounted.
- 22. A Commander will never quit his Guard except to visit his sentries, and will then inform the next in command of the probable time he will be absent.
- 23. He will see that the sentries are relieved every two hours, unless the weather or other circumstances make it desirable that it be done at shorter intervals.
- 24. The Commander of the Guard will see that the prisoners are clean prior to being handed over to escort.
- 25. He will ensure that the sentries move on their beats in a smart and soldierly manner and at 120 paces to the minute. He will check all irregularities.

NOTE

When the Guard is armed with Pistols and it is necessary to turn out the Guard in order to pay compliments the Guard will be stood to attention the Guard Commander only saluting with the hand.

- (a) Armed Corps (between Reveille & Retreat)
- (b) General Officers in Uniform (by day only)
- (c) Area or Brigade Commanded (first visit only)
- (d) Armed Parties (by day only)
- (e) Grand Rounds (once by day and once by night)
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56 AUST INF BN (AIF)

SIGNAL PL. TRAINING SCHOOL

EXAMINATION PAPER

AUGUST 1943

Time allowed@--2 hours

ALL Questions to be answered:-

CABLE:-

1. Give a short description of cable & nature of insulation.
2. (a) Why is cable jointing necessary?
(b) There are ~~THREE~~ general considerations of cable laying, What are they?
3. Explain fully, a buried crossing.

E & M:-

4. (a) Give the usual statement of OHM'S LAW. Then express it in symbols in ~~THREE~~ different ways.
(b) ~~Find~~ the value of current flowing through a metal filament whose resistance is given as 460 ohms, if it is placed across a 230 volt supply.
5. (a) Describe ~~FOUR~~ methods by which E.M.F. may be produced.
(b) Draw a diagram showing, how you would connect ~~THREE~~ X cells in series.
(c) What is a dielectric.

PROCEDURE:-

6. Give the meanings of the following procedure signals.
 - (i) C.K.
 - (ii) A.A.A.
 - (iii) B.T.
 - (iv) Z
 - (v) B.W.C.
7. Give in correct sequence signal strengths and their meanings.

MAPS:-

8. Define the following:-
 - (i) Knoll,
 - (ii) Contour,
 - (iii) re-entrant.
9. (a) Variation is 9 degrees WEST. Convert 15 degrees GRID to M.N.
(b) Variation is 5 degrees WEST. Convert 97 degrees GRID to MN
(c) Variation is $2\frac{1}{2}$ degrees EAST. Convert 170 degrees GRID to MN
10. (a) What is the definition of a map?
(b) Give the following conventional signs for:-
 - (i) Water Hole
 - (ii) third Class Trig
 - (iii) Wind Pump
 - (iv) Mill or Factory
 - (v) Telegraph Office.

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TIME ALLOWED - 2 hours 45 minutes.PART 1

1. Give full title to the following military abbreviations:-

S.A.A.	W.W.C.P.	T.C.P.	R.A.P.	Arty R
att	posn	sta	trg	infm

2. Sketch military conventional signs for the following:-

Pl HQ	Tk Trap
Coy HQ	Mortar
Bn HQ	Wireless telegraph station
Bde HQ	Bren Gun
Minefield	Tk.A Gun 2 pdr.

3. State briefly, the duties of Bn "I" Sec in the field.

4. Describe briefly the method of dealing with P.W.

5. What are the sources from which Intelligence gains its information?

6. An enemy A/C crashed in your Coy area, pilot was injured only. What would you do about it?

NOTE:- 5 questions ONLY to be answered in part 1.PART 2:-

7. Explain the following terms -

Grid North	Col
V.I.	Defile
Gradient	Re-entrant
Contour	Scale
Bearing	Spur

8. Point A is 800 ft high, Point B is 600 ft high & point C is 550 ft high. Distance from A to B is 700 yds, distance from B to C is 300 yds, is point C visible from point A.?

9.(a) Convert the following bearings to GRID and give back bearing in each case:-

27 degrees magnetic ; 250 degrees magnetic ; 358 degrees magnetic ;

(b) Convert the following bearings to Magnetic -

23 degrees Grid ; 273 degrees Grid ;
Magnetic variation is 4 degrees WEST in all cases.10. Construct a scale of 1 inch = 880 yds, suitable for use on scale map. ~~xi~~
State R.F. also.NOTE:- 3 questions ONLY to be answered in part 2.

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1. Name the grade and capacity of oils used in:-
(i) GEAR BOX (ii) ENGINE (iii) DIFFERENTIAL (iv) STEERING BOX
 2. (a) Give THREE (3) purposes of the clutch.
(b) Give THREE (3) purposes of the Gear Box.
(c) How many gear wheels in a (F.D.) Gear Box?
 3. Describe briefly the Cooling System on a Carrier.
 4. Gauges do NOT function. What procedure is taken in the correct sequence of fault finding?
 5. Give the conventional signs on a map for the following:-
(i) Scrub (iv) Railway siding
(ii) Track (v) Non-perennial stream
(iii) Road fenced on one side (vi) House
(vii) Cutting
 6. Give THREE (3) causes for an engine overheating.
 7. Define the term 'MAINTENANCE'
 8. Detail in correct sequence, Maintenance on completion of duty.
 9. * Detail in correct sequence, (Charlie) "C" group - 50 mile maintenance.
 10. (a) When making and braking tracks, what tools and equipment are used?
(b) What is the duty of No. 2 during this operation?
 11. Give the names and purposes of forms and books carried on a carrier.
 12. Make a sketch and name SIX (6) Signals.
 13. (a) How many Springs are there in SUSPENSION GROUP?
(b) How many links are there in a NEW TRACK?
(c) How many teeth on a SPROCKET. L.P.2A.?
 14. What is track displacement?

2 AUST DIV PLATOON COMPETITION

1. 2 Aust Div Pl competition will take place in GERALDTON area on 11 Sep 43.
2. Units eligible to compete are Inf Bns, Arty Regts, Tk A Regts and Cav Regts.
With this in view Coys will select one Pl each to represent the Coy in a Bn elimination contest to be held on the 31 Aug 43 or an approx date to this to be fixed later.
The Bn will be represented by one Pl only in the Div Contest.
3. The Pl from each Coy will consist of one officer and 40 O/R's being made up as follows -
 - (a) One Pl as per Pl roll book on 1 Aug 43 plus a number of men selected from the same Coy to make the Pl's strength up to 40 O/R's
 - (b) Coy Comd will submit a statement with the Pl and Coy roll book on the day of the elimination showing any members as per Pl roll book and giving reasons for absence.
4. Bn Band will be in attendance for Bn elimination contest.
5. Dress for Pl competition - Drill Order (S.D. with web equipment less water bottle, haversack, pack and respirator) Gaiters, Hats turned up.
(NOTE - Uniformity of dress will be taken into account in judging)
6. Drill will be as per M.E.D. and M.T.P. 18 as amended with the exception that all rifle exercises will be done at slow cadence timings as laid down in M.E.D.
7. Pls will be judged by six separate judges in the following sequence.

(a) Fall in and inspection	Maximum - 50 Points
(b) (c) (d) and (e) Marching and Drill movements	" - 25 Points Each
(f) Rifle Exercises - At the Halt	" - 50 Points
(g) March Off	No Points allotted.

GUARD MOUNTING COMPETITION

- (1) 2 Aust Div Guard mounting competition will take place on 11 Sep 43.
- (2) Units eligible to compete - Inf Bns only - One Guard per Unit.
- (3) 56 Bn will hold Guard Mounting Competition elimination on date approx three days after Drill comp.
- (4) The Guard will consist of one Offr 1 Sgt and 18 O/Rs all from one Pl as at 1 Aug 43.
- (5) Dress for Guard Comp - Full marching Order (Less steel helmet and respirator) Haversack and water bottle carried at side. Pack will contain one blanket, greatcoat, and ground sheet.
- (6) Guard Drill procedure will be in accordance with 3 Aust Corps suggested procedure for Mounting Bn Quarter Guard except that slow cadence Rifle exercises will be done.
- (7) Guard will be judged at four separate points in the following sequence:-

(a) Inspection	Maximum 50 points
(b) Guard Mounting	" 50 "
(c) Posting of relief of sentries, full relief will be marched out, but two posts only will be named	" 50 "
(d) Relief of New Guard.	" 50 "

GENERAL - Coys will concentrate on Pl Drill Comp until Pl, elimination contest, and thereafter will concentrate on Guard Comp.

3 AUST CORPS SCHOOL

R.S.M.'s COURSE

SUGGESTED PROCEDURE FOR MOUNTING BN ETC QUARTER GUARD

The Coy furnishing the Gd is responsible that it is present and correct prior to marching off the Regtl Pde Ground.

INSPECTION OF GD ON COY PDE GROUND

The Gd will be sized and prepared for inspection by the C.S.M. C.S.M. falls in the Gd by giving the Comd "Tallest on the flanks, smallest in the centre, in three ranks - size"

Sgt of Gd falls in right of front rank, Cpl on the left of front rank (Sgt and Cpl not covered)
Coy Orderly Sgt moves on to pde at the same time as the Gd and takes up his posn five paces centre rear of Gd.

C.S.M. "Gd Attention," "Open Order - March", "Guard Right - Dress"
Gd Sgt. dresses the Gd by turning to the right, marches out five paces, turns about, dresses front rank. Turns left, marches three paces turns right, and dresses centre rank. Turns left marches three paces and turns right, and dresses rear rank.

Having dressed rear rank Sgt, turns right, marches forward six paces turns left and gives comd "Gd Eyes - Front". Marches forward five paces, turns to his front, takes up his dressing (Sgt moves at short, trail)

C.S.M. "Gd Fix - Bayonets" then hands over to Coy Orderly Officer.

C.O.O. Accompanied by C.S.M. inspects Gd.

C.O.O. "Gd Unfix - Bayonets = for Inspection "Port - Arms" "Remain at the Port" Inspect exterior Rifles."

"Gd examine = Arms" Inspects barrels. "Gd Attention" "Close Order March" "Right Dress" (Gd Sgt dresses the Gd and give the comd "Gd Eyes Front" "Gd Slope - Arms" C.O.O. details C.O.S. to march Gd Off to Regtl Pde Ground. C.O.S. salutes (COS side arms only): Where ground permits Gd will be marched in line (Broadest front) otherwise in column of threes. C.O.S. gives comd "Eyes - Right" (or left) to C.O.O.

PROCEDURE ON REGTL PDE GROUND

R.S.M. and Adjut will normally be present on regtl pde Ground when Gd arrives. C.O.S. halts Gd in line fifteen paces from RSM. C.O.S. hands Gd over to R.S.M. at the Order. COS takes post on right of and facing the right flank of Gd.

R.S.M. "Gd open Order - March" "Fix - Bayonets" (Sgt of the Gd does not Fix - Bayonets) "Guard Right - Dress" (Gd Sgt. dresses Gd same procedure as on Coy Pde ground. If Bn Orderly Sgt on parade, he will dress the Gd) R.S.M. then hands over to the Adjut.

INSPECTION BY THE ADJT OR BN ORD OFFICER.

Adjutant inspects for general turnout.

Adjutant "Gd will Unfix - Bayonets" "Unfix - Bayonets - Attention" "For inspection Port - Arms" "Remain at the port" Arms are now inspected. "Gd Examine Arms" Having completed the inspection "Gd Attention" "Fix - Bayonets" "Close Order - March" "Right Dress" (Sgt of the Gd dresses Gd as previously and gives the Command "Eyes Front") "Gd Slope Arms" Gd Comds take post"

On this Comd both Sgt and Cpl of the Gd turn about, and move to their posns via the rear passing left shoulder to left shoulder. Sgt, two paces centre rear of Gd. Cpl right flank of Gd taking up posn vacated by Gd Sgt,
"To your Gd march off".

Commander will march off the Gd giving the Comd "Eyes - Right (or Left)" to the Adjut followed by Eyes - Front" R.S.M. dismisses Coy ord Sgt by order of Adjut.

RELIEVING A GUARD

When the ground permits, a new Gd will advance in line towards the front of the old gd and will be drawn up when possible fifteen paces in front. When not possible six paces from the left of the old guard.

OLD GUARD When sentry on Gd Room beat observes approach of new gd he will call out "Stand by the gd" Gd turn out". The old gd will double out of the Gd Room at the slope and fall in at open order. Comds on the right and left of front rank respectively. Comd will dress Gd.

NEW GUARD Having reached a posn about fifteen paces in front and facing the old gd the comd will give "gd Halt" "Open Order - March Right - Dress-Cpl will dress the Gd on his Comd-"Eyes Front" both Comds will resume their places in line, passing right shoulder to right shoulder.

EXCHANGING COMPLIMENTS: Commencing with the Old Gd comd the sequence of comds will be given alternatively as follows:-

<u>OLD GUARD</u>	<u>NEW GUARD</u>
Present Arms	Present Arms
Slope Arms	Slope Arms
Order Arms	Order Arms
Stand at Ease	Stand at Ease

TAKING OVER THE GD ROOM (Inventory, Charge Reports and Prisoners etc)

Both Comds after "Standing at Ease" will come to "Attention" and "Slope Arms". Will meet in the centre and prior to both Comds moving into the gd room new gd-Comd will detail new Gd Cpl to tell off the reliefs and mount the first relief.

NUMERING GD AND TELLING OFF RELIEFS Cpl moves to posn facing right hand man of front rank. (Cpl at the "Slope") Calls the gd to attention and gives comd "New gd as a gd-- Number" Gd numbers from front to rear and from right to left. Cpl details a relief e.g. 1, 2, 3, and 4 First Relief 5, 6, 7 and 8 Second Relief 9, 10, 11 and 12-Third Relief "First Relief Slope - Arms" "Fall in" "Remainder stand at ease" Relief fall out and falls in a few paces in front of new gd. Both Cpls will fall in with the relief in their respective posns (Reliefs will be inspected by Gd Comds both prior to mounting and when relieved)

MARCHING OF THE RELIEFS : Reliefs of fewer than four men will be formed in single rank when of four men or upwards will be formed in two ranks. In streets of narrow places reliefs should always be marched in single rank. When a relief marches in line, the Cpl in charge will be on the right, when in file or as in file, on the right of the rear file or man. Cpl not in charge when the relief marches in line will be on the left, in file, in front of the front rank man of the leading file. When the relief marches in single file, he will be in front of the leading man. The new Gd Cpl is in charge until all sentries have been relieved when the old Gd Cpl takes charge (Reliefs will march with sloped arms and bayonets fixed). When reliefs are inspected prior to being marched off they will be inspected in line at the slope.

-POSTING AND RELIEVING SENTRY The Cpl of the new gd will march off the first relief and when a few paces from the old sentry detailed for that post will then move out and take up his posn on the left of the old sentry, at the same time, the Cpls will take up their posns two paces in front of their respective sentries. Cpl of the old gd instructs old sentry to hand over his orders to the new sentry. Cpl of the New Gd then gives "Sentries Pass" Old Sentry moves off by shortest route to rear of reliefs. New sentry takes two paces to his right.

NOTE: Posts having Sentry Boxes will have the orders appertaining to the post hung up in the box. Cpl. new Gd will read out orders to all

reliefs on taking up their first tour of duty. Subsequent reliefs will pass all orders verbally. As Relief moves off, Cpl new gd gives "Eyes Right". (or left) to the sentry followed by "Eyes Front". The Sentry will present arms. The Cpl saluting. The same procedure will be carried out at the remaining posts. After last sentry has been posted, the Cpls will change places. (Cpl old Guard now in charge) On the arrival at the Gd room the relief will be halted and turned to the front and will be inspected by the Old Gd Comd. Cpl new-gd after reporting the New Gd comd will fall in on the left of the new Gd. The Comds after having completed the handing and taking over will then take posts with their respective Gds.

OLD GUARD MARCHING OFF

OLD GUARD COMD

NEW GUARD COMD

Old Gd attention
 " " Close Order-March
 " " Slope Arms.

New Gd attention
 " $\frac{1}{4}$ Slope Arms

- Old Gd Comd and Cpl move off to their respective posns i.e. Sgt 2 paces centre rear, Cpl right of front rank. Old Gd will then move off in line if possible. "Old Gd Quick March" "Change Direction right (or left) Right (or left) Form "Forward"

New Gd "Present Arms"
 Old Gd "Eyes Right" (or left) Old Gd Comd salutes.
 "Old Gd Eyes - Front."

The Old Gd will now march to the Bn Pde Ground and is inspected by Adjut or Bn Orderly Officer, New Guard. "Slope Arms" "Close Order" March Move to the right (or left) in threes right (or left) turn "Quick March" "Left (or right) Wheel" "Guard Halt". When on the ground vacated by the Old Gd "Order Arms" "Stand at Ease". Gd Comd will now read and explain the orders of the Gd to his men. The order will also be read and explained to the men forming the first relief when they come off duty.
 Guard will now be dismissed to the Guard Room "Gd Attention" "Slope Arms" "The Gd will turn in" "To the Gd Room - Dismiss"
 Gd will double into the Gd Room at the slope.

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BY

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10 AUG 43.

457. DIVISIONAL SPORTS MEETING

A Divisional Sports Meeting will be held on 15 Sep 43 with the object of selecting an Athletic Team to compete against 1 Aust Armd Div at a later date.

Bn sports will be held on 1 Sep 43 and Bde sports on 8 Sep 43 for the purpose of selecting athletes to represent 5 Bde in Div sports Meeting on 15 Sep 43.

All prospective competitors and recognised athletes will commence training forthwith and Coy Comds will allow personnel time for training within reason.

458. PERMITS - USE OF PUBLIC TELEPHONES AT P.O.

All permits in future must have the Unit stamp and be signed by the C.O. or Adjt of the Unit. The bearer must produce his pay-book on demand from Picquet as it is the only means of identifying the person and that the permit is genuine.

459. COMPLAINTS - REF MAP GERALDTON 1 IN TO 1 ML 541310

Complaints have been lodged by owners of property in the above vicinity, of carriers unnecessarily damaging fences, and of troops shooting rabbits. Both practices will cease forthwith and Coy Comds will take steps to ensure all ranks are duly informed. Further offences of shooting in unauthorised areas will be dealt with severely.

460. DAMAGE TO PRIVATE PROPERTY.

Complaints have been received of Army vehicles damaging property at reference 666536 ref map NANSON 1 in to 1 ml. Any vehicle carting wood from this area must first obtain permission from the owner, and wilful damage to fences must cease forthwith.

461. VENEREAL DISEASE.

(a) In order that personnel of the Armd Forces of Australia or its allies may receive adequate treatment from Army Medical Services, for venereal disease a proclamation has been issued under the Health Act (WA) prohibiting any medical practitioner in private practice from examining, attending upon, or prescribing for any of the above personnel.

(b) This is to ensure that Service personnel report to RMO and receive treatment under proper supervision.

462. ACF FURNITURE EQUIPMENT

(a) It is noted that a considerable amount of furniture and equipment issued by ACF solely for use in Unit Recreational Centres is being improperly used.

(b) Commanders will ensure that all such ACF furniture and equipment is returned to unit Recreation Centres.

463. FEDERAL ELECTIONS - POSTAL VOTES.

(a) It is advised that unenrolled members of the Forces cannot vote by post.

(b) Eastern States enrolled personnel who will NOT, for any reason, be accessible to unit voting facilities or to one of the special polling booths available to members of the Forces in the Metropolitan area on Polling Day may vote by post provided they make prior application either in person or on the prescribed form to a Divisional Returning Officer before 1800 hrs on Friday 20 Aug 43.

(c) Eastern States personnel, either enrolled or unenrolled, cannot vote at ordinary polling booths (available to civilians) on Election Day.

464. SHOOTING WITH SERVICE RIFLES

(a) Complaints are still being received that some personnel are shooting with service rifles on private property, with the result in some cases of loss of valuable live stock.

(b) Shooting of service firearms, except in execution of duty, is strictly forbidden, and disciplinary action is to be taken against offenders. Necessary precautions will be taken by all to

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ensure that ammunition is adequately safeguarded.

465. SHORTAGE OF PENCILS.

(a) - A serious shortage of pencils of all types exists throughout Australia and there is no possibility of improvement in the position until further supplies of lead arrive from overseas. These are NOT at present in sight and production has actually ceased.

(b) Units can anticipate a considerable reduction in the numbers of pencils to be issued compared with normal requirements and the greatest economy must be exercised in the use of this article.

(c) Consideration will be given by Comds to the question of securing pencils by string to the tables at which they are used particularly in signal offices, and any other methods considered suitable will be introduced with a view to further economy.

466. VEHICLE MAINTENANCE COMPETITION RESULTS.

<u>F.W.D.</u>	<u>Marks.</u>	<u>Place.</u>	<u>Coy.</u>	<u>Driver.</u>
61241	93	1	D	Vinnicombe.
61246	83	2	C	McLennan.
61244	82	3	B	Dowell.
<u>Inters.</u>				
45071	84	1	D	Spackman.
45078	84	2	B	Grimson.
45007	83	3	A	Atkins.
45079	83		D	Schulz.
45016	83		B	Little.
45044	81		D	Sherwood.
45121	81		HQ	Purcell.
<u>M/Cycles.</u>				
87423	98	1	HQ	Duncan.
87720	96	2	HQ	Cunningham.
87719	94	3	HQ	Connellan.

467. ADMINISTRATION OF OATHS, ETC., BY OFFICERS.

Attention is directed to GRO A 169/42 which directs that when officers of AMF are administering oaths taking affidavits of attesting the execution of documents by, any member of the Army; such officers MUST hold the rank NOT below that of Captain. Such officer when administering oaths or witnessing declarations of soldiers shall write, type or stamp legibly, after his signature his name and rank and it shall NOT be necessary to state the place where the oath is administered or affidavit sworn.

468. STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE - SUPPLEMENTARY RATION ACCOUNT. Jul 43.

<u>From Supplementary Ration Allowance.</u>				<u>From Unit Funds</u>			
Meat	£ 66	18	11	Fruit	£ 33	4	-
Custard Powder	10	18	6	Onions	7	-	-
Cornflour	6	6	7	Cabbage	5	12	6
Tomato Sauce	8	2	-	Wheatmeal	5	15	6
Preserved Fruit	11	12	-	Wheat		15	-
Sugar	4	19	-	Dripping		14	7
Baking Powder	4	17	5				
Milk	1	7	-				
Pepper	1	1	-				
Vinegar	1	10	7				
Egg Pulp		14	2				
	£118	7	2				
Less 7½%	8	17	8				
	£109	9	6				
					£ 53	1	7.

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469. DUTIES - The following roster of Orderly Offrs will operate:-

<u>Date to mount</u> <u>at 1800 hrs.</u>	<u>Orderly Offr.</u>
21 Aug 43	Lieut A.F.Hopke
22 Aug 43	" E.A.Wilson
23 Aug 43	" O.K.Harrington
24 Aug 43	" W.J.Symmons
25 Aug 43	" A.C.Edghill
26 Aug 43	" R.H.Farrell
27 Aug 43	" J.L.Bennett
28 Aug 43	" J.F.Day
29 Aug 43	" J.A.Kiley
30 Aug 43	" C.L.Murphy
31 Aug 43	" J.R.W.Melville

470. FEDERAL ELECTIONS - The Federal Elections will be held throughout Australia on Saturday August 21st.

To enable members of this Unit and all attached personnel to record their votes, the Salvation Army Hut has been declared an authorised polling place. The polling booth will be open from 0800 hours to 2000 hours and it is requested that personnel record their vote as early in the day as possible.

During the above-named hours on 21 Aug 43, the only personnel allowed in the Salvation Army Hut will be those recording their vote. The Hut will become available for all forms of recreation at 2100 hours on 21 Aug 43.

Full information will be supplied and any questions answered by interviewing any of the following presiding Officers:-

Capt. J.S.Boardman
S/Sgt E.H.Street
Sgt G.G.Evans

The foregoing will be read to ALL troops on at least one parade.

471. CUTTING OF STANDING TIMBER - CAMP AREA - All troops are to be instructed that it is an offence to cut down standing timber in the camp area and any person caught cutting down trees, no matter how small or large, will be subject to disciplinary action.

472. REMOVAL OF STONES FROM CAR PARK - The white-washed stones bordering the Car Park are to be treated as fixtures and under no circumstances whatsoever are they to be removed for any reason. Any person NOT complying with this instruction, will be severely dealt with as all troops have been warned on numerous occasions without result.

473. OPTICAL TREATMENT - All coys will submit to Bn HQ NOT later than 1800 hours on 22 AUG 43, a return showing No., Rank., Name of all personnel requiring any optical attention whatsoever. This return must show all personnel who suffer from any types of eye trouble or headaches likely to be connected with eye strain. L/Cpl McFarland to submit return for Bn HQ personnel.

474. AERATED WATERS - CANTEN - Owing to extreme shortage of bottles for the above, coys are reminded that all efforts must be made to return all bottles. Unless bottles are so returned orders will NOT be fulfilled by respective factories. Empty bottles returned to Unit Canteen are subject to a cash refund of Two pence (2d.) each.

475. SHOOTING - UNAUTHORISED AREAS - It is again brought to notice that troops are still shooting at rabbits & etc in camp areas. This practice is most dangerous and must cease forthwith. Any future offenders will be dealt with severely.
476. RECOVERY OF TRADESMEN - (a) In accordance with IHQ instructions, Recovery of Tradesmen has been resumed but it is restricted to such personnel who, in civil life, were journeymen tradesmen or possessed a high degree of skill in their calling. Personnel who have completed only a portion of an apprenticeship, cannot, with rare exception, be considered as suitable potential army tradesmen.
(b) The reason for the resumption of the scheme for the recovery of tradesmen is to recover only "actual" tradesmen in the Army who have NOT passed a trade test.
(c) Coys will submit FORTHWITH to Bn HQ, a return showing details of all personnel claiming to possess qualifications that are NOT being fully utilised in the Army, or who have been successfully trade tested and are NOT employed in accordance therewith. This return is required from each Coy, so that a Bn Return may be submitted to HQ 2 Div, for investigation by Investigation Officer.
(d) A certificate, personally signed, by O.C. of Coys will also be submitted, stating that a thorough investigation of the coy has been completed.
477. DRESS & DEPARTMENT OF TROOPS ON LEAVE:- Information received from NSW, indicates a high standard of dress and department is being maintained by troops on A.R.L.
The Div Comd desires to express his pleasure in the manner in which all ranks are giving attention to matters such as the wearing of hats, gaiters, belts waist, etc and the general appearance of clothing, including the wearing of tunics buttoned to the neck.
It is desired that the Div Comd's appreciation be expressed to ALL RANKS.
478. RAZOR BLADES - Instructions have been received that owing to an acute shortage of razor blades, the above issues will be restricted to ONE blade per man every 21 days. This will be effective as from previous issue.
479. OFFENCES - NATIVES - Attention is directed to the Native Administration Act, 1905 - 1936.
Para 46(i) states:-
"Any person (except a native) -
(a) who habitually lives with natives or with any native NOT his wife or her husband, or
(b) who cohabits with or has sexual intercourse with any native who is NOT his wife or husband,
shall be guilty of an offence against this Act, and shall be liable to imprisonment for a period of NOT more than TWO years or to a penalty NOT more than one hundred pounds."
Para 48(i) states:-
"Any person who sells, supplies, or gives any fermented, spirituous, or other intoxicating liquor, in any quantity, whatsoever, either alone or mixed with any other substance, or any opium, to any native, shall be guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction, to a penalty NOT exceeding One hundred pounds or to any term of imprisonment not exceeding six months, or to both."
480. VISITS TO NATIVE SETTLEMENTS. Individual soldiers visiting Native Settlements will NOT be in possession of any weapon, arms or ammunition. The safe-keeping of arms etc of such personnel whilst they are absent from unit lines will be under unit arrangements.
481. PERSONNEL SELECTED FOR A.R.L. - When Coys are submitting the names of men who are to proceed on 24 days A.R.L., it is necessary to contact the man concerned personally in order to obtain his Detraining Station in NSW and Address whilst on leave. In some cases, coys have submitted the address whilst on leave as being the address of Next of Kin as shown in Coy records, and it has been found necessary, on repeated occasions, that A.A.F. Mob 3's and Home Leave Passes have had to be altered, causing inconvenience.

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ROUTINE ORDERS
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482. PERSONNEL EVACUATED TO HOSPITAL will take with them their arms and equipment. In the case where personnel evacuated, are issued with A.S.M.G. or L.M.G. Coys C.Q.M.S. will ensure that such automatic weapons are withdrawn and rifle & bayonet issued. (See ASO Chap 6 Sect 111 Sub-sec 1)

483. DRESS WHILST ON LEAVE:-- The following are frequently the subject of complaint:

- (a) wearing of shoes and/or caps when NOT authorised;
- (b) NOT wearing gaiters where issued;
- (c) Wearing of collars and ties where NOT authorised;
- (d) NOT wearing identity discs;
- (e) NOT being being in possession of paybook;

When such cases of incorrect dress occur, the personnel concerned are to be fallen out from the pre-leave parade and their leave stopped by the O.C. Coy.

Coys are to be given talks on the correct method of wearing their hats and uniform and instructed that the tunic will NOT be worn with the top button unfastened etc;

It must be impressed on all ranks, that the standard of discipline and the spirit of a unit is reflected in the dress, soldierly bearing and conduct of unit personnel and it should accordingly be the aim of all commanders down to the most junior to ensure that troops are well turned out.

484. OUT OF BOUNDS - RACE COURSE GERALDTON - The area known as the Race-course, GERALDTON is OUT OF BOUNDS to all troops unless having business to transact with the Detention Barracks. The track of the Racecourse will NOT be used by Army vehicles.

485. CLUB PAVILION - QUEENS PARK, TENNIS COURT - Complaints have been made that windows, locks and panelling, at Club Pavilion have been broken by army personnel in an endeavour to gain access to showers. The Club pavilion will in future be OUT OF BOUNDS to all troops.

486. LEAVE PERSONNEL RETURNING TO UNITS - (a) All personnel marching into LTD CLAREMONT, for leave will be instructed that they must report thereto at expiration of such leave for return to unit.

(b) Personnel NOT so reporting, but who return independently, or by joining pack trains at other railway stations, will be marked A.W.L. and disciplinary action will be taken in ALL cases where such notice is received by unit from LTD.

487. PUBLIC STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS OF FORCES:-- 1. Attention is directed of all members to the provisions of A.M.R & O 309 & 310 and to G.R.O. G103/1942, G466/1942, G561/1942, G192/1943:--

2. Members are forbidden to communicate with the press or to give interviews for broadcasting or other media of publicity on military matters, whether by correspondence, personal interviews with press representatives or by any other means except in accordance with para 3 hereof:

3. Members who have been on active service may give interviews on first hand experiences in battle to uniformed accredited war correspondents, provided that every proposed statement of the nature referred to, in this para, will be submitted before publication, for the approval of an officer of the Directorate of Public Relations. The publication of names of members above the rank of Lieutenant, is prohibited unless specifically authorised.

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4. No restriction is placed on members in regard to articles stories or poems for publication in the press, in periodicals or other publications, PROVIDED that these do NOT deal with military matters and that no indication of the military rank or unit of the contributor is given

488. LOSS OF OR DAMAGE TO GOVERNMENT PROPERTY BY FIRE:-

1. The number of fires occurring, particularly in tented camps, has resulted in serious losses of equipment and is impeding our war effort. Many of these fires could have been prevented.
2. O.C. Coys will take immediate steps to overhaul fire precautions within their own coys on the lines laid down in standing orders for army fire services (Aust)
3. Particular attention will be paid to the following:-
 - (a) In buildings etc, in which smoking is prohibited, notices to that effect will be displayed prominently and the prohibition will be rigidly enforced.
 - (b) In no circumstances will authority be given for smoking in garages storage barns or dumps, stables, magazines, in the vicinity of petrol or oil stores or in any other buildings in which inflammable materials are stored.
 - (c) Grass will be kept short in barrack areas, hutments and camps.
 - (d) Special arrangements will always be made for the storage of petrol oil and grease. Tins of sand will be kept available in such places, in addition to tins for oily waste etc.
 - (e) Naked lights in tents will be kept carefully shielded; candles will be placed in approved holders
 - (f) Great care will be exercised when the tanks of vehicles are being replenished. Engines will be stopped and any petrol spilled will be immediately wiped up or liberally sprinkled with sand.
 - (g) Naked lights or hurricane type lamps will on no account be taken into or used in the vicinity of an inflammable liquid or materials store or in a powerhouse, nor will the use of such lamps be permitted when filling petrol tanks of vehicles, at night or where there are loose inflammable liquids.
 - (h) Existing and future heating facilities will comply with standing orders or army fire services, see 4 and 11. Particular attention will be paid to the proximity of all heating facilities to such material or sisaskraft, fibreen etc.
 - (i) The co-operation of all ranks will be obtained to prevent the careless throwing away of cigarette ends, pipe ashes or glowing matches from moving vehicles or in the vicinity of tents or in any place where there is a danger of fire.
 - (j) Fires will NOT be lit for any purpose whatsoever in proximity of tents or huts except with the authority of a commissioned Officer. That Officer will ensure that such fires are subsequently extinguished. The possibility of change of winds, and wind borne sparks will NOT be overlooked.
 - (k) Proper maintenance of all fire appliances, vide para 19 and 157 to 160, inclusive, of Standing Orders for Army Fire Services Australia.
4. AMR & O 1480, 1481 and 1482 are cancelled. In lieu thereof standing orders for Army Fire Services (Aust), notified in GO 51/1942, and such amendments as are issued from time to time will be observed.

L.H. McAuley
(L.H. MCAULEY) Adjnt. Lieut
56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

N O T I C E.

The Mobile Cinema will again visit the unit lines on Sat. 4 Sep 43.
at 1915 hours.

