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**Item number: 8/3/79**

**40 Infantry Battalion**  
**January - July 1942**



# WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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6th MILITARY DISTRICT  
 DISTRICT RECORDS OFFICE

Army Form C.2118  
(adapted.)

Unit 40TH BATTALION

Date and Time.—From 1 JAN 42 To 31 JAN 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Brighton	1 Jan 42		Daily Strength 582. Report from Capt Elliott, work proceeding satisfactorily. Uneventful day at Brighton - weather good	
			Morale and health of troops good	
"	2 Jan 42		Daily Strength 580. Report from Capt Elliott work proceeding satisfactorily. Uneventful day at Brighton - weather good	
			Morale and health of troops good.	
"	3 Jan 42		Daily Strength 576. Report from Capt Elliott wiring and digging work proceeding satisfactorily. Weather fine, warm	
			Morale and health of troops good - Rations satisfactory.	
"	4 Jan 42		Daily Strength 573. Weather fine, warm, windy. C O went to 7 Mile Beach for tour of inspection, wiring and digging proceeding satisfactorily. Morale and health of troops good.	
			Rations satisfactory - another uneventful day at Brighton	
"	5 Jan 42		Daily Strength 581. Weather cold, windy. Troops in camp	



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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Brighton	5 Jan 42		proceeding with syllabus for weapon tng. H Q Coy on Pontville	
	{Cont)		Range returned 1200 hrs impossible to fire, wind too strong, blew targets down. Daily report received from Capt Elliott	
			wiring and digging proceeding satisfactorily, 200 coils	
			barbed wire to be requisitioned for and sent as soon as possible - Rations light on. Day otherwise uneventful.	
			Inlying piquet mounted at Retreat.	
"	6 Jan 42		Daily Strength 585 - Weather cool, fine. Troops in camp	
			proceeding with syllabus as laid down. E(MG) Coy at Pontville	
			Range from 1200 hrs to 1900 hrs. Daily Report from Capt Elliott, wiring and digging proceeding to strengthen positions	
			7 Mile Beach. Reported that Rations were light on. Day otherwise uneventful	
			Inlying piquet mounted at Retreat.	



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Brighton	7 Jan 42		Daily Strength 579 . Weather warm. Troops in camp proceeding with syllabus as laid down. H Q Coy and B Coy at Pontville Range all day. Daily report from Capt Elliott, wiring and digging weapon pits etc. Inlying piquet mounted at Retreat	
			Uneventful day at Brighton.	
"	8 Jan 42		Daily Strength 582. Weather fine, windy. Troops in camp proceeding with tng as per syllabus laid down. H Q Coy on Pontville Range - completed all firing for company, tea at Range, back in camp at 1900 hrs. Report and requisition for wire forwarded to 12 Inf Bde. Another uneventful day. Inlying piquet mounted at Retreat	
"	9 Jan 42		Daily Strength 584. Weather fine, very windy. All personnel who have not fired practices on Pontville went this day also L M G's fired practices as laid down. Personnel from E(MG) Coy	



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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Brighton	9 Jan 42 (cont)		1 Pl and 1 Pl riflemen warned for movement at 1300 hrs to Cambridge Aerodrome to take over from Lieut Hughes and Lieut Lacy. Lieut Gregg and C S M Crawford in charge of respective pls. Report from Acton View from Capt Elliott work proceeding satisfactorily. Elliott notified that W Coy will be changed over on Tuesday at 1400 hrs. Inlying piquet mounted at Retreat.	
"	10 Jan 42		Daily Strength 583. Weather fine, cold, windy. Troops in camp proceeding with syllabus as laid down. Weapon tng etc 1300 hrs 1 Pl riflemen and 1 Pl M M G complete, left for Cambridge Aerodrome. Lt Hughes and Lt Lacy returned after handing over. 1400 hrs Bn cricket match against 12 Tng Bn. 40 Bn gained a good win by 25 runs and 7 wickets. Inlying piquet mounted at Retreat. Day otherwise uneventful. V D C personnel marched in for week-end tng.	



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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Brighton	11 Jan 42		Daily Strength 586. Weather fine, very windy. V D C in for weekend training. C S M Bailey, Sgt Hazell, instructors. Lt Hall and Lt Walker lectures. Reports from W Coy - work proceeding satisfactorily. Wire and pickets required. Approval must be given by G for all requisitions of this nature in future. Inlying piquet mounted at Retreat. Uneventful day.	
"	12 Jan 42		Daily Strength 575. Weather warm, windy. Troops in camp training as per syllabus. Weapon and bayonet etc. Capt Elliott's report received, work proceeding satisfactorily. Lt Gregg's report on Cambridge Aerodrome, with req for wire etc. Capt Elliott withdrawn from forward area, suspended pending charge. Charge read to him by C O on his arrival at Brighton in presence of Adj. Lieut A J Lewis in charge in absence of W Coy Comd and will hand over to incoming Capt Hook to-morrow	



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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Brighton	12 Jan 42 (cont)		13 Jan 42. Inlying picket mounted. Weekly baths for troops in camp. Lieut Evans reported for duty.	
"	13 Jan 42		Daily Strength 573. Weather, hot, very windy. Troops preparing for move into forward area, to move at 1300 hrs. M T arrived 5 minutes late, moved off 1310 hrs. Camp almost empty until return of W Coy from 7 Mile Beach. Bn I Sect moved at 1330 hrs to map and plot area Cambridge Aerodrome and make fireplan from Lieut Gregg's and C S M Crawford's plans, Sgt Walker in charge and 5 men I Sect. Baths arranged for incoming troops at 1700 hrs. Inlying piquet mounted.	
"	14 Jan 42		Daily Strength 569. Weather cold, windy. General clean up of troops in from 7 Mile Beach area, washing clothes etc. Training, weapon training - Pl parades, fieldcraft etc personnel in camp. 7 Mile Beach Area - wiring, camouflage and concealment	



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Brighton	14 Jan 42		of posts etc. Aerodrome. - Wiring and digging gun positions	
	(cont)		and weapon pits. Inlying piquet mounted at Retreat.	
"	15 Jan 42		Daily strength 583. Weather fine, cold, windy. Leave for	
			troops granted 1 day per week and 2 days per month. Home	
			Leave passes issued. Training of troops in camp as laid down	
			by C O. 7 Mile Beach area, proceeding with wiring and camou-	
			flage etc. Inlying piquet mounted at Retreat. Aerodrome -	
			weapon pits and wiring. Capt Hook and Lt Walker arrived from	
			forward area for court-martial (Delaney).	
"	16 Jan 42		Daily Strength 596. Weather fine, cool. Leave granted for	
			personnel in camp as laid down by 6 M D. Training of personnel	
			in camp as laid down. 7 Mile Beach - Capt Hook in camp also	
			Lieut Walker for Delaney's court martial. Capt Jeffrey comd	
			forward area during absence of Capt Hook, wiring and concealment	



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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Brighton	17 Jan 42		Daily Strength 588. Weather fine, warm. Leave for personnel in camp. Training proceeding as laid down. 7 Mile Beach—Wiring alteration, concealment and camouflage of gun positions proceeding. Aerodrome - working party proceeding as previous day. Inlying piquet mounted at Retreat. V D C personnel marched in for training (weekend)	
"	18 Jan 42		Daily Strength 587. Weather showery, warm. Leave for personnel in camp. Church parade all denominations. Cleaning up of lines. Afternoon given over to receiving visitors. Report from 7 Mile Beach and Aerodrome received, work proceeding satisfactorily. Inlying piquet mounted at Retreat.	
"	19 Jan 42		Daily Strength 601. Weather fine, warm, rain later. Troops in camp proceeding with training. Recruits, adm and issue of clothing etc. C O visited 7 Mile Beach area and Aerodrome	



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Brighton	19 Jan 42 (cont )		Training of personnel, improvement of wiring and concealment of fire positions (camouflage). Inlying piquet mounted at Retreat. Leave granted to detailed personnel in camp.	
"	20 Jan 42		Daily Strength 601, weather fine, warm, showery. Troops in tng as for 19th. Training of personnel at 7 Mile Beach, concealment and camouflage of fire positions, improvement of wiring etc. Inlying piquet mounted at Retreat. Leave granted as advised by 6 M D for personnel in camp.	
"	21 Jan 42		Daily strength 588, weather fine, cool. Leave granted as for previous days. Tng of personnel in camp (Weapon tng, bayonet and fieldcraft. Recruits tng as detailed for recruits, periods at discretion of Lt J T McNamara. 7 Mile Beach report work proceeding satisfactorily. Aerodrome ditto. Inlying piquet mounted at Retreat.	



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Brighton	22 Jan 42		Daily Strength 589, weather fine, cool. Leave granted as laid down. Tng of personnel in camp proceeding as per syllabus.	
			Recruits proceeding with elementary tng. 7 Mile Beach Area reports that work proceeding satisfactorily, camouflage of posts and weapon pits. Aerodrome work proceeding satisfactorily and patrols being maintained. Inlying piquet mounted at Retreat.	
"	23 Jan 42		Daily Strength 587, weather fine, warm. As for Thursday 22nd.	
"	24 Jan 42		Daily Strength 590, weather fine, hot. As for Friday 23rd, except that change over of troops occurred at Aerodrome. V D C personnel marched in for tng (weekend)	
"	25 Jan 42		Daily strength 585, weather fine, warm, windy. Church Parade and march afterwards. Afternoon, clean up and rest period. Forward Areas - work proceeding satisfactorily.	
"	26 Jan 42		Daily Strength 586, weather cool, showery. As for Thursday 22nd.	



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Brighton	27 Jan 42		Daily Strength 582, weather cool, fine. As for Monday 26th, except that change over occurred at Acton View & Llanherne.	
"	28 Jan 42		Daily Strength 582, weather fine, warm. As for Tuesday 27th.	
"	29 Jan 42		Daily Strength 583, weather fine, cool. As for Wednesday 28th, except that change over occurred at Ralphs Bay Canal.	
"	30 Jan 42		Daily Strength 583, weather fine, cool. Leave to be granted night leave and 2 days each month as per instruction 12 Inf Bde. Training in camp proceeding as laid down. Instns for Forward area tps to proceed with training as per syllabus issued this day and work necessary to forward areas to be proceeded with. Inlying piquet to be discontinued, not req. for Security <sup>D</sup> uties for Camp will mount at Retreat in place of Inlying piquet.	
	31 Jan 42		Daily Strength 583, weather fine, As for Friday 30th. V D C Marched in for training (weekend)	



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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1 -- NO 77

BY

LIEUT COLONEL T W BARTLEY, E D

COMMANDING 40TH BATTALION

Brighton  
31 Dec 41.

1. CAMP ORDERLY OFFICER

To mount at Retreat :- T71 Lieut P B Walker 4 Jan 42

2. QUARTER GUARD

To mount at Retreat :- E(MG) Coy 3 Jan 42

3. INLYING PICQUET

To mount at Retreat :- H Q Coy 1 Jan 42

D " 2 " "

E(MG) Coy 3 " "

A Coy 4 " "

B " 5 " "

C " 6 " "

D " 7 " "

4. BN DUTIES

The following are Bn duties to mount at Retreat :-

Orderly Officer T11531 Lieut A C Munnings H Q 31 Dec 41

Orderly Cpl T10963 Cpl Hooper, R G " " "

Bn Runners T11545 Pte Borchers, C G " " "

T22235 Pte Bailey, O E " " "

Orderly Officer T11531 Lieut A C Munnings H Q 1 Jan 42

Orderly Cpl T10963 Cpl Hooper, R G " " "

Bn Runners T22251 Pte Osmond, M A " " "

T22278 Pte Hughes, W H " " "

Orderly Officer T80 Lieut D R Gregg D 2 Jan 42

Orderly Cpl T10990 Cpl Brett, D A " " "

Bn Runners T25162 Pte Hall, A F " " "

T25222 Pte Rowan, T D " " "

Orderly Officer T71 Lieut P B Walker E(MG) 3 Jan 42

Orderly Cpl T10927 Cpl Gannan, T L " " "

Bn Runners T25198 Pte Kelly, V H " " "

T25329 Pte Sturzaker, M V " " "

Orderly Officer T10817 Lieut D Hodgman A 4 Jan 42

Orderly Cpl T10963 Cpl Hooper, R G " " "

Bn Runners T22222 Pte Maley, W H " " "

T24033 Pte McInerney, T " " "

Orderly Officer T11361 Lieut M A Salter B 5 Jan 42

Orderly Cpl T11350 Cpl Fielding, O R " " "

Bn Runners T22192 Pte Medwin, K J " " "

T22235 Pte Bailey, O E " " "

Orderly Officer T80 Lieut D R Gregg C 6 Jan 42

Orderly Cpl T10990 Cpl Brett, D A " " "

Bn Runners T24066 Pte Harper, L C " " "

T22278 Pte Hughes, W H " " "

Orderly Officer T80 Lieut D R Gregg D 7 Jan 42

Orderly Cpl T10990 Cpl Brett, D A " " "

Bn Runners T22255 Pte Elkins, J R " " "

T11503 Pte Asklin, S K " " "



5. ABSENT WITHOUT LEAVE

The attention of all ranks is drawn to the fact that while on war service ABSENCE WITHOUT LEAVE is regarded as a serious Military crime and merits the severest punishment.

6. FLY CONTROL AND PREVENTION OF FOOD CONTAMINATION

(a) Attention is directed to Camp H Q Circular No 9 dated 9 Feb 41

(b) Although few cases of diarrhoea have occurred recently, an increase may be anticipated unless scrupulous care is exercised by units in fly control.

(c) The last sentence of para 12 of the Circular is amended to read "knapsack sprays are available on loan from '7 Fd Hyg Sec".

7. BOOTS -- PRESERVATION OF UPPER LEATHER -- REGULAR INSPECTION

REF S C 582/41

(a) Liberal coatings of dubbin should be regularly applied to the upper leather of boots in order to maintain the fat content and keep the leather waterproof. Boots will not be treated with petrol or any similar material for the purpose of removing fats.

(b) C O's will arrange for all boots to be inspected at fortnightly intervals.  
Attention is directed to S C R O 114/41.

STRAW - PALLIASSE - CHANGING

(a) Instances have been noted of the original issue of straw to personnel remaining unchanged for unduly long periods.

(b) Attention is drawn to the following extracts from Instructions for Supply and Transport Services 1933, Appen V.

1. 10 lb of straw per palliasse will be issued at the Commencement of camp and may be completely replaced every 30 days.
2. In very wet weather, or when other special circumstances warrant, replacement may be made at such earlier stage as is certified as necessary by the C O and a medical officer.
3. An additional issue of 6 lb for each palliasse to replace wastage after the bed has been in use for 15 days, may be made on the certificate of the C O as to its necessity.
4. The above scales are the maximum and renewal or replenishment in accordance therewith should not be made unless considered necessary. For example, if a renewal period falls within a few days of the termination of a camp, renewal would not be made except in individual necessary instances.

8. R A A F RESERVISTS

All R A A F reservists at present in Camp are asked to communicate immediately with the AI Camp Edn Officer Sgt C R Paice in Hut 564 H Q

*Lt Col*

*for*

Lt Col  
Comd 40 Bn  
(The Derwent Regiment).



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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1 - NO 78.

BY. LIEN - BRIGHTON JAN 8

LIEUT COLONEL T.W. BARTLEY. E.D.

COMMANDING 40TH BATTALION

Brighton  
8 Jan 42.

1. CAMP ORDERLY OFFICER

To mount at Retreat :- T10817 Lieut D Hodgman 8 Jan 42

2. INLYING PIQUET

To mount at Retreat :- E(MG) Coy 8 Jan 42

H Q	"	9	"	"
A	"	10	"	"
B	"	11	"	"
C	"	12	"	"
D	"	13	"	"
E(MG)	"	14	"	"

3. BN DUTIES

The following are Bn duties to mount at Retreat :-

Orderly Officer	T71	Lieut P B Walker	E(MG) Coy	8 Jan 42
Orderly Cpl	T10927	Cpl Cannan, T L		"
Bn Runners	T25531	Sig Lewis, D R		"
	T11220	Sig Clark, K J		"

Orderly Officer	T36646	Lieut J H Hall	H Q Coy	9 Jan 42
Orderly Cpl	T24032	L/Cpl Carpenter, E F		"
Bn Runners	T24083	Pte McInerney, T		"
	T22228	Pte Maley, W H		"

Orderly Officer	T11512	Lieut J H Collins	A Coy	10 Jan 42
Orderly Cpl	T11331	Cpl Bond, H E		"
Bn Runners	T25198	Pte Kelly, V H		"
	T22192	Pte Medwin, K J		"

Orderly Officer	T75	Lieut T A Frankcomb	B Coy	11 Jan 42
Orderly Cpl	T11350	Cpl Fielding, O R		"
Bn Runners	T11503	Pte Ashlin, S K		"
	T22278	Pte Hughes, W H		"

Orderly Officer	T11386	Lieut G K Cripps	C Coy	12 Jan 42
Orderly Cpl	T11516	Cpl Gallagher, H K		"
Bn Runners	T22251	Pte Osmond, M A		"
	T25313	Pte Evans, C A		"

Orderly Officer	T67	Lieut R E Fisher	D Coy	13 Jan 42
Orderly Cpl	T11032	Cpl Slater, H		"
Bn Runners	T11353	Pte Marchant, J S		"
	T25640	Pte McNamara, B H		"

Orderly Officer	T11488	Lieut E W E Lacy	E(MG) Coy	14 Jan 42
Orderly Cpl	T24017	L/Cpl Bain, F A L		"
Bn Runners	T22255	Pte Elkins, J R		"
	T10851	L/Cpl Fuglsang, A		"

4. BOOTS

Attention is again directed to Para 7 R O 77 of 31 Dec 41. It has come to the notice that Coy Comdrs are NOT carrying out regular inspection of boots and in many cases boots are worn to an extent that the uppers are ruined.

In future any cases of neglect in this regard will necessitate a stoppage for the value of the boots being put through on the soldier concerned.



5. ANNUAL INSPECTION - SMALL ARMS

Annual inspection of small arms on strength of Bde Units in Brighton Camp will commence on Monday 12 Jan 42.

All rifles L M G's and M M G's etc will be submitted to armourers inspection in a clean condition.

Coy Comdrs to provide working space for Armourers within their own respective Coy Q Stores.

6. PAY BOOKS

All personnel will carry pay books on person at all times with exception of when books are required by Pay Staff for entering credits etc.

7. EVENING LEAVE

(a) The normal evening leave will come into effect as from 2 Jan 42 inclusive.

(b) Evening leave may be granted at discretion of C O's but not to exceed one evening per man per week, and not to exceed 1/7th of total strength of unit each evening.

(c) Troops on leave will travel by train leaving Brighton Junction at 1805 hrs and returning from Hobart at 2325 hrs daily.

8. DRESS

Commencing forthwith, uniform will be worn by all ranks of the Australian Military Forces who are employed on full time duty or attending camps of training, at all times except when participating in sport.

All previous instructions regarding the occasions on which uniform will be worn during the present war are hereby cancelled.

9. IMPROPER AND UNTIDY DRESS

It has been brought to the notice that military personnel have repeatedly been seen in the public streets dressed in an improper and untidy manner - hat off, jackets undone, wearing collars and ties etc. Personnel who display such a disregard of dress regulations and lack of personal pride reflect not only on the standard of efficiency, discipline and esprit de Corps that exists within the units of which they are members, but also on the Unit officers and N C O's who are held personally responsible for the training and discipline of their respective units.

At all times prior to proceeding on duty or leave personnel are to be instructed in the necessity for preserving a neat appearance in accordance with dress regulations and a correct demeanour.

It is the duty of all officers and N C O's at all times to correct any irregularities in dress and demeanour whether the offenders are members of their own or other units.

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Lt Col  
Comd 40 Bn  
(The Derwent Regiment).

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1 - NO 79

BY

LIEUT COLONEL T W BARTLEY, E D

COMMANDING 40TH BATTALION

Brighton  
15 Jan 43

1. DUTIES

The following are Bn Duties to mount at Retreat :-

Orderly Officer	T11531	Lieut A C Munnings	H Q Coy	15 Dec 42
Orderly Cpl	T24171	L/Cpl Malone, K M	"	"
Bn Runners	T11538	Pte Smith, H F	"	"
	T25329	Pte Sturzaker, M V	"	"
Orderly Officer	T36646	Lieut J H Hall	A Coy	16 Dec 42
Orderly Cpl	T11245	Cpl Hoffman, C L	"	"
Bn Runners	T24059	L/Cpl Hill, M C	"	"
	T24093	Sig Phillips, W J	"	"
Orderly Officer	T11370	Lieut K B H Woolley	B Coy	17 Dec 41
Orderly Cpl	T11350	Cpl Fielding, O R	"	"
Bn Runners	T24093	Sig Phillips, W J	"	"
	T11220	Sig Clark, K J	"	"
Orderly Officer	T11400	Lieut L G Hughes	C Coy	18 Dec 41
Orderly Cpl	T11382	Cpl Cannan, G R	"	"
Bn Runners	T11538	Pte Smith, H F	"	"
	T25329	Pte Sturzaker, M V	"	"

2. MARKING OF IDENTITY DISCS

All ranks will be supplied with two Identity Discs, which will be worn as shown below. Neglect to wear discs will be treated as a breach of discipline.

The No 1 disc (green) will be suspended round the neck beneath the uniform by 32 inches of cord, and the No 2 disc (red) will hang below the No 1 by the two being joined by 6 inches of cord.

The particulars must be clearly and effectively stamped on the discs as under :-

Front Side

- (i) Index letter of the District of enlistment and the Army number
- (ii) Initials and name.
- (iii) Index letters of religion.

Reverse Side

Blood group number (as shown inside back cover of Pay Book) if, and when, C M F are blood-grouped.

The various blood groups are :-

A B 1  
A 2  
B 3  
C 4

The greatest care must be taken in stamping the group letter and figures on the discs, as incorrect marking may lead to loss of a life which might otherwise have been saved.

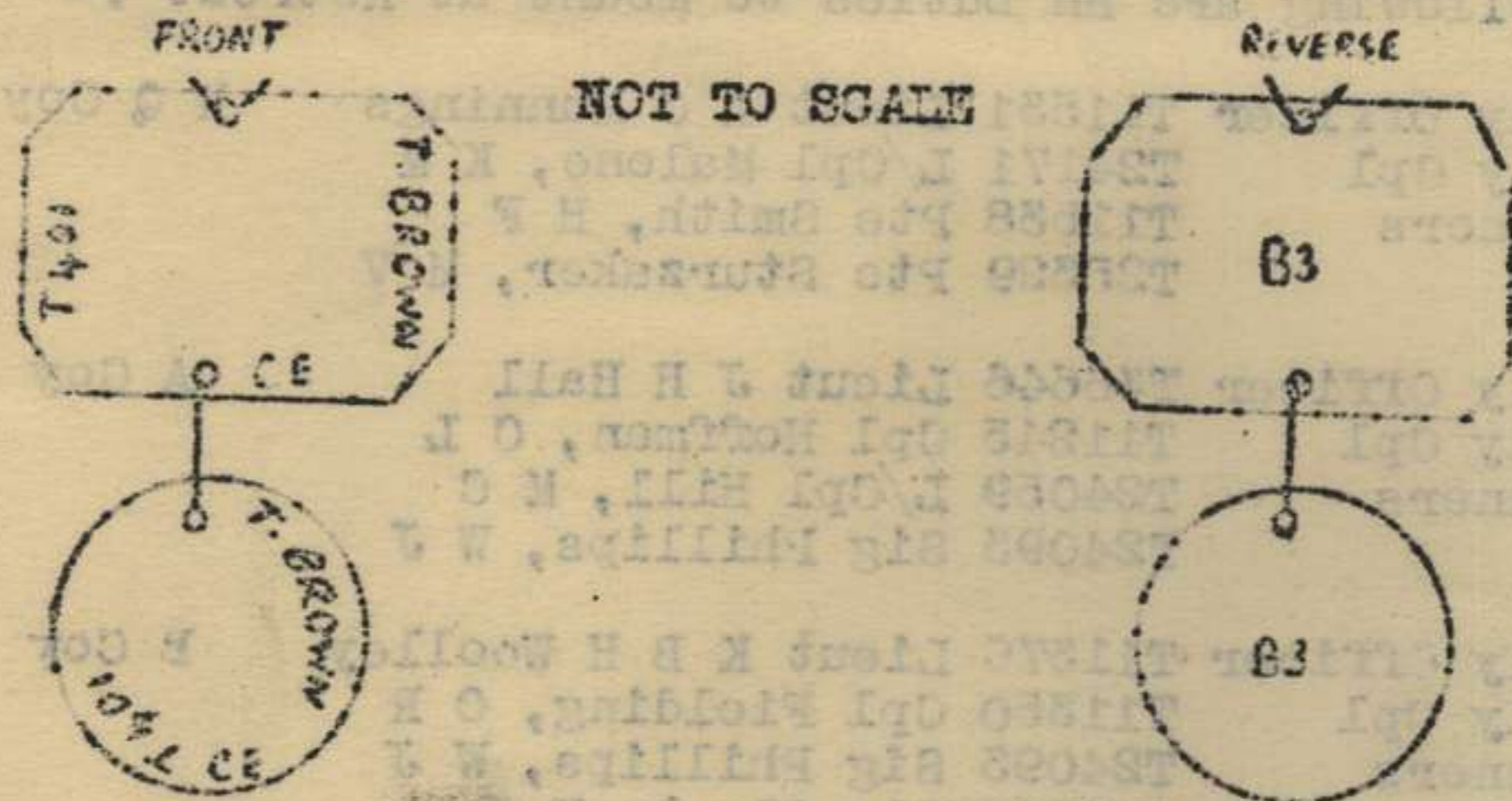


The index letters of the various religious denominations are :-

Church of England	C E	Congregational	C
Presbyterian	P	Roman Catholic	R C
Methodist	M	Jewish	J
Baptist	B	Salvation Army	S. A

Discs that have been stamped with incorrect details are to be destroyed under supervision, and any necessary replacements requisitioned from D A D G S on A A F F20.