56 AUST. INF. BN. (AIF)
SPORTS MEETING.

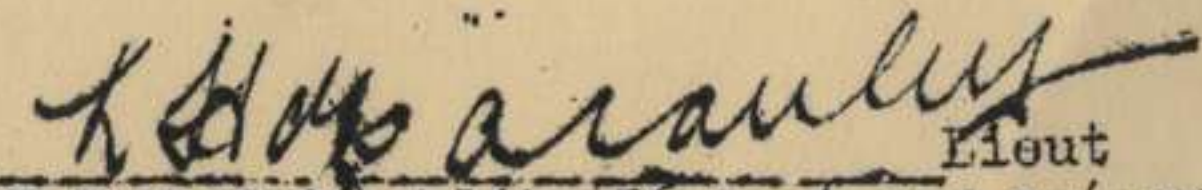
1. A Bn Sports meeting will be held on 1 Sep 43 with a view to obtaining representatives to compete in Bde & Div sports on 8 & 15 Sep 43
2. Competitors in Coys will be given every opportunity, where possible, to train for Bn Sports. /respectively.
3. The following events will be competed for on 1 Sep 43 & prizes as shown below will be allotted for events.
4. Coys will submit entries for events to Bn by 1200 hrs on 28 Aug 43.

Serial	Event	Conditions of event	Prizes Allotted	Responsibility of preparing & conduct of event.	Time event to take place	REMARKS
1	100 yds Championship	Open to all members of Bn. All competitors off scratch. To be run in heats of 6.	1st - £1 2nd - 10/- 3rd - 5/-	Capt. Hough, Lieut King & Lieut Curran		
2	100 yds handicap	Open to all members of Bn, who have NOT previously won a prize in 100x championship in Bn or Bde sports. The individual's time for 100x to be submitted with entries. Competitors beating their time by 1½ secs, will be disqualified. To be run in heats of 6.	1st - 15/- 2nd - 7/6 3rd - 5/-	Capt Hough, Lieut King Lieut Curran		
3	440 yds Championship	Open to all members of Bn. All competitors off scratch. To be run in heats of 10 or less.	1st - £1 2nd - 10/- 3rd - 5/-	Capt Hough Lieut King Lieut Curran		Event will NOT be run unless at least 5 competitors enter.
4	440 yds Handicap	Open to all members of Bn, who have NOT previously won a prize in 440x Championship in Bn or Bde Sports. Individual's time for 440x to be submitted with entry. To be run in heats of 10. Competitors beating their time by 5 secs will be disqualified.	1st - 15/- 2nd - 7/6 3rd - 5/-	Capt Hough Lieut King Lieut Curran		
5	880 yds Championship	Open to all members of Bn. All competitors to be off scratch.	1st - £1 2nd - 10/- 3rd - 5/-	Capt Hough, Lieuts King & Curran		Event will NOT be run unless at least 5 competitors enter.
6	880 yds Handicap	Open to all members of Bn, who have NOT previously won a prize in 880x championship in Bn or Bde Sports. Individual's time to be submitted with entries. Competitors beating their time by 10 secs will be disqualified.	1st - 15/- 2nd - 7/6 3rd - 5/-	Capt Hough Lieut King Lieut Curran		

Serial	Event	Conditions of event	Prizes allotted	Responsibility of preparing & conduct of event.	Time event to take place	REMARKS
7	220 yds Championship	Open to all members of Bn. All competitors off scratch.	1st - £1 2nd - 10/- 3rd - 5/-	Capt Hough Lieut King Lieut Curran		Event will NOT be run unless at least 5 competitors enter.
8	220 yds Handicap	Open to all members of Bn, who have NOT previously won a prize in 220x championship at a Bn or Bde sports. Individual's time to be submitted with entry. Competitors beating their time by 3 secs will be disqualified.	1st - 15/- 2nd - 7/6 3rd - 5/-	Capt Hough Lieut King Lieut Curran		
9	Hop, Step & Jump Champion- ship.	Open to all members of Bn	1st - 15/- 2nd - 7/6	Capt Boardman Lieut Symmons Lieut Farrell		
10	Broad Jump Championship	Open to all members of Bn	1st - 15/- 2nd - 7/6	Capt Boardman Lieut Symmons Lieut Farrell		
11	High Jump Championship	Open to all members of Bn.	1st - 15/- 2nd - 7/6	Capt Boardman Lieut Symmons Lieut Farrell		
12	Troops Alarm Race	Limited to 6 per rifle coy - 10 to HQ Coy 3 to Bn HQ. - Dress W.D. with Drill Order. Competitors run from start line, 50 yds & put on boots, socks, gaiters, jacket, hat & web equipment & complete another 50 yds & arrive correctly dressed.	1st - 15/- 2nd - 7/6	Capt, Clark Lieut Harrington		
13	Relay Race	1 team per coy - 1 team Bn HQ of 8 men. Each team to carry & transfer a stick. Each man 100 yds.	Winning team 5/- each	Capt Williams Lieut Murphy Lieut Melville		
14	Offrs Relay Race	2 teams of 8 Offrs - 2 under 25 yrs - 2, 25-29 yrs - 2, 30-35 yrs - 2 over 35 yrs Teams to be picked by C.O. & 2 i/c.	To be arranged between teams.	Maj Murray		Selected teams to be announced later.

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Serial	Event	Conditions of event	Prizes Allotted	Responsibility of preparing & conduct of event	Time event to take place	REMARKS
15	Coy Relay Race	One team per Coy, consisting - OC, 2 1/c, 1 Pl Comd, OSM, OQMS, 1 Sgt, 1 Cpl or L/Cpl, & 1 Pte.	Winning team 5/- each.	Capt. Williams Lieut Murphy Lieut Melville		
16	Offrs Race 100 yds CO's Parade	All Offrs to compete - No heats. C.O. to handicap.		Maj Murray		
17	Volley Ball Competition	One team per coy. One team Offrs. Knockout competition. One game of 21 points	Winning team 5/- each.	Capt Farrell Lieut Day		
18	Pl Blitz Course Race	Teams of ONE Ofir & 20 O/Rs. To complete blitz course. 100 points for Pl with fastest time. One point per sec deducted for times under the fastest. FIVE points per man per obstacle NOT completed to be deducted.	Winning Pl 3/- each.	ALL Coy Comds. under Capt Hough		
19	Football Place Kick	Open to all competitors THREE kicks in all. Two from 25 yds line - 10 yds in from each side line. One kick from front of goal at 10 yds inside half way line.	1st - 7/6	Lieut Macauley Lieut Hopke		
20	Football Punt	Competitors to start at 40 yds and work back 10 yds at a time, being eliminated when failing to kick the required distance.	1st - 7/6	Lieut Macauley Lieut Hopke		
21	Tug-of-war	One team per coy - one team Bn HQ - Team consists of 8 and a Capt. Knock-out competition.	5/- each member of winning team	Capt Samuelson Lieut Wilson		
22	Tabloid Sports Pl Competition	Each Coy to enter THREE pls of 20 each. One team per coy to compete at a time. Winning team will be the one gaining the most points during its period.	2/- each member of winning pl.	Capt Mason Lieut Bennett Lieut Hardy Lieut Christie Lieut Edghill Lieut Davis		


 Lieut
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56 AUST INF BN (AIF)
AUSTRALIA
27 Aug 43.

ALL COYS.

RECORD OF ARMY DRIVING LICENCES.

All Coys will submit to Bn. HQ. NCT later than 1800 hours
29 Aug 43. a return per Pro-forma hereunder showing:-

- (a) Personnel on strength an Army Driving Licence.
- (b) Personnel on strength holding a Temporary Driving Licence (Army).

ARMY NO.	RANK NAME	Vehicle Type group or groups for which qualified.	Name of Testing Offr. certifying passing of prescribed Tests.	DATE of ISSUE.
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L.H. Macauley Lieut.
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RULES - TOG OF WAR.

- (1) AREA. Mark out piece of ground 140ft by 40ft. from a central -
measure 12 ft each side and mark with flags.
- (2) ROPE. Not less than a 140ft by 4 inches.
- (3) TEAM. 10 men plus coach.
- (4) OFFICIALS. 1 Referee - 2 Judges.
- (5) DRESS. Service marching boots. No spikes. Heel and toe plates must
be flush with leather.
- (6) WEIGHT. Two Grades:- Lightweight max. 110 stone
Heavyweight max. 130 stone.
- (7) KNOTS, LOOPS
AND LOCKS. Not allowed, nor can rope be crossed over any part of any
member of the team
- (8) ANCHOR MAN Two positions. (a) Rope under R armpit, around waist, under
L armpit and over L shoulder.
(b) Under R armpit, around waist, over L
shoulder and under L armpit.
- (9) COACH. Watches opponents, signs to teams when to pull and when to
rest.
- (10) START. By word of mouth only.
- (11) TAKE UP THE
ROPE. Teams take up the rope and spread double arm interval
apart.
- (12) TAKE THE STRAIN Teams are allowed to dig in.
- (13) HEAVE.

New teams 1 to 2 mins. only - Experienced teams pull to finish.

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AUSTRALIA.
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ALL COYS.

INDEX:-

CHURCH PARADES.

1. Other Denominations Church Parade 29 Aug 43. will be held on Bn Parade Ground near Car Park at 0930. Coys to be on parade NOT later than 0920.
2. Bn (AIF) Service will be conducted by Padre from 44 Aust Inf
3. Dress will be S.D. with Hats turned up, Belts and Sidearms and Anklets, web.
4. G.O.C. 2 Aust Div and G.O.C. 3 Aust Corps will be in attendance.
5. Parade will be a CO's muster parade for all personnel other than R.C's.
6. Orderly Officer will be responsible to see that necessary platform, tables etc. are on Parade Ground and will contact Bn 2 i/c in this regard.
- &. Capt. M.M. Scott will be responsible for Installation of Public Address System.

L.H. Macauley
Lieut.
(L.H. MACAULEY) 56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF).

0600 Hrs. Saturday 7 Aug '43. 56 Aust Inf. Bn (A.I.F.)
FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

56 Aust Inf. Bn (A.I.F.) (Unit)
W.E 11/12/3 Offs 34 + Offs: 1 ATT. BY W.E
PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors	2		
Captains	10		
Lieutenants	17		3 (incl 1 sig offr)
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters	1		
Totals	31		3

*Insert details of higher ranks as necessary.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK

ATTACHED Officers JOINED during week. **ALLOWED BY W.E.**

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
ARMY	POSTED STRENGTH	SURPLUS TO W.E	DEF W.E	RANKS REQUIRED
A.A.M.C	1 Captain	—		—
Detail	A.I.F. 32	C.M.F.		TOTAL 31 32

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).
NX125800 Lieut	GUNNER A.F.S.	56 Bn	To Hosp 25/6/43

56 Aust Inf Bn (A.I.F.)

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A)

43/17

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No.)	If not present with Unit, state how employed, DATE DETACHED.
Lt. Col	NX 11633	BRYEN R.T.	C.O.	YES	
Lieut. T. Major	NX 124443	MURRAY E.F.	2 1/6	YES	
" "	NX 124434	STEVENSON A.E.	O.C. HQ COY	NO	SCHOOL QLD 8/6/43.
T. Capt	NX 124444	EVERITT L.W.	Q.M.	YES	
Lieut	NX 125184	MACAULEY L.H.	Adj.	YES	
T. Capt	NX 124436	NEIL W.D.	O.C. A COY	NO	ARL. 18/7/43
" "	NX 124442	FARBELL J.R.	O.C. "B" COY	YES	
" "	NX 124445	HOUGH J.W.	O.C. "C" COY	YES	
" "	NX 124440	CLARK J.M.	O.C. "D" COY	YES	
" "	NX 125726	SAMUELSON C.J.	2 1/6 A COY	YES	
" "	NX 116619	BOARDMAN J.S.	2 1/6 "B" COY	YES	
" "	NX 125724	CALLAN E.J.	2 1/6 "C" COY	YES	
" "	NX 76527	WILLIAMS L.J.	2 1/6 "D" COY	YES	
" "	NX 125723	SCOTT M.M.	I.O.	YES	
" "	NX 125727	MASON F.L.	O.C. H PL.	YES	
Lieut	NX 125736	BRAITHWAITE S.J.	2 1/6 H PL.	NO	SCHOOL HARVEY 8/7/43.
" "	NX 116618	KILEY J.H.	9 PL.	YES	
" "	NX 124446	SMITH J.M.	1 PL.	NO	ARL. 23/6/43
" "	NX 119436	CHRISTIE A.W.E.	3 PL.	YES	
" "	NX 125738	DAY J.F.	5 PL.	NO	SCHOOL 22/7/43
" "	NX 124438	KING B.W.	6 PL.	YES	
" "	NX 126651	BROWNING E.	8 PL.	NO	DET. COMBINED OPS 3/4/43.
" "	NX 125800	FUNNER A.F.S.	10 PL.	NO	HOSP. 25/6/43
" "	NX 119431	MELVILLE J.R.W.	11 PL.	NO	SCHOOL HARVEY 8/7/43.
" "	NX 125735	MCDONALD K.J.	12 PL.	NO	ARL. 20/6/43
" "	NX 124438	MCCLELLAN C.M.	15 PL.	YES	
" "	NX 125756	BENNETT J.L.	16 PL.	YES	
" "	NX 126640	EDGHILL A.C.	17 PL.	YES	SCHOOL HARVEY 8/7/43
" "	NX 125725	CURRAN O.A.	18 PL.	YES	
" "	NX 125729	DAVIS E.W.B.	T.O.	YES	
" "	NX 124439	HARDY M.G.	19 PL.	YES	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment	Nature of attachment.
CAPT	WX 34307	MCMAULIFFE J.A.	A.A.M.C.	24/9/42	R.M.O.
MR.	B 259	THOMPSON J.	SAL ARMY	8/7/42	S.A.W.O.
Lieut	NX 123833	MURPHY C.L.	GEN RETS (ARM)	2/7/43	PEND. POSTING M.S. Lt 80
"	NX 123714	FARBELL R.H.	" "	2/7/43	" " " "
Capt	NX 137124	GRIFFIN L.W.	5 Fd. Amb.	21/7/43	DENTAL SECT.

56 Aust Inf Bn (A.I.F.) (Unit.) (R. T. Bryen) (Signature of Commander.)
 7 Aug '43 (Date of Despatch.) 5 Aust Inf Bde. (A.I.F.) (Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 7 / Aug / 1943 (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 12 / 3 OFFRS. O.R's. 222 + OFFRS. O.R's. 44 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1 W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				5		6 ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength	DETAIL.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
			1	W.Os. Class I.						
			6	W.Os. Class II.			1			
			5	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.						
		1	1	Staff Sergeants						
1 N.R.	2		33	Sergeants			9		1	1 N.R.
4 N.R.	4		68	Corporals			8		2	2 N.R.
53	65	12	648	Troopers, Privates, etc.			24	1	1	1
				Civilians counting as O.R.						
58 *	71	13	762 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.			42 *	1	4	4 *

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).	Detail	A.I.F.	C.M.F.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
			Under 19 Years.	19 Years and over.							
** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces, 10 N.Z. Forces.	A	618	1	185							104
	B(1)										
	B(2)										

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Part C. Other Ranks Included in Part A Detached to Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
1	HQ 2 Aust Div						
2	2 Div Salvage						
2	2 Div Sigs						
5	5 Pz Amn (Dental Svc)						
1	54 Aust Inf Bn						
1	44 Aust Inf Bn						

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To 56 Aust Inf Bn (A.I.F.) (Unit) is Particularly Requested. 7 / 8 / 1943.

Army No	Rank	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
NX123856	Cpl.	COUGHLAN T.K.	X List
NX125736	Cpl.	SHEMARK J	X List
NX125429	Sgt.	COSSIDY J	O.C.T.U. S.A. 2 of C. Area
NX152521	W.O.P.	TAYLOR C.W.J.	" " " "
NX125721	Pvt.	DOYLE S.W.	SCHOOL. KARRAKATTA (Mach M.V.)
NX137034	W.O.P.	PHILLIPS M.N.	S.W.O.P. N.S.W. 2 of C. Area
NX156051	Cpl.	MALONE A.R.	HOSP. X LIST
NX38923	Cpl.	CUNNINGHAM R.J.	HOSP X LIST.
NX125791	Cpl.	HITWOOD H.	HOSP X LIST.

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 7/AUG/1943.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Brought Forward Surveyors, Engineering	1	2		Brought Forward Operating Room Assts.	13	15	1	Brought Forward G.P.O. Assistants	71	72	12
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangetakers	2	2	
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters		5		Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths	1	1						Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	3	3	
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers	14	13	11	Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners	6	6		Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.							
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				W.O.I	1	1	
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers	1	6		W.O.II	6	6	
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	5	5		C.A.M.S.	5	5	
Grinder, Precision				Hello Operator				Clerks, Supply				STAFF SGTs	1		
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				SGTs	35	33	1 N.R.
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	7	6	1 N.R.	Coach Trimmers				CPAs	72	68	4 N.R.
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors				F.T.C.S.	636	571	41
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				W.O.II	1	1	
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				SGTs	10	9	1 N.R.
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics	27	27		CPAs	10	8	2 N.R.
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant				P.T.C.S.	23	24	1
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.V.		1		Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers	1	1					
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD		2		CARRIED FORWARD	13	15	1	CARRIED FORWARD	71	72	12	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	875	802	62

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised trades or specialists not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.
(c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back.
(d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.R. in col. "Reints. Required."
(e) Where any request or notation is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

7 AUG '43
Date of Despatch

(Signature)
Signature of Commander
(R.T. BRYEN)

0600 Hrs. Saturday 14 Aug. '43

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

43/18

56 Aust Inf Bn (A.I.F.) (Unit)
W.E. 11/12/3 Offrs. 34 + Offr. 1 ATTACHED BY W.E.
PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors	2		
Captains	10		
Lieutenants	18		2 N.R.
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters	1		
Totals	32		2 N.R.

*Insert details of higher ranks as necessary.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
WX 1107	HARRINGTON, D.K.	A.R.D.	13/8/43	Transf. to 56 Aust Inf Bn (A.I.F.)
WX 11616	COLLINS C.J.	A.R.D.	13/8/43	Transf. to 56 Aust Inf Bn
VX 67936	WILSON E.A.	A.R.D.	13/8/43	" " " " " "
VX 131367	SYMMONS W.J.	A.R.D.	13/8/43	" " " " " "
WX 10990	KOPKE A.F.H.	A.R.D.	13/8/43	" " " " " "

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
NX 124446 Lieut	SMALL J.M.	56 Aust Inf Bn	17-7-43	Transferred to Corps of A.E.M. (Corp list No 128).

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).
NX 135800 Lieut	BUNNER A.F.S.	56 Bn.	To Hosp 25/6/43 (x Lieut)
NX 119431 Lieut	MELVILLE J.R.W.	56 Bn	SCHOOL HARVEY 2/7/43 (x Lieut)
NX 135736 Lieut	BRAITHWAITE S.J.	56 Bn	" " " " " "

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

43/18

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A)

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and Higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No.)	If not present with Unit, state how employed, + DATE DETACHED.
Lt Col	WA 11633	BRYEN R.T.	C.O.	YES	
Lieut T Major	WA 124443	MURRAY E.F.	2 1/2	YES	
Lieut	125134	MACAULEY L.H.	Ad	YES	
T Capt	124444	EVERITT L.W.	Q/M	YES	
"	124436	NEIL W.D.	O.C. H Coy	NO	A.R.L. 18/7/43
"	124445	HOUGH J.W.	O.C. C Coy	YES	
"	124440	CLARK J.M.	O.C. D Coy	YES	
"	124442	FARRELL J.R.	O.C. B Coy	YES	
"	125726	SAMUELSON C.J.	2 1/2 PL	YES	
"	116619	BOARDMAN J.S.	2 1/2 PL	YES	
"	125727	MASON F.L.	O.C. 4 PL	YES	
"	125723	SCOTT M.M.	10	YES	
"	76527	WILLIAMS L.J.	2 1/2 D Coy	YES	
"	125724	CALLAN E.J.	2 1/2 C Coy	YES	
Lieut	116618	KILEY J.H.	9 PL	YES	
"	124438	MCCLELLAN C.M.	15 PL	YES	
"	124437	KING B.W.	6 PL	YES	
"	125729	DAVIS E.W.B.	T.O.	NO	LEAVE
"	125725	CURRAN O.A.	18 PL	YES	
"	125725	MCDONALD K.J.	12 PL	YES	
"	124439	HARDY M.G.	19 PL	NO	COMB OPS CAMP 15/8/43
"	125726	BENNETT J.L.	16 PL	YES	
"	125738	DAY J.F.	5 PL	NO	SCHOOL HARVEY 22/7/43
"	124657	BROWNING E.	8 PL	YES	
"	119436	CHRISTIE A.W.R.	3 PL	YES	
"	124640	EDGEHILL A.C.	17 PL	YES	
"	WA 9107	HARRINGTON O.K.	2 PL	YES	
"	WX 26616	COLLINS C.J.	1 PL	YES	
"	WX 13157	SYMMONS W.J.	2 1/2 4 PL	YES	
"	WX 10990	KOPKE A.F.H.	10 PL	YES	
Lieut T Major	WA 124434	STEVENSON A.E.	O.C. H B Coy	NO	A.R.L. 1/8/43
Lieut	WA 17936	WILSON E.A.	11 PL	YES	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment	Nature of attachment.
Capt	WA 34207	MCAULIFFE J.H.	H.A.M.C.	29/9/42	R.M.O.
Maj	B 259	THOMPSON J.	SAL ARMY	8/7/42	S.A.W.O.
Lieut	WA 123833	MURPHY C.L.	GEN APTS (INF)	2/7/43	PEND POSTING M.S. Unit 80.
"	WA 125714	FARRELL R.H.	"	2/7/43	" " " " " 80
CAPT.	WA 137124	BRIFFIN L.W.	5th Amd.	21/7/43	DENT. SEC.

56 Aust Inf Bn (A.I.F.) (Unit.)

1st Aug '43 (Date of Despatch.)

(A.T. BRYEN.) (Signature of Commander.)

5 Aust Inf Bde (A.I.F.) (Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 14 / Aug / 1943 56 Aust Inf Bn.

W.E. 11 / 12 / 3 OFFRS. 34 O.R's. 831 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 44 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
NR 1	1			W.Os. Class I.					
			6	W.Os. Class II.		1			
			5	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
		1	1	Staff Sergeants					
NR 1	1		33	Sergeants		9		1	1 NR.
NR 5	5		67	Corporals		8		2	2 NR.
65	65	12	647	Troopers, Privates, etc.		24	1	1	1
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
72	72	13	759	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.	SEE BACK →	42	1	4	4

Detail	A.I.F.	C.M.F.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
		Under 19 Years.	19 Years and over.							
A	617	1	183							801
B(1)										
B(2)										

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Part C. Other Ranks Included in Part A Detached to Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
1	HQ 2 Aust Div						
1	2 Div Salvage						
2	2 Div Sign.						
5	5th Div Dental Sec.						
1	56 Aust. Inf. Bn.						
1	44 Aust. Inf. Bn.						

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To (Unit) is Particularly Requested. 14 / 8 / 1943

Army No	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
NX 123356	Cpl.	COUCHMAN T.K.	X List Hosp.
NX 123736	Pvt.	SHOANMARR J.	X List
NX 125429	Sgt.	CASSIDY J.	O.C.T.U. S.A. h. of C. Area.
NX 1254521	W.O.	TAYLOR C.W.J.	" " " "
NX 125782	Pvt.	DOYLE S.W.	SCHOOL KARAKATTA (Mch. M.V.)
NX 125834	W.O.	PHILLIPS M.W.	L.V.O.P. N.S.W. h. of C. Area.
NX 156081	Cpl.	MALONE A.R.	HOSP X LIST
NX 32923	Cpl.	CUNNINGHAM R.J.	HOSP X LIST
NX 125771	Cpl.	ATTWOOD H.	HOSP X LIST

56 Aust. Inf. Bn (A.I.F.) Unit

43/18 Serial No.

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 14/AUG/1943.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering		2		Operating Room Assts.	13	13	2	G.P.O. Assistants	71	70	13
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, B.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangefinders	2	2	
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters		5		Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths		1						Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers		1						Radiographers				Stvedores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staly. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	3	3	
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers	24	13	11	Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners	6	6		Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				W.O.I	1	-	1.N.R.
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers	1	6		W.O.I	6	6	
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	5	5		C.A.M.S	5	5	
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply				STAFF SGTs	1		
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				SGTs	35	33	1.N.R.
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	7	5	2	Coach Trimmers				CPLs	72	67	5.N.R.
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Conerctors				Ptes.	636	572	52
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				W.O.I	1	1	
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				SGTs	10	9	1.N.R.
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics	27	27		CPLs	10	8	2.N.R.
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant				Ptes.	23	24	1
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.V.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers	1	1					
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD		2		CARRIED FORWARD	13	13	2	CARRIED FORWARD	71	70	13	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	875	800	76

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
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(c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back.
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14 Aug 43
Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

(R.T. BRYEN)

0600 hrs. Saturday 21 Aug 43

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

W.E. 11/12/3 56 Aust. Inf Bn (AIF) (Unit)
OFFERS 34 + Offrs attached by W.E.

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors	2		
Captains	10		
Lieutenants	18		2.N.R.
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters	1		
Totals	32		2.N.R.

*Insert details of higher ranks as necessary.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK

ATTACHED Officers JOINED during week. ALLOWED BY W.E.

Rank.	POSTED	Name.	STRENGTH	SURPLUS TO W.E	Corps.	Date.	DEF W.E	RETS	REQUIRE D	Cause.
ARM										
ARM	1	Captain								
W.Dail		A.I.F.	32		C.M.F				TOTAL	
					N.L				32	

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).
Lieut NX125800	GUNNER A.F.S.	56 Bn	to Hosp 25/6/43 (x 1st)
Lieut NX 119431	MELVILLE J.R.W.	56 Bn	School Harwey 8/7/43 (x 1st)
Lieut NA 125731	BRAITHWAITE S.J.	56 Bn	" " " "

56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A)

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and Higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No.)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
LT Col	NX 112633	BRYEN R.T	C.O	YES	
Capt	" 124443	MURRAY E.F	2/IC	YES	
" " Lt	" 124434	STEVENSON A.E	O.C. HQ Coy	NO	ARL 18/43
Lieut	" 125134	MACAULEY L.H	ADJT	YES	
T. Capt	" 124444	EVERITT L.W	O.M	NO	ARL 19/8/43
" "	" 124436	NEIL W.D	O.C. ACY	NO	ARL 15/7/43
" "	" 124445	HOUGH J.W	O.C. C. COY	YES	
" "	" 124440	CLARK J.M.	O.C. D. COY	YES	
" "	" 124442	FARRELL J.R.	O.C. B. COY	YES	
" "	" 125726	SAMUELSON C.J	2/IC ACY	YES	
" "	" 116619	BOARDMAN J.S	2/IC B. COY	YES	
" "	" 125727	MASON F.L	O.C. 4 PI	YES	
" "	" 125723	SCOTT M.M	10	YES	
" "	" 76527	WILLIAMS L.J	2/IC D. COY	YES	
" "	" 125724	CALLAN E.J	2/IC C. COY	NO	2 Aust Div Det. Comd
Lieut	" 116618	KILEY J.H	9 PI	YES	
" "	" 124438	MCCLELLAN C.M	10 PI	NO	JUNGLE WAREHOUSE 17/43
" "	" 124437	KING B.W	6 PI	YES	
" "	" 125729	DAVIS G.W.B	T.O.	NO	LEAVE 12/8/43
" "	" 125725	CURRAN O.H	18 PI	YES	
" "	" 125735	MCDONALD K.J	12 PI	YES	
" "	" 124439	HARDY M.G	19 PI	NO	COMB DR CAMP 13/8/43
" "	" 125756	BENNETT J.L	16 PI	YES	
" "	" 125738	DAY J.F	5 PL	YES	
" "	" 126651	BROWNING E	8 PL	YES	
" "	" 119436	CHRISTIE R.W.G	3 PL	YES	
" "	" 126640	EDGILL A.C	17 PL	YES	
" "	WX 9107	HARRINGEN O.K	13 PL	YES	
" "	WX 26616	COLLINS C.J	Reimp	YES	
" "	WX 10990	KOPKE A.F.H	Reimp	YES	
" "	YX 131567	SYMONS W.J	Reimp	YES	
" "	NX 67936	WILSON E.A	Reimp	YES	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and Higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment	Nature of attachment.
CAPT	WX 34307	MCWILLIFFE J.A	A.A.M.C.	24/9/42	R.M.O
LT	B 259	THOMPSON C	SALARY	8/7/42	S.A.W.O
Lieut	NX 123835	MURPHY C.L	GEN RFB (Inf)	2/9/43	GEND POSTING MS. L280
"	NX 125714	FARRELL R.H	" "	2/7/43	" " " "

56 Aust. Inf. Bn (A.I.F.)

(Unit.)

21 AUG '43

(Date of Despatch.)

(R.T. BRYEN) (Signature of Commander.)

5 Aust Inf Bde (A.I.F.)

(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

43 / 19 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 21/AUG 1943. 56 Aust Inf Bn (A.I.F.)

W.E. 11/12/9 OFFRS. 34 O.R.'s 831 + OFFRS. 1 O.R.'s 44 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1 W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				5		6 ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				10
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength	DETAIL.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
NR. 1	1			W.Os. Class I.						
		1	7	W.Os. Class II.			1			
			5	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.						
		1	1	Staff Sergeants						
			34	Sergeants			9		1	1 NR
NR 2	2		70	Corporals			9		1	1 NR
71	71	12	641	Troopers, Privates, etc.			24	1	1	1
				Civillans counting as O.R.						
74	74	14	758*	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.			43*	1	3	3

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).	Detail	C.M.F.			A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
		A.I.F.	Under 19 Years.	19 Years and over.							
** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces, 10 N.Z. Forces.	A	620	1	180							801
	B(1)										
	B(2)										

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Part C. Other Ranks Included in Part A Detached to Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
1	HQ 2 AUST DIV						
1	2 DIV SALVAGE						
2	2 DIV SIGS.						
5	5 FD AMB DENT. SEC						
1	54 AUST INF BN						
1	44 AUST INF BN						

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To 56 Aust Inf Bn (A.I.F.) (Unit) is Particularly Requested. 21/8/1943.

Army No	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
NX123856	Cpl.	COUGHLAN T.K.	x List HOSP.
NX126736	Cpl.	SHOEMARK J.	x List
NX125429	Sgt	CASSIDY J.	O.C.T.U. S.A. L of C AREA.
NX136521	W.O. II	TAYLOR E.W.J.	" " " "
NX125721	Pte	DOYLE S.VV	SCHOOL KARAKATTA (Mek M.V.) x List
NX156081	Cpl.	MALONE A.R	HOSP x LIST.
NX38923	Cpl.	GUNNINGHAM R.J.	HOSP x LIST.

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 21/AUG/1943.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Gasoperson Engineering		2		Operating Room Asst.	13	19	2	...	71	70	13
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, E.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangefinders	2	2	
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters		5		Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths		1						Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers		1						Radiographers				Stevadores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	3	3	
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers	24	13	11	Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Bollermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters	6	6		Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators											
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator											
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman											
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker											
Grinder, Precision				Hello Operator											
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator											
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	7	5	2								
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners											
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman											
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals											
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers											
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal											
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood											
Pattern Maker				Masons											
Pharmacists				Masseurs											
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.											
Photewriter				Miners											
Plumber				Moulders											
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained											
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.											
CARRIED FORWARD		2		CARRIED FORWARD	13	13	2	CARRIED FORWARD	71	70	13	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	875	801	77

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised trades or specialists not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.
(c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back.
(d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.R. in col. "Reints. Required."
(e) Where any request or notation is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

21 AUG '43
Date of Despatch

R.T. Bryen Lt. Col.
Signature of Commander
(R.T. BRYEN)

TO BE MADE UP TO AND FOR SATURDAY IN EACH WEEK

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0600 Hrs. Saturday 28 Aug '43

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

W.E. 11/12/3 56 Aust Inf Bn. (A.I.F.) (Unit)
Offs. 34 + Offs. 1 Attached ALLOWED BY W.E.

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors	2		
Captains	9		
Lieutenants	20		
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters	1		
Totals	33		

*Insert details of higher ranks as necessary.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK

ATTACHED Officers JOINED during week. ALLOWED BY W.E.

Rank.	POSTED STRENGTH	SURPLUS TO W.E.	DATE W.E.	REINFTS REQUIRED.
A.A.M.C	1 Captain			
Detail	A.I.F. 34	C.M.F.		TOTAL 34

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
NX 124442	FARRELL J.M.	56 Aust Inf Bn	24 Aug	To 3 A.C.T.S. HARVEY

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).
Leut NX 125800	GUNNER, A.F.S	56 Bn	To Hosp 25/6/43 (XLIST)

56 Aust Inf. Bn (A.I.F).

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

43/20.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A)

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No.)	If not present with Unit, state how employed, DATE DETACHED.
LT. COL	112633	BRYEN, P.T.	C.O	YES	
LIEUT. (T. Major)	NA124443	MURRAY, F.F.	2 1/c	YES	
"	NA124434	STEVENSON, A.E.	O.C. HQ Coy	NO	ARL 1/8/43
Lieut	NA125134	MACAULEY, L.H.	ADJT.	YES	
T. CAPT	NA124444	EVERITT, L.W.	Q.M.	NO	ARL 19/8/43
"	NA124436	NEIL, W.D.	O.C. A. Coy	NO	ARL 18/7/43
"	NA124445	HOUGH, J.W.	O.C. C. Coy	YES	
"	NA124440	CLARK, J.M.	O.C. D. Coy	YES	
"	NA125726	SAMUELSON, C.J.	2 1/c A. Coy	YES	SEE BELOW.
"	NA116619	BOARDMAN, J.S.	2 1/c B. Coy	YES	
"	NA125727	MASON, F.L.	O.C. 4 PL.	YES	
"	NA125723	SCOTT, M.M.	1 D	YES	
"	NA76527	WILLIAMS, L.J.	2 1/c Dow Coy	YES	
"	NA125724	CALLAN, E.J.	2 1/c C. Coy	NO	ARL 24/8/43
Lieut	NA125736	BRAITHWAITE, S.J.	2 1/c 4 PL	YES	
"	NA116618	KILEY, K.A.	9 PL.	NO	2 DIV DET COMPOUND.
"	NA124438	M'CLELLAN, C.M.	15 PL.	NO	JUNBLE WARFARE 17/8/43
"	NA124437	KING, B.W.	6 PL.	YES	
"	NA125729	DAVIS, G.W.B.	T.O.	YES	
"	NA127725	CURRAN, O.H.	18 PL.	NO	SCHOOL 26/8/43
"	NA125735	M'CDONALD, K.J.	12 PL.	NO	SCHOOL 26/8/43
"	NA124439	HARDY, M.G.	19 PL.	NO	COMB OPS CAMP 17/8/43
"	NA125756	BENNETT, J.L.	16 PL.	YES	
"	NA125738	DAY, J.F.	5 PL.	YES	
"	NA126657	BROWNING, E.	8 PL.	NO	ARL 22/8/43
"	NA119436	CHRISTIE, A.W.G.	3 PL.	YES	
"	NA126640	EDGILL, A.C.	17 PL.	YES	
"	WX9107	HARRINGEN, O.K.	ROBINS	YES	
"	WX26616	COLLINS, C.J.	Ramps	NO	JUNBLE WARFARE 17/8/43
"	WX10990	KOPKE, A.F.H.	Ramps	YES	
"	WX131567	SYMMONS, W.J.	Ramps	YES	
"	NA119431	MELVILLE, J.R.W.	11 PL.	NO	HOSP. 27/8/43
T. Capt	NA125726	SAMUELSON, C.J.	2 1/c A. Coy	YES	
Lieut	YX67936	WILSON, E.A.	Ramps	YES	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment	Nature of attachment.
CAPT	WX34307	M'CAULIFFE, J.A.	A.A.M.C.	24/8/42	K.M.O.
MAJ	B259	THOMPSON, C.	SAL ARMY	8/7/42	S.A.W.O.
LIEUT.	NA123835	MURPHY, G.L.		2/7/43	
"	NA125714	FARRELL, R.H.		2/7/43	

CAPT
56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

(Unit.)