Marking :- The positions of the various markings are as shown hereunder:-



In the case of the death of an officer or soldier in the field, the lower disc - "Disc, identity, No 2, Red" will be removed and disposed of as directed in Field Service Regulations, Volume 1, Appendix VI. The upper disc, "Disc, identity No 1, Green", will not be removed but will be buried with the body.

Coy Comdrs will arrange for the stamping of identity discs for all personnel of their Comds. Sets of 3/8" steel stamps and hammers, rivetting, 8 oz will be obtained on loan from the Camp Quarter-master for this purpose.

5. COURT OF ENQUIRY

Routine Orders Part I No 44 para 3 is cancelled, and the following Officers are elected :-

- T59 Capt D B Gatehouse
- T64 Lieut R Howard
- T10817 Lieut D Hodgman

*J. M. [Signature]*

Lt Col  
Comd 40 Bn  
(The Derwent Regiment).



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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1 - NO 80

BY

LIEUT COLONEL T W BARTLEY, E D

COMMANDING 40TH BATTALION

Brighton  
18 Jan 42

1. CAMP ORDERLY OFFICER

To mount at Retreat T36646 Lieut J H Hall 20 Jan 42

2. INLYING PIQUET

To mount at Retreat:-

D Coy	19 Jan 42
E(MG) "	20 Jan 42
H Q "	21 Jan 42
A "	22 Jan 42
B "	23 Jan 42
C "	24 Jan 42
D "	25 Jan 42

3. BN DUTIES

The following are Bn Duties to mount at Retreat :-

Orderly Officer	T11436	Lieut W T Fish	D	19 Jan 42
Orderly Cpl	T11126	Cpl Brooks, H R	"	"
Bn Runners	T25507	Pte Barker, D F	"	"
	T24142	Pte Baillie, M T	"	"
Orderly Officer	T64	Lieut R W Howard	E(MG)	20 Jan 42
Orderly Cpl	T10927	Cpl Cannan, T L	"	"
Bn Runners	T24156	Pte Green, R A	"	"
	T24170	Pte Moodie, W J	"	"
Orderly Officer	T36646	Lieut J H Hall	H Q	21 Jan 42
Orderly Cpl	T11249	L/Cpl Banks, F W	"	"
Bn Runners	T25535	Pte Piper, B H	"	"
	T24183	Pte Taylor, M M	"	"
Orderly Officer	T	Lieut H S Evans	A	22 Jan 42
Orderly Cpl	T11245	Cpl Hoffman, C L	"	"
Bn Runners	T24097	Pte Perriman, E I	"	"
	T22210	Pte Riley, S A	"	"
Orderly Officer	T11376	Lieut K B H Woolley	B	23 Jan 42
Orderly Cpl	T11180	Cpl Harris, M D	"	"
Bn Runners	T11216	Pte Swan, W	"	"
	T10881	Pte Bromfield, H	"	"
Orderly Officer	T11400	Lieut L G Hughes	C	24 Jan 42
Orderly Cpl	T11382	Cpl Cannan, G R	"	"
Bn Runners	T11214	Pte Nicholas, L A I	"	"
	T11215	Pte Nicholas, B J R	"	"
Orderly Officer	T67	Lieut R E Fisher	D	25 Jan 42
Orderly Cpl	T10990	Cpl Brett, D A	"	"
Bn Runners	T22240	Pte Daniels, A D	"	"
	T22231	Pte Harris, R J	"	"

4. WASTAGE OF WATER

Owing to a break in the Fenton pipe line it is essential that the water consumption be cut to a minimum and care will be taken that no waste will be permitted.



5. BREAKAGE OF HURRICANE LAMP

It has been reported that a lamp placed in vicinity of Latrine tin was found next morning to be badly broken. Attention is drawn to D R O regarding damage to Government property, any offender will be severely dealt with.

6. LEAVE

As it is now permitted that leave for one day per week may be granted, those personnel not taking their leave on any one day will regard that day as a working day and work will proceed as usual every Sunday for personnel NOT on leave. Time off to entertain visitors will NOT be granted to personnel other than those on leave on that day.

7. PERSONNEL TRAVELLING BY LEAVE TRAIN

All Officers and N C O's travelling by leave train to and from Hobart must report to O C Train on arrival at station, as there have been several cases of neglect to carry out this instruction. Coy Comdrs will bring this matter to the notice of personnel concerned.

*Lt Col*

Lt Col  
Comd 40 Bn  
(The Derwent Regiment),

19 Jan 42	D	Lt Col	Comd 40 Bn	(The Derwent Regiment),
"	"	"	"	"
"	"	"	"	"
"	"	"	"	"
20 Jan 42	E(MG)	Lt Col	Comd 40 Bn	(The Derwent Regiment),
"	"	"	"	"
"	"	"	"	"
"	"	"	"	"
21 Jan 42	H	Lt Col	Comd 40 Bn	(The Derwent Regiment),
"	"	"	"	"
"	"	"	"	"
"	"	"	"	"
22 Jan 42	A	Lt Col	Comd 40 Bn	(The Derwent Regiment),
"	"	"	"	"
"	"	"	"	"
"	"	"	"	"
23 Jan 42	B	Lt Col	Comd 40 Bn	(The Derwent Regiment),
"	"	"	"	"
"	"	"	"	"
"	"	"	"	"
24 Jan 42	O	Lt Col	Comd 40 Bn	(The Derwent Regiment),
"	"	"	"	"
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25 Jan 42	D	Lt Col	Comd 40 Bn	(The Derwent Regiment),
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LIEUT COLONEL T W BARTLEY, E D

COMMANDING 40TH BATTALION

Brighton  
25 Jan 42

1. INLYING PIQUET

To mount at Retreat :-	H Q Coy	26 Jan 42
	A "	27 Jan 42
	B "	28 Jan 42
	C "	29 Jan 42
	D "	30 Jan 42
	E(MG)"	31 Jan 42

2. BN DUTIES

The following are Bn Duties to mount at Retreat :-

Orderly Officer	T11531	Lieut A C Munnings	H Q	26 Jan 42
Orderly Cpl	T10851	L/Cpl Fuglsang, A	"	"
Bn Runners	T25251	Pte Osmond, M A	"	"
	T24066	" Harper, L C	"	"
Orderly Officer	T36646	Lieut J H Hall	A	27 Jan 42
Orderly Cpl	T11245	Cpl Hoffman, C L	"	"
Bn Runners	T22278	Pte Hughes, W H	"	"
	T25329	" Sturzaker, M V	"	"
Orderly Officer	T75	Lieut T A Frankcomb	B	28 Jan 42
Orderly Cpl	T10851	L/Cpl Fuglsang, A	"	"
Bn Runners	T25313	Pte Evans, C A	"	"
	T24093	Sig Phillips, W J	"	"
Orderly Officer	T36646	Lieut J H Hall	C	29 Jan 42
Orderly Cpl	T11117	Cpl Kingston, D H	"	"
Bn Runners	T25640	Pte McNamara, B H	"	"
	T11220	Sig Clark, K J	"	"
Orderly Officer	T80	Lieut D R Gregg	D	30 Jan 42
Orderly Cpl	T11032	Cpl Slater, H	"	"
Bn Runners	T11353	Pte Marchant, J S	"	"
	T24083	" McInerney, T	"	"
Orderly Officer	T11386	Lieut G K Cripps	E(MG)	31 Jan 42
Orderly Cpl	T24017	L/Cpl Bain, F A L	"	"
Bn Runners	T25531	Sig Lewis, D R	"	"
	T25198	Pte Kelly, V H	"	"

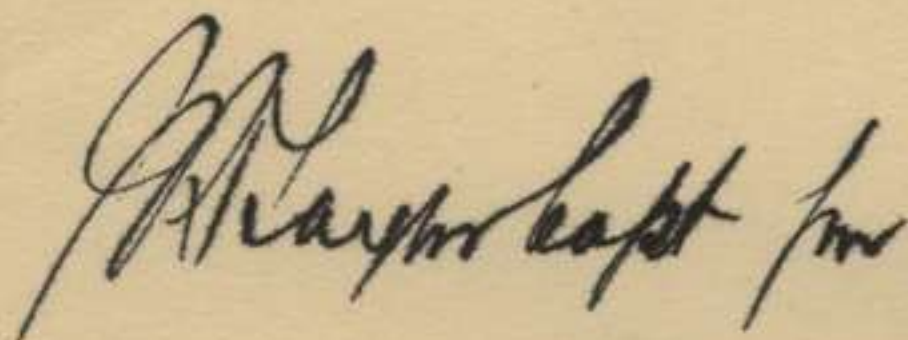
3. LEAVE

Leave for one night per week is now permissible but must not exceed 1/7 of Coy strength, the one day per week is now not in operation but the 48 hrs per month is still operative.

It must be stressed that no person will leave Camp unless in possession of a current leave pass.

4. TRAINING

In future steel helmets will be worn for all training.



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Comd 40 Bn  
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Unit 40TH BATTALION

Date and Time.—From 1 FEB 42

To 28 FEB 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Brighton	1 Feb 42		Daily strength 595 - Weather fine, dull. Church parade and march afterwards (afternoon recreation) Troops in forward area training $\frac{1}{2}$ day recreation period. Patrols etc carried out and stand-to.	
			V D Cs continued training as per syllabus for 1st week.	
"	2 Feb 42		Daily strength 600 - Weather fine, cool. Training proceeding for personnel in camp, recruits received from R R D for training.	
			Forward area tps training, camouflage of position etc. Piquet and duties mounted at Retreat.	
"	3 Feb 42		Daily strength 606. - Weather fine, warm. As for Monday 2 Feb.	
	4 Feb 42		Daily strength 618 - Weather fine, warm. As for Tuesday 3 Feb	
	5 Feb 42		Daily strength 627 - Weather fine, warm. Training for personnel in camp proceeding as laid down. U S Ps received from R R D during day. Tng and routine work in forward areas - Aerodrome & Acton localities. Piquet & duties mounted at Retreat,	

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Date and Time.—From 1 FEB 42

To 28 FEB 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Brighton	6 Feb 42		Daily strength 650 - Weather fine, warm. Training as per syllabus and Thursday 5 Feb. Piquet & duties mounted at Retreat.	
"	7 Feb 42		Daily strength 652 - Weather fine, warm dull, occasional showers. Tng as per Friday 6 Feb for personnel in camp. Tps from aerodrome returned and replaced. Tng and work being done in forward areas.	
"	8 Feb 42		Daily strength 678 - Weather fine, warm. Church parade and march afterwards - afternoon recreation. Forward areas - morning training and afternoon recreation. Sentries & patrols on duty during night. Camp piquet & duties mounted at Retreat.	
"	9 Feb 42		Daily strength 692 - Weather fine, dull. Training for personnel in camp as laid down. Tps in forward areas on intensive tng, manning if <del>positions</del> posts, camouflage & wiring of positions etc.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Brighton	Cont		Piquet mounted at Retreat for Bn and Camp duties. Uneventful day	
"	10 Feb 42		Daily strength 692 - Weather fine, dull. As for Monday 9 Feb 42.  Duties mounted at Retreat.	
"	11 Feb 42		Daily strength 710 - Weather dull, some rain. Training in camp and forward area as previous day. Blackout, alert at 2135 hrs, all clear 2235 hrs - Arrangements re lighting & troop movement to slit trenches good. Piquet mounted at Retreat	
"	12 Feb 42		Daily strength 726 - Weather fine, warm, dull. Training and Duties etc as laid down by syllabus, otherwise as for Tuesday 10th	
"	13 Feb 42		Daily strength 727 - Weather hot, dull, thunder later. Tng of personnel in camp as syllabus - tng if personnel in forward area as laid down. Pay day (all personnel in camp paid) Tps in forward area to be paid to-morrow. Duties mounted at Retreat in Bn and for camp.	

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Date and Time.—From 1 FEB 42 To 28 FEB 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Brighton	14 Feb 42		Daily strength 747 - Weather hot, dull. Training of personnel in camp as per syllabus - training of personnel in forward areas as laid down. Tps in forward area paid by Lt Chambers and Sgt Botten. Duties Bn & Camp mounted at Retreat.	
"	15 Feb 42		Daily strength 747 - Weather fine, warm. Church parade 0930 hrs, cleaning up of camp area and training. Tng in afternoon during visit of C in C Home Forces. 1700 hrs all officers parade Main Hall for lecture by C in C. Duties, Bn & Camp mounted at Retreat.	
"	16 Feb 42		Daily strength 750 - Weather fine, warm. All tps are to be put over bayonet assault course and normal tng to be proceeded with. Miniature Range used for recruits. Intensified tng to be proceeded with, particularly bayonet & P T work and musketry. Forward area tps to follow above tng and combine field firing. Bn & Camp duties mounted at Retreat. Baths for unit. Motor	

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Unit 40TH BATTALION

Date and Time.—From 1 Feb 42 To 28 Feb 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Brighton		cont	cycle school conducted by unit.	
"	17 Feb 42		Daily strength 754 - Weather fine, warm. Training in camp and forward areas as for Monday 16 th. Range practices for those not yet fired. Bn and Camp duties mounted at Retreat.	
"	18 Feb 42		Daily strength 760 - Weather cool, rain. Training in camp and forward areas as for Monday 16th. Assault boat practice at Jordan River. Bn and Camp duties mounted at Retreat	
"	19 Feb 42		Daily strength 779 - Weather <del>KIX</del> cool, rain. Training in camp & forward areas as laid down by syllabus. Bn & Camp duties mounted at Retreat.	
	20 Feb 42		Daily strength 776 - Weather cool fine. Training in camp and forward areas as laid down by syllabus. Bn and camp duties mounted at Retreat.	