28 Aug '43

(Date of Despatch.)

(RT BRYEN)
5 Aust Inf. Bde (AIF)

(Signature of Commander.)

(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 28 / Aug / 1943 56 AUST. INF. BN (A.I.F.) (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 12 / 3 OFFRS. 34 O.R.'s 832 + OFFRS. 1 O.R.'s 43 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.		ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
1	2	3	4	5		6	7	8	9	10
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength			Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
NIL				W.Os. Class I.						
		1	7	W.Os. Class II.			1			
			5	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.						
				Staff Sergeants						
		1	36	Sergeants			10			
NIL	2		70	Corporals			9		1	1 N.R.
78	78	12	635	Troopers, Privates, etc.			22		1	1 N.R.
				Civilians counting as O.R.						
78	81	14	753	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		SEE → BACK	42*		2	2 N.R.

Detail	C.M.F.				A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL
	A.I.F.	Under 19 Years.	19 Years and over.								
A	618	1	176								795
B(1)											
B(2)											

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Part C. Other Ranks Included in Part A Detached to Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
1	HQ 2 AUST. DIV						
2	2 DIV SIGS.						
5	5 Fd Amb. DENT. SEC.						
1	54 AUST. INF. BN						
1	44 AUST. INF. BN						
3	13 A.I.T.B.						

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To 56 Bn (Unit) is Particularly Requested 28 / 8 / 1943

Army No	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
NX123856	Cpl	Coughlan T. K.	x List
NX125786	W.O ²	WOODWARD. D. P.	x List O.C.T.U. S.A. L of C Area
NX156285	Cpl	HARDING. K. A.	x List Hosp.
NX119434	Sgt.	CASSIDY J.	O.C.T.U. S.A. L of C. Area
NX125768	Cpl	SHOEMARK. J. W.	x List
NX156081	Cpl	MALONE A. R.	x List
NX125786	Sgt.	LAIRD. W.	L.H.Q. Sig. School
NX125721	Pte.	DOYLE. S. W.	x List. SCHOOL KARRAKATTA. (Muck MV)

56 Aust. Inf Bn (A.I.F.) Unit

43/20 Serial No.

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 28/AUG/1943.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Trainers				Brought Forw.	1	3		Brought Forw.	14	14		Brought Forw.	72	71	11
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Bangetakers	2	2	
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters		5		Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths	1	2						Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers		1						Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	3	3	
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers	24	13	11	Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Bollermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters	6	6		Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				W.O. ²	1		NIL
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers	1	6		W.O. ²	6	7	
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	5	5		C.O.M.S.	5	5	
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply				Sgts.	35	36	
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				Cpls.	72	70	NIL
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	7	5	NIL	Coach Trimmers				Ptes.	636	659	67
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Mechanists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				W.O. ²	1	1	
Operators, Excavator				Mechanists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				Sgts	10	10	
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics	27	27		Cpls.	10	9	1 N.R.
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant				Ptes.	22	22	1 see Part B
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photewriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers	1	1					
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	1	3		CARRIED FORWARD	14	14		CARRIED FORWARD	72	71	11	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	875	795	80

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28 Aug '43
Date of Despatch

(Signature)
Signature of Commander
(R.T. BRYEN)

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

Detail of Attached Personnel.

TO	NO.	CLASS	PTES	REQUIRED	W. O. CLASS I	W. O. CLASS II	SPERMEN OR COMPANY	QUARTERMASTER SER.	PROVOST, PRIVATES, ETC.	CIVILIANS COUNTING AS O.E.	LOCALS AT COM. MARCHED	SHOULD ENTER WITH DETAILS	SHOWN IN PART B ON PAGE 1
ARMY	597	CP	PTES	REQUIRED									
H.M.M.C.	2		2										
A.H.P.C.	1	1											
A.E.M.E.	1	2	6	1 (M.M.V.)									
A.P.O.C.		1											
POSTAL	1	2											
A.A.C.C.	1	5	5	14									
TOTAL	1	10	9	22									

N.R. SEE PART D.

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units

UNIT TO WHICH ATTACHED	CLASS	NO.	PTES	REQUIRED
H.B. ANT DIV		1		
2 DIV SIGS		2		
7th H.M.D. BATT BAC		5		
5th H.M.D. INF BN		1		
4th H.M.D. INF BN		1		
12th A.T.B.		3		

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return to (Unit) is Particularly Requested

NAME	CLASS	NO.	PTES	REQUIRED
WILLIAMS		1		
WILLIAMS		1		
WILLIAMS		1		
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WILLIAMS		1		
WILLIAMS		1		
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WILLIAMS		1		

W A R D I A R Y.Wednesday

- 1 Sep 43 - "INDENT EXERCISE" Continued. Troops remaining in camp spent the morning practicing and preparing for the eliminations in Drill Platoon Competitions. At 1500 hrs, the Drill Competition took place and resulted in a win for A Coy. Personnel out on Indent exercise returned to Camp in afternoon.

Thursday

- 2 Sep 43 - Selected personnel from each coy practicing in Guards and Sentry Duties in preparation for Guard Mounting Competition. Other personnel attended P.T. instructions under the direction of Capt McKISSOCK.

Friday

- 3 Sep 43 - Special Empire Day of Prayer, observed at the request of H.M. the King, to commemorate the outbreak of war. During the day a Battalion sports programme was conducted to select nominations for entries in 5 Bde Sports programme. In the evening a party of 150 men proceeded to R.A.A.F. Station GERALDTON where the Education Service conducted a programme of Light & Classical Music.

Saturday

- 4 Sep 43 - All coys practicing personnel for the forthcoming guard competition. Other personnel doing P.T. under Capt McKISSOCK. In the evening the Mobile Cinema screened a programme of two feature films and short subjects.

Sunday

- 5 Sep 43 - Protestant Denominations Church Parade held in unit lines at 0930 hrs. Roman Catholic Parade at 0930 hrs. Practicing for guard competition by all coys and P.T. under Capt McKISSOP.

Monday

- 6 Sep 43 - Personnel training in P.T. including bayonet training with Capt McKISSOP. Battalion elimination Guard mounting competitions which were judged by Officers from HQ 2 Aust Div. B Coy won the elimination and selected to represent the Bn in 5 Bde eliminations.

Tuesday

- 7 Sep 43 - B Coy Guard Pl, practicing independently for Bde eliminations. All other available personnel training in P.T. with Capt McKISSOP, until 1100 hours. In the afternoon all coys were granted rest day and allowed to proceed to GERALDTON on leave. Tk.A Pl (HQ Coy) out of camp on full calibre shoot.

Wednesday

- 8 Sep 43 - Personnel likely to represent the Bn at 5 Bde Sports proceeded to GERALDTON OVAL for practice. Guard mounting Competition practice by B Coy Pl. P.T. for remainder of personnel.

Thursday

- 9 Sep 43 - A, B, C, D & part of HQ Coys out on miniature range on rifle practices. In the evening, the Concert party of 1 Aust Armd Div presented revue in unit lines.

Friday

- 10 Sep 43 - Lectures by Security Officer, 2 Div to personnel of the Bn. Remainder of day spent by coys at Miniature Range firing Tk.A Rifles, Bren, Austen and grenades.

Saturday

- 11 Sep 43 - Divisional Drill and Guard Mounting Competitions held at Sports Oval, GERALDTON. The Battalion was represented in both competitions, and A Coy won the Drill Pl section, thus being the best in the Division, B Coy gained 3rd place in the Guard Mounting section. During the morning Coys preparing for inspection of the Battalion by the Comd 5 Bde.

WAR DIARY.

- Sunday
12 Sep 43 - Protestant Denominations Church Parade in unit lines at 0815 hrs. R.C. parade at 0815 hrs. 5 Bde Sports programme conducted at GERALDTON. Large percentage of personnel proceeded by M.T. to witness the events. The point score was won by 56 Bn with a margin of approx 33 points.
- Monday
13 Sep 43 - Inspection of the Battalion by Brigadier Fewtrell, Comd 5 Bde. All trucks were packed and every man marched with full kit on to Bn sports ground. At 1030 the C.O. inspected the parade and at 1400 hrs the Brigadier accompanied by several Officers carried out his systematic inspection of every man, his kit and clothing. Unit records were inspected by The Staff Captain, 5 Bde. C COY - Moved by M.T. to MINGENEW via DONGARRA. Left unit lines at 1114 hrs and arrived new area 1525 hrs. Erected tents and settled in. First duty (Guard) detailed at approx 2130 hrs. The task of the Coy is to picquet transport vehicles and take over duties previously done by sub units of 8 Aust Inf Bde, who are 'on the move'.
- Tuesday
14 Sep 43 - Rest day with leave to GERALDTON in the afternoon for all personnel in Camp. C Coy at MINGENEW taking over and carrying out duties of 8 Bde.
- Wednesday
15 Sep 43 - Each Coy in Camp working on the re-modelling of Coy areas, i.e. re-arrangement of layout of tents and etc.
- Thursday
16 Sep 43 - Carting palm and gravel and general cleaning up of the unit lines. The work of re-arrangement carried on with and also general improvements.
- Friday
17 Sep 43 - Bn Parade in the morning, and afterwards work on the coy lines continued.
- Saturday
18 Sep 43 - D COY - Coy reveille at 0500 hrs. Wet weather. Coy completed preparations for move to MINGENEW and moved by convoy. Arrived at MINGENEW 1500 hrs and occupied area vacated by 30 Aust Inf Bn (AIF). Carrying out work of cleaning up 8 Bde area. Remainder of of coys in camp carrying on with the general improvements to respective lines.
- Sunday
19 Sep 43 - Protestant Church parade held in lines at 0930 hrs. R.C. at 0700 hrs/ Commencement of Unit Musketry School, training backward personnel in handling and firing of arms. Lieut J.A. KILEY acting as Chief Instructor. D & C Coys away on duties at 8 Bde area.
- Monday
20 Sep 43 - A Coy - Inspection of rifles and L.M.G's by armourer.
B Coy - Inspection of respirators, lectures on A.S.O's and new Div Comds circulars.
HQ Coy - Normal Pl training.
C & D Coys - Still away on duties at 8 Bde area.
In the evening the Mobile Cinema visited the lines and screened a programme of two feature films.
- Tuesday
21 Sep 43 - A Coy - Cleaning of lines and training in semaphore.
B Coy - Personnel brick making, erecting new roof over Sgts Mess.
HQ Coy - Usual duties and training.
C & D Coys - Still detached.

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- Wednesday
22 Sep 43 - Musketry School cancelled temporarily as Bn took over 2 Div Duties from 54 Bn for 24 hours in order that whole of 54 Bn might be inspected by the new GOC, 2 Div, Personnel proceeded taking over these duties.
C Coy - Guarding of vehicles at 8 Bde area continued.
D Coy - Loading of ammunition on train for conveyance to MIDLANDS. Carrying on with cleaning up of 8 Bde area.
- Thursday
23 Sep 43 - A Coy - Employed in levelling brush, digging pissons and water sumps and final cleaning up after re-shuffle of tents. Mounted Bn Guard 1800 hrs.
B Coy - Still on town duties, relieving 54 Bn temporarily.
HQ Coy - Usual duties.
C & D Coys - still detached.
- Friday
24 Sep 43 - Re-commencement of Musketry School in unit lines.
All personnel changed blankets, being issued with clean ones.
Bn parade in the morning. Personnel undergo P.T. with Capt McKISSOP.
- Saturday
25 Sep 43 - Bn Parade - S.D. Drill order in the morning.
A Coy - Blitz course and semaphore tests.
B Coy - Route march, and duty coy.
HQ Coy - Personnel under Capt McKissop in the afternoon.
C & D Coys - Still detached and carrying on with guards and duties.
- Sunday
26 Sep 43 - Chaplain S.J.M.HOLLY the new padre, who marched in on 24 Sep, was introduced to the unit at a Protestant Church Parade held in the morning. Padre Holly fills the vacancy caused by the promotion and transfer of Chaplain F.T.SMITH to 2 Aust Corps Sigs.
Personnel in camp, all coys, preparing by washing clothing and equipment in preparation for inspection of unit by G.O.C. 2 Div.
- Monday
27 Sep 43 - A Coy - Coy on Bn duties. Other personnel on P.T. under Capt McKISSOP.
B Coy - PT with Capt McKissop, semaphore and lecture on A.S.O.
HQ Coy - Carrier Pl proceeded to GERALDTON RIFLE RANGE and carried out MMG Shoot, including night firing.
Remainder - normal pl training and duties.
C & D Coys - Still away.
- Tuesday
28 Sep 43 - A Coy - Washing and mending in morning. Leave in afternoon.
B Coy - " " " " " "
HQ Coy - " " " " " "
C & D Coys - Still on guards and duties in 8 Bde area.
- Wednesday
29 Sep 43 - Musketry School transported to miniature range for rifle practices.
Bn Parade in the morning with severe inspection of clothing and equipment and dress generally prior to G.O.C's inspection.
A Coy - General preparation and cleaning for Div Comd's inspection.
B Coy - Route march, semaphore and cleaning up generally.
HQ Coy - Cleaning up coy area and personnel preparing for GOC's inspection.
C & D COYS - Relieved by 54 Bn and moved by MT to unit lines.
- Thursday
30 Sep 43 - Bn Parade practicing bn drill. Whole parade inspected by Comd 5 Bde.
C & D Coys on parade, having been temporarily relieved of duties in 8 Bde area by 54 Bn. In the afternoon, the whole Bn spent the time in correcting faults in clothing and equipment so as to be ready for the G.O.C. 2 Aust Div inspection on the morrow.

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TO BE MADE UP TO AND FOR SATURDAY IN EACH WEEK

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0600 hrs Saturday 4 Sep '43
FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

56 Aust Inf Bn (A.I.F.) (Unit)

W.F 11/12/3 OFFS 34 + OFFS 1 ATTACHED BY W.F
PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors	2		
Captains	9		
Lieutenants	20		
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters	1		
Totals	34		

*Insert details of higher ranks as necessary.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	POSTED	STRENGTH	SURPLUS	WEEK	DEFICIT	REINFTS	CAUSE	REQUIRED
AAMC	1 Captain							
Detail	A.I.F	35	CMF					TOTAL 35

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).
LIEUT NX125800	GUNNER, A.F.S.	56 Bn	To Hosp 25/6/43 x List

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A)

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No.)	If not present with Unit, state how employed, DATE DETACHED.
IT Col	NA 112633	RAYEN RT	C.O.	YES	
Lieut Colonel	NA 124443	1741 RAY E.F.	2 PL	YES	
"	NA 124434	STEVENSON H.E.	O.C. 4 Coy	NO	ARL 11/9/43
Lieut	NA 125134	MACAULEY L.M.	ADJUT	NO	ARL 31/1/43
T. Capt	NA 124444	EVERITT L.W.	Q.M.	NO	ARL 17/2/43
"	NA 124436	NEIL W.D.	O.C. 4 Coy	YES	
"	NA 124445	HUGH J.W.	O.C. C Coy	YES	
"	NA 124440	CLARK J.M.	O.C. D Coy	YES	
"	NA 125726	SAMUELSON C.J.	2 PL 4 Coy	YES	
"	NA 116619	BOARDMAN J.S.	2 PL 3 Coy	YES	
"	NA 125727	MASON F.L.	O.C. 4 PL	YES	
"	NA 125723	SCOTT M.M.	I.O.	YES	
"	NA 76527	WILLIAMS L.J.	2 PL 4 Coy	NO	HOSP 11/1/43
"	NA 125724	CALLAN E.J.	2 PL C Coy	NO	ARL 29/1/43
Lieut	NA 125736	BRAITHWAITE S.J.	2 PL 4 PL	YES	
"	NA 116618	KILEY K.A.	9 PL	NO	28th Sig Coy
"	NA 124438	MCCLELLAN C.M.	15 PL	NO	Jungle Warfare 17/1/43
"	NA 124437	KING B.W.	6 PL	YES	
"	NA 125710	DAVIS C.W.R.	T.O.	NO	HOSP 3/9/43
"	NA 12725	CURRAN O.A.	18 PL	NO	SCHOOL 26/5/43
"	NA 125735	M'DONALD K.J.	12 PL	NO	SCHOOL 26/5/43
"	NA 124439	HARDY M.G.	19 PL	YES	
"	NA 125758	BENNETT J.L.	16 PL	YES	
"	NA 125738	DAY J.F.	5 PL	YES	
"	NA 126657	BROWNING E.	8 PL	NO	ARL 20/5/43
"	NA 119436	CHRISTIE A.W.G.	3 PL	NO	ARL 29/2/43
"	NA 126640	FOGHILL H.C.	17 PL	YES	
"	WX 9107	HARRINGTON O.R.	13 PL	YES	
"	WX 26616	COLLINS C.J.	Reinf	NO	Jungle Warfare 17/2/43
"	WX 10990	KOPKE A.F.H.	Reinf	YES	
"	VA 131567	SYMMONS W.J.	Reinf	YES	
"	NA 119431	MELVILLE J.R.W.	11 PL	NO	HOSP 27/2/43
"	VA 67936	WILSON E.A.	Reinf.	YES	
"	NA 125730	WILTSHIRE D.H.	2 PL	NO	SUMMARY of EVIDENCE 2/9/43

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment	Nature of attachment.
CAPT.	WX 34307	M'ANULFE J.A.	A.A.M.C.	24/9/43	K.M.O.
1st Lt.	B. 259	THOMPSON C.	SAL. ARMY	8/7/43	SAWO
Lieut	NA 123835	MURPHY C.H.		2/7/43	
"	NA 125714	FARRELL R.H.		2/7/43	

CAPT NA 137124 GRIFFIN L.W.

56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

(Unit.)

5 Sep '43

(Date of Despatch.)

5th Div, Area 21/7/43 DENTSEC.

(R.T. DRYE) (Signature of Commander.)

5 Aust Inf Bde (A.I.F.)

(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

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At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 4/4/1943 *56 Aust Inf Bn (A.I.F.)* (Unit)

W.E. 11/12/3 OFFRS. 84 O.R's. 832 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 14 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1 W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				5		6 ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength	DETAIL.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
				W.Os. Class I.						
		1	7	W.Os. Class II.			1			
			5	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.						
				Staff Sergeants						
		1	36	Sergeants			10			
NIL	1		71	Corporals			9		1	1
77	77	12	636	Troopers, Privates, etc.			23	1	1	1
				Civilians counting as O.R.						
77 *	78	14	755 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		SEE BACK →	43 *	1	2	2 *

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).	Detail	A.I.F.	C.M.F.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
			Under 19 Years.	19 Years and over.							
** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces, 10 N.Z. Forces.	A	620	1	177							798
	B(1)										
	B(2)										

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Part C. Other Ranks Included in Part A Detached to Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
1	HQ 2 Aust Div						
5	5th Amb. DENT. SEC.						
1	5th Aust Inf Bn						
1	44 Aust Inf Bn						

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To *56 Aust Inf Bn* (Unit) is Particularly Requested. 4/4/1943

Army No	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
NX123856	CPL	COUGHLAN, T.K	x List
NX125781	W.O ²	WOODWARD, D.P	x List O.C.T.U S.A. L of C. Area
NX106285	CPL	HARDING, K.A	x List Hosp
NX119434	SGT	LASSIDY, J	O.C.T.U S.A L of C Area
NX125720	BPR	LAIRD, W	L.H.Q SIG Schobh.
NX126028	CPL	SHOEMARY, J.W	x List
NX156081	CPL	MALONE, A.R.	x List

56 Aust Inf Bn (A.I.F.) Unit

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PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 4 / Sep / 1943.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Brought Forward Surveyors, Engineering	1	3		Brought Forward Operating Room Assts.	14	14		Brought Forward G.P.O. Assistants	72	71	11
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, B.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Bangetakers	2	2	
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters		5		Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths	1	2						Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers		1						Radiographers				Stevadores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	3	3	
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers	24	13	11	Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters	6	6		Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				W.D. ²	1		NIL
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers	1	6		W.D. ²	6	7	
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	5	5		C.A.M.S.	5	5	
Grinder, Precision				Hello Operator				Clerks, Supply				SPTS.	35	36	
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				CPLS.	72	71	NIL
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	7	5		Coach Trimmers				PICS	636	580	66
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Mechanists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				W.D. ²	1	1	
Operators, Excavator				Mechanists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				SPTS.	10	10	
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics	27	27		EPLS	10	9	1 NR.
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tpin. Plant				PICS	23	23	1
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photewriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers	1	1					
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	1	3		CARRIED FORWARD	14	14		CARRIED FORWARD	72	71	11	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	876	798	79

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised trades or specialisms not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.
(c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back.
(d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.E. in col. "Reints. Required."
(e) Where any request or notation is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in the blank spaces on this page.

5 Sep '43
Date of Despatch

[Signature]
Lt. Col.
(R. T. Bryen) Comd. 56 Bn.
Signature of Commander

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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43 / 22 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 11 / Sep / 1943 56 Aust Inf Bn (Unit)

W.E. 21 / 12 / 3 OFFRS. 34 O.R.'s. 832 + OFFRS. 1 O.R.'s. 44 ATT. BY W.E.

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10			
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.							
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.			
			1 2 9 21 1	* * Lieut.-Colonels Majors Captains Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.	A.A.M.C.	1						
NIL			34			1			NIL.			
		DETAIL	A.L.P.	C.M.P.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
		A.	35									35
		E.(1)										
		E.(2)										

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in pars. 10 of instructions for completion of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
* * Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO 56 Aust Inf Bn (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. 11 / Sep / 1943

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
NX 123800	LIEUT	GUNNER, A.F.S	To Work 25/6/43 x List.

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday/...../194. (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
LT COL	NX112633	BRYEN	R.T.	C.O.	YES		
LT (T) MAJOR	NX124443	MURRAY	E.F.	2 1/c	YES		
"	NX124434	STEVENSON	AE	O.C HQ Coy	YES		
LIEUT.	NX125734	MACHAULEY	L.H.	ADJT.	NO	ARL 31/8/43	
T. CAPT	NX124444	EVERITT	L.W.	Q.M.	NO	ARL 19/8/43	
"	NX124436	NEIL	W.D.	O.C. ACoy	YES		
"	NX124445	HOUGH	J.W.	O.C. C Coy	YES		
"	NX124440	CLARK	J.M.	O.C. D Coy	YES		
"	NX125726	SAMUELSON	C.J.	2 1/c ACoy	YES		
"	NX116619	BOARDMAN	J.S.	2 1/c BCoy	YES		
"	NX125727	MASON	F.L.	O.C. 4 Pl	YES		
"	NX125723	SCOTT	M.M.	I.O.	YES		
"	NX76527	WILLIAMS	L.J.	2 1/c D Coy	NO	HOSPITAL	1/9/43
"	NX125724	CALLAN	E.T.	2 1/c C Coy	NO	ARL	24/8/43
LIEUT.	NX125736	BRAITHWAITE	S.J.	2 1/c 4 Pl	YES		
"	NX116618	KILEY	K.A.	9 Pl	NO	2. Div Det Compound	
"	NX124438	MCWELLAN	C.M.	15 Pl	NO	Jungle Warfare	17/8/43
"	NX124437	KING	B.W.	6 Pl	YES		
"	NX125729	DAVIS	G.B.W.	T.O.	NO	Hospital	3/9/43
"	NX125728	CURRAN	O.A.	18 Pl	NO	School	26/8/43
"	NX125735	McDONALD	K.J.	12 Pl	NO	"	26/8/43
"	NX124439	HARDY	M.G.	19 Pl	YES		
"	NX125736	BENNETT	J.L.	16 Pl	YES		
"	NX125738	DAY	J.F.	5 Pl	YES		
"	NX126651	BROWNING	E	8 Pl	NO	ARL	22/8/43
"	NX119436	CHRISTIE	A.W.G.	3 Pl	NO	ARL	29/8/43
"	NX126640	EDDILL	A.C.	17 Pl	YES		
"	WX9107	HARRINGEN	O.K.	13 Pl	NO	13 days leave	9/9/43
"	WX26616	COLLINS	C.J.	8 Pl	NO	Jungle Warfare	17/8/43
"	WX10990	KOPKE	A.F.H.	"	NO	13 days leave	9/9/43
"	WX131567	SYMMONS	W.J.	"	YES		
"	NX119431	MELVILLE	J.R.W.	11 Pl	YES		
"	VX67936	WILSON	E.A.	Recon	YES		
"	NX125730	WILTSHIRE	D.H.	2 Pl	NO	SUMMARY EVIDENCE	9/9/43

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
CAPT	WA34307	McAULIFFE	J.A.	AAMIC	K.M.O.
MR	B 259	THOMPSON	C	SALARMY	S.F.W.O.
LIEUT	NX123835	MURPHY	C.L.		
"	NX125714	FARRELL	R.H.		

12 Sep '43
Date of Despatch

[Signature]
Signature of Commander

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

43/23 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 18/4/1943 56 Aust Inf Bn (A.I.F.) (Unit)

W.E. 11/12/3 OFFRS. 34 O.R.'s 832+ OFFRS. 1 O.R.'s 44 ATT. BY W.E.

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.								
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.				
NIL	NIL	NIL	1	Lieut.-Colonels									
NIL	NIL	NIL	2	Majors									
NIL	1	NIL	8	Captains	A.A.M.C	1	NIL						
NIL	1	NIL	20	Lieutenants									
NIL	NIL	NIL	1	Quarter-masters									
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.									
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.									
NIL	2	NIL	32			1							
		DETAIL	A	B.I.P.	C.M.P.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.P.	**	TOTAL.
		A.	33	NIL	NIL								33.
		E.(1)											
		E.(2)											

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in pars. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
* * Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
NX76327	Capt	WILLIAMS, L.J.	Adm 118 A.G.H.	7-9-43	Hosp x List
NX125729	Lieut	DAVIS G.W.B.	" " "	7-9-43	Hosp x List.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO 56 Bn (A.I.F.) (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. 18/4/1943

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
NX76327	Capt	WILLIAMS L.J.	118 A.G.H.
NX125729	Lieut	DAVIS G.W.B.	118 A.G.H.
NX125800	Lieut	GUNNER A.F.S.	109 Con Bn.

56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Unit

43 / 23 (Serial No.)

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 18/4/1943 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
LT. COL	NA12633	BRYEN	RT	C.O.	YES		
LT. MAJOR	NA12443	MURRAY	E.F.	2.1c	YES		
"	NA124434	STEVENSON	AE.	OC. HQ Coy	YES		
Lieut	NA125134	MACAHLEY	L.H.	Quart	NO	ARL	31/8/43
T. CAPT	NA124644	EVERITT	L.W.	COM	NO	ARL	19/8/43
"	NA124436	NEIL	W.D.	OC. HQ Coy	YES		
"	NA124445	HUGHES	J.W.	OC. HQ Coy	YES		
"	NA124440	CLARK	J.M.	OC. HQ Coy	YES		
"	NA125726	SATWELSON	C.J.	2nd ACoy	YES		
"	NA126619	BOARDMAN	J.S.	2nd BCoy	YES		
"	NA125727	MASON	F.L.	OC. HQ Coy	YES		
"	NA125723	SCOTT	M.M.	1. D.	YES.		
"	NA125727	WILLIAMS	H.S.	2nd ACoy	NO	Hospital x tent	1/9/43
"	NA125724	CALLANE	R.J.	2nd ACoy	NO	ARL	21/8/43
LIEUT	NA125736	BRAITHWAITE	S.J.	2nd ACoy	NO	2nd Div Vehicle movement	11/8/43
"	NA126618	KILBY	K.A.	9 PL	YES		
"	NA124438	MCCRENNAN	C.H.	15 PL	NO	Jungle warfare	17/8/43
"	NA124437	KING	B.W.	6 PL	YES.		
"	NA125729	DAVIS	G.H.	7. C.	NO	Hospital x tent	3/9/43
"	NA127725	CURRAN	O.A.	15 PL	NO	School	26/8/43
"	NA125735	MCDONALD	K.J.	12 PL	NO	School	26/8/43
"	NA124439	HARDY	M.G.	19 PL	YES.		
"	NA125756	BENNETT	J.H.	16 PL	YES		
"	NA125738	DAY	J.F.	5 PL	YES		
"	NA126651	CROWNING	E.	8 PL	NO	ARL	22/8/43
"	NA119436	CHRISTIE	H.W.C.	3 PL	NO	ARL	29/8/43
"	NA126640	EDG HILL	AC	17 PL	YES		
"	WA 9107	HARRINGTON	O.K.	13 PL	NO.	12 days leave	9/9/43
"	WA 26616	COLLINS	C.J.	Reinf	NO	Jungle warfare	17/8/43
"	WA 16990	KOPPE	A.H.	-	NO	12 days leave	9/9/43
"	VA131567	SYMPONS	W.J.	-	YES		
"	NA119431	MELVILLE	J.R.W.	11 PL	YES		
"	VR67936	WILSON	E.A.	Reinf	YES		
"	NA125730	WILTSHIRE	D.H.	2 PL	YES		

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
CAPT	WA34307	M'RAULIFFE	J.H.	24/9/42	R.M.O.
PTK	B.259	THOMPSON	C.	8/7/42	SAWD.
LIEUT	NA123835	MURPHY	C.H.	27/7/43	GEN REINF. PEND POSTING. LISTED
"	NA125714	FARRELL	R.H.	27/7/43	"
CAPT.	NA137124	GRIFFIN L.W.	5th Amb	21/7/43	DENTAL SECTION

19 Aug '43
Date of Despatch

[Signature]
Lt. Col.
Signature of Commander

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

43 / 23 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 18/10/1943 56 Aust Inf Bn (A.I.F) (Unit)

W.E. 11/12/3 OFFRS. 34 O.R's. 832 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 44 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1 W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				2 ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.						
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.	DETAIL.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
NIL	NIL	NIL	7	W.Os. Class I.						
NIL	NIL	NIL		W.Os. Class II.			1			
NIL		NIL	5	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.						
NIL			NIL	Staff Sergeants						
NIL	NIL	NIL	35	Sergeants			9	NIL	1	1 see Part D
NIL	NIL	NIL	72	Corporals			10	NIL	NIL	NIL
68	68	12	645	Troopers, Privates, etc.			23	1	1	1
			NIL	Civilians counting as O.R.						
68 *	68	12	764 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.			43 *	1	2	2 *

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).

** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces, 10 N.Z. Forces.

Detail	CLASS A	CLASS B	C.M.F. A	C.M.F. B	A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL
A	628	NIL	179	NIL							807
B(1)											
B(2)											

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Part C. Other Ranks Included in Part A Detached to Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
1	HQ 2 Aust Div			1	2 Div Detention Compound		
5	5th AMB (DENTAL)			1	2 Div Mobile Laundry		
1	44 Aust Inf Bn			2	5 Inf Bde		
2	132 Aust Bde W/S A.E.M.E.			1	D.R.O. unit clerk		

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To 56 Bn (Unit) is Particularly Requested. 18/10/1943

Army No	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
NX123856	CPL	COUGHLAN T.K	X List Work
NX125781	W.O.I	WOODWARD D.P	O.C.T.V. S.A. L of C Area
NX156283	EPL	HARDING K.A	Work x List
NX156081	CPL	MALONE A.R	Work x List
NX124415	Sgt	LAIRD W	L.H.Q. Sig School X List
NX125706	Sgt.	WEBSTER G.G.	O.C.T.V. S.A. L of C Area

56 Aust Inf Bn (A.I.F.) Unit

Army Form W.3009
(Adapted) (Page 2)
(Revised Jan., 1943)

43/23 Serial No.

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 18/sep/1943.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering	1	3		Operating Room Assts.	14	14	NIL	G.P.O. Assistants	72	75	7
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangetakers	2	2	
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters		5		Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths	1	2						Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers		1						Radiographers				Stevadores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	3	3	
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers	24	17	7	Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters	6	6		Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Filters				Driver-Operator											
Filters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Filters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Filters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Filters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Filters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				WO2	1	2	NIL
Filters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers	1	6		WO2	6	75	NIL
Filters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	5	5		CDMS	5	5	NIL
Grinder, Precision				Hello Operator				Clerks, Supply				Sgts	35	35	NIL
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				CPLS	72	72	NIL
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	7	5	NIL	Coach Trimmers				Ptes	636	565	61
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				W.O.2	1	1	NIL
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				Sgts	10	9	1 See Part D
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics	27	27		CPLS	10	10	NIL
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant				Ptes	23	23	1
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photewriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers	1	1					
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	1	3		CARRIED FORWARD	14	14	NIL	CARRIED FORWARD	72	75	7	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	876	807	70

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorized trades or specialists not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.
(c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back.
(d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.R. in col. "Reints. Required."
(e) Where any request or notation is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

19 Sep 1943
Date of Despatch
a.w. 6m hks 3/43

[Signature] Lt. Col.
Signature of Commander 56 Bn.