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Unit 40th Battalion Date and Time.—From 1 Feb 42 To 28 Feb 42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Brighton	21 Feb 42		Daily strength 787 - Weather cool, showery. Training in camp and forward areas as laid down till 1200 hrs. 1400 hrs to 1700 hrs - Organised sport. Field firing, Pontville Range. Change over at Cambridge Aerodrome M M Gs and Riflemen. Bn and Camp duties mounted at Retreat.	
"	22 Feb 42		Daily strength 791 - Weather fine, warm, light rain.	
"	23 Feb 42		Daily strength 791 - Weather fine, warm. Training in camp and forward areas as laid down. AERO completing wiring and camouflage of position, training in afternoon period. Bn and camp duties mounted at Retreat.	
"	24 Feb 42		Daily strength 793 - Weather fine, warm. Tng in camp proceeding as laid down. Fwd Area tps (ACTO) training up to 1200 hrs change over took place at 1400 hrs. Bn and Camp duties mounted at Retreat.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Brighton	25 Feb 42		Daily strength 782 - Weather fine, cool. Training proceeding in camp and forward areas. H Q Coy on Pontville Range all day (range practices) returned to camp at 2000 hrs. Bn and camp duties mounted at Retreat.	
"	26 Feb 42		Daily strength 768 - Weather fine, warm. Training in camp and forward areas proceeding. C Coy and various personnel on Pontville Range all day. Uneventful day. Change over of M T vehicles in forward areas. Bn and Camp duties mounted at Retreat. 1900 hrs to 2100 hrs - N C Os all coys - lectures and instruction. Troops night march.	
"	27 Feb 42		Daily strength 768 - Weather fine, <del>warm</del> dull. <del>All ranks preparing</del> Training in camp and forward area proceeding as instructed in syllabus. Weapon training intensified. Bn and Camp duties mounted at Retreat. Evening lectures to N C Os. Tps night march.	

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Unit 40TH BATTALION

Date and Time.—From 1 FEB 42 To 28 FEB 42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Brighton	28 Feb 42		Daily strength 768 - Weather fine, warm. All ranks preparing and continuing intensive tng in camp and fwd areas. Bayonet and weapon training being continued - intensified work and instruction. 2000 hrs received warning order for move at short notice. Order read to Coy Comds & 2 i/c's Coys.	

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1 - NO 83

BY

LIEUT COLONEL T W BARTLEY, E D

COMMANDING 40TH BATTALION

Brighton  
5 Jan 42

1. CAMP ORDERLY OFFICER

To mount at Retreat :-

T11386	Lieut G K Cripps	5 Feb 42
T11512	Lieut A H Collins	5 Feb 42
T79	Lieut T I Chambers	11 Feb 42

2. QUARTER GUARD

To mount at Retreat :-

A Coy	8 Feb 42
D Coy	11 Feb 42

3. O C TRAIN

T57 Capt M R Hook 6 Feb 42  
T70 Lieut T I Chambers 9 Feb 42  
T11522 Lieut R H Hill 11 Feb 42

4. REG HUT FATIGUE PARTY - 1 Sgt and 12 O R's

To report to Cpl Howlett, D Coy, at 0630 hrs. 11 Feb 42

5. BN DUTIES

To mount at Retreat :-

Orderly Officer	T71	Lieut P B Walker	6 Feb 42
Orderly Cpl	T11499	Cpl Turner, J Y	"
Bn Runners	T25162	Pte Hall, A F	"
	T25640	Pte McNamara, B H	"

Orderly Officer	T36646	Lieut J H Hall	7 Feb 42
Orderly Cpl	T11231	L/Cpl D'Alton, N C	"
Bn Runners	T25251	Pte Osmond, M A	"
	T24066	" Harper, L C	"

Orderly Officer	T11400	Lieut L G Hughes	8 Feb 42
Orderly Cpl	T11172	Cpl Coy, B	"
Bn Runners	T25313	Pte Evans, C A	"
	T25531	" Lewis, D R	"

Orderly Officer	T75	Lieut T A Frankcomb	9 Feb 42
Orderly Cpl	T11330	Cpl Berry, P H	"
Bn Runners	T11220	Sig Clark, K J	"
	T22278	Pte Hughes, W H	"

Orderly Officer	T11522	Lieut R H Hill	10 Feb 42
Orderly Cpl	T11382	Cpl Cannan, G R	"
Bn Runners	T11503	Pte Ashlin, S K	"
	T24093	Sig Phillips, W J	"

Orderly Officer	T11436	Lieut W T Fish	11 Feb 42
Orderly Cpl	T10990	Cpl Brett, D A	"
Bn Runners	T11353	Pte Marchant, J S	"
	T24083	" McInerney	"

6. INLYING PIQUET

To mount at Retreat :-

E(MG) Coy	6 Feb 42
H Q	7 Feb 42
A	8 Feb 42
B	9 Feb 42
C	10 Feb 42
D	11 Feb 42.



7. HARVEST LEAVE - CANCELLATION

All ~~guys~~ will recall to duty by Saturday, 28 Feb 42, personnel on strength who are now out on harvesting leave except those on leave for flax harvesting who may have their leave extended to 15 Mar 42

8. FIRE PRECAUTIONS

Camp Standing Order 62 para (g) is repeated for information of all troops :-

"In dry weather need for special care will be impressed on all ranks to minimise the risk of grass fires. The dropping of lighted matches and cigarette butts should be carefully guarded against."

9. PATHS AND ROADS

(a) Where pathways are provided within the Camp area the use of roadways for pedestrian traffic, except in the case of formed bodies of troops under command, is forbidden.

(b) Where pathways have not yet been provided, foot traffic must move clear of the centre of the roadway in order that the passage of vehicles should not be impeded.

(c) The following extract from Camp R O 304/40 (4) is re-promulgated for the information of all ranks :-  
"Personnel are NOT to use the Main Highway as a footpath where a footpath is in existence.  
No responsibility for compensation for injury or accident due to the disobedience of the above order will be recognised by H Q, 6 M D"

(d) It must be emphasised ~~the~~ parade that a footpath is provided on the Western side of the main Highway between HORSE'S CORNER and PONTVILLE.

10. PERSONNEL WHO AFTER ALLOTMENT TO MILITIA UNITS

VOLUNTEER FOR SERVICE WITH R A A F

The instructions contained in M B 94909 of 10 Dec 41 are repeated :-

"Any applicants who are at present serving members of militia units, who desire to volunteer for service with the R A A F are to be permitted to complete the R A A F application form and C O's will forward that application to the nearest R A A F recruiting centre".

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LIEUT COLONEL T W BARTLEY, E D

COMMANDING 40TH BATTALION

Brighton  
11 Feb 42

1. CAMP ORDERLY OFFICER  
To mount at Retreat :- T11436 Lieut W T Fish 14 Feb 42  
T11531 Lieut A C Munnings 17 Feb 42
2. CAMP PIQUET  
To mount at Retreat :- A Coy Lieut R H Hill 13 Feb 42
3. CAMP QUARTER GUARD  
To mount at Retreat :- C Coy 16 Feb 42
4. RECREATION HUT FATIGUE  
To report 0615 hrs at Red Shield Hut D Coy 17 Feb 42
5. O C TRAIN :- T68 Lieut J T McNamara 14 Feb 42
6. INLYING PIQUET  
To mount at Retreat :-

E(MG) Coy	12 Feb 42
H Q "	13 Feb 42
A "	14 Feb 42
B "	15 Feb 42
C "	16 Feb 42
D "	17 Feb 42
E(MG) "	18 Feb 42
7. BN DUTIES  
The following are Bn Duties to mount at Retreat :-

Orderly Officer	T64	Lieut R W Howard	E(MG)	12 Feb 42
Orderly Cpl	T10927	Cpl Cannan, T L	"	"
Bn Runners	T25507	Pte Barker, D F	"	"
	T24170	" Moodie, W J	"	"
Orderly Officer	T11531	Lieut A C Munnings	H Q	13 Feb 42
Orderly Cpl	T11249	L/Cpl Banks, F W	"	"
Bn Runners	T24156	Pte Green, R A	"	"
	T25535	" Piper, B H	"	"
Orderly Officer	T	Lieut H S Evans	A	14 Feb 42
Orderly Cpl	T11331	Cpl Bond, H E	"	"
Bn Runners	T24183	Pte Taylor, M M	"	"
	T24097	" Perriman, E I	"	"
Orderly Officer	T75	Lieut T A Frankcomb	B	15 Feb 42
Orderly Cpl	T11350	Cpl Fielding, O R	"	"
Bn Runners	T11214	Pte Nicholas, L A I	"	"
	T11215	" Nicholas, B J R	"	"
Orderly Officer	T11436	Lieut W T Fish	C	16 Feb 42
Orderly Cpl	T11382	Cpl Cannan, G R	"	"
Bn Runners	T22210	Pte Riley, S A	"	"
	T11216	" Swan, W	"	"
Orderly Officer	T67	Lieut R E Fisher	D	17 Feb 42
Orderly Cpl	T11032	Cpl Slater, H	"	"
Bn Runners	T10881	Pte Bromfield, H	"	"
	T11208	" Carr, M J	"	"
Orderly Officer	T11488	Lieut E W E Lacy	E(MG)	18 Feb 42
Orderly Cpl	T11479	L/Cpl Day, H H	"	"
Bn Runners	T22240	Pte Daniels, A D	"	"
	T22231	" Harris, R J	"	"



8. FLUSHING LATRINES

Urinals will be flushed daily at the following hrs :-

0800 - 0845

1300 - 1345

1800 - 1845

Piquet will be mounted from duty coy each day on ablution sheds and they will be responsible that water is not wasted.

9. HOME LEAVE PASS - QUEENSTOWN

From to-day's date approval has been given by D F O for issue of coach warrants for personnel travelling on Home Leave Pass to Queenstown.

10. CARE OF EQUIPMENT

Owing to the large number of damaged bayonets, it is obvious that sufficient care is not being exercised in this regard. Coy Comdres will bring this matter to the notice of all troops.

11. MARKING OF VEHICLES AND OTHER WAR MATERIAL

1. All present Unit markings in clear and colour patch on vehicles and other war material will be effectively obliterated without delay.

2. Unit and Coy H Q will also forthwith obliterate all forms of identification displayed on notice boards, signs, buildings and the like within and in the vicinity of unit lines.

3. Unit colour patches will continue to be worn by troops and will NOT be removed without instructions.

12. LEAVE WITHOUT PAY

1. There appears to be some misunderstanding with regard to the grant of leave on compassionate grounds.

2. No C O or other officer has power to grant or impose on a member, as a matter of compulsion, leave without pay.

3. Accordingly, such leave may be granted only when a member makes written application for leave specifying in such application that he desires such leave to be without pay.

4. Leave granted to a member on compassionate grounds may be cancelled at any time.

13. DRESS - OFFICERS

All officers in possession of a pistol will wear same when on duty.

This order does not apply to Offrs at or visiting COMD or DIST H Q's while at such H Q.

Offrs from COMD or DIST H Q's visiting units or subordinate Formations or fwd areas will, if in possession of a pistol, wear the same.

14. UNIT COLOUR PATCHES

No member of the unit will be permitted to proceed on leave unless or until his colour patches have been securely sewn in authorised position on sleeve of service dress.

15. LIQUOR IN UNIT LINES

Attention is directed to existing orders that it is an offence to be in possession of any intoxicating liquor in any bottle or container in any part of unit lines other than properly constituted and authorised messes.

15. MECHANICAL VEHICLES - MAINTENANCE

Excessive cylinder wear is being experienced in the above vehicles. The chief cause of this wear is the entry of abrasive materials into the cylinders through the air cleaners.

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## 16. (Continued)

In order to enable these cleaners to function as efficiently as possible, the following action will be taken :-

Daily. The cleaners will be removed from the vehicle and the felt cleaner element thoroughly brushed by the driver to remove all adhering dust.

Note. When cleaning, the felt element and end sealing discs will be inspected and replaced by new elements and/or discs if the originals be incapable of functioning in an efficient manner, due to :-

- (i) Damage.
- (ii) Being clogged with dirt.
- (iii) Incapable of maintaining an effective seal at the starred ends of the felt.

Defective elements will be consigned to Ordnance Workshops for reclamation.

17. EMPTY BOTTLES

It is noticed that empty bottles are frequently to be seen in Coy lines. These will be placed in a convenient place by Coys and will be collected each morning by Bn.