OTHER RANKS
W. B. B. B.

W.E. 11/1/45. OFFERS 33 O.R.'s 252 + OFFERS 1 O.R.'s ATT. BY W.E.
 1000 Hrs Saturday 15/1/45 (Unit)

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required

Detail of Attached Personnel

10	9	8	7	6	5	4	W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED					
							1	2	3	4		
	WO ⁵	SGTS	PLS	PFCs.	REQUIRED.							
	A.A.M.C.	2	1	1								
	A.A.O.C.		1									
	A.E.M.E.	1	2	8	1							
	A.A.P.C.	1	1									
	A.A.C.C.	1	4	5	1							
	POSTAL	1										
	TOTAL	1	9	10	23							

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by A.I.C. units. Only units notified in Part 1 of instructions for completion of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).
 * Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown on 20 U.R. Form to U.S. Forces.

Part C. Other Ranks Included in Part A Detached to Other Units

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units

Number of O.R.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.R.	Unit to which they belong
1	A.A.M.C.		
2	A.A.O.C.		
1	A.E.M.E.		
2	A.A.P.C.		
1	A.A.C.C.		
1	POSTAL		

SURPLUS N.C.O's.

NX 125706 SGT WEBSTER G.G. TRANSFER x List

WX 31120 SGT ARTHURS, K.C. Spoken as surplus
 11 Sep has filled
 vacancy caused by
 above transfer.

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To (Unit) is Particularly Requested

Serial No.	Name and Initials	Rank	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known)
1	WEBSTER G.G.	SGT	Transferred to A.A.M.C.
2	ARTHURS K.C.	SGT	Spoken as surplus
3	MILKINS B.R.	PLS	
4	HARDING K.P.	PLS	
5	WOODWARD D.P.	PLS	
6	COLLIER T.K.	PLS	

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)

43 / 24 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 25 / Sep / 1943 56 Anst Lof Bn (A.I.F.)

W.E. 11 / 12 / 3 OFFRS. 34 O.R.'s 832 + OFFRS. 1 O.R.'s ATT. BY W.E.

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10					
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.									
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.					
NIL			1	Lieut.-Colonels										
NIL			2	Majors										
NIL	2		8	Captains	AAMC	1			NIL					
NIL		1	21	Lieutenants										
NIL			1	Quarter-masters										
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.										
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.										
NIL	2	1	33			1	NIL	NIL	NIL					
				DETAIL	A	B.P. CLASS.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.P.	**	TOTAL.
				A.	34	—								34
				E.(1)										
				E.(2)										

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in pers. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
WX12663	LIEUT	SMITH, F.M. MCK	GDD in 44 Bn.	23/9/43	Attached for training
NX125800	LIEUT	GUNNER, A.F.S.	X List	24/9/43	Reinf Order 723 sub. 51

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO 56 Anst Lof Bn (A.I.F.) (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. 25 / Sep / 1943

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
MX76927	Capt.	WILLIAMS, L.J.	Adm 118 A.G.H
NX125729	Lieut	DAVIS, G.W.B.	" " "

56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Unit

43/29 (Serial No.)

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 25/4/1943 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
LT COL	NX12633	BRYEN	RT	C.O.	YES		
LT (T) MAJOR	NX12445	MURRAY	EF	2/4	YES		
	NX124434	STEVENSON	ME	OC HQ	YES		
LIEUT	NX125134	MACAULEY	L.H.	advt	NO	ARLW	21/1/43
T. CAPT	NX124444	EVERITT	L.W.	2/4	NO	ARLW	19/1/43
	NX124436	NEIL	W.D.	OC A Coy	YES		
	NX124443	HOUGH	J.W.	OC Coy	YES		
	NX124440	CLARK	J.M.	OC Coy	YES		
	NX125726	SAMUELSON	C.J.	2/4 A Coy	YES		
	NX116619	BOARDMAN	J.S.	2/4 B Coy	YES		
	NX125727	MASON	F.L.	OC 4th	YES		
	NX125723	SCOTT	M.F.	I.O.	YES		
	NX125724	CALLAN	F.J.	2/4 C Coy	NO	ARLW	21/1/43
LIEUT	NX125730	BRAITHWAITE	S.J.	2/4 A Coy	YES		
	NX116618	KILEY	K.A.	9th	YES		
	NX124438	MCCLELLAN	C.M.	15th	NO	Jungle Warfare	17/1/43
	NX124437	KING	B.W.	6th	YES		
	NX127125	CURRIAN	O.H.	15th	NO	School	26/1/43
	NX125735	MCDONALD	K.J.	12th	NO	School	26/1/43
	NX124439	HARDY	M.G.	19th	YES		
	NX125736	BENNETT	J.L.	16th	YES		
	NX125738	DAY	J.F.	5th	YES		
	NX126651	BROWNING	F.	8th	NO	ARLW	22/1/43
	NX119436	CHRISTIE	A.W.G.	3th	NO	ARLW	29/1/43
	NX126640	EDGHILL	A.C.	17th	YES		
	WX9107	HARRINGTON	O.K.	13th	NO	yes 2 days	9/1/43
	W26616	COLLINS	C.J.	Remf	NO	Jungle Warfare	17/1/43
	WX10990	KOPKE	A.P.H.	Remf	YES		
	VX131567	SYMPSONS	W.J.	Remf	YES		
	NX119431	MELVILLE	J.R.W.	4th	YES		
	VX67936	WILSON	E.F.	Remf	YES		
	NX125730	WILTSHIRE	D.H.	2th	NO	Jungle Warfare	22/1/43
	NX125800	CUNNER	A.E.S.	10th	YES		

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
CAPT	WX34307	McAULIFFE	JA	24/1/42	RTMO.
MAJ	B259	THOMPSON	C	8/7/42	SAWO
LIEUT	NX123835	MURPHY	C.L.	2/7/43	BEN. REINF. PENDING POSTING (LIST 80)
	NX125714	FARRELL	R.H.	2/7/43	" " " " " "
	WX17663	SMITH	FM PRK	23/9/42	Attached for training

26 Sep. 43
Date of Despatch

R. T. Bryen
LA. Col.
(R. T. Bryen) Comd. 56 Bn.
Signature of Commander

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 25 / Sep / 1943 56 Aust Inf Bn (A.I.F.) (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 12 / 3 OFFRS. 34 O.R.'s. 832 + OFFRS. 1 O.R.'s. 44 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
			7	W.Os. Class I.					
			5	W.Os. Class II.		1			
			NIL	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
			NIL	Staff Sergeants		30			
NIL	NIL		35	Sergeants		10			
2	2 NR		70	Corporals		10			
67	67		646	Troopers, Privates, etc.		22	1	2	2 N.R.
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
69 *	69		763 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		43 *	1	2	2 N.R.

Detail	A.I.F.		C.M.F.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL
	A	B	Under 19 Years.	19 Years and over.							
A	626	1	178	1							806
B(1)											
B(2)											

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).
 ** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces, 10 N.Z. Forces.

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Part C. Other Ranks Included in Part A Detached to Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
1	HQ 2 Aust Div						
5	5th AMB (DENTAL)						
1	44 Aust Inf Bn						
2	132 Aust Bde	W/S (AEME)					

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To 56 Aust (Unit) is Particularly Requested. 25 / Sep / 1943.

Army No	Rank	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
NX123856	Lt	COUGHLAN T.K.	x List Hong
NX156081	Cpl	MALONE A.R.	Hong x List
NX156959	Cpl	NILSSON O.P.	x List Harvey School.
NX124093	Sgt	ROGERS R	x List " " "
NX156078	W/S	CLOSE W.H.	x List M.V.T.T.C. School (AEME).

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 25/ Sep / 1943 .

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering Brought Level	1	3		Operating Room Assts. Brought Level	14	15	NIL	S.P.O. assistants Brought Level	72	76	7
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, E.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangetakers	2	2	NIL
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters		5		Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths	1	2						Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers		1						Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	3	3	NIL
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers	24	17	7	Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters	6	6		Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.							
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors							
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers	1	6		W.O. I	1		NIL
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	5	5		W.O. II	6	7	NIL
Grinder, Precision				Hello Operator				Clerks, Supply				CQMS	5	5	NIL
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				Sgts	35	35	NIL
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	7	6	NIL	Clerks, Technical				CPLS	72	70	2 SEE PT.D.
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Coach Trimmers				PTCS	636	660	60
Mechanics, Radio				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Millwrights				Lithographers				Despatch Riders							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Pattern Maker				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				W.O. II	1	1	NIL
Pharmacist				Masons				Driver Mechanics	27	27		Sgts	10	10	NIL
Photographer, Wet Plate				Masseurs				Driver Tpin. Plant				CPLS	10	10	NIL
Photowriter				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.				PTCS	23	22	2 N.R.
Plumber				Miners				Equipment Repairers	1	1					
Saw Doctors				Moulders				Farriers							
Surveyors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	1	3	NIL	CARRIED FORWARD	14	15	NIL	CARRIED FORWARD	72	76	7	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A, respectively.	876	806	71

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
 (b) Authorised trades or specialists not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.
 (c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back.
 (d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.R. in col. "Reints. Required."
 (e) Where any request or notation is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

26 Sep '43
Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander Lt. Col.

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

At 0800 Hrs. Saturday 30/1/1943 35 Unit of 35 (Unit)
 W.E. 11/12/3 OFFERS 34 O.R.'s 832 + OFFERS 1 O.R.'s 11 ATT BY W.E.

Details of Attached Personnel

SURPLUS

ARMY	W.O.	SGTS	PLS	Ptes	REQUIRED	W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED		
						1	2	3
QAMC		2	1	1				
QAOB			1					
QENYE		1	2	7	1 Arrow 1 Mch. M.V. x test before 1 Mch. M.V. test before			1 FITTER T.G.I
QAAC		1	2		Sergeants			
QALCL	1	5	5	14	Troopers, Privates, etc. Civilians counting as O.R.			
POSTAL		1			Totals of cols marked * shown in Part E on Page 2			
TOTAL	1	10	10	22	2 Not Required			

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units				Part C. Other Ranks Included in Part A Detached to Other Units			
Number of O.R.s	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.R.s	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.R.s	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.R.s	Unit to which they belong
1	35 Unit (Detach)						
2	35 Unit (Detach)						
1	35 Unit (Detach)						
2	35 Unit (Detach)						

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To (Unit) is Particularly Requested.

Serial No.	Rank	Name and Initials	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts if known)
1	Cpl	BOUCHAM T.R.	x Unit 35
2	Cpl	MALONE A.R.	Unit x Unit
3	Cpl	NISSON O.P.	x Unit 35
4	Cpl	ROBERS R	x Unit 35
5	Cpl	GROSE W.H.	x Unit M.V.T.C. (Detach (MEME))

SECRET.

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31 Aug 43.

War
Diary

56 AUST INF BN (AIF) O.C.2

Any changes from these Orders will be notified later.

Ref Map:

HANSON 1"

DPM

1

Enemy

- (a) Estimated one Inf Bn in occupation of high ground in square 5660 with FDLs line ref 572610 - 572605 - 572598.
- (b) Enemy force estimated one Inf Bn in occupation of area vicinity HOWATHERRA.
- (c) Enemy force estimated one Inf Bn in occupation vicinity June Hut Rd & Rly ref 530595.
- (d) Enemy M.H.G.'s have been located at refs 573611, 573609, 573606, 564606, 571603.
- (e) Enemy Mortars have been located at refs 570610, 569602, 570600.

2.

Our Troops

- (a) 25 Aust Cav Regt are in occupation of area square 5357.
- (b) 54 Aust Inf Bn is to attack on our left & capture ONE TREE HILL - WIFFLE RIDGE.
- (c) 44 Aust Inf Bn is to be Bde res from 0700 hrs & will occupy posn at 591608.
- (d) 18 Aust Fd Regt is to sup 54 & 56 Bns attack.
- (e) P Tp 14 Aust Tk.A Bty is under Comd 56 Bn.

INTENTION 3.

56 Aust Inf Bn will capture CONVEX HILL - GREEN HILL ref 564609 to 568606 at first light on 1 Sept 43.

METHOD

4.

Preliminary Move

A & D Coys will patrol start line from 0545 to 0600 hrs.

5.

Objectives

Right - CONVEX HILL
Left - GREEN HILL

6.

Troop Fwd

Right B Coy with under Comd 2 dots M.
Left C Coy with under Comd 2 dots M.
Rear
Right A Coy
Left D Coy.

7.

Inter Bn Bdy

General line HOWATHERRA - HANSON Rd incl 54 Bn

8.

Assembly Posns.

B & C Coys in rear of FLAT SPUR.
A & D Coys in present posns.

9.

Start Line

General line or North of Rd - from ref 578600 to 578605.

10. FUP

Coye will move from ass post in close formation and form up, 100 yds behind start line at 0955 hrs.

11. Formation

Rear Coys will cross start line 400 yds behind fwd Coys.

12. Rate of Advance

100 yds in 2 minutes.

13. Direction of Attack

270 degrees Grid.

14. Action on objectives

(a) Consolidation by B Coy on CONVEX HILL.

Exploitation by A Coy - then consolidation on rear of CONVEX HILL.

(b) Consolidation by C Coy on GREEN HILL.

Exploitation by D Coy - then consolidation on rear of GREEN HILL.

15. Limit of Exploitation

500 yds beyond objectives.

16. ARTY

Bde fire Plan with FOCs with fwd Coys.

Fire Plan

Serial	Unit	Target	Time		Rate	AMM
			from	to		
1	18 Fd Regt less 1 Tp	FDLs north of HANSON Rd.	Z plus 4	Z plus 4	Normal	H S
2	18 Fd Regt less 1 Tp	Lift 400 yds from FDLs	Z plus 5	Z plus 12	"	H S
3	One 18 Fd Regt Bty.	Cone on CONVEX HILL	Z plus 18	Z plus 22	Rapid	H S
4	One 18 Fd Regt Bty	Cone on GREEN HILL	Z plus 18	Z plus 22	"	H S

17. Tk-A 6 Fdrs

(a) Give flank protection during advance.

(b) Tk protection on capture of objectives.

18. Sign

(a) Reel in cable by 0900.

(b) Lines to Coys on capture of objectives.

19. AA

Protection En HQ on capture of objectives.

20. Martars

(a) 2 deta under Comd each fwd Coy.

(b) 2 deta res to move with En HQ.

21. Carr H.E.B.

Serial	Unit	Target	TIME		Rate	Remarks
			from	to		
1	One Sec	R flank protection	ZERO	Success Sig	Normal	On success revert to former Coy
2	Two Secs	FILA	ZERO	E plus 17	Normal	Target to be varied by observation.
3	Two Secs	Objectives	E plus 17	Success	Observed fire	On success revert to 2 former Coys.
4	One Sec	Reserve	---	---	---	Move with Bn HQ & revert to former Coy.

22. Tk. A 2 Pdrs

(a) One Sec move with each fwd Coy, & give frontal & flank protection.

(b) On success co-ordinate Tk protection with 6 Pdrs.

23. ZERO

0600 hrs 1 Sept 45.

AIM24. AIM

(a) Ede SAA res at ref RA Junc 608608.

(b) AP ref 623673.

25. R.A.P.

Rear of FLAT SPUR.

26. CP & WSCP.

ref 589606.

27. Stores for consolidation

One truck per Coy to come fwd @ on success signal.

28. B ECH

Remain in present location until further instrs.

INTERCOMM29. Bn H Q

100 yds North from Junc or A Rd ref 576606.

30. Bde HQ

Opens at 0800 hrs on Rd ref 607615.

31. Wireless

One 108 set per Coy.

32. Success Sig

2 Heds fired by B Coy on ~~capture~~ capture of CONVEX HILL.

33. S.O.S.

Red over Green.

ACK

ISSUED BY

SIGNED AT **hrs**

DISTRIBUTION

<u>Copy No</u>	<u>Unit</u>
1	C.O.
2	5 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)
3	18 Fd Regt (AIF)
4	F Tp 14 Th. A Bty (AIF)
5	C.M.
6	A Coy
7	B "
8	C "
9	D "
10	Hq "
11	War Diary
12	" "
13	File

M. Clark Capt
 2/Adjt 56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

56 AUST INF BN (AIF) SPORTS MEETING 3 SEP 43.

Timetable of Events.

0900 - 1030	Tableid Sports.
0930 - 1030	Ball Volley/Heats.
1030 -	100 yds Handicap Heats.
1045	High Jump.
1105	100 yds Handicap Final.
1110	100 yds Championship.
1115	Football Events.
1115	220 yds heats.
1130	Broad Jump
1145	440 yds Handicap Heats.
1155	440 yds Championship.
1205	Tps Alarm Race.
1215	880 yds Handicap.
1220 - 1345	Lunch.
1350	Officer's Relay Race.
1400	Volley Ball Final
1415	220 yds Final
1425	Hop, Step & Jump.
1440	880 yds Championship
1500	Coy Relay (Mixed Team)
1510	440 yds Handicap Final.
1520	Tug of War Heats.
1545	Coy Relay Teams. (Open)
1600	Tug of War Final.
1615	Officer's 100 yds. (C.O.'s Parade)
1630	Blitz Course Race.

Exercise INDENT

56 AUST INF BN O.C. NO I

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Ref Map NANSON I

SPUR

- INFM
1. Enemy in occupation off FLAT SPUR & WOODY ~~SPUR~~ ref 588608 & 590604.
Estimated strength of one Coy group on WOODY SPUR.
It is known that Enemy still has a small number of A.F.V.'s.
Estimated strength of two Coys on FLAT SPUR.
 2. Own Troops (a) 54 Aust Inf Bn are in occupation of high ground in squares 6359 & 6360.
(b) 44 Aust Inf Bn are in occupation in NANSON area with one Coy detached at NABAWA.
 3. Additional Troops (a) F troop 14 Tk.A Bty is under Comd 56 Bn.
(b) 18 Aust Fd Regt will support attach as per fire plan.
 4. Troops Reverting 60 Bty, 18 Aust Fd Regt, reverts to Regt Comd at 1920 hrs.

INTENTION

WOODY SPUR.

5. 56 Aust Inf Bn will capture FLAT SPUR & ~~WOODY SPUR~~ at first light on 31 Aug 43

METHOD

6. Attack will be carried out in two phases.
 7. Objectives (a) First phase - WOODY SPUR
(b) Second " - FLAT SPUR
- 1st FIRST PHASE
8. Objective WOODY SPUR
 9. Forward Troops B Coy ~~under~~ with under Comd one sec Tk.A Pl and two dets M.
Rear " C Coy.
 10. Start Line a line running North & South through top of WATTLE KNOLL ref 596604.
 11. Assembly Area rear of WATTLE KNOLL ref 598604.
 12. Axis of Advance a line through assembly area and objective running parrallel with HOWATHERRA - NANSON Rd.
 13. Rate of Advance a 100 yds in 2 minutes.
 14. Action on Objective.
(a) Consolidation by fwd Coy
(b) Exploitation by rear Coy
(c) Support attack on R objective by both Coys.

15. Limit of Exploitation fwd slopes of objective.
16. Starting Time B Coy cross start line at ZERO.

SECOND PHASE

17. Objective FLAT SPUR.
18. Fwd Troops D Coy with under Comd one sec Tk.A Pl & three dets M.
Rear " A. Coy.
19. Start Line a line North & South through top of WATTLE SPUR ref 596604.
20. Assembly Area R of Rd ref 598609.
21. Axis of Advance line through assembly area & objective running parrallel with HOWATHERRA - NANSON Rd.
22. Rate of Advance a 100 yds in 2 minutes.
23. Action on Objective (a) Consolidate position by fwd Coy
(b) Exploitation by rear Coy.

24. Limit of Exploitation 400 yds West & 400 yds North from objective.

25. Starting Time B Coy cross start line at ZERO.

POINTS COMMON TO BOTH PHASES.

26. ARTY FOOs move with D & B Coys.

Serial	Unit	Target	Time		Rate	Amm	Remarks
			from	to			
1	18 Fd Regt	FLAT SPUR ref 589607	ZERO	Z plus 4	Normal	25% smok	
2	"	WOODY SPUR ref 589604	Z plus 5	Z plus 9	Rapid	H.E.	
3	"	FLAT SPUR ref 589607	Z plus 10	Z " 15	"	H.E.	

27. Tk.A 6 Pdrs move fwd behind rear coys & give protection on capture of objectives.

28. Sigs will reel in cable from present posn at 0500 hrs & run lines to all Coys on capture of objectives.

29. A A will give protection to Bn HQ area.

30. Mortars (a) Two dets under Comd B Coy
(b) Three dets under Comd D Coy
(c) One det mobile reserve.

31. M.M.G.

Serial	Unit	Target	Time		Rate	Remarks
			from	to		
1	No 1 & 2 Secs	WOODY SPUR	ZERO	Z plus 10	Normal	
2	" 1 " 2	" "	" "	Z plus 10	By Obs.	
3	" 1 " 2	FLAT SPUR	Z plus 12		Success by Obs fire	
4	" 3 " 4	" Mobile Reserve.				

32. Tk.A 2 Pdrs (a) One sec under Comd B Coy from 0500 hrs and give R flank protection.
(b) One sec under Comd D Coy from 0500 hrs and give frontal protection.
(c) Both secs revert to Bn Comd on capture of objective.

33. ZERO 0600 hrs.

ADM 34. A P ref 623476.

35. Bde SAA Reserve ref 629603.

36. Stores for Concolidation one truck per Coy to move up with stores on capture of objective.

37. R.A.P. at present Bn HQ area.

38. CP & WWCP ref 615607.

39. B ECH will move on capture of objective to rear of WATTLE KNOLL.

INTERCOM 40. Bn HQ will move in rear of first phase and open in rear of WOODY SPUR on capture of first objective.

41. Bde HQ's ref 629601 opens at 0830 hrs.

42. Success Signal (a) WOODY SPUR - 2 Reds
(b) FLAT SPUR - 2 greens.

ACK

ISSUED BY DR

Signed at 2330 hrs

McGark Capt
Adj 56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

24. Limit of Exploitation 400 yds West & 400 yds North from objective.

25. Starting Time B Coy cross start line at ZERO.

POINTS COMMON TO BOTH PHASES.

26. ARTY POCS move with D & B Coys.

Copy No	Unit	Serial Unit	Target	from	to	Rate	Remarks
1	C.O.						
2	5 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)						
3	18 Fd Regt (AIF)						
4	F Tp 14 Tk. A. B. Coy (AIF)						
5	A Coy	1	18 Fd Regt	WAT SPUR	ref ZERO		
6	"	2	WOODY SPUR				
7	"	3	WAT SPUR				
8	"	4	Mobile Reserve				
9	"						
10	"						
11	War Diary						

27. TR. A. 2 Pdrs move fwd behind rear coys & give protection on capture of objectives.

28. Sigs will reel in cable from present post at 0500 hrs & run lines to all Coys on capture of objectives.

29. A.A. will give protection to BN HQ area.

30. Mortars (a) Two deta under Comd B Coy
(b) Three deta under Comd D Coy
(c) One det mobile reserve.

M.M.G.

Serial Unit	Target	from	to	Rate	Remarks
1	No 1 & 2 Secs	WOODY SPUR	ZERO		
2	" " "	"	"		
3	" " "	WAT SPUR			
4	" " "	Mobile Reserve			

31. TR. A. 2 Pdrs (a) One sec under Comd B Coy from 0500 hrs and give R flank protection.
(b) One sec under Comd D Coy from 0500 hrs and give frontal protection.
(c) Both secs revert to BN Comd on capture of objective.

32. ZERO 0600 hrs.

33. A.P. ref 623476.

34. Bde BAA Reserve ref 62907.

35. Stores for Consolidation one truck per Coy to move up with stores on capture of objective.

36. R.A.F. at present BN HQ area.

37. CP & WCP ref 61507.

38. B. Coy will move on capture of objective to rear of WATTLE KNOLL.

39. INTERCOM 40. BN HQ will move in rear of first phase and open in rear of WOODY SPUR on capture of first objective.

40. Bde HQ's ref 62901 opens at 0830 hrs.

41. Success Signal (a) WOODY SPUR - 2 Reda
(b) WAT SPUR - 2 Greens.

ISSUED BY DR Signed at 2330 hrs
WAT 50 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Capt

ACK

56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
AUSTRALIA.

SPORTS MEETING - 56 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)

A Bde Athletic Sports Meeting will be held commencing 1000 hrs,
SUNDAY 12 Sep 43 at GERALDTON RECREATIONAL GROUNDS.

EVENT	POINT SCORE	PRIZES
1. 100x Championship	5; 3; 1	£2; £1; 10/-
2. 220x "	5; 3; 1	" "
3. 440x "	"	" "
4. 880x "	"	" "
5. 1 mile "	"	" "
6. 120x Hurdles Champ	"	" "
7. High Jump	"	" "
8. Broad Jump	"	" "
9. Hop, Step & Jump	"	" "
10. 1 mile walk	"	" "
11. Obstacle Race	"	£1; 10/-; 5/-
12. Troops Alarm Race	"	" "
13. Relay Race Open 100x each		
One team of SIX	8; 5; 3	10/- per man
14. Offrs Relay Race - One team of EIGHT 2 Offrs under 25 yrs 2 " 25 - 30 yrs 2 " 30 - 35 " 2 " over 35 yrs	8; 5; 3	10/- per man
15. Coy Relay Race. Team to be in ONE Coy as shown in Roll Book C.O.; 2i/c; CQM; 1 Pl Comd; CQM; 1 Sgt; 1 Cpl; 1 Pte	8; 5; 3	10/- per man
16. Medley Relay Race - One team of FOUR 1/440; 1/220; 2/110	8; 5; 3	10/- per man
17. Tug-of-war 1 team of EIGHT	8; 5; 3	10/- per man

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CHAMPION UNIT - Trophy valued at £3/3/- and suitable inscribed will be presented to C.O. of Unit winning point score.

CHAMPION ATHLETE - Trophy valued at £3/3/- will be presented to the athlete obtaining the highest point score in events 1 to 10.

NOMINATIONS - Each Unit may submit 1 to 3 nominations for each event. (Team events ONE nomination ONLY.)

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Finalisation of nominations within 56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF), will take place from 1400 hrs Wednesday 8 Sep 43, when trials will take place on Bn Sports Ground.

DRESS OF ATHLETES - 56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
Competitors from 56 Bn will wear:-

White shorts
White singlets with green sash.

OFFICIALS - Officials will be drawn from all units competing.
56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) will supply:-

1 time keeper with watch - Capt M H Scott
1 judge - Capt J W Hough
2 marshalls - Lieut S J Braithwaite; W. C. Kelly, A
Party to completely run Broad Jump, High Jump, Hop, Step & Jump - (Capt J S Beardman, Lieut Symmons
Lieut R H Farrell & assistants as required)

DRESSING SLEDS - Each unit to supply two covered vehicles to be parked at Southern end of ground --
Capt. S. L. JELSON.

56. AUST INF BN (AIF)

MUSKETRY TRAINING FOR N. Q. PERSONNEL.

1. The following Offrs & N.C.O's will report to Lieut Kiley at C Coy parade ground at 1400 hrs on Friday 17 Sept & will be instructors for a Musketry Cadre commencing at 0840 hrs on Saturday, 18 Sept. Lieut Day - Lieut Murphy - Sgts Barnes, Liebeck, Cheney, Rich, Rynhart, McKenzie, Osborne, Oliver, Belling, Opls Staniferth, P. Mahy & Kenyon.

2. The following Coys will send personnel as detailed below to report to C Coy parade ground at 0840 hrs on Saturday 18 Sept & each day thereafter until they have passed TOET in musketry.

Personnel to report will be members who failed to qualify or were not exercised in recent musketry practices.

Coy personnel will be fallen out & checked from Coy parades & marched to C Coy parade ground each morning, lunch period & evening.

A Coy	-	15	members.
F Coy	-	15	"
D Coy	-	15	"
BN HQ	-	10	"
HQ Coy	-	45	"

3. DRESS.

K.D. with Drill Order & Gaiters. It will be the respective Coys responsibility to see that men are properly dressed & Equipped prior to reporting.

4. STRES.

Lieut Kiley is authorized to contact Coys & draw necessary stores to conduct the cadre.

5. TIME OF PARADES.

Morning - Report to C Coy parade ground at 0840 hrs.
Lunch - 1215 to 1345 hrs.
Afternoon
Parades - 1355 to 1650 hrs.
Dismiss from parade & march back to Coy at 1655 hrs.

6. INSTRUCTION.

Will take the form of a rotary system & on the seventh day a TOET will be conducted. Those passing the TOET will be practiced on the miniature range prior to conducting classification range shoot.

Personnel qualifying at miniature range shoot will then be returned to their respective Coys & be replaced by other members who have not previously qualified or were not exercised.


Members who fail to qualify at the miniature range practice will remain in the cadre for further instructions.

Personnel who fail to pass the TOET, will remain under instruction & commence the next serial school which will carry on continuously.

J.M. Clark
Capt.
(J.M. CLARK) Lieut 56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

56 AUST INF IN (AIF) -- SYLLABUS FOR TRAINING FOR MUSKETRY PRACTICE

DAY	0900 - 1000	1010 - 1110	1120 - 1220	1400 - 1500	1510 - 1610	1615 - 1655
1	FALL IN - DRESSING - ATTENTION - S at ease Numbering & proving - Turning by numbers M.E.D. Chap 2 Sec 5, 6 7 & 8	MARCHING - HALT - MARK TIME - CHANGE STEP - SIDE STEP - DOUBLE MARCH - M.E.D. Chap 2 Secs 11 & 15	TURNING ON MARCH - ABOUT TURN ON MARCH - SALUTING - M.E.D. Chap 2 Secs 16, 17	FALL IN - with rifles at order - stand at ease - stand easy - Attention	Slope from order - Order from Slope - Present	Fall in & dressing in three ranks & rifle exercises.
2	Rifle Mech. & trigger pressure, Part 3 Lesson 1	Bron - Mag filling - Loading - Unloading & sight setting - Part 4 lessons 2 & 3	Rifle - Cleaning materials & daily cleaning - before & after firing. Part 3 Lessons 2 & 4	Bron - Holding & aiming - Part 4 Lesson 3	Rifle - Loading & unloading - Part 3 Lesson 3	Squad drill in three ranks and rifle exercises.
3	Fix & unfix bayonets, Part 18 Lesson 3	Rifle aiming instrs. Accuracy of aim. Part 3 Lesson 6	Bron firing - Part 4 Lesson 4	Rifle - Lying posns Part 3 Lesson 13 & 14	Bron - Stripping & mech. Piston, Barrel & Butt groups. Part 4 Lesson 5 & 6	Rifle - Part & examine arms
4	Rifle - kneeling posn. Part 4 Lesson 15	Bron. Stripping & Mechanism. Body Group & Tripod. Part 4 Lesson 7	Rifle. Standing & Sitting posns. Part 3 Lessons 16	Bayonet Training Part 13 Lesson 1 & 2	Rifle - Snap Shooting & rapid fire.	Rifle exercises.
5	Bron - Elementary Handling. Part 4 Lesson 9	Rifle - Aiming off for wind. Part 3 Lesson 9	Elementary handling Owen Gun.	Bron - Elementary Handling. Part 4 Lesson 12	Rifle - Holding & Trigger pressing.	Company Drill. Part 18
6	Bron - Immediate Action - Part 4 Lesson 13	Austen Gun Loading & Handling	Range procedure & discipline	Explanation & practice of TOET & Rifle	Bron Stoppages Part 4 Lesson 14	Theory of Small Arms Fire.
7	T.O.E.T's AND SUCH REVISIONARY WORK AS MAY BE FOUND NECESSARY.					


 Capt.
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56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
DEMONSTRATION EXERCISE

DEMONSTRATION OF BN WEAPONS

Ref Map GERALDTON 1" to 1 ml.

1. A demonstration of the use of Bn weapons will be conducted at ref ~~663303~~ on 24 Sep 43.
 2. ⁶⁹¹²⁹⁵ OBJECT - To demonstrate the capabilities of the weapons of an Inf Bn.
 3. TPS TAKING PART - The following tps of 56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

 - (a) One sec Carr Pl
 - (b) Two dete Mortar Pl
 - (c) One sub sec Tk.A Pl
 - (d) Two Bren gunners
 - (e) One sub-machine gunner
 - (f) One rifleman
 - (g) One Tk.A Rifleman
 4. DIRECTING STAFF - Lt.Col R.T.BRYEN

 5. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS - As per appx attached.
 6. ADD INSTRUCTIONS -

The following picquets will be posted by A Coy by 1000 hrs on 24 Sep 43.
 - (a) Guide at rd junc ref ⁶⁶⁹³²⁴
 - (b) Guide at gate ref ⁶⁷⁹²⁹³
 - (c) Safety picquet with red flag & versey pistol at ref ⁶⁹²³⁰⁸
 - (d) " " " red flag " " " " ref ⁷⁰³²⁹⁸
 - (e) " " " red flag " " " " ref ⁶⁹⁰²⁷⁸
- VERSEY LIGHTS -
A red cartridge fired by any of the posted picquets will be the signal for the demonstration to stop.
- MEDICAL - R.H.C. will arrange for an orderly and first aid kit to be present.

J.M. Clark Capt.
(J.H. CLARK) Act/Adjt.
56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

- SEQUENCE OF EVENTS - IN WEAPONS DEMONSTRATION -

Commencing time approx 1100 hrs
 Completion time approx 1200 hrs

SERIAL	TIME	DEMONSTRATION BY	TYPE OF DEMONSTRATION	No. of rds used for Demo...
1		Rifleman	Use of service rifle - application at 300 & 500 yds - Rapid firing at 300 yds	20
2		Tk.A Rifleman	Accuracy of Boys .55 Tk.A Rifle at 300x	5
3		Bren Gunners	(a) Firing of repetition & bursts at 300, 500 & 850 yds (b) Firing of Bren on fixed lines	80
4		Sub Machine Gunner	Use of A.S.M.G. at close ranges by repetition & bursts	30
5		Mortar Det	Mounted action from Carr	5 bombs
6		M.M.G.	Mounted action by sec of three carrs. 4 bursts each gun	300 rds
7		Two Dets Mortar	Dismounted action	5 bombs each normal rate 3 bombs each rapid rate
8		M.M.G.	Dismounted action firing at point & targets (traversing)	100 rds each pent target per Bren 100 rds each gun traversing 600 rds TOTAL
9		M.M.G.	FIRING single shot & by use of punch	100 rds
10		Tk.A Sub sec	Dismounted action by Tk.A 2 pdr gun	10 practice rds

56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
DEMONSTRATION EXERCISE

DEMONSTRATION OF BN WEAPONS-

Ref Map GERALDTON 1" to 1 ml.