18. TRAVELLING ON LEAVE

The following instructions are issued in connection with the control of personnel proceeding on leave, and are to become operative forthwith.

All personnel who are to proceed on leave are to be paraded, under unit arrangements, and inspected as to dress, etc, before leave passes are issued. This parade will be held only in sufficient time to permit of connection with normal travel facilities, and on no account are leave passes to be issued prior to this parade.

After inspection and issue of passes, personnel will be marched by the senior member of the unit party to the Railway Station, where entrainment will be carried out in accordance with instructions previously issued. In the case of parties not travelling by train, they will be marched out of camp by the senior member and dismissed outside the camp precincts.

When leave personnel are travelling by train, the senior officer or N C O travelling is responsible for discipline on the train, and will control and direct any action by junior officers and N C O's. The delegation of this control will not be permitted.

Any soldier who while travelling on a train consumes or is in possession of intoxicating liquor is to be charged with the relevant offence.

The instructions regarding discipline and control are equally applicable to trains by which personnel are returning from leave as to trains leaving camp. It is the duty of every officer and N C O joining a train to ascertain who is the senior travelling, and to assume control if it is found that seniority makes that action necessary.

These instructions are to be brought to the notice of all ranks.

19. CAMOUFLAGE OF TENTS

Tents which are now in such general use in forward areas etc, invariably betray the presence of units at long distances and present bold targets from the air.

Experiments have now been carried out with satisfactory results by using a mixture of clay and water.



19. CAMOUFLAGE OF TENTS (Cont)

The process is simple and merely consists of mixing clay and water into a paste which is smeared over the canvas in order to produce, when dry, a texture effect - thus breaking up the lines of the tents. Clay of a colour similar to the surrounding ground can be found on or near all camp sites. The mixture should be applied to the tent fly and to the ends and sides of the tent itself. The roof of the tent need only be done along the outside edge as the rest is protected by the fly. Care is to be taken that the mixture is sufficiently dense when applied.

After the clay has dried and set, it becomes to some extent, rain proof, but when heavy rain storms are experienced, a further application will be necessary. Apart from the fact that the treatment dirties the canvas of the tents, it does not appear at all likely that other damage will result.

If further information is required to carry out this camouflage work, application should be made to this H Q for the services of the Staff Officer, E S B, who will be made available to demonstrate the method.

20. MOVEMENT OF TROOPS AT NIGHT

In view of the restricted lighting on vehicles, all troops moving on roads are to keep to the left of the road and march two abreast.

This is to be strictly obeyed.

21. BLACKOUT LIGHTING FOR MECHANICAL VEHICLES

All units will carry out the instructions contained in Mechanisation Circular 302, dated 21 Jan 42. The work is to be completed forthwith.

M T Vehicles are not to be used at night unless lights have been treated in accordance with above-mentioned circular.

22. DRIVING OF MOTOR CYCLES

Officers, W and N C O's, above the rank of Sergeant are not permitted to ride Military Motor Cycles unless the War Establishment provides a motor cycle for the officer or N C O concerned.

Cycles allotted to motor cyclist orderlies come under this instruction.

23. P AND R T SCHOOL - BRIGHTON - 20 Jan to 30 JAN 42

The undermentioned personnel of 40 Bn qualified for above-mentioned course :-

T10966 Pte Nation, G O  
T11364 L/Cpl Sculthorpe, R P  
T25463 Pte Baker, L R

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1 - NO 85

BY

LIEUT COLONEL T W BARTLEY, E D

Brighton  
19 Feb 42

COMMANDING 4TH BATTALION

1. CAMP ORDERLY OFFICER

To mount at Retreat :- T11436 Lieut W T Fish 20 Feb 42  
T11531 Lieut A C Munnings 23 Feb 42

2. QUARTER GUARD

To mount at Retreat :- A Coy 20 Feb 42  
E(MG) Coy 24 Feb 42

3. CAMP PIQUET

To mount at Retreat :- D Coy Lieut D R Gregg 21 Feb 42

4. RECREATION HUT FATIGUE

To report to Red Shield Hut at 0615 hrs - D Coy 23 Feb 42

5. O C TRAIN :- T68 Lieut J T McNamara

20 Feb 42

6. INLYING PIQUET

To mount at Retreat :- H Q Coy 19 Feb 42  
A " 20 Feb 42  
B " 21 Feb 42  
C " 22 Feb 42  
D " 23 Feb 42  
E(MG) " 24 Feb 42  
H Q " 25 Feb 42

7. BN DUTIES

The following are Bn Duties to mount at Retreat :-

Orderly Officer	T	Lieut H S Evans	H Q	19 Feb 42
Orderly Cpl	T11205	L/Cpl Bell, L R		"
Bn Runners	T24143	Pte Barratt, C H		"
	T24046	" Fox, A J E		"
Orderly Officer	T11525	Lieut R H Hill	A	20 Feb 42
Orderly Cpl	T10832	Cpl Smith, K R		"
Bn Runners	T22539	Pte Strong, A J		"
	T25535	" Piper, B H		"
Orderly Officer	T75	Lieut T A Frankcomb	B	21 Feb 42
Orderly Cpl	T11177	Cpl Griggs, M J		"
Bn Runners	T24183	Pte Taylor, M M		"
	T25508	" Bennett, W J		"
Orderly Officer	T11400	Lieut L G Hughes	C	22 Feb 42
Orderly Cpl	T11350	Cpl Fielding, O R		"
Bn Runners	T11220	Pte Clark, K J		"
	T25531	" Lewis, D R		"
Orderly Officer	T11436	Lieut W T Fish	D	23 Feb 42
Orderly Cpl	T22199	Cpl Goggins, H B		"
Bn Runners	T24093	Pte Phillips, W J		"
	T22251	" Osmond, M A		"
Orderly Officer	T11531	Lieut A C Munnings	E(MG)	24 Feb 42
Orderly Cpl	T10830	Cpl Lewis, S F		"
Bn Runners	T25640	Pte McNamara, B H		"
	T25162	" Hall, A F		"
Orderly Officer	T36646	Lieut J H Hall	H Q	25 Feb 42
Orderly Cpl	T24032	L/Cpl Carpenter, E F		"
Bn Runners	T11553	Pte Marchant, J S		"
	T22578	" Hughes, W H		"



**8. KITCHENS AND SHOWERS - WATER SUPPLY**

Commencing on 16 Feb 42, water will be shut off from all kitchens and shower blocks between 2100 hrs and 0500 hrs each night. Kitchens should arrange to draw beforehand, any requirements during that period.

**9. W E - AMMUNITION**

a. W E Amn must on no account be used for practice, and must be stored apart from that issued for practice only.

b. Boxes containing carton packed amn issued for practice only are clearly so marked, and must not become mixed with W E amn.

c. W E Amn must be retained in unopened boxes until its use is authorised

**10. TRAINING****i. Preparedness at all times**

- (a) When personnel are constructing defence works, they will at all times have their weapons, including M G's, in the immediate vicinity, and will be prepared to fight at any time.
- (b) Familiarity with and confidence in weapons, and the ability to assume fighting positions in the least possible time must be constantly taught and practiced.
- (c) Tests in this regard will be frequently held by C O and Coy commanders.

**ii. Method**

- (a) During weapon tng, squads under instruction will be kept as small as possible, and all weapons available for instruction must be used.
- (b) Each individual is to be given as much personal instruction as possible, and the opportunity of becoming so accustomed to his weapons and their use that he will make instinctive use of them in an emergency.

**iii. Camouflage**

Until an adequate supply of camouflage nets is available, use will have to be made of improvised nets and wire netting of a suitably sized mesh may be used.

**11. MACHINE CARBINE - THOMPSON**

1. Damage is likely to occur if these guns are dismantled and reassembled by inexperienced personnel.
2. Dismantling and reassembling will therefore be restricted to a minimum, and will only be carried out under the supervision of a qualified instructor.
3. Schools are being arranged for training instructors in the use of this weapon, and particulars will be advised subsequently.

**12. GROUND SIGNAL CODES - R A A F AND GROUND FORCES**

1. Attention is directed to the urgent need for instruction in Ground Signal codes.
2. Air Publication 1632 has now been issued to all Units in S Comd.
3. Coy Comdrs will ensure that responsible personnel are fully acquainted with the principles and practice laid down in R A F Signal Manual, Part 5.

**13. SECURITY**

1. All ranks must be adequately instructed in the principles of SECURITY in its various phases - Information, Material, Personnel and Operations.
2. M M I Pamphlet No 2, Military Security Instructions, Nos of 4 Oct 1939, No 2 of 24 Nov 1939, provide that in every H Q, unit or establishment, one offr shall be detailed as Security Offr, his duties being, inter alia, the instruction of all ranks in their share in the security work in their unit and their responsibilities in regard to the remainder of the armed forces. When such an offr has not been appointed at any H Q etc., such an appointment will be made immediately.



14. SECURITY OF INFORMATION - HANDLING OF SECRET AND OTHER PROTECTED DOCUMENTS

1. Instances of laxity in complying with instructions regarding the handling of secret documents have recently come under notice.
2. Much greater care is to be taken that the instructions are strictly observed.
3. Attention is directed to A M R & O paras 1584-1595

15. BOOTS - CARE AND PRESERVATION

1. Attention is directed to S C R O 114/41
2. A thorough inspection is NOT in all cases being maintained, and boots returned to Ord, for repairs, have been found to be unserviceable, as the soles have been worn completely through.
3. In view of supply difficulties it is essential that strict attention be paid to the regular fortnightly inspection of boots in accordance with the above-mentioned S C R O to ensure that repairs are effected whilst practicable.

16. PAY BOOKS

Coys receiving pay books that do not belong to any of their members, will return same immediately to Pay Sgt and not retain them as has been noticed in some cases.

17. MOVEMENT OF UNIT VEHICLES

Unit vehicles will only use roadway between Bn H Q and Coy H Q when it is absolutely necessary to do so, at all other times vehicles will travel along bitumen road.

18. CHURCH SERVICES - Holy Communion will be celebrated in the Church of England Hut on 22 Feb 42 at 0730 hrs.

OFFICIAL CHURCH PARADE - Camp Recreational Hall at 0930 hrs on 22 Feb 42.

ROMAN CATHOLIC MASS - T C S Hut at 0930 hrs on 22 Feb 42.

19. CARE OF FEET AND FITTING OF BOOTS

Attention is again drawn to the fact that Coy Comdrs are failing to realise their responsibility in neglecting to have periodic inspections of the feet. Most cases reporting at Sick Parade give evidence of gross neglect.

All Officers and N C O's responsible for the training of troops must immediately read the A M F Pamphlet "Fitting of boots and Care of Feet, 1941"

20. HAT BAND COLOUR PATCHES

Colour patches on hat bands are prescribed in S O for Dress for wear on occasions when tunics are not worn, and hats let down. When service dress is worn, hats are turned up and the patch obscured.

All ranks will reverse hat bands to place colour patch on left beneath flap when hat is turned up.

*M. J. Taylor Capt for*

Lt Col  
Comd 40 Bn  
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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1 -- NO 86

BY

LIEUT COLONEL T W BARTLEY, E D

26 Feb 42

COMMANDING 40TH BATTALION

1. CAMP ORDERLY OFFICER

To mount at Retreat :- T11512 Lieut A H Collins

28 Feb 42

2. CAMP PIQUET

To mount at Retreat :- H Q Coy T11531 Lieut A C Munnings

27 Feb 42

3. CAMP QUARTER GUARD

To mount at Retreat :- C Coy

28 Feb 42

A "

4 Mar 42

4. OUTTRAIN

T56 Capt J Jeffrey

26 Feb 42

T11531 Lieut A C Munnings

4 Mar 42

5. INLYING PIQUET

A Coy

26 Feb 42

B "

27 " 42

C "

28 " 42

D "

1 Mar 42

E(MG) Coy

2 " 42

H Q "

3 " 42

A "

4 " 42

6. RECREATION HUT FATIGUE

To report 0615 hrs at Red Shield Hut H Q Coy

3 Mar 42.

7. BN DUTIES

The following are Bn Duties to mount at Retreat :-

Orderly Officer T70 Lieut T I Chambers A Coy 26 Feb 42

Orderly Cpl T11331 Cpl Bond, H E "

Bn Runners T11538 Pte Smith, H F "

T28454 " Hiller, L R "

Orderly Officer T75 Lieut T A Frankcomb B Coy 27 Feb 42

Orderly Cpl T11146 L/Cpl Langdon, N J "

Bn Runners T24783 Pte Purcell, M R "

T24083 " McInerney, T "

Orderly Officer T11400 Lieut L G Hughes C Coy 28 Feb 42

Orderly Cpl T11117 Cpl Kingston, D H "

Bn Runners T22235 Pte Bailey, O E "

T11220 " Clark, K J "

Orderly Officer T70 Lieut T I Chambers D Coy 1 Mar 42

Orderly Cpl T10990 Cpl Brett, D A "

Bn Runners T25780 Pte Hadlow, P G "

T22255 " Elkins, J R "

Orderly Officer T11400 Lieut L G Hughes E(MG) 2 Mar 42

Orderly Cpl T10891 Cpl Heffernan, J V "

Bn Runners T25789 Pte Panton, L E "

T25531 " Lewis, D R "

Orderly Officer T36646 Lieut J H Hall H Q 3 Mar 42

Orderly Cpl T10826 Cpl Anderson, J W "

Bn Runners T25787 Pte Long, K E "

T11221 " D'Alton "

Orderly Officer T11386 Lieut G K Cripps A Coy 4 Mar 42

Orderly Cpl T11172 Cpl Coy, B "

Bn Runners T20804 Pte Langford, K J "

T22278 " Hughes, W H "



8. HOME AND NIGHT LEAVE

Coy Comdrs will ensure that all personnel proceeding on leave must be correctly dressed.