1. A demonstration of the use of Bn weapons will be conducted at ref ~~696808~~ on 24 Sep 43.
691295.
2. OBJECT - To demonstrate the capabilities of the weapons of an Inf Bn.
3. TPS TAKING PART - The following tps of 56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
 - (a) One sec Carr Pl
 - (b) Two dets Mortar Pl
 - (c) One sub sec Tk.A Pl
 - (d) Two Bren gunners
 - (e) One sub-machine gunner
 - (f) One rifleman
 - (g) One Tk.A Rifleman
4. DIRECTING STAFF - Lt.Col R.T.BRYEN
5. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS - As per appx attached.
6. ADM INSTRUCTIONS -
 The following picquets will be posted by A Coy by 1000 hrs on 24 Sep 43.
 - (a) Guide at rd junc ref 669324
 - (b) Guide at gate ref 679293.
 - (c) Safety picquet with red flag & verey pistol at ref 692308
 - (d) " " " red flag " " " " ref 703298
 - (e) " " " red flag " " " " ref 690278

VEREY LIGHTS -

A red cartridge fired by any of the posted picquets will be the signal for the demonstration to stop.

MEDICAL - R.M.O. will arrange for an orderly and first aid kit to be present.

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 56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

- SEQUENCE OF EVENTS - Bn WEAPONS DEMONSTRATION -

Commencing time approx 1100 hrs
 Completion time approx 1200 hrs

SERIAL	TIME	DEMONSTRATION BY	TYPE OF DEMONSTRATION	No. of rds used for Demo.
1		Rifleman	Use of service rifle - application at 300 & 500 yds - Rapid firing at 300 yds	20
2		Tk.A Rifleman	Accuracy of Boys .55 Tk.A Rifle at 300x	5
3		Bren Gunners	(a) Firing of repetition & bursts at 300, 500 & 850 yds (b) Firing of Bren on fixed lines	80
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5		Mortar Det	Mounted action from Carr	5 bombs
6		M.M.G.	Mounted action by sec of three carrs. 4 bursts each gun	300 rds
7		Two Dets Mortar	Dismounted action	5 bombs each normal rate 3 bombs each rapid rate
8		M.M.G.	Dismounted action firing at point & targets (traversing)	100 rds each point target per Bren 100 rds each gun traversing 600 rds TOTAL
9		M.M.G.	FIRING single shot & by use of punch	100 rds
10		Tk.A Sub sec	Dismounted action by Tk.A 2 pdr gun	10 practice rds

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES
ROUTINE ORDERS

BY
LT. COL. R. T. BRYEN Comd
56 AUST. INF. BN. (AIF)

Serial No 95
Nos 489 to 505
4 Sep 43.

489. DUTIES - The following roster of Orderly Offrs & Duty Coys will operate:-

Date to mount at 1800 hrs.	Duty Coy	Orderly Offr.
3 Sep 43	B Coy	Lieut J.R. Farrell
4 Sep 43	H ₂ "	" A.F. Kopke
5 Sep 43	D "	" E.A. Wilson
6 Sep 43	C "	" A.E. Edghill
7 Sep 43	A "	" G. B. Davis
8 Sep 43		" J.F. Day
9 Sep 43		" W.J. Symmons
10 Sep 43		" C.L. Murphy
11 Sep 43		" B.W. King
12 Sep 43		" J.L. Bennett
13 Sep 43		" S.J. Draithwaite

490. DEPOSITS TO PAY BOOKS AND CASH REMITTANCES.

1. The attention of all members is drawn to the necessity for obtaining official receipts for all moneys paid to members of the AAPC.
2. The official receipts issued by AAPC personnel are of two kinds, viz:-
 - (1) Pay Sergeants' Receipts (WF176) - issued by pay sergeants and personnel carrying out pay duties within units;
 - (2) Commonwealth of Australia Official Receipts (as used in all Commonwealth Government departments) - issued by paymasters of formations and depot cash offices.

DEPOSITS TO PAY BOOKS.

3. Credits arising from cash deposits appearing in members' pay books are only accepted as bona fide in cash offices if one of the above receipts for the amount of credit is affixed to the back of the pay book. Unless this credit entry is so supported, no portion thereof can be drawn until confirmation is obtained.

CASH REMITTANCES.

4. Upon completion of a Cash Remittance (Form WF131A), the remitter must receive from the member of the AAPC concerned one of the above receipts for the amount paid by him, the number of which should be quoted in any inquiry relative to same.
5. It is the responsibility of all members to obtain receipts for all moneys paid to members of the AAPC.

493. ENLISTMENTS RAAF.

1. LHQ has directed that restrictions on release of personnel on RAAF reserve be lifted.
2. Release will be made subject to conditions of GRO 228/42 as amended by 547/42 and 412/43.
3. RAAF recruiting teams are still NOT permitted to operate in Field Formations or W Aust L of C Area.
4. System at present in operation at RRD will continue.
5. Lifting of restrictions is for a period of three months after which the position will be reviewed.

492. RAZOR BLADES - ISSUE OF.
Ref Div RO 785/43.

In order to relieve the situation to some extent, it is also desired that individual soldiers, who have a supply of safety razor blades, or who use a blade razor, should temporarily refrain from drawing their ration. (GRO 110/1131.

493. ENTITLEMENT OF FOOD COUPONS. Specially printed food coupons, combining in one sheet separate coupons for each rationed commodity and representing a half-week's entitlement, will be issued to all ranks of the AMF, who are not rationed departmentally, viz:

- (a) Members living at home on Subsistence.
- (b) Members billeted;
- (c) Members on leave, with or without pay, to whom the following scale will apply.

<u>Period of Leave</u>	<u>Coupon Entitlement</u>
1 to 3 days	1 sheet of combined coupons
4 to 7 "	2 " " " "
8 to 10 "	3 " " " "
11 to 14 "	4 " " " "
15 to 17 "	5 " " " "
18 to 21 "	6 " " " "

..... and so on

494. GOLF: Troops wishing to play golf during leave periods will be supplied with a bag of golf sticks and golf balls at the Amenities Bulk Store, W.A.C.A. Ground, East Perth. These will be on loan and must be returned promptly to the Amenities Bulk Store at the end of the period for which they were loaned. Applicants must produce paybook and leave pass to Amenities Officer, W Aust L of C Area at the Bulk Store.

495. DISCHARGED FROM METROPOLITAN HOSPITALS.

It has been reported that officers frequently fail to report to GDD on discharge from Metropolitan Hospitals.

All ranks on discharge from Metropolitan Hospitals will be instructed to report to GDD and not return direct to Units.

Future breaches in this regard will be treated as a disciplinary matter. (GRO 111/828)

496. DEPOSIT OF PRIVATE PROPERTY.

Facilities for the deposit of money in paybooks are available through unit pay sergeants. Except by the provision of these facilities it is not the responsibility of the army to act as guardian of private property. (GRO 111/1140)

496. HOBBIES.

The following letter received at this HQ is promulgated for all concerned:-

"The DEO 2 Aust Div is directed by the Director of Education HQ to extend congratulations to 5 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) on the display of hobbies and handicrafts inspected within the Bde area, especially 56 Aust Inf Bn. This particular display from the point of view of type, variety and workmanship, was the best yet inspected by the Director, and he would be glad if his congratulations were conveyed to those concerned. The workmanship was more creditable in view of the fact that units have not yet received tool chests.

497. POSSESSION OF FIREARMS BROUGHT BACK FROM OVERSEAS.

1. The possession of unregistered firearms is a serious civil offence. Firearms and other weapons captured from the enemy are the property of the Commonwealth and their unauthorised possession by members of the forces is unlawful. Attention is directed in this regard to GRO G.473/1943.

497. Cont.

2. ~~Firearms~~ Ordnance and salvage depots are authorised to receive such weapons or firearms from members of the forces. Such weapons and firearms will be handed in immediately.

498. ESPLANADE HOSTEL -- GERALDTON

Accommodation at the above hostel can only be obtained by presentation of leave pass authorising soldier to be absent one night.

499. TROOPS ON LEAVE.

In areas South of lat 25 deg only and unless the privilege is withdrawn by Formation HQ for any special reason (which must be notified to the Chief Field Censor, LHQ) troops on ~~frank~~ long leave (that is any leave period of 48 hours or more) whilst living under civil conditions are not subject to unit censorship.

However, all ranks are reminded that they are at all times subject to the Defence Act. If any communication, packet or parcel, written or sent, by a soldier, is reported by the Civil Censors for a breach of the National Security Regulations, severe disciplinary action will be taken against him.

The Town picquet will be instructed only to permit soldiers in possession of HL.1 or HL.2 or have pass which proves that soldier is on long ~~frank~~ Home Leave, to enter GERALDTON Post Office.

500. UNIT CENSORSHIP -- PHILANTHROPIC REPRESENTATIVES.

Instances have occurred recently where Philanthropic representatives have censored unit mail.

The following is an extract of LHQ Field Censorship Instruction No. 4 30 Jun 43 (Part B -- para 24) which forbids this practice.

"Philanthropic Representatives -- Civilians in camps.

Attached Personnel from other services.

Unit Censorship, where imposed, applies to accredited members of Philanthropic Organisations, that is, those in uniform. Philanthropic representatives SHALL NOT perform the duty of franking Officers, but those entitled to wear uniform may frank letters written by themselves or their assistants.

501. LEAVE OCCUPATIONAL LEAVE


Members desiring occupational or other leave as extension of ARL MUST apply for same BEFORE proceeding on leave in order that necessary approvals may be obtained from higher authority.

ACCUMULATION OF ARL.

If for service reason leave cannot be granted at end of 12 months it may be accumulated for longer periods but only 24 days may be taken at any one time. (GRC 598/42)

502. ORDERLY ROOMS LEFT UNATTENDED It has been brought to notice that when such activities as sport, pictures etc are held in the lines, some Coy orderly rooms have been left completely unattended. This has brought about considerable inconvenience and in future ALL orderly rooms will be attended to at all times. When, at such times that sports or pictures etc are held in the lines, coy will arrange for a suitable light duty man to remain in the orderly room.

503. PERSONNEL MARCHING OUT OR RETURNING TO UNIT. All personnel are to be reminded one again that when any personnel march out of the unit for schools, duty, leave etc that such personnel should first report to Bn HQ. Likewise when returning to the unit, personnel must report to Bn HQ, unless it be at an unorthodox time when men may report direct to coys, who will at the earliest opportunity report the matter to Bn HQ.

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NOTICES

OHMS -- A NEW NATIONAL STATION FEATURE.

Designed especially for the entertainment of all men and women "On His Majesty's Service", the Australian Broadcasting Commission will present a new feature commencing on 24 Aug 43 at 2030 hrs. Under the title "OHMS", this weekly series of magazine programmes will feature "Artists in Uniform", "Service Requests", a Dart Competition and the "Sporting Roundup".

NOTICES CONT.

The programmes will be arranged and produced by Dave Howard (himself and old soldier of the last war) and ~~well~~ well-known for his extensive arrangements and productions in radio as well as with his saxophone. The broadcast will be heard over the National regional and short-wave station.

FOUND. 1 Complete spare wheel assembly type size 1050 x 20, at ref map NANSON 1" to 1 ml. Claimant Unit advise 22 Coy AASC.

LOST. 1 rifle unknown, presumed taken by mistake on Pack Train ex NORTHAM 26 Aug 43.

Finder to notify HQ 2 Aust Div (AIF).

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES
ROUTINE ORDERS

BY
LT. COL. R.T. BRYE Command
56 Aust. Inf. Bn. (AIF)

Serial No 96.
Nos 504 to 511.
6 Sep 43.

504. SICK IN LINES

In future Coys will ensure that all NO DUTY personnel are moved to R.A.P. immediately with all gear where they will be quartered until fit for duty or light duty. Rationing of these personnel will remain responsibility of Coys. When personnel are fit to return to Coy lines A46 will be sent to Coy stating time member will be discharged from R.A.P.

LIGHT DUTIES

Light Duty personnel will also report to R.A.P. at 0845 hrs daily where they will be given employment by R.M.O. or Ord Offr. Ord Offr. will see that all light duties are present.

505. PARADE STATES

Daily Parade States in accordance with pro-forma to be issued by Bn HQ will be submitted by all Coys and Bn HQ by 0810 hrs each day.

List of permanent duties in each Coy showing No, rank, name and duty of each member permanently posted to that duty will be submitted by 1200 hrs 8 Sept 43.

506. 1. AUST PARACHUTE BN - SELECTION OF PERSONNEL

With a view to making available for selection at an early date sufficient personnel for the abovenamed unit a call for volunteers will be made forthwith.

Return to be submitted to Bn HQ by 1200 hrs 10 Sep 43 giving age, height and weight, of applicants in addition to No, rank and name and Coy Comd's recommendation.

NIL RETURNS if any are required.

2. To be eligible for selection, personnel must comply with the following standards.

- (a) To be not below 19 years of age and not more than 32 years of age.
- (b) To be not above 6 ft in height and 182 lbs in weight.
- (c) Visual acuity must not be below 6/12 in each eye without glasses and personnel must have normal or colour defective safe colour vision. (Colour vision should be tested primarily by the Ishihara Book and all failures further tested by means of a Giles Archer Lamp. If candidate pass one or other of these tests they should be classed Colour Vision fit paratroops);
- (d) The acuity of hearing must comply with the following - the man standing with back to examiner and using both ears must be able to hear a forced whisper 10 ft away. No man with a patent perforation of the ear drum will be accepted and the sustachian tubes must be potent;
- (e) There is no fixed standard of dental fitness. Provided candidates have jaws that lend themselves to the fitting of dentures they will not be rejected for dental deficiency. Candidates with dentures will be accepted.
- (f) The circulatory system must be normal; there must be no disability of limbs present.
- (g) In all other respects the candidates must be fit for Army Medical Category A1.

3. Standards of weight, height and age may be slightly relaxed under certain circumstances, e.g., particularly suitable officers and NCOs or highly skilled technicians. In these circumstances general physique must be considered and increased risk in parachuting assessed. Any such increased risk must be explained to a candidate before accepting his nomination.

1 Aust Parachute Bn - Selection of Personnel Cont.

3. For guidance it is pointed out that an athletic or agile type of man is less likely to suffer injury than another.

Ref DRO 849/43.

507. ORNAMENTAL TREES - GERALDTON

It has been reported that several of the above ~~these~~ trees have been destroyed by acts of vandalism. This must cease, and severe disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

Drs MF are warned to take particular care at all times to avoid damaging these ornamental trees.

Ref DRO 850/43.

508. PACKING OF GOODS FORWARDED THROUGH THE MILITARY FORWARDING ORGANISATION.

(a) The greatest care must be exercised by all concerned in the wrapping, packing and crating of goods in order to ensure their arrival at destination in an undamaged condition. Consignments of Security matter, valuable text books and stationary are mentioned as examples which should receive special attention.

(b) The following aspects of wrapping, packing and crating should be brought to the notice of all those concerned in the preparation of consignments for dispatch through the MFO.

- (1) Due regard must be given to the distance to destination, the amount of handling involved, transfers at break of gauge stations, and weight of the consignment.
- (2) Text Books and Security matter, particularly of a Secret nature, should be cased and, if necessary, wire bound.
- (3) Where goods are cased, whether wire bound or not, the case should be strong and durable.
- (4) Wrapped parcels should be reinforced by an extra sheet and corners protected by cardboard pieces in those instances where the weight, contents and destinations justify such precautions.
- (5) The quality and type of binding twine used should be strong enough to protect a wrapped parcel against reasonable handling in transit.
- (6) Ordinary newsprint should not be used as an outer wrapping.
- (7) It is equally necessary for Contractors who forward goods direct to the MFO for onwards to destination, to be instructed in the above requirements.

(c) Military Forwarding Officers have been instructed not to accept for dispatch any consignment which, in their opinion, is not in a travel-worthy condition.

Ref DRO 852/43.

509. OUT OF BOUNDS

1.. Block 13 NARRATARRA map ref NANSON 1" to 1 mile 637498, 615404, 615409, the property of Mr Frank Green is out of bounds to all troops.

2. The property of Mr R. Roadhead, MT. PLEASANT, WALKAWAY, is out of bounds to all troops.

Ref DROs 860 & 866/43.

510 SENTENCES.

The following decision in the undermentioned Court Martial is included for information and is to be brought to the notice of all personnel.

DCM - NX157555, Spr E. FLICKER - 8 Aust Fd Coy) Charged jointly with
WX 34436, Pte G. EDGAR - 44 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) following charges.

1. AA Sec 22. WOAS WHEN IN CONFINEMENT ESCAPING, in that they in the field on the 19 Aug 43 when in confinement in the 2 Aust Div Detention Compound, escaped.

SENTENCES CONT.

2, 3 & 4/ AA
Sec 18 (4)

WAS STEALING PROPERTY BELONGING TO A PERSON SUBJECT
TO MILITARY LAW.

FINDING : On all charges - Guilty.
SENTENCE: (each accused) Detention 2 years.

Ref DRC 863/43.

511. COMMODITIES PURCHASED DURING AUGUST 1943.

SUPPLEMENTARY RATION ALLOWANCE.

Fruit, fresh.	18.	19.	0
Vegetables, fresh	11.	3.	8
Flour.	3.	17.	0
Wheatmeal.	5.	15.	6

Sausages, fresh	70.	2.	10)	
Custard Powder	11.	8.	0)	
Cornflour	6.	6.	6)	
Tomato Sauce.	8.	15.	6)	
Oranges	12.	15.	7)	LESS
Vinogar	1.	13.	0)	7 1/2%
Preserved Fruit	14.	10.	0)	129. 18. 10
Jelly Crystals	1.	8.	0)	
Split Peas		4.	0)	
Sugar	4.	19.	0)	
Camp Fic	6.	16.	0)	

£ 169. 14. 0

REGIMENTAL FUNDS.

Fruit, fresh.	23.	2.	0
Vegetables, fresh.	26.	1.	10

£ 49. 3. 10

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ROUTINE ORDERS

BY
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56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

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Nos 512 to 513
14 Sep 43

512. DUTIES:- The following roster for Orderley Officers & Duty Coys will operate:-

Date to mount at 1800 hrs.	Duty Coy	Orderley Officer
14 Sep 43	HQ Coy	Lieut J.A. Kiley
15 "	D "	" B.W. King
16 "	A "	" J.F. Day
17 "	B "	" A.C. Edghill
18 "	HQ "	" J.R. Melville
19 "	D "	" J.L. Bennett
20 "	A "	" W.J. Symons
21 "	B "	" O.L. Murphy
22 "	HQ "	" J.A. Kiley
23 "	D "	" B.W. King
24 "	A "	" J.F. Day
25 "	B "	" A.C. Edghill

513. ROYAL MILITARY COLLEGE OF AUSTRALIA - VACANCIES FOR STAFF CADETS:-

Applications are invited for admission, by way of normal entry to the Royal Military College, DUNTRON (25 vacancies) Successful candidates will enter the college early in 1944 and, on graduation, will be appointed to the Aust. Staff Corps.

Forms of application and particulars of eligibility, examinations etc., may be obtained from the Headquarters, Lines of Communication Area in each Capital City.

Applications must reach HQ 2 Aust Div AIF, by 26 Sep 43, through the normal channels.

To be eligible for admission to the College as a cadet, a candidate must

- (a) Be medically fit
- (b) Be unmarried
- (c) Be a British subject permanently resident in AUSTRALIA.
- (d) Be over 16 years of age & under 20 years. on 26 Feb 44
- (e) Have the following minimum educational qualifications.

A pass or higher certificate at a public examination for the "Leaving" (or senior) or the "Intermediate" (or Junior) in

English, Mathematics, Physics or Chemistry, One other language and any of the following subjects

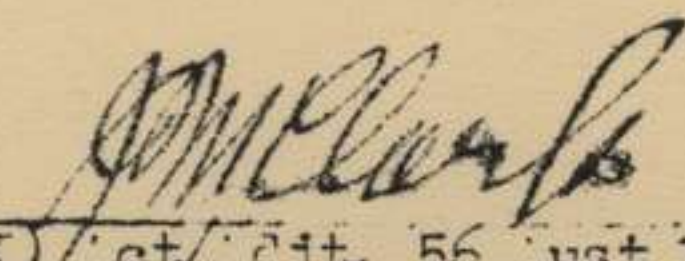
Geography, Chemistry or Physics, Bookkeeping, Economics etc, in accordance with RMC regulations.

Candidates who have qualified for the Leaving Certificate (Or senior) will receive preference over those who have qualified for the Intermediate (Or Junior) Certificate.

A confidential report from the Commanding Officer will be submitted with the application of a candidate who is serving in the AMF.

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(ORO 113/1159)


Capt.
(J.M. CLARK) Lt/Adj. 56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.
ROUTINE ORDERS

BY

Lt. Col. R.T. BRYEN Comd.
56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

514. POWERS OF SENTRIES & GUARDS:-

1. Regulation 6A of the National Security (General) Regulations (Statutory Rules 1942, No 374) provides that, without derogating from or restricting the existing powers or rights of sentries and guards, a military sentry or guard stationed or posted at, in, or in the neighbourhood or in the vicinity of any prohibited place, protected area, controlled area, or any premises used by the Commonwealth, or used for Defence Purposes, or for essential services, or any vehicle, vessel or aircraft used by the Commonwealth, or any enclosed wharf or picking up place, or any merchant vessel lying in port, or any road, pathway or waterway, specified in an order by the Minister, which passes through or near a prohibited place, or work of Defence, may be armed and may -

- (i) Use his weapon against or otherwise attack, any person who, in disregard of a warning given by a sentry or guard, approaches, enters, leaves, or passes over or in the vicinity or neighbourhood of, or attempts to approach, enter, leave or pass over or in the vicinity or neighbourhood of, that place, area, premises, vehicle, vessel, aircraft, wharf, picking up place, road, pathway, or waterway, or who, after being arrested for so doing, escapes; and
- (ii) Use his weapons against or otherwise attack, any person attacking him or who is reasonably suspected of being about to attack him.

2. There are, however, certain principles which must guide all sentries and guards in the execution of their duty as such, and in the exercise of the right to resort to arms.

3. These principles are:-

- (a) Sentries and guards will be ordered to take any action required to ensure the safety of their posts or to defeat the activities of an enemy, or suspected enemy agent.
- (b) If necessary, they will fire upon or otherwise attack any person threatening the safety of their posts or engaging in hostile actions.
- (c) Before firing upon any person, the sentry or guard will, except in an urgent case of self defence, challenge that person to: "HALT". If that person does NOT halt, the sentry should challenge him again with "HALT OR I FIRE". If he does NOT halt, and no other means are available for stopping him, - as for example by calling on the rest of the guard - it is the duty of the sentry to shoot.
- (d) The sentry will use his intelligence and sense of responsibility in choosing whether he will shoot or not, and he must be careful to NOT allow any suspected person to approach so close that he can be rushed and overpowered.
- (e) Guards of enemy prisoners of war. An enemy prisoner of war attempting to escape may be fired upon, but a previous summons to surrender will be given if possible.
- (f) Guards of members of the forces in custody:-

- (i) An escort or guard is NOT justified in using his weapons merely for the purpose of preventing another member from escaping from custody and if he so, uses his weapons, he may render himself, as well as an Officer or N.O.O., under whose orders he acted, liable to be charged with murder, manslaughter, or inciting to murder.
- (ii) If a member in custody attempts to escape, the escort or sentry will immediately raise the alarm and give chase. He may call upon any passer-by to assist him in apprehending the escapee.

(iii) An escort or guard may be justified in using his weapons when a member in custody resorts to violence. In such circumstances, an escort or guard may meet force with force, but care must be taken to use no more force than is necessary to overcome the violence offered. Hence, even when violence is offered to an escort or guard, it will only be as a last resort that the use of weapons will be justified.

4. Orders for guards and sentries will be framed in conformity with the above and guards and sentries will be suitably instructed as to their powers and duties.

5. G.R.O. A682/1942 is cancelled.
(G.R.O. A643/43)

515. DUTIES:- Duty Coy's will supply daily to W.O. Catcher two privates as a leading party for firewood. To report at Ration Store at 1345hrs each day. Vehicle mentioned in previous instruction will NOT now be supplied by Duty Coy, unless specially requested to do so.

Coy's to make approximate record to ensure above duty is NOT overlooked.

516. TRACK DISCIPLINE.- Track discipline MUST be insisted upon by ALL Officers and N.C.O.s in future.

ALL drivers are to be instructed that under no circumstances will they drive a vehicle off a trade track without express permission of an Officer or N.C.O. of rank of L/Sgt or above, except in so far as may be necessary to leave the track clear when the vehicle is stationary. Disciplinary action is to be taken in ALL cases of disobedience of this order.

517. PEN FRIENDS.- ALL ranks are reminded that correspondence with pen friends is strictly forbidden and may lead to strong disciplinary action if indulged in. Such correspondence is frequently sought by enemy agents.

518. DAILY ROUTINE.- The following time table is to be strictly adhered to. Personnel NOT on duty or on leave must be in bed in own tents at Lights Out - 2215 hours.

0630 hours	- REVELLE	- Cliffe in own Pl Lines.
0640 "	Adm. Parade	
0650-0710 hrs-	P & R.T.	
0745	- Breakfast	
0830	" Coy parade & inspection	
0900	- Bn Parade (if ordered)	
0900-1215 "	- morning parades.	
1245	- Lunch	
1345-1700 "	- Afternoon parades.	
1730	" - Evening meal	
1800	" - Sgts Mess	
1830	" - Offrs Mess	
2130	" - First Post	
2200	" - Last Post	
2230	" - Light Out.	

519. PROFICIENCY PAY -(G.R.O. F660/43) - Approval has been given for the payment of proficiency pay of SIXPENCE per day to every male member of the A.M.F. who holds either the appointment of Lance Corporal or Lance Bombardier or rank of Private or its equivalent, and who is NOT in receipt of pay prescribed for a qualified parachutist or a tradesman or a specialist subject to the following conditions:-

Proficiency Pay will be paid as on and from Jul 43 to a soldier who:-

- At that date had completed at least 6 months continuous full-time war service. Periods of leave without pay are NOT counted as service for purposes of this paragraph.
- For 6 months immediately prior to that date, had been of good conduct and
- On the first occasion subsequent to that date, passes the prescribed examination.

If after having qualified for proficiency pay, a soldier commits a breach of good conduct, he shall automatically forfeit his proficiency pay on and from the date of his conviction or the award against him.

519. PROFICIENCY PAY (Continued):-

(a) 'Breach of good conduct' will occur when an award has been made by a Military Authority imposing upon the soldier a penalty higher in the scale set out in A.M.R & C 414 (b) than confinement to barracks for 7 days, orviding that no fine of less than \$1 shall be deemed to be a breach of good conduct.

(b) When the soldier has been convicted by a civil court and fined \$5 or more, or sentenced to imprisonment, whether or NOT, such sentence is suspended upon the soldier entering into a bond.

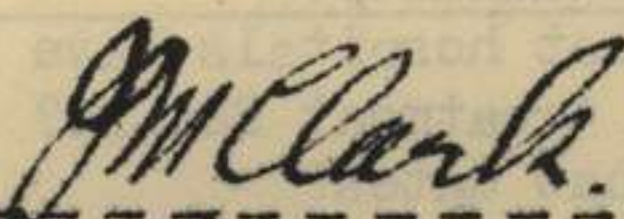
Proficiency Pay may, at any time, be withdrawn by the C.O. if he considers that there has been a 'falling off' in the efficiency of a soldier and such soldier will be required to again qualify by examination before proficiency pay can be restored.

Proficiency Pay will NOT be forfeited by reason only of:-

- Admission to hospital.
- Becoming Prisoner of War
- Being posted as missing
- Medical re-classification
- Transfer to another unit (except specialist units)

Details of prescribed examinations will be available later.

520. CANTEEN:- Personnel proceeding to and from the Canteen MUST NOT pass through Sig Pl Lines.


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N O T I C E.

The Mobile Cinema will screen a programme in the Unit Lines on Monday, 20 Sep 43.

war diary

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES
ROUTINE BY ORDERS
BY
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56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

521 BADGES OF RANK

1. Badges of Rank will be worn by Officers, Warrant Officers and NCOs at all times. (See Standing Orders for Dress 1935 para 15 and GRO A245/43.)
2. Chevrons for NCOs will be of drab worsted or white tape. The above are the only types of Chevrons authorised. Efficiency and Service Chevrons will NOT be worn as badges of rank.
3. Badges of Rank for Warrant Officers and NCOs will be worn on the Right Arm the position of Chevrons for men of normal dimensions will be:-
The point of 1 bar Chevron will be 9 inches,
2 bar $9\frac{1}{2}$ inches, 3 bar $10\frac{1}{2}$ inches, from the top of the sleeve.
4. When wearing summer dress or working dress all AIF personnel will wear woven "AUSTRALIA's" on shoulders straps. It is anticipated that a supply of these will be made available shortly from Unit Funds.
5. No Badges other than those authorised in War Scale of clothing and necessaries will be worn.

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Capt.
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WAR DIARY.

- Friday
1 Oct 43 - Bn parade at 0830 hrs. Inspection by Maj Gen H.C. Robertson, G.O.C. 2 Aust Div. The GOC carried out his inspection of personnel of each coy and the whole Bn, led by the C.O. carried out a march past, the GOC taking the salute. Maj-Gen Robertson, addressed the Bn and stated that the reason for the inspection was so that he could form an idea and an opinion of the units which had now come under his command since taking control of 2 Aust Div. He outlined the various points which went to make a good soldier and a good unit. After the GOC's parade the Comd, 5 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) carried out an inspection of the unit lines. In the afternoon normal training was carried out. C & D Coys preparing for move back to 8 Bde Area at MINGENEW.
- Saturday
2 Oct 43 - C & D Coys left lines and returned to MINGENEW. All International, 1 ton trucks, were taken by convoy to MINGENEW and exchanged for 15 cwt GS CHEV vans, which previously belonged to 8 Bde. This being done to fulfil W.E. of 15 cwt vans. All other coys on normal training and being issued with clothing, equipment etc from Bn Q Store. In the evening, at HQ Coy Mess Hut, the C.O. conducted a concert programme on an impromptu basis, during which he took the opportunity of presenting prizes to the winning competitors in the recent Bn sports programme.
- Sunday
3 Oct 43 -- The usual Church Parades were held in the unit lines during the morning. Normal training in inf weapons for the remainder of morning. In the afternoon a large number of troops were transported by unit M.T. to GERALDTON where the 2 Aust Div Sports programme was conducted at the SPORTS OVAL. The meeting was under the patronage of the GOC, 2 Aust Div and high ranking officers of the RAAF and United States of American Forces. The team which represented 5 Aust Inf Bde (AIF), and in which 56 Bn had the greatest percentage of competitors, won the day, the point score being won by a considerable margin.
- Monday
4 Oct 43 - A Coy took over Town Picquet Duties from 54 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Tour of duty to continue till 24 Oct 43. B Coy took over Div Duties and are carrying out the following-
Guards at Fwd Div HQ, Rear Div HQ, & 5 Bde HQ.
C Coy - Still at MINGENEW doing guards on 8 Bde equipment.
D Coy - " " cleaning up 8 Bde area.
HQ Coy - Normal Pl training. Pte W J Spokes conducted a range finders course, in the Coy Lines.
In the evening, the Mobile Cinema visited the lines, and showed a programme of two feature films.
- Tuesday
5 Oct 43 - Personnel NOT on Div Duties, working parties etc, carrying out normal administrative and training duties in camp.
- Wednesday
6 Oct 43 - same as previous day
- Thursday
7 Oct 43 - Pay Day. Otherwise same as previous day.
C & D Coys still at area vacated by 8 Bde.

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- Friday
8 Oct 43 - Guard Duties, working parties, and maintenance of camp area. Town Picquet etc.
- Saturday
9 Oct 43 - ~~COMPASS~~ March by Signal Fl, otherwise same as previous day.
- Sunday
10 Oct 43 - The usual Church Parades were held in the unit lines. A Communion service for all denominations was held in the Salvation Army Recreation Hut at 0745 hrs. During the day normal training for personnel not employed on div duties. In the evening the WA L of C AREA CONCERT PARTY visited the lines and presented a variety programme to a large audience of unit personnel.
- Monday
11 Oct 43 - D Coy preparing for move back to unit lines, having completed the work of cleaning up area vacated by 8 Bde. Div Duties, working parties etc still in progress.
- Tuesday
12 Oct 43 - Rest Day for personnel NOT employed on Div Duties. In the afternoon leave was granted to GERALDTON. C Coy at Rifle Range at MINGENEW exercising personnel in range practice. 1 Offr and 15 O/R's from D Coy joined C Coy this day. D Coy Evacuated Camp Site MINGENEW at 0758 hrs. OC, CSM & 14 personnel, remained as rear party to clean up area which had been occupied by the coy. The afternoon was spent by settling into Bn Lines.
- Wednesday
13 Oct 43 - D Coy - Rest day with leave to GERALDTON in afternoon. Other personnel NOT on Div Duties, normal duties & training. At 1415 hrs, a bn muster parade was held to hear a lecture given by Mr Latham on the "Fourth Liberty Loan" Campaign.
- Thursday
14 Oct 43 - During the afternoon, a MUSKETRY SCHOOL was commenced with the object of bettering the standard of musketry in the bn and weaker members were selected for attendance at this course. Lieut A.O.Curran acting as Chief Instructor.
- Friday
15 Oct 43 - Div Duties, Working parties etc, normal training for personnel left in camp. In the evening mobile cinema visited lines and screened a programme of two feature films.
- Saturday
16 ~~Oct~~ 43 - Div Duties, working parties, normal training programme for personnel in camp. Musketry school continued. C Coy still carrying out guard duties at MINGENEW.
- Sunday
17 ~~Oct~~ 43 - D Coy personnel, who remained in 8 Bde area as rear party returned to bn lines. Normal Church parades were held during morning.
- Monday
18 Oct 43 - A Coy still on Town Picquet. Musketry School still in progress. Other personnel on duties and maintenance etc. In the afternoon personnel attended various parades for P.T. under instructors from 3 Aust Corps P.T. Wing.

WAR DIARY:-

- Tuesday
19 Oct 43 - As for previous day
- Wednesday
20 Oct 43 - Bn Rest day with leave to GERALDTON in afternoon.
Musketry School continued.
- Thursday
21 Oct 43 - Musketry School personnel to Rifle Range.
P.T. Parades held during the afternoon.
D Coy cleaning up coy area to conform with the other coys,
aligning tents etc.
- Friday
22 Oct 43 - A Coy - Town Picquet
B Coy - Guard duties in connection with Div Duties. Other
personnel in camp doing usual duties and at night
a 5 mile route march - full marching order.
C Coy - Preparations for return to unit. This included
returning of considerable amount of stores to Engrs
Dump at STRAWBERRY. Extra transport arrived from
Bn to move the coy.
D Coy - Training & duties in camp. Route march - full marching
order at night.
HQ Coy- Normal pl training. Route march at night.
- Saturday
23 Oct 43 - Musketry School personnel to Rifle Range.
Working parties and normal training in camp.
C Coy - Returned by road to camp and commenced settling in
erecting tents in conformity with other coys lines.
PT periods for personnel under instruction from 3 AC PT
instructors.
- Sunday
24 Oct 43 - Church Parades held in the unit lines at normal times.
Training as per Bn syllabus.
- Monday
25 Oct 43 - Div Duties changed and handed over to 18 Aust Fd Regt (RAA)
All duties returned to camp.
In the afternoon a Bn parade was held and a practice march
march and Bn drill.
- Tuesday
26 Oct 43 - At 0900 hrs the GOC 2 Aust Div, Maj Gen H C Robertson
inspected the Bn on a parade. A march past led by the CO
was held and the GOC took the salute.
P.T. parades in afternoon, others on Blitz Course.
Mobile Cinema screened programme of two feature films in
evening.
- Wednesday
27 Oct 43 - Coys out on blitz course, P.T. - Some personnel to range
for grenade throwing. Preliminary preparations for move to
3 Aust Corps Jungle Warfare School. COLLIE. WA
- Thursday
28 Oct 43 - Preparations for move to COLLIE JUNGLE SCHOOL.
- Friday
29 Oct 43 - The Bn divided into three parties for move by train to
COLLIE. These parties contained ~~advance~~ representatives
from each coy.
Departure of 1st train ex GERALDTON - 0010 hrs.
" " 2nd " " " - 1930 "

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DIARY.

Saturday

30 Oct 43 --

Departure of 3rd train ex GERALDTON - 1000 hrs.
A small party was left as rear party until the return of
Lieut Wiltshire and party, who had completed Collie Jungle
School with 44 Aust Inf Bn (AIF).
1st train travelled via MULLEWA, NORTHAM, NARROGIN and
thus via COLLIE to WORSLEY, where detraining took place
2nd & 3rd trains travelled via MIDLAND RAILWAY, via
MIDLAND JUNCTION AND BRUNSWICK JUNCTION to WORSLEY.

Sunday

31 Oct 43 -

Settling into new camp site, as the trains arrived. 1st &
2nd train parties marched to School site a distance of
10 miles to WORSLEY SIDING, the detraining station.
New camp site, known as 3 Aust Corps Jungle Warfare Centre,
and situated in heavily timbered country on the banks of
WELLINGTON DAM. Camp site, having been vacated by 54 Bn,
was in excellent order, tents all erected and showers,
kitchens etc all in clean and working order.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

43/25 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 2/10/1943 56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) (Unit)

W.E. 11/12/3 OFFRS. 34 O.R's. 132 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 44 ATT. BY W.E.

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.								
1	2	3	4		5	6	7	8	9	10			
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.	Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.					
	2	1	1 2 8 21 1	* * Lieut.-Colonels Majors Captains Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.	AAMC	1							
	2	1	33			1							
		DETAIL	A	B	C.M.P.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	E.A.N.	R.A.A.P.	**	TOTAL.
		A.	34	NIL									34
		E.(1)											
		E.(2)											

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in pars. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
WX10990					
WX31273	LIEUT	HARVEY J.J.	3 ARD	1/10/43	Reinf Order No 751 Ser 44
SX 20844	CAPT.	HOLLEY S.J.M.	5 Bde	25/9/43	LHQ MEMO 35279 CR 24/1/183

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
WX10990	LIEUT	KOPKE A.F.H.	7th 13 A.I.T.B	30/9/43	As Instructor
WX10990					

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO 56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. 2/10/1943

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
NX76329	Capt	WILLIAMS L.J.	Return 118 A.C.H. x List
NX125729	Lieut	DAVIS G.W.B.	" " " " x List

56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Unit

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 2/10/1943 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
LT COL	NX12633	BRYEN	RT	CO.	YES		
LTD MAJOR	NX12444	MURRAY	EF	2/4	YES		
-	NX12443	STEVENSON	AE	OC 2nd Coy	YES		
LIEUT	NX125134	MACAILEY	LH	Adjt	NO	ARL	31/8/43
T. CAPT	NX124444	EVERITT	LW	QM	YES		
-	NX124445	HOUGH	JW	OC 1st Coy	YES		
-	NX124436	NEIL	WD	OC 2nd Coy	YES		
-	NX124440	CLARK	JM	OC 3rd Coy	YES		
-	NX125726	SPAINSON	CJ	2nd 4th Coy	NO	School (MT)	27/9/43
-	NX116619	BOARDMAN	JS	2nd 4th Coy	YES		
-	NX125727	MASON	FL	OC 4th Pl	YES		
-	NX125723	SCOTT	MM	I.O.	YES		
-	NX125724	CALLAN	EJ	2nd 4th Coy	NO	ARL	21/8/43
LIEUT	NX125736	BRAITHWAITE	S.J.	2nd 4th Pl	YES		
-	NX116618	KILEY	JA	9th Pl	YES		
-	NX124438	MCKELLAM	CM	15th Pl	NO	Jungle Warfare	17/8/43
-	NX124437	KING	BW	6th Pl	YES		
-	NX127725	CURRIAN	O.A.	15th Pl	NO	School	26/8/43
-	NX125735	MCDONALD	KJ	12th Pl	NO	School	26/8/43
-	NX124439	HARDY	MG	19th Pl	YES		
-	NX125756	BENNETT	JH	16th Pl	NO	School (MT)	27/9/43
-	NX125738	DAY	JF	5th Pl	YES		
-	NX116657	BROWNING	E	8th Pl	NO	ARL	22/8/43
-	NX119436	CHRISTIE	AWG	3rd Pl	NO	ARL	29/8/43
-	NX126640	EDGEMILL	AC	17th Pl	YES		
-	WA9107	HARRINGTON	OK	13th Pl	YES		
-	WA26616	COLLINS	CJ	Reinf	NO	Jungle Warfare	17/8/43
-	VX131567	SYMPTONS	WJ	Reinf	YES		
-	NX119431	MELVILLE	JRW	11th Pl	YES		
-	VX67936	WILSON	EF	Reinf	NO	Jungle Warfare	27/9/43
-	NX125730	WILTSHIRE	D.H.	2nd Pl	NO	Jungle Warfare	23/9/43
-	NX125400	GUNNER	RES	10th Pl	YES		
-	WA31273	HARVEY	JJ	Reinf	YES		
CAPT	WA34307	MAULIFFE	J.A.	RMO	YES		

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
MAJOR	WA34307	MAULIFFE	J.A.	26/9/43	ARL
MAJOR	13259	THOMPSON	C	8/7/43	SHMO
LIEUT	NX125335	MURPHY	CB	2/7/43	Gen. Reinf. Band Posting (last 80)
-	NX125714	FARRELL	RM	2/7/43	
-	WX17663	SMITH	FMPTK	23/9/43	Attached for training.
Chaplain	SX20894	HOLBY	SM	26/9/43	PADRE

8 Oct 43
Date of Despatch

[Signature] Lt. Col.
(R. T. Arvan) Comd. 56 Bn
Signature of Commander

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

43/25 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 2/Oct/1943 56 Aust Inf Bn (Unit)

W.E. 11/12/3 OFFRS. 34 O.R's. 832 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 44 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1 2 3 4				5	6 7 8 9 10								
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.								
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.				
				W.Os. Class I.									
			75	W.Os. Class II.		1							
			5	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.									
				Staff Sergeants									
NR. 1	1		94	Sergeants		10							
NR. 3	3		68	Corporals		10							
76	76	12	636	Troopers, Privates, etc.		22	1	2	2	(Annex 1 MECH BN SEE BACK)			
				Civilians counting as O.R.									
80 *	80.	12	751 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.	SEE BACK →	43 *	1	2	2	see back.			
Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).				Detail	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
				A	B	Under 10 years	10 years and over						794
				B(1)	1	179	1						
				B(2)									

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Part C. Other Ranks Included in Part A Detached to Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
1	HQ 2 AUST DIV						
5	Fd AMIB (DENTAL)						
1	Ammunition Service		Batman S.A.W.O.				

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To 56 Bn (Unit) is Particularly Requested. 2/10/1943.

Army No	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
NR 1909	Cpl	NILSSON - O.P	Heavy school (X List)
NR 1910	Cpl	ROGERS - R.	"

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 2/Oct/1943.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.			Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)			Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)			Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)					
W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.			
			Brought forward	1	3	Brought forward	17	18	1	Brought forward	88	88	9	
Ammunition Examiners			Surveyors, B.A.A.			Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen				
Armament Artificer Fitter			Surveyors, Topographical			Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers				
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)			Surveyors, Trigonometrical			Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing				
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)			Toolmakers			Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental				
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)			Turners			Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers				
Armament Artificer Instrument			Watchmakers			Opticians				Rangetakers				
Armament Artificer Radio			Welders			Painters		5		Riveters	2	2		
Armament Artificer Signals						Panel Beaters				Roughriders				
Armament Artificer Wireless						Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers				
Artificer, Artillery						Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers				
Artificer, Engine						Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer				
Blacksmiths	1	2				Radiographers				Stevadores				
Bricklayers		1				Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine				
Computers						Sawyers				Storemen, Technical				
Cooks, Hospital			GROUP II.			Signallers				Tailors	3	3		
Coppersmiths			Armourers			Signwriters	27	19	8	Textile Refitters	2	2		
Dispensers			Axemen			Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths				
Draughtsmen			Bakers			Well Borers				Vulcanizers				
Draughtsmen (Architectural)			Bty. Comd's. Asst.			Wheelers				Wagon Erectors				
Draughtsmen (Engineering)			Boilermakers			Winchman				Whitesmiths				
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)			Carpenters	6	6	Wireman								
Draughtsmen (Topographical)			Carpenters and Joiners			Woodturners								
Electricians			Cooks											
Electricians (M.V.)			Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)			Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters			Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)			Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)			Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)			Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)			Fire Control Operators											
Fitters (M.V.)			Gun Operator			GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.				
Fitters, Railway Signal			Hatchman			Battery Surveyors				W.O.I.	1			
Fitters, Signals			Height Taker			Butchers	1	6		W.O.II	6	75		
Grinder, Precision			Helio Operator			Clerks	12	12		O.R.M.S.	5	5		
Mechanics, Instrument			Instrument Operator			Clerks, Supply				Sgts.	30	29	1 NR	
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)			Intelligence Duties	10	9	Clerks, Technical				Cpls.	62	59	3 NR	
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)			Joiners			Coach Trimmers				GEN. DUTYMENT	536	536	5867	
Mechanics, Radio			Joiners			Concretors								
Mechanics, Radio			Lineman			Cooks								
Mechanics, Typewriter			Lineman, Signals			Dental Clerk Orderlies								
Mechanics, Wireless			Lithographers			Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.				
Millwrights			Machinists, Metal			Draughtsmen, Signals								
Operators, Excavator			Machinists, Wood			Drivers, H.T.				W.O.II	1	1		
Pattern Maker			Masons			Driver Mechanics	27	27		Sgts	10	10		
Pharmacist			Masseurs			Driver Tptn. Plant				Cpls	10	10		
Photographer, Wet Plate			Mechanics, M.T.			Engine Hands, I.C.				Ptes.	23	22	2 SEE BACK	
Photowriter			Miners			Equipment Repairers	1	1						
Plumber			Moulders			Farriers								
Saw Doctors			Nurses, Trained			Fitters' Mates								
Surveyors			Observation Post Assts.			Gun Layers								
CARRIED FORWARD	1	3	CARRIED FORWARD	17	18	1	CARRIED FORWARD	85	88	9	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	876	794	*82

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
 (b) Authorised trades or specialists not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.
 (c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back.
 (d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.R. in col. "Reints. Required."
 (e) Where any request or notation is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

3 Oct '43
Date of Despatch
a.w. 6m bks 3/43

(Signature)
Lt. Col.
(B. T. Bryson) Comd 56 Bn
Signature of Commander

Unit (A.I.F.)

Part A of Army Form W.3003 at 0600 Hours Saturday 2 Oct 1943
 PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Requirements required as shown in

DETAIL OF TRADESMEN & SPECIALISTS.

	SURPLUS.	DEFICIENT.	REMARKS.
SIGNALLERS TGL1	<i>Nil</i>	8 Ptes TGL1.	
INTELLIGENCE. TG2.	<i>Nil</i>	1 Pte TGL1	1 being trained.
TOTAL.	<i>NIL.</i>	<i>9.</i>	

Detail of Non Specialists

RANK	DEFICIENT	SURPLUS	REMARKS
SPTS	1 N.R		1 left to automatically return from school
CPLS	3 N.R		3 CPLs to school list
PtCS	68 GENERAL DUTYMEN		REQUIRE 68 General Duties.
TOTAL	72	NIL	

W.O.2
 SPTS 10
 CPLS 10
 PtCS 23
 23 22 2 23 22 2 23 22 2 23 22 2

NOTE—(a) If any other than private is involved give details on back.
 (b) Detailed trades or specialties not included in list will be added as required in special provision.
 (c) Where A.W.A.E. and/or A.A.W.E. personnel are detailed show details on back.
 (d) Where replacement not detailed note accordingly on return by insertion of N.R. in any "Below strength" column.
 (e) Where any request for reduction is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in the "Remarks" column of the blank space on this page.

Signature of Commander

3 Oct 1943

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 9/10/1943 To Aust Staff (AIF)

W.E. / / OFFRS. O.R's. + OFFRS. O.R's. ATT. BY W.E.

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.									
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.					
Nil.	3	3	3	* * Lieut.-Colonels Majors Captains Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.										
		3	3											
				DETAIL	A.I.P.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
				A.										
				E.(1)										
				E.(2)										

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in pars. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
* * Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
NY 12358	LIEUT	MURPHY Ch.	Gen Reinf (Lent 80)	6/10/43	Transfer
NY 12574	-	FARRELL R.H.	Gen Reinf (Lent 80)	6/10/43	Transfer.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
NY 11619	Capt	BOARDMAN J.S.	3 ACTS Harvey	7/10/43	As Instructor

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. / / 194.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 9/10/1943 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
LT COL	NA 112633	BRYEN	RT	C.O.	YES		
LT (T) MAJ	NA 124445	MURRAY	E.F.	2 1/2	YES		
	NX 124434	STEVENSON	AR	OC 1st Coy	YES		
LIEUT	NX 125134	MACAULEY	L.H.	Advt	NO	ARL	31/8/43
T. CAPT	NA 124444	EURETT	L.W.	Q.M.	YES		
	NX 124443	HOUGH	J.W.	OC 1st Coy	YES		
	NX 124436	NEIL	W.D.	OC 1st Coy	YES		
	NX 124440	CLARK	J.M.	OC 1st Coy	YES		
	NX 125726	SAMUELSON	C.J.	2 1/2 ALD	NO	School (MT)	27/9/43
	NX 125717	MASON	FL	OC 4th Pl	YES		
	NX 125723	SCOTT	M.M.	1.0.	YES		
	NX 125724	CALLAN	E.J.	2 1/2 Coy	NO	OC 1st Coy / HQ Legal Course	11/10/43
LIEUT	NX 125736	BRAITHWAITE	S.J.	2 1/2 PL	YES		
	NX 116618	KILEY	J.A.	9 PL	YES		
	NX 124438	MCCLELLAN	C.M.	15 PL	NO	Jungle Warfare	17/8/43
	NX 124437	KING	B.W.	6 PL	YES		
	NX 127725	CURRAN	O.A.	12 PL	NO	School	26/8/43
	NX 125735	MCDONALD	K.J.	12 PL	NO	School	26/8/43
	NX 124439	HARDY	M.G.	19 PL	YES		
	NX 125756	BENNETT	J.L.	16 PL	NO	School (MT)	27/9/43
	NX 125728	DAY	J.F.	5 PL	YES		
	NX 116657	BROWNING	E.	8 PL	NO	ARL	22/8/43
	NX 119436	CHRISTIE	A.W.G.	3 PL	NO	ARL	29/8/43
	NA 124440	EDGEMILL	A.C.	17 PL	YES		
	WA 9107	HARRINGTON	O.K.	13 PL	YES		
	WA 26616	COLLINS	C.J.	Reinf	NO	Jungle Warfare	17/8/43
	NX 13567	SYMMONS	W.J.	Reinf	YES		
	NX 119431	MELVILLE	J.R.W.	11 PL	YES		
	NX 67936	WILSON	E.F.	Reinf	NO	Jungle Warfare	27/9/43
	NX 125730	WILTSMIRE	D.H.	2 PL	NO	Jungle Warfare	22/9/43
	NA 125800	GUNNER	A.E.S.	10 PL	YES		
	WA 31273	HARVEY	J.J.	Reinf	YES		
	NX 123835	MURPHY	C.H.	Reinf	YES		
	NX 125714	FARRELL	R.H.	Reinf	YES		
	NX 11663	SMITH	F.M.	Reinf	NO		
CAPT	WA 36307	MCAULIFFE	J.R.	R.M.O.	YES		

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
MR. CHAPMAN	B 237	THOMPSON, C.		8/7/42	SAWO.
CAPT	SX 20814	HOLLY, S.J.M.		20/1/43	PADRE
LIEUT	NA 137124	GRIFFEN, L.W.		26/8/43	52nd Amb (Det)
	WA 17663	SMITH, J.M.M.		11/1/43	attached to 3rd Coy

10 Oct 43
Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander
R.T. BRADY
COMD. 56 AUST INF BN (AIF)
LT. COL

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 9/10/1943

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering	1	3		Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard	17	18	1	Hammermen	35	38	9
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangetakers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters	2	2	
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters		5		Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers	1	2						Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computers		1						Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors	3	3	
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters	2	2	
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers	27	29		Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Bottemakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners	6	6		Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors							
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers							
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	1	6					
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply	12	12					
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical							
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners	10	9	1	Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.							
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics							
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tpin. Plant	27	27					
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photewriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers							
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers	1	1					
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	1	3		CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.			

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
 (b) Authorised trades or specialists not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.
 (c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back.
 (d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.R. in col. "Reints. Required."
 (e) Where any request or notation is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

Date of Despatch
a.w. 6m bks 3/43

Signature of Commander

LT COL

R.T. BRYEN

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3002 at 0800 Hours

DETAIL OF TRADESMEN AND SPECIALISTS.

	SURPLUS	DEFICIENT.	REMARKS.
SIGNALLERS T.G. 11.		8 ptes Gp.11.	
INTELLIGENCE. T.G. 11.		1 Pte T.G.11.	Being trained.
TOTAL	Nil	(9)	

Detail of NON Specialists

Rank	Deficient	Surplus	Remarks.
Sgts	1 N.R.		1 sgt. to automatically return from school.
bpls	2 N.R.		2 bpls to return from school x list
Ptes	69 GEN. DUTIES		Require 69 gen. duty men
Total	72	NIL	

NOTE—(a) If any other than surplus is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorized trades or specialties not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.
(c) Where A.W.A. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back.
(d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by location of M.R. in col. "Rebate Required".
(e) Where any request or reduction is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

Signature of Commander

Date of Report

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)
43/27 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 16 / 10 / 1943

56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

W.E. 11 / 12 / 2 OFFRS. 34 O.R's 832 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's 44 ATT. BY W.E.

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.												
1	2	3	4		5	6	7	8	9	10							
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.								
NIL	3	4	1 2 7 24 1	* * Lieut.-Colonels Majors Captains Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.	A.A.M.C.	1											
NIL	3	4	36			1	NIL	NIL	NIL								
				DETAIL	A.I.F. A.	A.I.F. B.	C.M.P.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	E.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.		
Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in pars. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).				A.	36										37		
				E.(1)													
				E.(2)													

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
NX117865	LIEUT	MCDONALD WIC	5 AITB	13/10/43	Reinf.
VX17663	LIEUT	SMITH J.M.M.K.	GDD 44B	12/10/43	Attached for training
WX10990	LIEUT	KOPKE A.F.	35 A.I.T.B	12/10/43	rejoined unit

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. / / 194.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Unit

43 / 27 (Serial No.)

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 16 / 10 / 1943 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
LT COL	NA112633	BRYEN	R.T.	C.O.	YES.		
LT(T) MAJ	NX124445	MURRAY	E.F.	2 1/2	YES		
	NX124434	STEVENSON	A.E.	OC HQ Bn	YES		
LIEUT	NX125134	MACAULEY	L.H.	Adj't	YES		
T. CAPT	NX124444	EVERITT	L.W.	Q.M.	YES		
	NA124443	HOUGH	J.W.	OC Coy	YES		
	NX124436	NEIL	W.D.	OC Coy	YES		
	NX124440	CLARK.	J.M.	OC Coy	YES		
	NX125726	SMITHSON	C.J.	2nd Coy	NO	School (MT)	27/9/43.
	NX125717	MASON	F.L.	OC 4th	YES		
	NA125723	SCOTT	M.M.	1.O.	YES		
	NX125724	CALLAN	E.J.	2nd Coy	NO	Attending LHA Legal Course	4/10/43
LIEUT	NX125736	BRAITHWAITE	S.J.	2nd Coy	NO	School (Barney)	14/10/43.
	NA116618	KILEY	J.A.	2nd Coy	YES		
	NX124438	MC CALLAN.	C.M.	5th Pl	NO	Jungle Warfare	17/8/43.
	NX124437	KING	B.W.	6th Pl	YES		
	NX127725	CURRIAN	O.A.	18th Pl	YES		
	NX125735	MC DONALD	K.J.	12th Pl	YES		
	NX124439	HARDY	M.G.	19th Pl	YES		
	NX125736	BENNETT	J.L.	16th Pl	NO	School (MT)	27/9/43.
	NX125738	DAY	J.F.	5th Pl	YES		
	NX116657	BROWNING	E.	5th Pl	YES		
	NX119436	CHRISTIE	A.W.G.	3rd Pl	YES		
	NX126640	EDSHILL	A.C.	17th Pl	NO	School (Barney)	14/10/43
	WX9107	HARRINGTON	O.K.	13th Pl	YES		
	WX26616	COLLINS	C.J.	Rain	NO	Jungle Warfare	17/8/43
	VX131567	SYMONS	W.J.	Rain	YES		
	NX119431	MELVILLE	J.R.W.	11th Pl	YES		
	VAB7936	WILSON	E.F.	Rain	NO	Jungle Warfare	27/9/43.
	NX125730	WILTSHIRE	D.H.	2nd Pl	NO	Jungle Warfare	22/9/43.
	NX125800	GUNNER	A.E.S.	10th Pl	YES		
	WX31273	HARVEY	J.J.	Rain	YES		
	NX12388	MURPHY	C.H.	2nd Pl	YES		
	NX117165	MC DONALD	W.C.	2nd Pl	NO	School (Barney)	14/10/43
	NX125714	FARRELL	R.H.	1st Pl	YES		
CAPT	WX36307	MC AULIFFE	J.R.	RMO	YES		
LIEUT	WX10990	KOPKE	A.F.	9th Pl	YES		

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
MR	B237	THOMPSON C		8/7/42	SAVIO.
CHAPLAIN	SA70814	HOLLY S.J.M.		26/9/43	PADRE
CAPT	NX137124	GRIFFEN, L.W.		26/9/43	5th Field Amb (Dentist)
LIEUT.	WX17663	SMITH J.M.A.K.			Attached for training

17 Oct 43
Date of Despatch

(Signature)
LTCOL
(R.T. BRYEN) Commandant
56 AUST INF BN (AIF)

56 Aust Inf Bn (A.I.F.) Unit

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PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 16/Oct/1943.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering	1	3	.	Operating Room Assts.	17	18	1	G.P.O. Assistants	85	88	9
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangetakers	2	2	
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters		5		Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths	1	2						Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers		1						Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	3	3	
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers	27	19	8	Tailors	2	2	
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters	6	6		Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				WO ^I	1		
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers	1	6		WO ^{II}	6	7	
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	12	12		C.Q.M.S	5	5	
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply				Sats	30	30	
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				CPLS	62	61	
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	10	9	1 NR	Coach Trimmers				Gen Duties	636	559	66
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				WO ^{II}	1	1	
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				Sgts	10	10	
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics	27	27		CPLS	10	10	
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant				PTCS	23	22	2 SEE BACK
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers	1	1					
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	1	3		CARRIED FORWARD	17	18	1	CARRIED FORWARD	85	88	9	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	876	800	77

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised trades or specialists not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.
(c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back.
(d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.R. in col. "Reints. Required."
(e) Where any request or notation is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

17 Oct '43
Date of Despatch
a.w. 6m bks 3/43

Lt. Col.
(B. T. Byron) Comd: 58 Bn.
Signature of Commander

Unit (R.I.C.)

Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 11/12/1943.
Part E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in

Group I	Group II	Group III
1	1	1
2	2	2
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100	100	100

DETAIL OF TRADESMEN AND SPECIALISTS.

Category	Count	Notes
Signalers T.O.11.	NIL.	
Intelligence T.O.11.	1 Pto T.O.11.	
TOTAL.	1	Being Trained.

DETAIL OF NON SPECIALISTS.

Category	Count	Notes
SGTS.	NIL.	
GRS.	1 N.R.	
FTS.	24 Gen. Duties.	
TOTAL.	25	9 JEL. to return from Resp. & List.

Trade	Present Strength	Reinforcements	Notes
Signalers	1		
Intelligence	1		
SGTS	1		
GRS	1		
FTS	24		
Carried Forward	25		

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(b) Authorized trades or specialties not included in list will be added as required in space provided.
(c) When A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are detailed show details on back.
(d) When replacements are detailed show accordingly on return by means of R.R. in col. "Trade".
(e) When any trade or specialty is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in the blank space on this page.

Signature of Commander: _____ Date of Report: _____

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
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/ / (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday / / 194 (Unit)

W.E. / / OFFRS. O.R's. + OFFRS. O.R's. ATT. BY W.E.

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10			
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.							
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.			
				* * Lieut.-Colonels Majors Captains Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.	A.A.M.C	1						
NIL	5	5	34			1	NIL	NIL	NIL			
		DETAIL	A.I.F. B	C.M.P.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.P.	**	TOTAL.
		A.	35									35
		E.(1)										
		E.(2)										

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in pars. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
* * Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
NY 124440	CAPT	CLARK J.M	To G.D.D.	19/11/43	FOR DISPOSAL.
NY 125723	CAPT	SCOTT M.M	To G.D.D.	19/11/43	FOR DISPOSAL.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. / / 194

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

Unit

/ (Serial No.)

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday/...../194. (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
LT. COL	WX112633	BRYEN	R.T.	L.S.	YES		
LT. MAJ.	WX114445	MURRAY	E.F.	L.I.C.	YES		
"	WX124434	STEVENSON	A.E.	DE.H.S.	YES		
LIEUT	WX125134	MACRILEY	L.H.	ADTT	YES		
TCAPT	WX124444	EVERITT	L.W.	R.M.	YES		
"	WX124443	HUGH	J.W.	DE.C.P.	YES		
"	WX124436	NEIL	W.D.	DC.A.C.	YES		
"	WX125752	SAMUELSON	C.J.	CC.4.P.	NO	SCHOOL (M.T.)	27/9/43
"	WX125717	MAISON	F.L.	CC.D.P.	YES		
"	WX125724	CALLAN	E.J.	R.	NO	L.H.G. Signal Centre	14/10/43
LIEUT	WX125736	BRAITHWAITE	S.H.	2404P	NO	SCHOOL HARVEY	14/10/43
"	WX125713	KILEY	J.A.	2404P	YES		
"	WX124438	MCLELLAN	C.M.	2404P	NO	J.W. SCHOOL	19/8/43
"	WX124437	KING	B.W.	6 PL	YES		
"	WX127725	CURRAN	O.A.	2404P	YES		
"	WX125735	MCDONALD	K.J.	13 PL	YES		
"	WX124439	HARDY	M.B.	19 PL	YES		
"	WX125732	BENNETT	J.L.	15 PL	YES		
"	WX125733	DAY	J.F.	5 PL	YES		
"	WX116837	BROWNING	E.	8 PL	YES		
"	WX114932	CHRISTIE	A.W.B.	3 PL	YES		
"	WX126640	EDGELL	A.C.	12 PL	NO	SCHOOL HARVEY	14/10/43
"	WX12707	HARRINGTON	O.K.	12 PL	YES		
"	WX126616	COLLINS	C.J.	REINET	NO	J.W. CENTRE	17/8/43
"	WX131327	SYMMONS	W.J.	11 PL	YES		
"	WX119431	MELVILLE	J.R.W.	10 PL	NO	J.W. CENTRE	21/10/43
"	WX127932	WILSON	E.F.	REINET	NO	J.W. CENTRE	27/9/43
"	WX125730	WILTSHIRE	D.H.	16 PL	NO	J.W. CENTRE	25/9/43
"	WX125800	BUNNER	A.E.S.	10 PL	YES		
"	WX12773	HARVEY	J.T.	13 PL	NO	LEAVE	17/10/43
"	WX125835	MURPHY	C.L.	2 PL	YES		
"	WX125714	FARRELL	R.H.	10 PL	YES		
"	WX117865	MCDONALD	W.P.	7 PL	NO	HARVEY SCHOOL	14/10/43
"	WX10990	KOPKE	A.E.	9 PL	YES		
CAPT	WX126307	MCLELLAN	J.R.	R.M.D.	YES		

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
MR.	R237	THOMPSON C		8/7/43	S.A.W.D
CHAPLAIN	WX120814	HOLLEY S.J.	5 BDC	26/9/43	PADRE
CAPT	WX137124	BRIEFIN L.W.	5 PL Amb	20/1/43	5 PL AMB (DENTAL)
LIEUT	WX12663	SMITH J.M.	NK. W. CENTRE	12/10/43	BLK WEARE CAP.

24 Oct '43.
Date of Despatch

[Signature]
Signature of Commander
(R.T. BRYEN) Comd. Lt Col

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday / / 194 .

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering	1	3		Operating Room Assists	17	19		G.P.O. Assistants	85	89	8
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangetakers	2	2	
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters		5		Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths	1	2						Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers		1						Radiographers				Stevadores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	3	3	
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers	27	19	8	Tailors	2	2	
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters	6	6		Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				W.O. 1	1		
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers	1	6		W.O. 6	6	7	
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	12	12		C.Q.M.S. 5	5		
Grinder, Precision				Hello Operator				Clerks, Supply				Sgts 30	30		
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				CPLS 12	12		
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	10	10		Coach Trimmers				Gen Duties 636	558	66	
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				W.O. 1	1		
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				Sgts 10	10		
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics	27	27		CPLS 10	10		
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tpin. Plant				Ptes 23	22	2	see back
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers	1	1					
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	1	3		CARRIED FORWARD	17	19		CARRIED FORWARD	85	89	8	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	876	801	76

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
 (b) Authorised trades or specialists not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.
 (c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back.
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24 Oct '43
Date of Despatch

[Signature]
Signature of Commander
(R. T. Bryen) Comd. 56 Bn.

Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 1941
PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in

Group A	Group B	Group C	Group D	Group E	Group F	Group G	Group H	Group I	Group J	Group K	Group L	Group M	Group N	Group O	Group P	Group Q	Group R	Group S	Group T	Group U	Group V	Group W	Group X	Group Y	Group Z

DETAIL OF TRANSMEN AND SPECIALISTS.

Remarks.	Deficient.	Surplus.
SIGNALLERS T.G.11.	8 ptes T.G.11	
TOTAL.	8 Ptes T.G.11	

DETAIL OF NON SPECIALISTS.

REMARKS.	SURPLUS	DEFICIENT.	RANK.
	NIL.	NIL.	SGTS.
	NIL.	NIL.	CPLS.
74 Gen Dutymen			PTES.
TOTAL.	NIL.	74	

Group A	Group B	Group C	Group D	Group E	Group F	Group G	Group H	Group I	Group J	Group K	Group L	Group M	Group N	Group O	Group P	Group Q	Group R	Group S	Group T	Group U	Group V	Group W	Group X	Group Y	Group Z

NOTE—(a) If any other than those specified in the list are required, they should be specified in the blank space on this page.
 (b) Where any reinforcement is required, the rank, the number, and the name of the reinforcement should be specified in the blank space on this page.
 (c) Where any reinforcement is required, the rank, the number, and the name of the reinforcement should be specified in the blank space on this page.
 (d) Where any reinforcement is required, the rank, the number, and the name of the reinforcement should be specified in the blank space on this page.

Signature of Commanding Officer _____
 Date of Dispatch _____

R E S T R I C T E D.