Colour patches must be worn on tunics and on no account will personnel be allowed to proceed on leave without same.

Identification charts of aeroplanes can be had at Bn H Q for instruction of troops.

9. SCHOOLS AND COURSES - ENTRY IN PAY BOOKS

Coy Comdrs will check up on all pay books ensure that all records of schools and courses attended by personnel, have been entered in respective pay books.

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Lt Col  
Comd 40 Bn  
(The Derwent Regiment).

Date	Company	Officer	Rank	Notes
28 Feb 43	A Coy	Lt Col	Comd	40 Bn (The Derwent Regiment)
28 Feb 43	B Coy	Lt Col	Comd	40 Bn (The Derwent Regiment)
28 Feb 43	C Coy	Lt Col	Comd	40 Bn (The Derwent Regiment)
1 Mar 43	D Coy	Lt Col	Comd	40 Bn (The Derwent Regiment)
2 Mar 43	E(MG)	Lt Col	Comd	40 Bn (The Derwent Regiment)
3 Mar 43	H Q	Lt Col	Comd	40 Bn (The Derwent Regiment)
4 Mar 43	A Coy	Lt Col	Comd	40 Bn (The Derwent Regiment)



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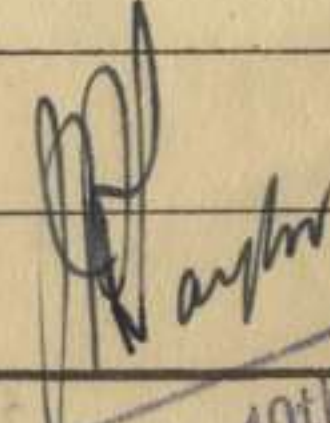
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Unit 40 Bn

Date and Time.—From I MAR 42 To 31 MAR 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Brighton	I Mar 42		Daily strength 799. Church parade 0930 hrs. Cleaning camp area and training. Afternoon devoted to adm and preparation for move. Night: Bn, less essentials, marched out of camp to fwd areas DUCK HOLE. Weather fine and warm.	
In Field	2 Mar 42		Daily strength 799. Work fwd areas AERO & ACTO continued in accordance with schedule. Remainder Bn sited and commenced preparation defensive posn on two coys' front line DUCK HOLE CK. Bn working on operational basis; sentries etc mounted in accordance. Patrols active at night. Weather fine and warm.	
"	3 Mar 42		Daily strength 799. Work and tng in foremost areas continued. Digging rear posns advanced satisfactorily. Camouflage begun. Tps bathed feet in ck water. Weather cool and dull.	
"	4 Mar 42		Daily strength 796. Bn transferred to semi-operational basis. Day devoted to adm - moving BHQ and coys to semi-permanent bivouac areas, erecting and camouflaging tentage etc. Development of posns continued where possible. MC orderlies investigated disturbance MT RUMNEY 1200 hrs. Work and tng continued according to plan in foremost areas. Weather fine warm.	
"	5 Mar 42		Daily strength 799. Alternate digging and intensive tng during morning. Tps rested (compulsorily) afternoon. Patrols & specialists' night work 2000-2400 hrs. Sentries mounted operational basis. AERO tps commenced sandbagging buildings, otherwise all in fwd areas to plan. Leave for bn commenced on normal basis except party transported back to BELLERIVE. Weather fine and warm, wet evening.	
"	6 Mar 42		Daily strength 800. Bn continued tng etc as per syllabus. Tng and work in foremost areas as previous days. Weather fine and warm, cool evening.	

  
 Adjutant, 40th Battalion



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Date and Time.—From I MAR 42

To 31 MAR 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
In Field	7 Mar 42		Daily strength 799. Weather fine, dull and cool. Operations as for previous day.	
"	8 Mar 42		Daily strength 799. Church parade 0900 hrs in field. Remainder of day as per syllabus. Work continued foremost areas. Weather fine, dull and cool.	
"	9 Mar 42		Daily strength 799. Bn continued work and tng as per syllabus in all stations. Uneventful day. Weather fine & warm.	
"	10 Mar 42		Daily strength 799. Main body bn continued intensive tng as per syllabus. MMGs withdrawn from AERO, also inf. Fine, warm.	
"	11 Mar 42		Daily strength 798. Tng as for previous day. A Coy personnel relieved from ACTO. BC inspected bn area. Quiet day. Fine.	
"	12 Mar 42		Daily strength 797. Work and tng as per syllabus. Uneventful day. All in order in foremost areas. Weather cool early, warm later, showery.	
"	13 Mar 42		Uneventful day in fwd areas. Range practice portion personnel BRIGHTON camp. Weather clear, fine, warm. Daily strength 794.	
"	14 Mar 42		Daily strength 788. Quiet day in field; work and tng as laid down. Rest afternoon, work night. Rifles under process of zeroing. Weather fine and warm.	
"	15 Mar 42		Daily strength 793. Church parade in field 0900 hrs. B ech moved from BRIGHTON to HUT, BACK TEA TREE RD. Work and tng continued uninterruptedly. Fine, warm, breezy.	
"	16 Mar 42		Daily strength 793. Uneventful day; work and tng according to syllabus. Leave commenced on basis three days home leave	

*[Signature]*  
Adjutant, 40th Battalion Capt



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Unit 40 BN Date and Time.—From 1 MAR 42 To 31 MAR 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
In Field	16 Mar 42		per month, plus one day leave in next fortnight as from 1100-2400 hrs. Weather dull and warm, rain evening.	
"	(contd) 17 Mar 42		Daily strength 790. Tng as for previous day. C O inspected ACTO comd. Weather fine, warm, calm; cold night.	
"	18 Mar 42		Tng as per syllabus. I.O.S Comd visited area. Air Liaison Officer instructed officers and NCOs each coy in ground signals. Weather fine early, cold showery later. Strength 793.	
"	19 Mar 42		Daily strength 793. Tng according syllabus. C O and O Cs E & D coys made recce re posn pillboxes. Work in fwd areas progressing according to plan. Weather fine and warm.	
"	20 Mar 42		Daily strength 791. Tng as per syllabus. Work fwd areas continued. Weather dull.	
"	21 Mar 42		Daily strength 895. Tng according syllabus. Work continued on fwd areas. Weather full.	
"	22 Mar 42		Daily strength 891. Tng as per syllabus; work in fwd areas progressing satisfactorily. Official tour of fwd areas with view to indicating posns to comds of relieving force. Dull.	
"	23 Mar 42		Daily strength 890. Tng as per syllabus; fwd areas preparing move pending relief for District Exercise. Bn received warning order re exercise. Weather fine and cool.	
"	24 Mar 42		Daily strength 891. Tng according syllabus. 12 Tng Bn relieved 40 Bn in foremost areas ACTON. "I" sec recce route of District Exercise: <b>RICHMOND</b> to TUNNACK: Information re topography, water, bivouac area etc. Adm arrangements for exercise. Fine & warm.	

*[Signature]*  
Adjutant, 40th Battalion  
Capt.



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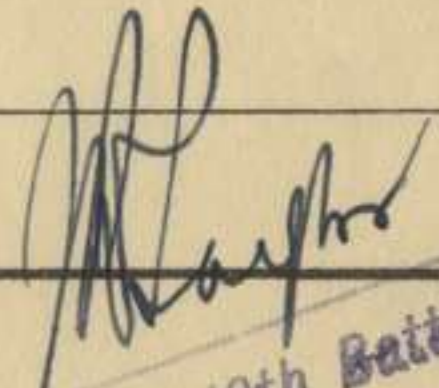
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Unit 40 BN Date and Time.—From 1 MAR 42 To 31 MAR 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
In Field	25 Mar 42		Daily strength 892. Tps tng, staff adm re move on 26 Mar. Operation Order No. I. issued. Personal gear and stores not essential to exercise returned BRIGHTON. Fine, clear, hot.	
"	26 Mar 42		Daily strength 892. Bn moved from WEST RICHMOND area to No. 1 bivouac area accompanied by 12 Fd Amb and 22 LAD on District Exercise. Exercise hampered by storm in afternoon. Weather fine in morning, storm in afternoon.	
"	27 Mar 42		Daily strength 891. Bn commenced operations again 1000 hrs; morning occupied by conferences. Allied units coming up <del>in</del> in preparation for exercise. Weather wet and cold.	
"	28 Mar 42		Daily strength 900. Bn moved from No. 1 bivouac area to No. 2 area TUNNACK-STONOR Rd. Coys took up psns as shown O.O. No. 2. Weather fine.	
"	29 Mar 42		Daily strength 901. Exercise carried out until termination at 1130 hrs. Weather fine.	
"	30 Mar 42		Daily strength 902. Bn moved back to COLEBROOK for night. Tps marched. Weather fine, light rain.	
"	31 Mar 42		Tps moved back to camp; part way by M T; entered BRIGHTON 1400 hrs. Remainder day occupied in showers for men, reorganisation and adm. All ranks were paid in evening. Weather Fine. Daily strength 902.	

  
 Adjutant, 40th Battalion Capt.



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Date and Time.—From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information
JCK HOLE CK	26	0900	Movement of Bn to No. I Bivouac Area STOCKDALE
STOCKDALE	27		Arrangements interrupted by weather. "A", "B", and "D" coys moved at 2100 hrs to occupy SPONOR, BADEN, and COLEBROOK respectively
		2345	"D" Coy advised had taken up defensive posns COLEBROOK
TUNNACK- SPONOR RD.	28		Remainder of Bn moved from No. I Bivouac Area
		1000	"B" Sqn L H reported having intercepted message from Senior Northern Umpire to Chief Umpire stating that Northern Gp protecting screen made good BLACK TIER 0930 hrs 23 Mar.
		1330	From SIG. SGT. - Verbal message stating enemy carrier reported on slopes MT. SEYMOUR 1000yds fwd of "B". "B" sent out fighting patrol. "B" Sqn L H moved up and taken over defence of BADEN. "B" moving fwd one mile MT. SEYMOUR P.O.
		1425	Gp Comd (verbal) - "C" Coy to motorise patrol and send through WOODSDALE and WHITEFOORD; to report back through "B" ("B" at 0437 on TUNNACK highway) "B" to recce patrol towards PARATTAH and around slopes MT. SEYMOUR where enemy carrier seen. "A" to recce from left pl into PIKE HILL and from rt pl fwd along railway line and to report back. Res pl two carriers under comd Lieuts. HILL and DOYLE and personnel to leave 1430 hrs through "C" and ascertain if it is possible to get along rd from SPONOR to "B"; report to be in by 1700 at latest.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information
TUNNACK- STONOR RD.	28	I430	"A" Coy advised reece made and rd block covered by one pl and mortar det and section M M G. Posn C446. Pl and det mortars C476 covering station and approaches. Pl and section M M G at C474 opportunity and penetration tasks. Arrived in area at 0010; unable make signal contact. Wireless useless. Coy HQ 300yds from STONOR Hall on RHYNDASTON Rd. "B" ech moved to C464. Patrols report no enemy movement.
		I430	"C" Coy advised HQ established D422. Pl localities selected covering approaches from rt flank. Awaiting arrival tps for dispersion to localities. Have contacted Sqdn Commander <del>xxxx</del> 22 L who picked up enemy R/T message "Have made good BACK TIER by 0930 on 28".
		I503	"B" notified disposn of coy: Two pl occupying area vicinity MT. SEYMOUR; third pl still in posn covering rd to WHITEFOORD. "B" Sqdn L H arrived.
		I418	Lieut. FRANKCOMB notified verbally that <del>xxxx</del> patrol of two carriers which moved through STONOR—"B" Coy reported having observed motorised patrol - strength about 15 motor-cycle outfits and some cycles - moving from vicinity PARATTAH towards ANDOVER. <del>22</del> Go Comd had given "D" Coy orders to send motorised patrol rd TUNNACK-BADEN-PARATTAH-ANDOVER area and report back by I915 hrs.
		I645	Lieut. HILL informed C.O. verbally that his patrol went 600yds past "B" HQ. Orderlies observed. Saw about four trucks 1½ miles North of "B" HQ.