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ROUTINE OPERATIONS

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BY

LT. COL. R. T. BRYEN Comd.
Comd. 56 Aust Inf Bn (AMF)

535. OUT OF BOUNDS - BREAKWATER - FISHING AREAS: GERALDTON Breakwater is Out of Bounds to all personnel. GERALDTON Harbour and Bay SOUTH of PT MOORE Light House is out of bounds to all troops on the seaward side of Line PT MOORE Lighthouse - NORTH END OF BREAKWATER - mouth CHAPMAN RIVER and line PT MOORE Lighthouse - Pt. SEPARATION respectively.
Permits for fishing will be granted for row boats only. Permits are to be obtained from Mr Leggett, Customs Office. Power driven boats are NOT to be used by Army personnel without Bde Authority.
The Wharf GERALDTON is out of bounds at all times to all troops except those properly posted on duty or those in possession of proper national security permit.
The RAAF, RAN, Allied Services or other authorities are NOT to be approached by any Officer, NCO or soldier for any purpose, except through Bde HQ.
536. FOURTH LIBERTY WAR LOAN:
1. The 4th Liberty War Loan of \$125,000,000 is now open for subscription.
 2. Arrangements have been made for paymasters to accept applications for Commonwealth Govt. Inscribed Stock or Treasury Bonds from Members of the Forces serving in Australia or New Guinea, who may be desirous of investing their savings in the loan.
- PARTICULARS OF LOAN:
3. Loan applications may be made for an amount of £10, or higher amount being a multiple of £10.
 4. Stock will be inscribed at par for amounts of £100 or multiples of £10 above £100 as required.
 5. Treasury Bonds are payable to bearer and are issued at par for £10, £50, £100, £500, & £1000.
 6. Interest is payable at 2½% per annum if invested for 5 years and at 3½% per annum if invested for 15 years, and will be credited half yearly to the member's savings bank account or current account, if desired.
 7. Interest will be subject to Commonwealth Taxation, but will NOT be subject to any Income Tax under the Law of a State. During the period of uniform taxation, a rebate of 2/- in the £ on interest will be allowed to cover freedom from State Taxation.
 8. Any Bank nominated by the member will hold the Bonds in safe custody for the member if such is desired.
 9. Procedure for lodging applications. - Application forms will be available from paymasters or may be obtained through unit Pay Sgts and are required to be completed in duplicate. The applicant's signature will be witnessed by an Officer of the same unit.
 10. Sufficient credits must be available in the member's pay book to cover the amount it is desired to invest in the loan. The amount subscribed will be debited in the pay book.
 11. Paymasters may accept cash payments of a loan subscription in which case, the amount tendered, will be entered in the paybook, to establish the necessary credit and an official receipt issued and pasted in the pay book.
 12. The Commonwealth Bank will forward to members an interim receipt for the amount subscribed.
- GENERAL:
13. Both Treasury Bonds and Inscribed Stock are readily realisable and may be sold at any time. Any Bank will arrange this for the member if desired.
 14. Where practicable the substance of this order will be explained to personnel on parade.

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537. DRESS:- "When wearing summer dress with sleeves folded back, the position of the chevrons, will be $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches nearer to the top of the sleeve than with sleeves down."

538. TELEGRAMS:- Commencing 7 Oct 43, telegrams will be cleared from unit at the following times:-

1030 hrs, 1545 hrs; and also with outward mail each evening.

Postal Orderly will NOT collect telegrams.

Msgs may send them to postal tent, censored, franked and stamped at any time and they will be despatched by first available opportunity as above.

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(J.M. CLARK) Act/Majt.
56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

War Diary

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES
ROUTINE ORDERS

BY
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Comd. 56. Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

Serial No 103.
Nos 539 to
9 Oct 43.

539. SECURITY OF INFORMATION

Attention has previously been drawn to the danger of tps taking diaries and other personal documents into fwd areas.

That the Japs place great value on the acquisition of these articles is shown by the following extract from a recently captured enemy document :-

"There are articles on abandoned enemy dead and they are to be searched immediately after battle, and the things they possess, particularly documents, diaries and maps, which have a great value, collected.

"Although all units have already considered the collection of this profitable, in general, lower units have NOT yet given in their full consideration. Only abandoned weapons and provisions are being collected, and the collection of the most valuable int material is being sadly neglected, and thus, if the high-ranking offrs pay attention to this point, and if possible, it may be necessary to detail one section of a reserve unit to collect such material.

"Captured ord and material, except that having to be used immediately by front line units, must, according to regulations, be sent back, and although it may NOT be possible at the time, some measure for its preservation is to be planned, so that it may be put to immediate and complete use by the capturing unit in future.

The vital importance of collecting all diaries and other personal papers from all tps before going fwd is again stressed.

540. DRESS ON LEAVE

Attention is drawn to the provisions of ASO ch 8 para 3, regarding dress. Copies of this para will be prepared by all Coys and pasted on Notice Board.

Summer Dress

Hats will be turned up when worn with long trousers either day or night and will only be turned down when worn with shorts.

Anklets web will NOT be worn on leave.

Putties short must be worn with shorts, and NOT anklets web or gaiters.

If pullover is worn, belt MUST be outside the pullover.

Pullovers other than army issue will NOT be worn outside shirt at any time.

Puggarees

Regarding puggarees purchased from unit Canteen.

It is apparent that some personnel are washing their puggarees too frequently. Faded puggarees will NOT be permitted no matter what the cause of fading may be and must be replaced. If care is taken, cleaning should NOT be necessary for a considerable time, then dry cleaning is preferable.

Leave Travel.

All leave parades must be reminded after inspection that they must obey ALL instructions regarding dress and discipline while on leave. Alterations in dress after being inspected will be treated as very serious breaches of discipline.

When returning from leave ALL personnel MUST embus at the truck park. Drivers must NOT stop to pick up personnel in the streets or along the road. Any driver offending in this will be very severely dealt with and is liable to have his license cancelled.

Coy Comds will take special steps to ensure that this instruction is promulgated to ALL drivers.

541. AMENITIES - CONSERVATION OF RUBBER SPORTING GOODS.

Owing to the acute shortage of rubber, every effort will be made to recover all articles of which rubber is a constituent. Strict supervision must be exercised so that the maximum use of such equipment is obtained. Particular care must be accorded the storage of such materials to guard against deterioration. Football and other rubber bladders which may have become punctured, perished or faulty are to be returned to the Amenities Bulk Store, W Aust L of C Area, through Div Amenities officer.

Units are requested to forward as many golf balls as possible to the Amenities Bulk Store. Payment at the rate of 2/- per dozen will be credited to Unit Trust A/c's for any quantity of such golf balls suitable for reconditioning.

Units are requested to forward all used tennis balls to the Amenities Bulk Store.

542. OUT OF BOUNDS.

(Ref maps MUNDARRA, MANSON, GERALDTON, MUNDARRA 1st to 1 Mile)

WICKERINE DAM catchment area, bounded on North by main road GERALDTON - MALLEWA on West by grid 83, South 24, East grid 94, is out of bounds to all army personnel and vehicles other than working parties effecting repairs to Dam Road.

W. Clark
Capt.
(L. CLARK) Act/Adj. 56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

56 AUST INF BN (AIF)
 AUSTRALIA.
 15 Oct 43.

All COYS.

TRAINING - OFFICERS - EARLY MORNING PARADE.

1. Commencing on Monday 18 Oct, all offrs in Camp area below field rank will report to Southern end of football field daily at 0615 hrs.
2. Instruction to offrs for a period of 30 mins daily except Sundays, from 0615 hrs will be given by the instructors as set out below in the subjects as set out.
3. Coy Comds will be responsible that all offrs are in attendance at the time specified and will make arrangements for C.S.M's and N.C.O's to attend Adm Pdes and meal Pdes for breakfast.
4. First Instructor named as set out below will be responsible that necessary stores etc required for training are available on ground in time for pde.
5. Instructors will place instructions re dress, equipment etc on offrs mess notice board each evening prior to pde next day.

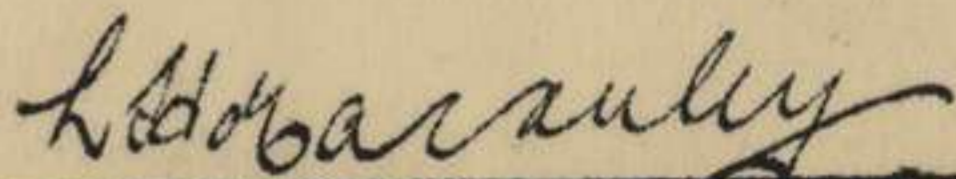
6. TRAINING - INSTRUCTORS ETC.

<u>DAY</u>	<u>TRAINING</u>	<u>INSTRUCTORS</u>
Monday	Physical Training	Lieut K.J.McDonald.
Tuesday	Weapon Trg (Rifle)	Lieut Curran & Murphy.
Wednesday	Weapon Trg (L.M.G.)	Lieut Murphy & Curran.
Thursday	Weapon Trg (Bayonet)	Lieut K.J.McDonald.
Friday	Weapon Trg (S.E.G.)	Lieut Melville & Kiley.
Saturday	Drill, With & Without Arms, incl Saluting.	Lieut L.H.Macauley.

L.H. Macauley Lieut.
 (L.H.MACAULEY) Adj. 56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

56 AUST INF BN (AIF) - SYLLABUS FOR TRAINING FOR MUSKETRY PRACTICE

DAY	0900-1000	1010-1110	1120-1220	1400-1500	1510-1610	1615-1655
1	FALL IN-DRESSING-ATTENTION - 5 at ease Fumbering & proving-Turning by numbers M.E.D. Oh 2 Sec 5,6,7 & 8.	MARCHING-HALT-MARK-TIME - CHANGE STEP-SIDE STEP - DOUBLE MARCH - M.E.D. Chap 2 Secs 11 & 15.	TURNING ON MARCH-ABOUT TURN ON MARCH-SALUTING - M.E.D. Chap 2 Secs 16,17.	FALL IN - with rifles at order - stand at ease - stand easy-Attention.	Slope from order - Order from slope - Present.	Fall in & dressing in three ranks & rifle exercises.
2	Rifle Mech & trigger pressure, Pam 3 Lesson 1.	Bren Mag Filling - Loading & unloading & Sight Setting - Pam 4 lesson 2 & 3.	Rifle cleaning materials & daily cleaning-before & after firing, Pam 3 Lesson 2 & 4.	Bren - Holding & Aiming - Pam 4 Lesson 3.	Rifle - Loading & Unloading - Pam 3 Lesson 3.	Squad Drill in three ranks and rifle exercises.
3	Fix & unfix bayonets, Pam 18 Lesson 3.	Rifle aiming instns. Accuracy of aim, Pam 3 Lesson 6.	Bren Firing - Pam 4 Lesson 4.	Rifle - Lying posns Pam 3 Lesson 13 & 14.	Bren - stripping & mech. Piston, Barrell & Butt gps, Pam 4 Lesson 5 & 6.	Rifle - Port & examine arms.
4	Rifle - Kneeling posns Pam 4 Less 15	Bren, Stripping & Mech. Body Gp & Tripod, Pam 4 Less 7.	Rifle, Standing & Sitting posns. Pam 3 Lesson 16.	Bayonet Training Pam 13 Lesson 1 & 2.	Rifle Snap Shooting and rapid fire.	Rifle exercises.
5	Bren - Elementary Handling, Pam 4 Lesson 9.	Rifle - Aiming off for wind, Pam 3 Less 9.	Elementary handling Owen Gun.	Bren - Elementary Handling, Pam 4 Less 12.	Rifle Holding & Trigger pressing.	Coy Drill. Pam 18.
6	Bren - Immediate action - Pam 4 Lesson 13.	Austen Gun Handling Loading & Unloading.	Range procedure & discipline.	Explanation & practice of TOET - Rifle.	Bren Stoppages Pam 4 Lesson 14.	Theory of Small Arms Fire.
7	T.O.E.T's AND SUCH REVISIONARY WORK AS MAY BE FOUND NECESSARY.					


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20 Oct 43.

543. DUTIES

The following roster for duty Coys and Orderly offrs will operate and will NOT be altered without reference to Adjt.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>COY</u>	<u>ORD</u>	<u>OFFR</u>
21 Oct 43	B	Lieut	KING B. W.
22 "	D	"	DAY J. F.
23 "	HQ	"	MELVILLE J. R. W.
24 "	B	"	CURRAN O. A.
25 "	D	"	McDONALD K. J.
26 "	HQ	"	CHRISTIE A. W. G.
27 "	B	"	FARRELL R. H.

544. OUT OF BOUNDS

(a) The Wentworth Hotel, William Street PERTH, is declared out of bounds to all soldiers in uniform from and including Thursday 30 Sep 43, until further notice.

545. CLASSIFICATION MARK ON VEHICLES

It has been noticed that many drivers are not aware of the meaning of the bridge classification marked on their vehicles nor do they know the minimum spacing when crossing bridges. Maximum speed when crossing bridges is 10 M.P.H. for all vehicles. Correct spacing is 80 ft from nose to tail of vehicles.

546. MOVEMENT PROCEDURE OF INDIVIDUALS

Special attention is drawn to GRO Q635/42 which is repeated hereunder :-

"Q635 MOVEMENT OF PERSONNEL ON DUTY

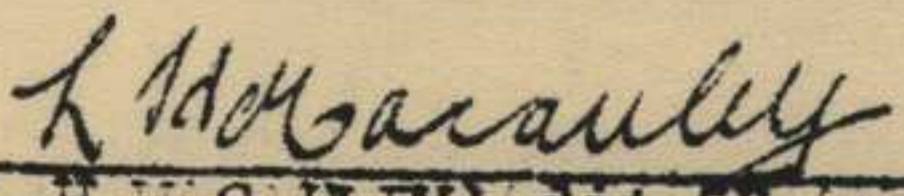
1. All movement of officers and other ranks (except by units, portion of units and large drafts for which Movement Control makes special arrangements and issue Movement Order) travelling on duty by rail, sea, air and co-ordinated road movement will be covered by a Movement Order issued by the Formation, unit or school despatching the personnel concerned.
2. The information etc, will issue a Movement Order (AA F A.19) to the individual or, in the case of a party to the senior officer or other rank who will be in charge of party. In accordance with information supplied by Movement Control, full instructions as to the method, dates, and times of travel and intermediate reporting centres en route will be embodied in the order.
3. Separate written instructions, as necessary, will be issued to the individual or to the officer or other rank, in charge of the party by the officer initiating the movement as regards details on duty to be carried out.
4. The formation etc will, wherever, practicable, forward advice of movement to destination in order that reception and accommodation may be arranged.
5. Any officer or other rank attempting to travel without proper authority or by means other than specified in the Movement Order will be refused travel and may have disciplinary action taken against him or her.
6. Standing orders for Movement within Australia and its Territories (1942) Section VII para 3 also refers to the above.
7. In many cases individuals are NOT being issued with AAF A.19 and even where this order has been issued the information which it should contain in regard to the method, dates and times of travel, meals when and where to report, etc, is either omitted or is inadequate.
8. All offrs will familiarise themselves with this instruction and ensure that the provisions of GRO Q635 and Standing Orders for Movement are carried out.

547. UNLAWFUL DISPOSAL OF EQUIPMENT

1. Attention has been directed to the unauthorised disposal of AMF equipment to members of the Allied Forces and civilians and the unauthorised receipt of Allied equipment by barter and otherwise by members of the AMF.
2. Members are forbidden to part with, dispose of, or exchange by barter or otherwise, any item of AMF equipment or to receive by barter or otherwise any item of Allied equipment without the consent of the Commanding Officers of their units. Such consent will only be given on the direction of superior authority or when the exigencies of the service render it necessary and reference to superior authority is impracticable.
3. Disciplinary action will be taken against members unlawfully disposing of AMF equipment or unlawfully in possession of Allied equipment, charges being laid under AA 17, AA 18 (4) or AA 40, whichever is appropriate.

548. AVIATION PETROL UNLEADED

No indents will be placed on RAAF or US Army Air Force for 73 octane aviation gasoline (containing no tetra-ethyl lead) unless specifically required for use in aircraft engines. Any such indents will be endorsed by the officer commanding the indenting unit "required for aircraft engines".


 (L.H. MCAULEY) Adj. 56 Aust Inf Bn.
 Lieut.
 (AIF)

NOTICES

TENT COMPETITION

1. Tent competitions are at present being conducted each competition being of 2 weeks duration.
2. Points are being allotted as under.

1 st 5 Points
 2 nd 3 Points
 3 rd 1 Point

3. Results to date are as under

<u>14 Oct 43</u>	
1 st Bn HQ	Tent No 10
2 nd A/A Pl	" " 39
3 rd Bn HQ	" " 9
<u>15 Oct 43</u>	
1 st A/A Pl	Tent No 37
2 nd H Pl	" " 42
3 rd Carrs	" " 46
<u>16 Oct 43.</u>	
1 st Bn HQ (Band)	Tent No Q 5.
2 nd A/A Pl & Ration Store	Tent No 38 & 62 (3 Points each)
3 rd HQ Coy Sgts.	
<u>17 Oct 43</u>	
1 st Bn HQ (Band)	Tent No Q 5.
2 nd A/A Pl	" " 39
3 rd D Coy Sgts	" " 129
<u>18 Oct 43.</u>	
1 st Bn HQ (Band)	Tent No Q 5
2 nd A/A Pl	" " 38
3 rd A/A Pl	" " 39
<u>19 Oct 43</u>	
1 st Bn HQ (Band)	Tent No Q 5.
2 nd Pnr Pl	" " 24
3 rd Ration Store Personnel	Tent No 62.

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SYLLABUS OF TRAINING - PERIOD 24/27 OCT 43

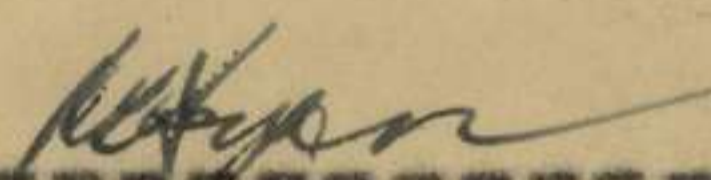
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COY	24 Oct 43	25 Oct 43	26 Oct 43	27 Oct 43
A Coy	Town Picquet	Changing Duties & establishing Camp	0830-1000 Fd.craft & Battle Drill F & BD Chap 2 Secs 16, 17,18 1000-1100 Semaphore 1100-1215 LMG Advanced Handling 1400-1500 P.T. 1600-1700 Blitz Course	REST DAY
B Coy	0830-0900 Inspection of rifles & equipment 0900-1000 Semaphore 1000-1100 SIG Austen 1100-1215 Blitz Course 1400-1500 P.T. 1500-1600 Messages & reports 1600-1700 Rifles strengthening exercises.	0830-0900 Inspection & rifle exercises 0900-1000 SIG Owen 1000-1100 2 nd Mortar Pam 8 Less 1 1100-1215 Blitz Course 1400-1500 P.T. 1500-1600 Semaphore 1600-1700 Rifle Strengthening exercises	REST DAY	0830-0900 Inspection of rifles 0900-1000 2 nd Mortar Pam 8 Less 2 1000-1100 LMG Advanced handling 1100-1215 Blitz Course 1400-1500 P.T. 1500-1600 Semaphore 1600-1700 Rifle Strengthening exercises.
C Coy	Establishing Camp after return from HINGHAM.	0830-1000 Fd.Craft & Battle Drill. Ref F and Chap 2 Secs 16,17 & 18. 1000-1100 Blitz Course 1100-1215 Semaphore Trg 1330-1500 LMG Adv Handling 1500-1600 P.T. 1600-1700 Map Reading	0830-1000 Fd.Craft & Battle Drill F & BD Chap 2 secs 19,20 1000-1100 Blitz Course 1100-1215 Map Reading & Compass 1330-1500 Semaphore 1500-1600 P.T. 1600-1700 Muscle strengthening exercises with rifle.	0830-1000 Fd.Craft & Battle Drill F & BD Chap 2 Secs 21,22 1000-1100 Blitz Course 1100-1215 Semaphore Trg 1330-1500 L.M.G. Adv Handling 1500-1600 P.T. 1600-1700 Muscle strengthening exercises with rifle

D Coy	0830-0900 Coy parade, inspection & rifle exercises. 0900-1000 Blitz Course 1000-1215 Fd. Craft & Battle Drill Secs 3 Paras 1 & 2 1330-1500 Gas Training, (Gas Trg 1942 Chap 2 Sec 6) 1500-1600 P.T. 1600-1700 2" mortar SAT Vol 1 Pam 8, Less 1	REST DAY	0830-0900 Coy Parades, inspection, rifle exercises 0900-1000 Blitz Course 1000-1200 Fd. Craft & Battle Drill Sec 3 para 304 1330-1500 Appln of Fire 1500-1600 P.T. 1600-1700 2" Mortar. Stripping & Cleaning, Pam 8 Less 2	0830-0900 Coy Parade, inspection & rifle exercises. 0900-1000 Blitz Course 1000-1200 Gas Trg. (1942 Chap 2 Sec 10 & 11) 1330-1500 Semaphore Trg 1500-1600 P.T. 1600-1700 2" Mortar- Loading, aiming & action on mix-fire (Pam 8 Less 3)
Bn HQ	<u>HQ COY & Bn H.Q.</u> 0830-0900 Inspection parade & rifle exercises. 0930-1215 Normal duties, Int Sec, Bn Oil staff & Band. 1330-1430 Blitz Course 1500-1600 P.T. 1600-1700 Normal Duties	REST DAY	As for 24 Oct 43	As for 24 Oct 43
No. 1 Pl (Sigs)	REST DAY	Maintenance of vehs & stores prep move to J.V. School Morse Operating 1600-1700 P.T. 1400-1500 Blitz Course 1930 Night March	Inspection; Morse; Fire discipline trg 1400-1500 Blitz Course 1600-1700 P.T.	Route March Maintenance of In Lines 1400-1500 Blitz Course 1600-1700 P.T.
No. 2 Pl. (A.A.)	REST DAY	Maintenance of stores & vehs prep move J.V. School 1400-1500 Blitz Course 1600-1700 P.T.	Inspection; Fire Discipline Trg; 1400-1500 Blitz Course 1600-1700 P.T.	Route March Elementary Gun Drill 1400-1500 Blitz Course 1600-1700 P.T.
No. 3 Pl (M)	REST DAY	Maintenance of Stores & Vehs prep move to J.V. School 1400-1500 Blitz Course 1600-1700 P.T.	Inspection Rifle exercises 1400-1500 Blitz Course 1600-1700 P.T.	Route March; Fire Control Pam 9 Less 44; 1400-1500 Blitz Course 1600-1700 P.T.

No. 4. Pl	REST DAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintenance stores & vehs prep - ove J.V. Schobl 1500-1600 Blitz Course 1600-1700 P.T. Night March 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inspection Semaphore Trg 1500-1600 Blitz Course 1600-1700 P.T. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Route March Gun Drill - Jan 7 part 2 (a) 1500-1600 Blitz Course 1600-1700 P.T.
No. 5 Pl	REST DAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintenance Stores & vehs prep move to JW School 1400-1500 Blitz Course 1600-1700 P.T. Night March 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inspection Gun Drill - Ord Handbook 1944 1400-1500 Blitz Course 1600-1700 P.T. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Route March Functions of a stuffing box Ord Handbook 1944 1400-1500 Blitz Course 1600-1700 P.T.
No. 6 Pl	REST DAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bn Duties 1500-1600 Blitz Course 1600-1700 P.T. Night March 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inspection 1500-1600 Blitz Course 1600-1700 P.T. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Route March Rifle Exercises 1500-1600 Blitz Course 1600-1700 P.T.
No. 7 Pl	REST DAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adm Duties 1500-1600 Blitz Course 1600-1700 P.T. Night March 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inspection Adm Duties 1500-1600 Blitz Course 1600-1700 P.T. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Route March Adm Duties 1500-1600 Blitz Course 1600-1700 P.T.

N.B. - ALL P.T. periods are conducted by 3 Aust Corps Mobile P.T. Unit.


 (R.T. BRYSON) Comd Lt Col
 56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES
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Ref Maps.

GERALDTON 1 In
COLLIE 1 In

1. 56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) will move on and proceed by rail to 3 Aust Corps J.W. School, WELLINGTON DAM for J.W. trg and thence to SWANBOURNE for Musketry trg.
2. The following tps will come under comd at J.W. School.
 - (a) One Pl (Maintenance Party) 44 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) for J.W. trg only.
 - (b) One Pl (Maintenance Party) 54 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) for J.W. trg and Musketry.
 - (c) One Pl 22 Aust Army Fd Coy (approx 60) for J.W. trg.
3. MOVEMENT AND LOADING OF TRAINS.

Movement of tps by rail and loading as per appx A.
Movement to GERALDTON Ry Stn as per appx B.
4. REAR PARTY. Accomodation and Duties, See appx (D).
STORES. NOT required to be taken and details as to dumping see appx C.
5. STORES AND EQUIPMENT TO BE TAKEN.
 - (i) Rifle Coys - W.E. incl all picks and shovels less W.E. arm.
 - (ii) HQ Coy
 - (a) Two 2 Pdr Tk.A Guns and Portees.
 - (b) Six M.M.G's complete.
 - (c) Five 3" Mortars.
 - (d) All L/T and W/T Sig equipment.
 - (e) Pioneer Tools.
 - (f) Boot Maker and Tailors equipment.
 - (g) Offrs and Sgts Mess gear.
 - (h) Marquee for Sgts Mess.
 - (i) Six tarpaulins - 6 Tent flys.
 - (j) 2 Fowler Stoves and trench fires.
 - (iii) Bn HQ.
 - (a) Bn Office, Records, Stationery, Tables and chairs.
 - (b) "I" Sec Office records.
 - (c) R.A.P. complete - all Stretchers.
 - (d) Band instruments and music (to be carried by bandsmen.)
 - (e) Sporting equipment.
 - (f) Amplifier.
 - (iv) General - All Coys.
 - (a) All Pyrotechnics.
 - (b) All tables and forms.
 - (c) All portable showers.
 - (d) All dishes and buckets.
 - (e) All lamps - to be packed so as to be readily accessible on arrival.
 - (f) Fire fighting equipment held by coys.
 - (v) M.T.
 - (a) 14 x 3 Ton
2 x Portees with Tk.A Guns
2 x Water Carts
3 x Wiles Cookers
7 x 15 Cwts
1 x Office Van
6 x IC solo
1 x Recce Car (moving by Rd)
 - (b) Distribution of Tpt
Each rifle coy - 1 x 3 Ton and 1 x 15 Cwt 4 x 4
Bn HQ - 1 Recce Car (by Rd)
1 x 3 Ton (R.A.P. Complete)
1 x 15 Cwt Vans
3 x MC solos.
1 x 1 Ton Office Van.

HQ Coy. 9 x 3 Ton
 1 x 15 Cwt 4 x 4
 1 x 15 Cwt (QM)
 2 x Water Carts
 2 x Portees
 3 x IC Solo
 3 x Wiles Cookers - 1 each A B AND D Coys.

(vi) Pamphlets

- (a) M.T.F. Pt XX Jungle Warfare and sufficient notes for Pl Conds.
- (b) Soldiering in Tropics (S.W.P.A.)
- (c) Jungle fighting
- (d) Friendly fruits and vegetables
- (e) S.A.T. Vol 1 Part 2 - Applic of fire
 - 3 Rifle
 - 5 Tk.A Rifle
 - 12 Bayonet
 - 13 Grenade

6. DRESS.

- (a) Marching Order (Respirator at alert and water bots filled)
- (b) Shirts Khaki, Trousers K.V.D. and hats Khaki fur.
- (c) Packs and haversacks packed in accordance with 5 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) Instn style B.
- (d) Steel helmets to be packed as last item in Kit Bag.

7. KIT BAGS AND BLANKETS.

All kit bags will be clearly marked with the mens number and name on the end.
 Blankets and palliases will be rolled in bundles of sections of 6 men by placing one palliasse on the bottom and alternatively laying 2 blankets and a palliasse on top. The whole bundle of 12 blankets and 6 palliasses to be rolled in a tight bundle, secured with rope or string at each end and a label showing the mens names in order of rolling attached to one rope.
 Kit bags and blankets will be packed in coy vehs prior to the veh leaving camp for entraining.

8. RATIONS.

Meals en route will be provided from Wiles cooker on train, CC trains will liase with R.T.O. en route for purpose of ascertaining times and places for meals to be partaken.

9. P.O.L.

All P.O.L other than required for use of rear party will be returned to A.S.C. on (T.O. to arrange)

10. CLEANLINESS OF CAMP

- (a) Coy areas will be thoroughly cleaned before moving out and Coy Conds will render a certificate to 2 I/C prior to moving to GERALDTON to the effect that the Coy Area has been inspected.
- (b) All thunderboxes, grease traps and incinerators will be thoroughly cleaned prior to vacating the area.
- (c) All salvage material will be deposited at Salvage dump prior to Coy moving out.

11. SECURITY.

- (a) Particular care will be paid to security instns in regard to documents, letters, envelopes etc being left in the area.
- (b) Tps are to be warned that sending letters or telegrams or making private phone calls en route is strictly forbidden.

12. TRAIN DISCIPLINE. All tps will be warned against:-

- (a) Boarding or leaving trains in motion.
- (b) Leaning out of windows and doors or protruding any portion of the body from the train as to be in danger of being struck by side or overhead structures.
- (c) Throwing anything out of the train
- (d) Interferring with or causing damage to Ry property (Windows, doors, brake gear and other fittings.)

- (e) Chalk marking of rolling stock.
- (f) Discharging fire arms.
- (g) Carrying or consuming liquor on trains.
- (h) No personnel will leave the train at any time or stopping place unless permitted by O.C. train.
- (i) At meal halts strict attention will be paid by all ranks to hygiene and all food waste will be disposed of as arranged by O.C. train.

troops will be warned against using train sanitary arrangements while trains are stationary.

- (j) An NCO will be detailed in charge of each compartment and will be responsible for discipline of members of that compartment and report any damage en route and the cause of same to Adjt at first stopping place.

(k) Loading of M.T.

All three ton vehs will have canopy frame lowered to at least the level of the drivers cabin. This will be done in Coy lines prior to moving from Camp.

- (l) Chimneys on Wiles Cookers will be lowered before loading.

(m) Picqueting of M.T. on Move.

Escort of one O/R will be detailed by coys to each veh to travel on the flat topped waggon in addition to the dvr of the veh.

O.C. train will be responsible to see that lashings on vehs will be frequently inspected en route.

Under NO CIRCUMSTANCES are vehs to be left unattended.

- (n) Entraining and Detraining reports will be submitted by O.C. train to Bn Hq.

13. POSTAL ADDRESS.

Normal unit address will be given without any reference to school address.

14. BUSH TIMBER AND FIREWOOD

Firewood and timber will NOT be taken from any site other than the location as laid down by the School Q.M.

15. MEDICAL.

R.M.O. will make available a first aid kit and orderly for each train.

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MOVEMENT TABLE

APPX A TO 56 AUST INF BN (AIF) ADM INSTN 1 OF 21 OCT 43.

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TRAIN	DEPART GERALDTON	ARRIVE TORSLEY	O.C. TRAIN & TRAIN ADJT.	TOTAL PERSONNEL	M.T. CARRIED	M.T. ESCORT	LOADING TO BE COMPLETED BY.	REMARKS.
A	0040- 29 Oct.	1500- 30 Oct	O.C. Maj A.E. Stevenson Adj. Lieut J.P. Day.	HQ Coy - 224 Bn HQ - 58 A B C & D each 100 - 40 1 NCO each Pl. <u>Total. - 322</u>	1 - Office Van 1 - 3 Ton Water Cart 1 - 15 Cwt Sig Van 2 - Portees 3 - 3 Ton Vehs Nos 41208 - 41236 59645. 1 Wiles Cooker - D Coy 2 - MC from Bn HQ.	Dvr of Vehs on train and two (2) Cooks from D Coy.	To commence at 1330 and be completed by 1800 hrs 28 Oct	Blankets and Kit bags to be loaded in louvre van - all stores in M.T. on train.
B	1930- 29 Oct	2245- 30 Oct	O.C. Capt Neil. Adj. Lieut Kiley.	A Coy - 83 B Coy - 86 C Coy - 97 D Coy - 50 HQ Coy - 3 Dvrs. BN HQ - 1 D.R. <u>TOTAL. - 320.</u>	1 - 3 Ton - 41093 for offrs, Sgts Mess & Canteen. 1 - 3 Ton - 41090 - A Coy 1 - 15 Cwt - 61247 - A Coy 1 - 3 Ton - 59613 - B Coy 1 - 3 Ton - 41223 - C Coy 1 - 3 Ton - 26236 - B & C Coy 1 - 3 Ton - 41282 - D Coy 1 - Wiles Cooker - B Coy 2 M.C. - 1 Bn HQ - 1 Carr Pl	Dvr of Vehs plus 2 Cooks from B Coy.	To commence at 0900 and be completed by 1200 hrs 29 Oct	Kit Bags and Blankets and stores to be loaded in Coy Vehs. A Coy cooking gear to be boxed and packed in brake van. D Coy to leave one offr with remainder of coy to travel on rear train C.
C	1000- 30 Oct	1345- 31 Oct	O.C. Maj Murray. Adj. Capt Everett.	HQ Coy - 23 Bn HQ - 10 D Coy - 14 3 Bde Sigs 37 3 Bde Offrs 2 44 Bn - 35 3 Pd Coy approx - 152 F.S.S. - 2 <u>TOTAL. - 275</u>	3 Ton R.A.P. 47091 3 Ton Ration 26566 3 - Ton QM 41233 3 - Ton QM 26237 3 - Ton QM 41222 15 - Cwt 4x4 QM 67497 15 - Cwt Van 23223 1 Wiles Cooker - A Coy 2 M.C. - Carr Pl.	Dvr of Vehs and 2 Cooks from A Coy.	To commence at 1300 hrs and completed by 1800 hrs.	Lieut Browning - Sgt Armour and 1 NCO and 6 ORs from D Coy to remain until Camp taken over by rear party & proceed by pack train on 2 Nov 43. Compartments on train C to be made available for packing of <u>Kit Bgs & Blankets.</u>

NOTE : O.C. Train to report to R.T.O. at
least 1 hr prior to time of departure to check train.

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Stores, equipment, M.T. etc NOT required to be taken to J.W. School, will be disposed of as follows:-

1. AMN. - W.E. will be returned through Q.M. to Amn dump immediately.

2. TENTS. - All tents less:-

- (a) Bn HQ (excl Band, RAP, sick lines, Padres, Offrs)
 - (b) 7 Pl HQ Coy (excl tents NOT in line along Q Store rd.)
- will be struck and rolled by the following times.