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- I645 C.O. informed Lieut. HILL verbally that "D", from reserve, would send one-ton truck with a couple of N C Os and as many men as possible over rd BADEN-WHITEFOORD-STONEHENGE-PARATTAH. C.O. arranged for Lieut. HILL to take fighting patrol of 26 men along general line of railway towards PARATTAH and return left flank lower slope PIKE HILL and left pl posn "A" Coy; to set out from "A" I930 hrs and be back within three hrs.
- I650 "A" advised had had continuous patrols out from fwd pls. No enemy movement. Two patrols now active in conjunction with carriers due to return I630.
- I650 "B" advised patrols operating from No. 12 pl. Have taken four prisoners driving brewery truck.
- I700 Ith Bty advised disposn of equipment I630 hrs: Gun and vehicle park and one I8-pdr A/Tk role (?) on road C475; one I8-pdr A/Tk role (,) rd junc C434; remainder shown in sketch.. I605 hrs
- I800 "B" notified had been on patrol in PARATTAH and that enemy was in occupation of the town.
- I845 Cpl THOMAS ("B" Coy) notified verbally he took patrol through TUNNACK-CERES-by-road into ANDOVER. He saw tents about 800yds west ANDOVER P.O. and cut comm line running on ground outside P.O. at I800 hrs. On return through PARATTAH noticed utility truck and several other tents on opposite side of ANDOVER P.O.
- I848 Lieut. WOOLLEY ("B") stated verbally a patrol stopped truck which carried a crowd of men, including an officer and three O Rs of I2/50 Bn. Cpl CONNOR was shown document purporting to be authorisation to take



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- truck to Gp Comd. Officer said party was O.K. and Cpl CONNOR let it through, but shortly afterwards apprehended it and took it to Gp Comd. Lieut. WOOLLEY said enemy was reported to be at PAWLETTA. Smoke had been seen at SUGARLOAF at 1600 hrs.
- 1354 W.O. II. CLARKE, in presence Lieut. WOOLLEY, stated verbally he understood the truck apprehended belonged to A A S C camp canteen and not I2/50 Bn. Major GRIFFIN was officer on truck (Lieut. WOOLLEY agreed that was the name given). W.O. CLARKE added that he had been informed the enemy was laying cables at PARATTAN.
- 1915 O.C. "B" Coy advised verbally that he and three others proceeded on foot to rt of BADEN-PARATTAN Rd., across almost to WHITEFOORD and back on northern side PARATTAN and along PARATTAN-BADEN highway, and saw enemy laying cable in PARATTAN about 1605 hrs. from only 60yds distance. Also saw two trucks and several motor-cycles. All enemy wore felt hats. He had received report from L H that enemy was digging in at PAWLETTA.
- 2000 Bde SIG. Offer informed C O verbally that Bde SIGS were practising cable laying day and night between ANDOVER P.O. and Bde. All wore white armbands.
- 2000 "D" Coy reported that patrol to vicinity ANDOVER noticed tents and vehicles 200yds west ANDOVER P.O. Cut telephone lines east of P.O. No enemy south line ANDOVER-AUSTRAL PK-PARATTAN.



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0430 12 Pd Coy advised it had arrived at BADEN 1700 hrs  
23 Mar; bivouac site BADEN-WHITEFOORD Rd (D444)

0545 Gp Comd divided into rear and fwd. Rear Comd remained at TUNNACK-STONOR Rd Bivouac Area. Fwd Comd contacted rear of "B" Coy and moved with them into action. Coys in posn according to O O No. 3

0545 "A" Coy notified crossed start line near STONOR station 0545 hrs.

0556 A/Tk and Arty were not ready for action as specified in O O No. 3 when Fwd Comd passed through and orders were issued verbally by C O for commanders to rectify posn.

----- Verbal report by Lieut. HILLON reccs PARATTAH area Mar 29 stated he proceeded to PARATTAH township and surrounding district and within mile radius. Noticed water truck proceeding towards STONOR and 3-ton truck proceeding along rd to PARATTAH; otherwise no enemy activity.

0605 "B" Coy commenced advance screened by tp L H 22 M R

0628 L H advised at EUREKA, grey house  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile south ~~of~~ PARATTAH, that Lieut. ABEY had been fired on.

0630 L H notified had been fired on from carrier. L H put M M G and rifle sec out.

Two enemy carriers observed on rt flank of OATLANDS

0640 O C "B" Coy reported L H not far behind enemy carrier

0642 Enemy carrier crossed from rt flank ~~of~~ over rd towards township, and fired shots ~~at~~ on fwd cavalry and inf.

0644 Enemy carrier advanced up PARATTAH-BADEN Rd from railway, passed through fwd tps to rear attacking forces. On reaching summit at EUREKA, carrier wiped out M M G pl which, arriving late, walked directly



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- One sec L H also wiped out.  
into line of fire. (Own tps from vantage pt at EUR-  
EKA ~~xxxxxx~~ put carrier out of action. Following  
enemy truck met same fate. Other enemy carrier  
withdrew ~~xxxxx~~ n/e direction.
- 0650 Verbal message by D/R from O C HQ Coy stating coy  
in posn.
- 0653 Many shots north of PARATTAH
- 0700 Verbal report by Sgt ROBERTS to Rear Comd that enemy  
L H had occupied OATLANDS. Outflanking movement  
being made by own tps.
- 0703 Own A/Tk moved through PARATTAH.
- 0715 Verbal message from "B" Coy runner to C O stating  
"B" Coy had gone through PARATTAH.
- 0716 Verbal message from C O to "B" Coy that "A" would  
be behind "B" holding PARATTAH.
- 0718 Verbal report by Provost Sec ~~xxxx~~ to C O that it  
was holding ~~an~~ enemy carrier and sec.
- 0720 Verbal message from D/R to C O advising "B" Coy  
had made rd block across railway line at PARATTAH,  
and had A/Tk guns in posn. Patrol covering OATLDS-  
PARATTAH Rd. ~~NOT~~ contacted "A" yet. Enemy believed  
to be to rt; expecting attack from that quarter.
- 0715 Message from Gp Comd to Comd Arty stating: "In poss-  
ession PARATTAH. YOUR recce party should be fwd for  
orders. Move at once to GREY HOUSE overlooking PAR-  
ATTAH".
- 0707 "C" Coy reported its motorised pl was at MT. SEY-  
MOUR ~~village~~.
- 0724 Verbal message from C O to D/R to inform "C" Coy of  
expected attack on rt and tell him to make disposns  
accordingly. Make full report to Rear Comd. Tell  
HQ Coy to move left flank to rt. Fwd Comd will pro-



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- ceed now to PARATTAH. All echelon to be ready to move, but will await further orders.
- 0750 Fwd Comd met "A" Coy entering PARATTAH. Lieut HODG-MAN advised verbally that "A" to reorganise and be prepared to hold PARATTAH; "B" to reorganise and push towards NALA; "C" should be pushing through slopes MT. SEYMOUR. Advise "I" of disposns.
- 0751 Lieut LACY informed C O verbally that ~~was~~ M M G see in posn, and would move in 20-30 minutes.
- 0800 Arty in posn on knoll overlooking PARATTAH, prepared to give support IS-pdrs.
- 0800 Fwd Comd report; PARATTAH made good. "B" reorganised and taking general line along railway towards ANDOVER; L H still in front for protection and information. Making good ANDOVER. "B" will divert certain tps to NALA; will hold ANDOVER-NALA and consolidate on line at NALA. Will have "A" behind.
- 0810 G/Tk ordered to make motor-cycle recce along railway line North.
- 0811 Own A/Tk pushing across country near "B" Coy.
- 0812 Fwd Comd D/Rwho was sent along PARATTAH-OATLANDS Rd to find posn at OATLANDS reported verbally that he went into OATLANDS but saw no activity. Noticed hoof marks on sand into township.
- 0817 One shot heard along PARATTAH-OATLANDS Rd.
- 0819 "A" Coy message stating had consolidated with res pl and one see North of PARATTAH. Holding 500yd front as pointed out by C O.
- 0825 Fwd Comd advised Rear Comd that "A" holding PARATTAH and "B" moving along railway to ANDOVER preceded by L H. Endeavouring to make contact with OATLANDS. Make disposns and commence move. Take care MT SEYMOUR flank. Send to OATLDS if possible for inf'n.



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- 0829 Fwd Comd D/R reported verbally after second trip along PARATTAH-OATLANDS Rd that he saw two or three pl enemy (in slouch hats) moving from OATLANDS and heading across paddocks. One horse in front.
- 0831 Pl of "A" Coy under O C seen moving in bush on left of PARATTAH township. C O ordered it to move North and hold PARATTAH-OATLANDS Rd from left side of Rd. Pl ~~Remember~~ of "A" Coy disposed on high ground facing east of PARATTAH facing left flank and pl disposed on knoll mile east of PARATTAH covering MT. SEYMOUR..
- 0835 "D" Coy (through Rear Comd) informed Fwd Comd (message sent by "D" at 0750 hrs) that "Enemy L H contacted south of OATLANDS. Have withdrawn and appear to be moving on my rt flank. Am holding main rd with one pl. Two pl and M M G have swung round left flank in attempt to get behind enemy. Enemy L H now moving towards my flanking top".
- 0848 22 L H informed Gp Comd verbally that enemy carrier attacked top ~~trip~~ morning Mar 29. Own tp tried to go round rt flank MT. SEYMOUR, but had to return because of nature of country. Central tp moving towards ANDOVER saw carrier.
- 0848 ~~As~~ C O arranged for O C 22 L H to send res tp along PARATTAH-OATLANDS Rd
- 0850 Arty moving fwd to posn where can shell enemy moving from OATLANDS or ANDOVER.
- 0850 ~~0850~~ "C" Coy C O informed I O verbally that he had moved his motorised pl through PARATTAH with intention of contacting C O. One pl should be in ANDOVER and the other following it.
- 0910 "C" Coy motorised pl returned in direction MT SEYMOUR



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- 0911 Message from Lieut. HUGHES to "C" Coy, passed on to Fwd Comd: "Tps, presumably enemy, advancing in large numbers on rt flank south of ANDOVER Rd. Pl in posn on rt about a mile from ANDOVER Rd. Object of enemy seems to be to mov round rt flank. Reinforcements needed".
- 0912 C O rptd Lieut. HUGHES' message to Lieut. FRANKCOMB, with instruction: "Get Jeffrey on to flank near BADEN-SEYMOUR".
- 0914 L H res tp passed through PARATTAN towards OATLANDS.
- 0922 Verbal message from 22 L H to C O stating that stationary truck flying umpire's flag was about three miles along the rd and travelling from ANDOVER.
- 0932 "B" Coy advised Fwd Comd had occupied ANDOVER and was moving through to NALA.
- 0934 22 L H informed Fwd Comd verbally that "D" Coy was trying to push into OATLANDS.
- 0936 Rear Gp Comd informed Fwd Gp Comd it was commencing to move. Had closed HQ 0900 hrs. Goal endeavour to collect inf'm ~~at~~ OATLANDS.
- 0937 "A" Coy (Lieut HODGMAN) advised Fwd Comd protective recce patrol had returned; no sign enem
- 0940 "A" Coy pl east of PARATTAN township covering rd to OATLANDS moved fwd towards railway line. Lieut. HODGMAN stated he had seen group men in green hills distant north and would send patrol
- 0944 One shot heard from direction MT. SEYMOUR. Art fire heard from direction OATLANDS.
- 0955 22 L H notified Fwd Gp Comd verbally that L H at 0900 hrs was holding high ground east OATLANDS. There was no sign of enemy.



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- I002 M T dvr advised Fwd Gp Comd verbally that M M G pl was trying to get to ANDOVER. Guns were already fwd of "B" Coy.
- I005 Runner brought verbal message from Lieut. DOYLE to Fwd Gp Comd stating that two pl "C" Coy had been captured. One pl enemy was moving towards TUNNACK. Enemy L H had been fired at from 1000yds.
- I010 C O instructed Arty Bdr to move see how. to BADEN-TUNNACK area (TUNNACK if necessary).
- ~~I020~~ I030 ~~Lieut. FRANKCOMB informed C O verbally that~~ Lieut. FRANKCOMB sent verbal message to C O stating that he was sending reinforcements - comprising Sigs and Pioneers - to "C" Coy.
- I058 I2 Fd Coy instructed verbally by C O at junc STONOR-BADEN Rd to deploy tactically in vicinity BADEN to hold ~~STONOR-BADEN~~ cross rds.
- I100 Lieut. FRANKCOMB informed C O verbally at BADEN-TUNNACK-STONOR junc that HQ Coy had moved across country towards Mt. SEYMOUR township. He had instructed Sgt. ROBERTS to collect tps in trucks for reinforcement of "C" Coy. Trucks had been sent towards OATLANDS to pick up "D" Coy personnel for use as reinforcements. Sigs and Pioneer pls had been sent to TUNNACK as reinforcements. Rear Comd had been established at TUNNACK.
- I102 C O instructed D/R to proceed to OATLANDS and tell O C "B" Coy to disregard any orders concerning return of his tps. "D" was to push on into OATLANDS and relieve pressure on OATLANDS-PARATTAN Rd.