A Coy 1400-29 Oct B Coy 1400-29 Oct C Coy 1400-29 Oct
D Coy 1400-29 Oct HQ Coy 1500-28 Oct Bn HQ 1500-28 Oct

(ii) All struck tents will be stacked and labelled by Pl lots as follows:-

A Coy	stacked by	<u>1430-29 Oct</u>	in	Recreational Hut.
B Coy	"	<u>1430-29 Oct</u>	"	"
C Coy	"	<u>1430-29 Oct</u>	"	"
D Coy	"	<u>1430-29 Oct</u>	"	"
Bn HQ	"	<u>1530-28 Oct</u>	"	"
HQ Coy	"	<u>1530-28 Oct</u>	in	Sgts Mess.

3. Surplus stores from Coys (incl Rifles, blankets etc for A.R.L. personnel, Coys will stack surplus stores etc in same areas as for tents by the same times.

4. Camp Amenities, refrigerators, bush huts and engr stores will be left in situ.

5. STRAW - Will be dumped by coys under arrangements by Q.M at the following times:- *at Pt Car Park under supervision of Lieut Dunning*

A Coy 0615-29 Oct B Coy 0645-29 Oct C Coy 0715-29 Oct 43
D Coy 0745-29 Oct HQ Coy 1000-28 Oct Bn HQ 0900-28 Oct

6. HQ Coy surplus M.M.G's, Mortars, Pioneer stores etc will be stacked in 7 Pl tents by types by _____

7. SPORTING GEAR.

Coys will return sporting gear to Bn 2 i/c by _____
Particular attention will be paid to the collection of the volley ball, ropes and pullies etc used by coys.

8. OFFRS GEAR

Any surplus gear NOT needed to be taken will be stacked in Recreational Hut by the same time as Coy gear is disposed.

9. TPT.

Dvrs of all trucks, Carts, M.C whose vehs are NOT proceeding to J.W. School will pack all items of VCL in hessian or a bag, include a list of the contents inside and stack the package in one 7 Pl tent under T.O. arrangements - A receipt will be given for package from each veh and duplicate of receipt handed to offr I/C of rear Party Lieut Wilshire.

PARKING OF VEHS.

Vehs parks will be established as follows:-

HQ Coy wheeled vehs and M.C.	--	Tpt Car Park.
Carts M.M.G and Mortar	--	Bn Pde Ground.
Rifle Coy vehs	--	Rear of Recreation Hut east of Bn HQ.

Vehs will be parked under supervision of T.O. and a clear space of at least five yds will be allowed between vehs.

KEYS. All veh keys will have attached a label showing veh No, Coy and dvrs name and all keys will be collected by T.O. and handed to offr I/C of rear party.

NOTE. - Coys will complete a list of stores etc dumped in areas and hand list to C.C. rear party prior to moving out of camp.

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APPX D TO 56 AUST INF BN (AIF)
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1. Lieut Wiltshire, Sgt Hedditch and 24 O/Rs returning from J.W. School with 44 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) will constitute a rear and maintenance party for 56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

2. ACCOMMODATION

O.C. Rear party will arrange to accommodate the rear party in Bn HQ and 7 Pl area.

3. RATIONS.

O.C. Rear party will draw rations through BASCO 5 Aust Inf Bde (AIF). HQ Coy kitchen and mess huts will be used by rear party.

W.O.11 Caterer will arrange for Fowler Stove and utensils to be allotted to party.

4. DUTIES OF REAR PARTY.

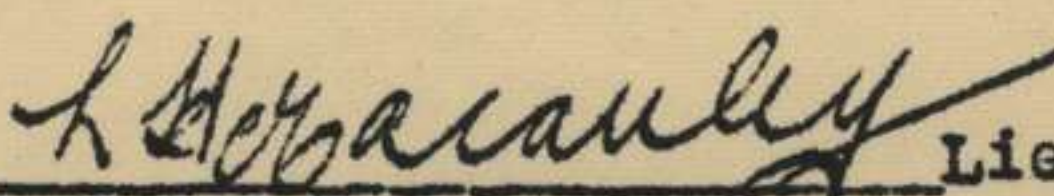
- (i) Maintain 24 hrs picquet on
 - (a) Recreation Hut and Bn HQ Area.) Moving
 - (b) 7 Pl Area, Sgts Mess and Bn Pde ground) Picquet.
 - (c) Arm Dump - Standing picquet.
- (ii) Maintain 24 hrs phone conn with Bde.
- (iii) Repair and paint all latrine boxes and urinals.
- (iv) Periodically each three days check and clean all weapons in Coy dumps incl M.M.G's and Mortars.
- (v) Check maintenance of cars, wheeled vehs and M.C's and pay particular attention to batteries.
- (vi) Periodically check and keep maintained all Camp amenities, such as Canteen, Mess Huts, Kitchens, Showers sites etc. Particular attention being paid to replacing brush that may have fallen out.
- (vii) Report immediately any losses of equipment etc to Bde HQ.
- (viii) In the event of it becoming apparent that the unit is to vacate the camp area, O.C. rear party will check all Coy areas and obliterate any signs of unit identity e.g. White Stone work constructed into names etc.
- (ix) O.C. will be prepared to hand over Camp and obtain receipts for cleanliness, engr stores etc should it become necessary.
- (x) If and when notified of the date of return of the unit, erect Coy tents as far as possible.

5. Attention of O.C. rear party is drawn to his powers of disciplinary measures as follows:-

The officer Commanding a detachment is a "Commanding Officer" and has all the powers of a C.O. in dealing with charges (AIR & O 389) except that if under field rank he cannot award more than 7 days detention without the sanction of superior authority; i.e. his C.O. (AIR & O 422).

Whether any body of troops is a detachment or not is a question of fact. Any body of troops forming part of a unit and separated from the Headquarters of the unit so that it is impracticable for the C.O. of the unit in the ordinary routine to deal with offences committed by members of that body, is a detachment."

This information is to be noted by all offrs, but particularly by offrs in Comd Rear parties.


Lieut.
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56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

3 AUST CORPS TRG CENTRE - JUNGLE WARFARE

Sheet 1

AY	SUB-UNIT	INSTRUCTOR	SUBJECTS	REMARKS
E	"A" Coy		(a) Snipers Range (rifles & SMGs) (b) Jungle Firing Range (Rifles & SMGs) (c) (1 hr) Lect. Tropical hygiene & treatment of Natives;- (1 PL) Practise knots and lashings.	1 Pl on each task - change over every 2 hrs - Coy Off. to deliver Lect. & supervise knots & lashings. 10 rds Amn per rifle or SMG.
	"B" Coy		(a) Short Jungle Trail (Rifles & SMGs). Plaiting of Reeds. (b) Tree climbing - Using ropes & irons. (c) Rope Climbing - All types.	1 Pl on each task - change over every 2 hrs - Unit Offrs to assist when required.
	"J" Coy		(a) Crossing Water Obstacles by Improv. Engineer Equip. (b) Improvised Rafts - Swimming, Bamboo Poles. (c) Demo. & Explan. of Jungle Soldiers Equip.	Instructor sub-divides party as necessary. Equipment supplied by Trg Centre HQ. Explanations by Instructor.
	"2"		(a) Compass March over Rough Dense Country. (Web Equip. - Rifles or SMGs)	Coys to be divided into nine groups. Each group to have its own compass - maps supplied.
	HQ Coy		(a) No. 1 & No. 2 Obstacle Courses. (b) Packhorses, Pack Saddlery Method of Loading. (c) (1 hr) Lect. - Antimalarial measures. (1 hr) Lect. - Soldiering in the Tropics.	1 Pl on each task. Change over every 2 hrs. R.M.O. to give Malaria Lecture.
J	"1" Coy		(a) Short Jungle Trail (Rifles & SMGs). Plaiting of reeds. (b) Tree climbing using Ropes & Irons. (c) Rope Climbing - All types.	1 Pl on each task - change over every 2 hrs. Unit Offrs to assist when required.
	"3" Coy		(a) Crossing Water Obstacles by Improv. Engineer Equip. (b) Improvised Rafts - Swimming. Bamboo Poles. (c) Demo. & Explan of Jungle Soldiers Equip.	Instructor sub-divides party as necessary. Equip. supplied by Trg Centre HQ. Explanations by Instructors.
	"C" Coy		(a) Compass march over rough dense country. (Web Equip. - Rifles or SMGs)	Coys to be divided into nine groups. Each group to have its own compass - Maps supplied.
	"7" Coy		(a) No. 1 & No. 2 Obstacle Courses. (b) Packhorses, Pack Saddlery Method of Loading. (c) (1 hr) Lect. - Antimalarial measures; (1 hr) Lect. - Soldiering in the Tropics.	1 Pl on each task - Change over every 2 hrs. - R.M.O. to give Malaria Lecture.

DAY TWO CONTINUED.

Sheet 2

HQ Coy	(a) Snipers Range. (Rifles & SMGs). (b) Jungle Firing Range (Rifles & SMGs). (c) (1 hr) Lect. - Tropical Hygiene & Treatment of Natives; 1 Pl practise Knots & Lashings.	1 Pl on each task - change over every 2 hrs - Coy Off. to deliver Lect. & supervise Knots & Lashings. 10 rds Amn per Rifle or SMG.
"A" Coy	(a) Crossing Water Obstacles by Improv. Engineer Equip. (b) Improvised Rafts - Swimming. Bamboo Poles. (c) Demo. & Explan. of Jungle Soldiers Equipment.	Instructor sub-divides party as necessary. Equip. supplied by Trg Centre HQ. Explanations by Instructors.
"B" Coy	(a) Compass march over rough dense country. (Web Equip - Rifles or SMGs)	Coys to be divided into nine groups. Each group to have its own compass. Maps supplied.
"C" Coy	(a) No. 1 & No. 2 Obstacle Courses. (b) Packhorses. Pack Saddlery. Method of Loading. (c) (1 hr) Lect. - Antimalarial measures; (1 hr) Lect. - Soldiering in the Tropics.	1 Pl on each task - change over every 2 hrs. - R.M.O. to give Malaria Lecture.
"D" Coy	(a) Snipers Range. (Rifles & SMGs). (b) Jungle Firing Range (Rifles & SMGs). (c) (1 hr) Lect. - Tropical Hygiene & Treatment of Natives; 1 Pl practise Knots & lashings.	1 Pl on each task - change over every 2 hrs - Coy Off. to deliver Lect. & supervise Knots and Lashings. 10 rds Amn per Rifle or SMG.
HQ Coy	(a) Short Jungle Trail (Rifles & SMGs). Plaiting of Reeds. (b) Tree Climbing - Using ropes and irons. (c) Rope Climbing - All types.	1 Pl on each task - change over every 2 hrs. Unit Offrs to assist when required!
"A" Coy	(a) Compass March over rough dense country. (Web Equip - Rifles or SMGs)	Coys to be divided into nine groups. Each group to have its own compass. Maps supplied.
"B" Coy	(a) No. 1 & No. 2 obstacle courses. (b) Packhorses. Pack Saddlery. Method of Loading. (c) (1 hr) Lect - Antimalarial measures. (1 hr) Lect - Soldiering in the Tropics.	1 Pl on each task - change over every 2 hrs. R.M.O. to give Malaria Lecture.
"C" Coy	(a) Snipers Range (Rifles & SMGs). (b) Jungle Firing Range (Rifles & SMGs). (c) (1 hr) Lect - Tropical Hygiene & Treatment of Natives; 1 Pl practise Knots & Lashings.	1 Pl on each task - change over every 2 hrs. Coy Off to deliver Lect & supervise Knots and Lashings. 10 rds per rifle or SMG.
"D" Coy	(a) Short Jungle Trail (Rifles & SMGs). Plaiting of Reeds. (b) Tree climbing - using ropes & irons. (c) Rope climbing - All types.	1 Pl on each task - change over every 2 hrs. Unit Offrs to assist when required

DAY FOUR CONTINUED

Sheet 3

HQ Coy	(a) Crossing Water Obstacles by Improv Engineer Equip. (b) Improvised rafts. Swimming. Bamboo Poles. (c) Demo & Explan of Jungle Soldiers Equipment.	Instructor sub-divides party as necessary. Equip supplied by Trg Centre HQ. Explanation by Instructors.
"A" Coy	(a) No. 1 & No. 2 Obstacle Courses. (b) Packhorses. Pack Saddlery. Method of Loading. (c) (1 hr) Lect - Antimalarial measures. (1 hr) Lect - Soldiering in the Tropics.	1 Pl on each task - change over every 2 hrs.. R.M.O. to give Malaria Lecture.
"B" Coy	(a) Snipers Range (Rifles & SMGs). (b) Jungle Firing Range (Rifle & SMGs). (c) (1 hr) Lect - Tropical Hygiene & Treatment of Natives; (1 Pl) Practise Knots & Lashings.	1 Pl on each task - change over every 2 hrs.. Coy Off to deliver lect & supervise Knots & Lashings. 10 rds Amn per rifle or SMG.
"C" Coy	(a) Short Jungle Trail (Rifles & SMGs). Plaiting of reeds. (b) Tree Climbing - Using ropes & irons. (c) Rope Climbing - All types.	1 Pl on each task - change over every 2 hrs.. Unit Offrs to assist when required.
"D" Coy	(a) Crossing Water Obstacles by Improv Engineer Equip. (b) Improvised rafts. Swimming. Bamboo Poles. (c) Demo & Explan of Jungle Soldiers Equipment.	Instructor sub-divides party as necessary. Equip supplied by Trg Centre HQ. Explanations by Instructors.
HQ Coy	(a) Compass March over rough dense country. (Web Equip - Rifles or SMGs)	Coys to be divided into nine groups. Each group to have its own compass. Maps supplied.

SUB-UNIT	INSTRUCTOR	AREA	SUBJECTS	REMARKS
"A" Coy			(a) Short Jungle Trail (All personnel on LMG - 6 guns required). (b) Jungle Range (All personnel on LMG-3 guns required). (c) Demo & Explan - Booby trap area.	1 Pl on each task - change over every 2 hrs. 10 rds per man from Unit Trg Pool.
"E" Coy			(a) Sec Exercises - Adv when contact is imminent. (b) Sec in the attack - Jungle. (c) Sec mapping up tasks - Jungle.	Coy Comds to arrange own exercises.
"C" Coy			(a) Trail Cutting Practice. (b) Jungle Fighting patrol exercise. (c) Exercise - Passing of verbal messages.	Coy Comds to arrange exercises.
"D" Coy			Sec Exercises:- (a) Sec in defence. (b) Sec as an ambush party. (c) Action of Sec when ambushed.	Coy Comds to arrange own exercises.

SUB-UNIT INSTRUCTOR AREA
 "A" Coy

SUBJECTS

REMARKS

"B" Coy
 "C" Coy
 "D" Coy

Sec Exercises:-- (a) Adv when contact is imminent.
 (b) Sec in the attack - Jungle.
 (c) Sec mopping up tasks - Jungle.
 (a) Trail cutting practice.
 (b) Jungle fighting patrol exercise.
 (c) Exercise passing of verbal messages.
 Sec exercises. (a) Sec in defence.
 (b) Sec as an ambush party.
 (c) Action of Sec when ambushed.

Coy Comds to arrange own exercises.
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"A" Coy
 "B" Coy
 "C" Coy

(a) Short Jungle Trail (All personnel on LMG. 6 guns required).
 (b) Jungle Range (All personnel on LMG. 3 guns required).
 (c) Demo & Explan - Booby Trap Area.
 (a) Trail Cutting Practice.
 (b) Jungle Fighting Patrol Exercise.
 (c) Exercise - Passing of Verbal Messages.
 Sec Exercises. (a) Sec in defence.
 (b) Sec as an ambush party.
 (c) Action of Sec when ambushed.

1 Pl on each task - change over every 2 hrs. 10 rds per man from Unit Trg Pool.
 Coy Comds to arrange exercises.
 Coy Comds to arrange own exercises.

"D" Coy
 "A" Coy
 "B" Coy

(a) Short Jungle Trail (All personnel on LMG. 6 guns required).
 (b) Jungle Range (All personnel on LMG. 3 guns required).
 (c) Demo & Explan - Booby Trap Area.
 Sec Exercises. (a) Adv when contact is imminent.
 (b) Sec in the attack. Jungle.
 (c) Sep mopping up tasks. Jungle.
 Sec Exercises (a) Sec in defence.
 (b) Sec as an ambush party.
 (c) Action of sec when ambushed.

1 Pl on each task - change over every 2 hrs. 10 rds per man from Unit Trg Pool.
 Coy Comds to arrange own exercises.
 Coy Comds to arrange own exercises.
 1 Pl on each task - change over every 2 hrs. 10 rds per man from Unit Trg Pool.

"C" Coy

(a) Short Jungle Trail (All personnel on LMG. 6 guns required).
 (b) Jungle Range (All personnel on LMG. 3 guns required).
 (c) Demo & Explan - Booby Trap Area.
 Sec Exercises. (a) Adv when contact is imminent.
 (b) Sec in the attack. Jungle.
 (c) Sec mopping up tasks. Jungle.

Coy Comds to arrange own exercises.

DAY	SUB-UNIT	INSTRUCTOR	AREA	SUBJECTS	REMARKS
	"D" Coy			(a) Trail Cutting Practice. (b) Jungle Fighting Patrol Exercise. (c) Exercise - Passing of Verbal Messages.	Coy Comds to arrange exercise.
TEN	"A" Coy			(a) Pl Exercises. Pl in Adv & contact. Jungle Trails. (b) Pl in defence & Fwd defensive roles. (c) Pl as a raiding party.	Coy Comds to arrange these exercises-Suggested midday meal in the field. Working period 0800-1600.
	"B" Coy			Coy Exercise. To include small ambush, avoidance of contact with Coy working in opposite direction, perimeter defence and local protection.	Coy Comds to arrange the exercises. Suggested midday meal in the field. Working period 0800-1600.
	"C" Coy				
	"D" Coy				
ELEVEN	"A" Coy			Coy Exercise.-To include small ambush, avoidance of contact with Coy working in opposite direction, perimeter defence and local protection.	Coy Comds to arrange the exercises - Suggested midday meal in the field. Working period 0800-1600.
	"B" Coy				
	"C" Coy			Pl Exercises.-(a)Pl in adv & contact. Jungle trails. (b)Pl in defence & fwd defensive roles. (c)Pl as a raiding party.	Coy Comds to arrange these exercises-Suggested midday meal in the field. Working Period 0800-1600
	"D" Coy				
TWELVE	COMPLETE BN			Bn Exercise.- Pack horses may be utilised over certain portions of the trail. Percentage of W.E. of MMGs, MORTARS, etc. to be manhandled. Midday meal in the field.	C.O. to prepare and control exercise. Brief outline of requirements will be given by Trg Centre. Bn to supply enemy force. Trg Centre HQ control enemy.

<p>Tk/A PL</p>	<p>0800-0900. Lecture Jap A.F. Vs. 0900-1430. Specialist Trg as arranged by Pl Comd.</p>	<p>0800-1430. Specialist Trg as arranged by Pl Comd.</p>	<p>0800-1000. No. 1 & 2 obstacle courses (rifle & equipment). 1000-1200. Sec as an ambush party. 1200-1430. Action of sec when ambushed.</p>	<p>0800-1430. Exercise manhandling of guns & amm over difficult country and occupying tactical dispositions (use of drag ropes ("C" track area)).</p>	<p>0800-1100. Employment of Tk/A guns in perimeter defences. 1130-1230. Demo area booby traps. 1230-1430. Manhandling amm, etc over short trail.</p>	<p>0800-0900. Floating of Tk/A gun on tarpaulin. 0900-1430. Exercise. Tank hunting & tank traps.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Bn Exer- cise</p>
<p>PL</p>	<p>0800-0900. Horse management of pack animals (with Sigs). 0930-1400 (a) Fighting patrols. (b) Pl raiding parties <u>V</u> Sigs.</p>	<p>0800-1000. Sec as an ambush party. 1000-1200. Action of Sec when ambushed. 1200-1430. No. 1 & 2 obstacle courses. (Rifles & equip)</p>	<p>0800-1430. Specialist Trg as arranged by Pl Comd.</p>	<p>0800-1200. Practical use of aircraft identification signs & "T" panel signalling. 1200-1430. Exercise defence of existing Bn HQ area.</p>	<p>0800-1030. Preparing & concealing A/A gun positions. 1030-1230. Carrying normal weapons & amm over short trail. 1230-1330 Rope climbing. 1330-1430. Demo Booby Traps.</p>	<p>0800-1430. Compass march (No. 1) carrying weapons, amm & apparatus.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Bn Exer- cise</p>
<p>CASUAL GROUP</p>	<p><u>UNDER SUPERVISION of an OFFICER.</u></p>	<p>Work to be arranged daily after Co-ordination with School HQ to ensure that areas required are available.</p>				

SYLLABUS OF TRAINING:- H.Q. COY.
DAYS 6 to 12

Unit.	DAY 6	DAY 7	DAY 8	DAY 9	DAY 10	DAY 11
SIG. PLATOON	0800-0900 Horse Manag. - Loading of Tech stores on pack animals 0930 -1400 (i) Sec as an ambush Party (ii) Action of Section when Ambushed	0800 - 1000 Trail Cutting & Verbal Messages. 1000 - 1400 (i) fighting patrols (ii) Pl. Raiding Parties V Carrier & Mortar Pl.	0800-1230. Improvisation of slings etc. for carrying Sig gear. Manhandling of stores over "C" track. 1230-1430. Laying a cable line over obstacle course.	0800-1430. Laying & Maintenance of Communications over difficult country including crossing by improvised means, a water obstacle. No 3 Trg. Area.	0800-1430 Compass March No. I. carrying all normal Sig Equipment.	0800-0900 Demo Booby trap Area 0900-1230. Estab Bn. Sig. Centre in Jungle country. 1230-1430. Laying cable in Co-op with MMG'S and Mortars, over short trail.
MORTAR PLATOON	0800-1000 Trail cutting & verbal messages. 1000-1200 Sec as ambush party. 1200-1430 Action of Sec. when ambushed.	0800-0900. Horse management. loading of tech stores on pack animals. 0930-1400. (i) Fighting patrol (ii) Pl. Raiding Parties. V Carrier Pl. & A/A	0800-1430 Compass-March (No. I) Carrying 50% of W. E. weapons & apparatus.	0800-1200. Transportation of weapons & Equipment across water obstacles. (Water Crossing Area) 1200-1430. Concealment & camouflage of Mortar Pos'ns.	0800-0900 Lecture - Employment of mortars in Jungle Warfare. 0900-1100, Occupation & use of O.P's in trees (climbing irons) 1100-1430. Transportation of weapons, equip & personnel over vertical rock faces	0800-1000 No. I & 2 Obstacle Course. Rifles & Equipment. 1000-1100, Demo Area Booby Trap 1100-1200 Practise fire control problems 1230-1430 Manhandling equip. over short trail in co-op. with MMGs & Sigs.
CARRIER PLATOON	0800-1000 Trail Cutting & Verbal messages. 1000-1200 Sec as ambush pty. 1200-1430 Action of Sec. when ambushed.	0800-0930. Improvisation & normal methods for manhandling stores. 0930-1400. (a) Fighting Patrols (b) Pl raiding parties V Mortar Pl. & A/A	0800-0930. Horse management loading of tech. stores on pack animals. 0930-1100. Lecture Uses & employment of MMGs in Jungle Warfare. 1100-1430 Transportation of weapons & equip over vertical rock faces	0800-1430. Compass March (No. I.) Carrying 50% of W. E. weapons and apparatus.	0800-0900 Demo Area Booby traps 0900-1300 Transportation of weapons & equip over water Obs. (Water Crossing Area) 1300-1430. Concealment & Camouflage of gun positions.	0800-1230. Occupation of Sec'ns, siting of guns in jungle conditions. 1230-1430. Manhandling of over short trail in Co-Op Mort & Sigs.

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56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) ADM. INSTR No. 1

1 Oct 43.

DUTIES - GERALDTON AREA.

1. 56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) will take over duties within GERALDTON area from 54 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) on 4 Oct 43 at -
2. TIMES. Guard - HQ 2 Aust Div (AIF) - at 1600 hrs
ALL other duties - by 1500 hrs.
3. DRESS. Summer Dress
 - (a) Guards -
Shirts khaki and trousers KWD with helmets steel, anklets web.
Drill Order.
Arms - Offrs - pistols - ball am. C/R's - rifles and bayonets fixed - ball am.
 - (b) Picquets -
Shirts khaki and trousers KWD with helmets steel, belts web anklets web.
Arms - Offrs - pistols - ball am. C/R's side arms only.
 - (c) Bugler - Shirt khaki and trousers KWD, belt web, anklets web, hat fur felt turned up.
 - (d) Fatigues - GERALDTON.
Working dress, hats fur felt turned up, belts web, anklets web
 - (e) Fatigues - other than (d)
Working dress, hat fur felt turned down.
 - (f) O.W.P. -
Working dress, battle order, less respirator, ball am.
4. ARM. W.B. will be carried by all detached parties.
5. RATIONS - WATER - See Appx A.
6. QUARTERS -
detached parties will take own tentage.
7. DUTIES -
See Appx A
Coys will take over duties as follows:-
Serial 1 - 8 incl. - H.Q. will be prepared to man at short notice if required.

" 9	-	C.O. Town Picquet
" 10	-	Sgt McKenzie & "B" Coy personnel.
" 11	-	Sgt Liebeck & "B" Coy personnel.
" 12	-	"B" Coy
" 13	-	HQ Coy
" 14 - 17 incl	-	"A" Coy
" 18 - 22 incl	-	"A" Coy assisted by HQ Coy
" 23	-	Band
" 24 - 25	-	HQ Coy
8. TRANSPORT:-
Coys will use own transport and requisition on T.O. for any extra requirements by 1800 hrs 3 Oct 43.
56 Bn vehicles will transport 54 Bn personnel and equipment to own lines after reliefs.

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9. DETAILS OF DUTIES -

Copies of detailed instructions for Comd of respective duties, as applicable, are attached and **MUST** be carefully studied and fully complied with by all concerned.

10. ACK.

Signed at hrs

Issued by D/R

J.M. Clark Capt.

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56 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

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MAP GERALDTON 1 : 253440

(Duties - Duty Unit)

SERIAL NO	DUTY	LOCATION OF DUTY	STRENGTH	WATER AND RATIONS SUPPLIED BY	REMARKS
1.	No. 1 CWP	2317493	1 NCO 8 Ptes 2 Sigs	Own Unit	NOT manned. Be prepared to man at short notice.
2.	No. 2 CWP	24274660	1 NCO 8 Ptes 2 Sigs	" "	" " "
3.	No. 3 CWP	Smugglers Cove 25124446	1 NCO 8 Ptes 2 Sigs	" "	" " "
4.	No. 4 CWP	Chapman R. 25234391	1 NCO 8 Ptes 2 Sigs	" "	" " "
5.	No. 4A CWP	Lighthouse 24804317	1 Offr 1 NCO 8 Ptes 1 Dr 1 DR 2 Sigs	" "	" " "
6.	No. 5 CWP	25334258	1 NCO 8 ORS 2 Sigs	" "	" " "
7.	No. 6 CWP.	Feature 227 25974140	1 NCO 8 Ptes 2 Sigs	" "	" " "

SERIAL NO	DUTY	LOCATION OF DUTY	STRENGTH	WATER AND RATIONS SUPPLIED BY	REMARKS.
8	No. 7 C.F.	High Ground 26914043	1 NCO 8 Ptes 2 Sigs	Own Unit	NOT manned. Be prepared to man at short notice.
9	Field Offr.	GERALDTON Area	1 Offr (Maj. or Capt.)	" "	Quartered with own Unit.
10	GUARD	HQ 2 AUST DIV (AIF)	1 Sgt 3 Cpls 1 Cook 10 Ptes.	HQ 2 Div	N.B. Take four Bren Guns for instructional purposes.
11	GUARD	Rear HQ - 2 Aust Div (AIF)	1 Sgt 2 Cpls 11 Ptes	HQ 2 Div	
12	GUARD	HQ 5 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)	1 Sgt 2 Cpls 12 Ptes	HQ 5 Bde.	
13	GUARD	D.I.D. Northern Gully 28354410	1 NCO 4 Ptes	D.I.D.	Cooking Utensils Required.
14	GUARD	A.V.A. Wireless Sta Francis St.	1 NCO 5 Ptes	Town Picquet	
15	TOWN PICQUET	GERALDTON	1 Capt. 2 Lieuts 7 NCOs 2 Cooks 30 Ptes	Own Unit.	NOTE: Town Picquet will camp in MAITLAND PARK immediately SE of Cathedral.

SERIAL NO.	DUTY	LOCATION OF DUTY	STRENGTH	WATER AND RATIONS SUPPLIED BY	REMARKS
16.	POST OFFICE PICQUET	GERALDTON Post Office	1 NCO 6 Ptes	Town Picquet	Supplied by Town Picquet quartered at Rear of Post Office.
17.	HYGIENE DUTIES	GERALDTON	Hyg Sgt 2 Ptes	Town Picquet	Sgt quartered with own unit. Ptes quartered with Town Picquet.
18.	FATIGUE	BULK CANTEEN	4 Ptes 1 Dr.	Canteen	Quartered with Canteen. Require one 3 ton truck
19.	FATIGUE	Birdwood House GERALDTON	1 Cpl 6 Ptes	Town Picquet except Midday meal provided by Birdwood House	Report Caretaker 0900 hrs every Morning. To be supplied by Town Picquet.
20.	FATIGUE	A.C.F.	1 Pta	Town Picquet	Quartered with and supplied by Town Picquet.
21.	COOK	ALL SERVICES CANTEEN	1 Pastry Cook	Town Picquet	Quartered with Town Picquet.
22.	R.T.O.	GERALDTON Ry Sta	1 NCO 4 Ptes	Town Picquet (Cut lunches Required)	Report to R.T.O. 1000 hrs each Thursday. To be supplied by Town Picquet.

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SERIAL NO.	DUTY	LOCATION OF DUTY	STRENGTH	WATER AND RATIONS SUPPLIED BY	REMARKS
23.	DUTY BUGLER	HQ 2 Aust Div (AIF)	1 Bugler	HQ 2 Div	
24.	INSTRUCTORS	Rest Station Nowmarracarra	1 Offr 1 Sgt	Rest Station	N.B. Tommy, Austen and Owen Guns to be taken for instruction.
25.	WOODCUTTERS	281449	1 Cpl 13 Ftes (includes 2 cooks, 1 Dr, 10 Ptes).	2 Div	Required to take 4 Tents and Camp eqpt for 40 men. (buckets, basins etc.)

NOTE:- Road Parties and other additional duties will be as notified by these HQ.

MOVEMENT C & D COYS - GERALDTON TO MINGENEW
&
TRANSFER OF VEHICLES.

1. C & D Coys will move to MINGENEW in two convoys on the morning of 2 Oct 43 & resume duties after taking over from 54 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
2. First convoy will consist of vehs of both Coys brought from MINGENEW less FOUR International trucks each Coy.
First convoy will carry all Coys personnel less 32 each C & D Coys and the convoy will be Under comd of Capt Hough.
Start Time - leave Camp at 0515 hrs 2 Oct 43.
Route - Via NARNGULU, 54 Bn rd to BLACK TANK and thence by main DONGARRA Rd.
3. Second convoy will consist of 26 International trucks. (incl 4 each from O & D Coys) 1.30cwt water cart and 4 M.O. loaded on trucks.
Second Convoy will carry 30 personnel each from O & D Coys.
Pte Elrington of HQ Coy and sufficient P.O.L. for return journey.
W.O.ii Smellie, Cpls Stenner, Oorznak, Milner, Rudd, Doyle & Pte Casey
Cpl Cormack will ride in last vehicle and act as L.A.D.
Pte Casey will remain at MINGENEW and supervise maintenance of vehicles to be transferred to O & D Coys.
O.O. Second Convoy - W.O.ii Smellie.
Start Time - Leave Camp 0545 hrs 2 Oct 43
S.P. - GERALDTON Rd June ref 252432
Time past S.P. - 0630 hrs 2 Oct 43
Speed - 40 M.I.2.H.
V.T.M. - 10
Arrive V.R.P. - 1015 hrs
4. RETURN TO GERALDTON OF CONVOY - Second convoy will transfer all vehs at V.R.P. and return with 18 OVT 15 owt vans - 1 30 owt water cart and 8 M.O's loaded on vehs.
O.O. Convoy - W.O.ii Smellie
S.P. - MINGENEW RLY CROSSING
TIME PAST S.P. - 1400 hrs 2 Oct 43
Speed - 40 M.I.2 H
V.T.M. - 10
ROUTE - DONGARRA rd to BLACK TANK thence via 54 Aust Inf Bn to Camp.
5. RETURN OF 54 AUST INF BN PERSONNEL. -
Returning convoy will pick up 54 Bn personnel at 1330 hrs at V.R.P. and return them to their unit lines.
O.O. convoy will detail one truck to proceed via GERALDTON and notify Pte T.O.P. of movement of remainder of convoy.
6. HALTS:- ALL convoys will halt at the following times:-
(a) Fwd journey - 0740 - 0800 hrs
(b) Return journey - 1540 - 1600 hrs
7. Cpl Stenner will arrange to leave 4 OVT 15 owt vehs each to O & D Coys from those received on transfer.
8. ATTN:-
(a) All International trucks, 30 owt water cart and vehs of O & D Coys will be marshalled in old tpt lines during the afternoon of 1 Oct 43.
M.O. will be loaded on vehs.
(b) All C & D Coy personnel will move to old lines during evening of 1 Oct 43 and sleep on or adjacent to the trucks they are to travel on.
(c) REVEILLE - 2 Oct 43 will be at 0430 hrs.
(d) W.C. Caterer will arrange for breakfast for personnel of both convoys to be had in HQ Coy Mess Hut at 0445 hrs; to incl drivers and M.T. personnel.
(e) W.C. Caterer will arrange for a cut meal to be carried by both convoys.
(f) ALL troops will leave camp with water bottles filled.
(g) Both convoys will halt from 0740 hrs to 0800 hrs for breakfast.
(h) Capt Hough will arrange for mid-day meal for drivers and M.T. personnel at MINGENEW.

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(i) Cpl Stenox will check G2's during afternoon of 1 Oct 43 and prepare copies of G2's to be handed over with vehicles.

Cpl Stenox will carry spare G2's and arrange for removal of unit signs (Pen 93) from vehs prior to transfer.

W.O.ii Smellie will take G52's, G4033's and G4's for vehicles.

(j) Goys will keep evening meal for personnel returning with convey.

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