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- II05 C O informed Lieut. FRANKCOMB verbally at BADEN to collect men available near BADEN and be prepared to fight. They were to be moved fwd to ascertain if any sign of enemy. Posns of sub-units: "A" Coy holding PARATTAH; "B" made ANDOVER and moving to NALA; 2 pls "C" captured; L H gone fwd towards ANDOVER.
- III3 D/R gave verbal message to Fwd Gp Comd that HQ Coy was  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles south of PARATTAH at a side rd.
- III9 Pte CROSSWELL D ("G" Coy) seen by Fwd Gp Comd on BADEN-ME SEYMOUR Rd, stated that he was with Lieut. CRIPPS' pl and was taken prisoner at 0820 hrs. Pl saw some men in slouch hats and attacked. Supposed enemy was Bde and while pl was attacking it was fired on by enemy from rt flank.
- II30 Verbal message from Adjnt to "I" Cpl for rd block to be erected on rd to WOODSDALE. Push fwd on rt flank as many tps as possible to prevent enemy penetration.
- II30 Bde D/R informed Fwd Gp Comd on BADEN-PARATTAH Rd that exercise had been washed out. Rendezvous south gp would be at STONOR.
- II35 Verbal message from "I" Cpl that HQ Coy had not been located.
- II50 Verbal message from "I" Cpl that I-ton petrol van No. 2I706, with Dvrs. Hellessey H. and McGuinness A.A., had been captured at 0600 hrs.
- II55 Verbal message from B/Cpl McNamara M.D. that "I" recee on hill n/e of TUNNACK proved negativ



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Message from "B" Coy to Fwd Gp Comd: "Am holding ANDOVER. Unable to reach NALA. Have Arty support and an engaging enemy. Have had no contact with any other coy. Have taken some prisoners. Situation serious, but can hold".

I2I3

Message from Rear Comd (T.O.R. 1145 hrs): "Message received re reinforcements. Have made TUNNACK-BADEN X-rd. Am using Pioneer pl and Sigs for protection measures round Bn. Have sent all available M T to collect "D" Coy OATLANDS. Situation in hand here. Every available man being used. HQ Coy moving up to SEYMOUR-BADEN Rd as reinforcements.

I254

"A" Coy advised Fwd Gp Comd that patrol left 1120 hrs - returned 1230 hrs - to far green hills, returning via railway. No sign enemy.

COMMANDO BY "D" COY AND ATTACHED  
0545-1100 hrs.

0545

Commando crossed railway line at STONOR 0545 hrs. Order of march - M.C. orderly with scout on pillion, followed after 200yds by two carriers heavily laden with tps, another 200yds to one pl inf and A/Tk gun, and another 200yds to two pls inf. Moved by ~~xxxx~~ bounds, scout clearing each bound. Proceeded towards OATLDS

0645

~~xx~~ Scouts contacted enemy L H on LEMON HILL. Guns from carriers were dismounted and one pl debussed and deployed to cover withdrawal of commando from that area. Move then made round left flank in order to get to objective - RED ROCKS.- without committing force to combat at that stage. Movement was completed across country and entry to OATLANDS was made via



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INTERLAKEN. Reconnaissance with glasses did not disclose enemy in vicinity of OATLANDS and it was not until force entered town that it was found enemy was holding town in considerable force. Entry into town was accomplished with maximum of surprise. Tactics adopted for entry were:

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Carriers were rushed into town after inf had been debussed on outskirts of town. Carriers inflicted heavy casualties on enemy pl which was resting on side of rd, machine-gunned two trucks; was stopped in centre of Gp HQ by rd block. Inf fought series of see encounters. Casualties were inflicted and a grenade thrown under an IS-pdr put it out of action. Force was eventually surrounded by enemy and surviving inf taken prisoner. A/Tk gun proved useless. Difficulty was experienced in manoeuvrability of carriers when they were overloaded with tps



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40 Aust Inf Bn (AIF).  
Australia.  
29 Jan 45.

Subject:- WAR DIARY  
Ref No MH64275 of 6 Jan 45.  
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Staff Duties,  
Mil History Section,  
No 2 Base P O.  
AUSTRALIA.

1. There are no records of the Unit War Diary for the months April, May, June 42 within the Unit.
2. In order to provide the Unit's location, and employment, to complete the historial records, a brief story covering that period is set out here under.
3. The Unit was located at BRIGHTON, TASMANIA in GALLIPOLI LINES. During this period Unit commenced to maintain one Coy in occupation of the farward areas at LLANHERNE, SEVEN MILE BEACH, and RALPHS BAY CANAL. Extensive wiring of these areas and construction of beach defences were completed. Othe Coys carried out various exercises and combined Coy exercises, generally covering a period out of camp of 4 - 7 days. The later weeks of the period were spent in intensive training of Coys:- Coy in Attack, Defence, later followed by combined exercises, and "free for all" training in Lake Leake, Swansea, Marion Bay, and Port Arthur districts.

4. Ack.

*[Signature]*  
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# WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2118  
(adapted.)

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Unit 40 Bn Date and Time.—From 1 Jul 42 To 31 Jul 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BRIGHTON	1		Daily strength 775. Weather wet. "C" Coy lectured on "Infm." Tng as per syllabus	
	2		Strength 783. Weather showery. Tng continued	
	3		Strength 777. Weather showery. Syllabus tng	
	4		Strength 776. Weather showery. "C" Coy moved to bivouac MAR- ION BAY. "D" Coy returned to camp.	
	5		Strength 772. Weather cold. Church parade 0930 hrs; rest aftn.	
	6		Strength 772. Weather fine. "B" Coy lectured on "Infm"	
	7		Strength 771. Weather windy, showery. D. and M. school moved to PORT ARTHUR and environs for tng	
	8		Strength 767. Weather fine and windy. Tng as per syllabus.	
	9		Strength 761. Weather fine. D. and M. school ret'd to camp.	
	10		Strength 750. Weather fine. Tng continued.	
	11		Strength 750. Weather fine. "Lights of London" revue co at camp.	
	12		Strength 747. Weather fine, warm. "B" Coy returned from fwd area; relieved by "D" Coy. "Lights of London" revue coy.	
	13		<del>Strength 747.</del> Weather fine, breezy. "A" Coy lectured on "Infm"	
	14		Strength 746. Weather wet. Syllabus tng.	
	15		Strength 747. Weather cold, showery. Signals school moved to KEMPTON-ELDERSLIE area for exercises.	
	16		Strength 743. Weather fine. "C" Coy returned from bivouac MARION BAY area. D. and M. school concluded. HQ Coy lectured on "Infm"	
	17		Strength 742. Weather fine, warm. HQ Coy cadre course opened.	
	18		Strength 746. Weather fine, cold. Tng as per syllabus.	
	19		Strength 745. Weather wet. Tng continued.	
	20		Strength 745. Weather fine. "A" Coy moved to bivouac EAST COAST for 12 days. E(MG) Coy lectured on "infm."	
	21		Strength 744. Weather showery. Syllabus tng.	

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Unit 40 Bn Date and Time.—From 1 Jul 42 To 31 Jul 42

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BRIGHTON	22		Strength 738. Weather cold and cloudy. Tng continued	
	23		Strength 735. Weather fine. Tng as per syllabus	
	24		Strength 734. Weather fine and warm. Tng continued	
	25		Strength 735. Weather fine. Tng continued	
	26		Strength 735. Weather fine. Church parade; afternoon rest	
	27		Strength 735. Weather fine and warm. "C" Coy moved to fwd area; "D" Coy returned to camp.	
	28		Strength 733. Weather fine. Tng as per syllabus	
	29		Strength 732. Weather showery. Tng continued	
	30		Strength 733. Weather fine. Forty- <del>seven</del> <sup>two</sup> members of I2 Tng Bn drafted to bn	
	31		Strength 772. Weather fine. "A" Coy returned from bivouac EAST COAST. Tng as per syllabus	

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1. NO. 99.

BY.

LIEUT. COL. T. W. BARTLEY, E.D.

COMMANDING 40TH, BATTALION.

Home Forces.  
2 Jul 42.

1. CAMP ORDERLY OFFICER.  
To mount at Retreat. T11436. Lieut. W.T. Fish. 4 July 42.  
T64 Lieut. R. Howard. 6 July 42.
2. CAMP PICQUET. C. Coy. 2 July 42
3. QUARTER GUARD. D. Coy. 5 July 42  
D. Coy 7 July 42
4. O.C. TRAIN. T25377 Lieut Doyle. 2 July 42  
T10817 Lieut Hodgman. 5 July 42  
T36646 Lieut Hall. 7 July 42
5. RECREATION AREA FATIGUE PARTM.  
Report to Sgt Stephens at Red Shield Hut (Work to be completed before breakfast) A. Coy. 3 July 42.
6. RECREATIONAL HALL DUTY.  
Report to Sgt Rowlands at 1900 hrs. 4 July 42. and 8 July 42.  
T11336 Sgt Cleaver, D. Coy. T11059 CQMS Bush, V.J. A. Coy.  
T11435 Sgt Fish, D. Coy. T10832 L/Sgt Smith, K.R. A. Coy.  
T11523 Sgt Jackson, J. H.Q. Coy. T10826 Cpl. Anderson, J.W. H.Q.  
T11249 Cpl Banks, F.W. H.Q. Coy. T25576 Cpl. Stevenson, A.H.H.Q.
7. ALLOTMENT OF BATHS.  
Coys will contact Bath Sgt as regards time. (2 July 42  
6 July 42
8. BN. DUTIES.  
To mount at Retreat  
Orderly Officer. T11400 Lieut Hughes. C. Coy. 2 July 42.  
Orderly Cpl. T11117 Cpl. Kingston, D.H. "  
Bn. Runner. T11272 Pte Kelly, V.J. "  
" " T10833 Pte Wilson, A.A. "  
  
Orderly Officer. T36646 Lieut J.H. Hall. H.Q. Coy 3 July, 42.  
Orderly Cpl. T22210 Cpl Riley, S.A. "  
Bn. Runner. T28417 Pte Bowden, W.R. "  
" " T24674 Pte Bealey, R.A. "  
  
Orderly Officer. T11541 Lieut T.E. Walker H.Q. Coy. 4 July 42.  
Orderly Cpl. T24056 L/Cpl Heffernan, R.S. "  
Bn. Runner. T11170 Pte Coy, A.W. "  
" " T14325 Pte Blackwell, G.W. "



BN. DUTIES (Continued.)

Orderly Officer.	T11001 Lieut Eddington.	D.Coy.	5 July 42.
Orderly Cpl.	T10990 Cpl. Brett, D.A.	"	"
Bn. Runner.	T20323 Pte Chick, R.N.	"	"
" "	T24414 Pte Horne, B.H.		
Orderly Officer.	T36646 Lieut J.H. Hall	H. Coy.	6 July 42.
Orderly Cpl.	T11207 Cpl Carr, L.L.	"	"
Bn. Runner.	T11208 Pte Carr, M.J.	"	"
" "	T24576 Pte Chaffey, A.W.		
Orderly Officer.	T11436 Lieut W.T. Fish.	D.Coy.	7 July 42.
Orderly Cpl.	T10852 Cpl Gerke D.S.	"	"
Bn. Runner.	T20336 Pte. Mathews, T.M.G.	"	"
" "	T10988 Pte Wiggins, M.T.		
Orderly Officer,	T25377 Lieut. Doyle, M.E.	A.Coy.	8 July 42
Orderly Cpl.	T24604 L/Cpl. Merrick, J.S.	"	"
Bn. Runner.	T11052 Pte. Glover, V.S.	"	"
" "	T24832 Pte. Draeger, L.E.		

*W. W. ... Capt for*

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LIEUT. COL. T.W. BARTLEY. E.D.

COMMANDING 40 AUST INF BN.

Home Forces.  
8 Jul 42.

1. Camp Orderly Officer.  
To mount Retreat. T11522 Lieut. R.H. Hill. 11 Jul 42.  
T11512 " A.H. Collins. 13 " 42
2. CAMP PICQUET. A. Coy. 9 " 42
3. CHAMBER GUARD. A. Coy. 12 Jul 42.  
E. Coy. 14 " 42
4. O.C. TRAIN. T25377 Lieut. Doyle. W.C. 9 Jul 42.  
T10817 " Hodgman. D. 12 " 42  
T36646 " Hall. H.H. 14 " 42
5. RECREATION AREA FATIGUE PARTY.  
1 Sgt & 12 O.R. report to St. Stephens at  
Red Schield Hut. Work to be completed H.Q. Coy. 10 Jul 42.  
before breakfast.
6. RECREATION HALL DUTY.  
4 N C Os. to report to Sgt. T25322 Sgt. Watson. B.C. 11 Jul 42  
Rowland at 1915. T22791 " Lee. C.S. " "  
T10832 " Smith. K.R. " "  
T11299 " Duncombe. A.M. " "  
T11212 L/Sgt. George. A.C. 15 Jul 42.  
T11513 " Chivers. A.A. " "  
T10826 Cpl. Anderson. J.W. " "  
T25576 " Stevenson. A.H. " "
7. ALLOTMENT OF BATHS.  
Coys to contact bath Sgt regarding time. 9 Jul 42  
13 " 42
8. BN DUTIES.  
To mount at Retreat.  
Orderly Officer. T24355 Lieut. Jensen. J.E. A.Coy. 9 Jul 42.  
Orderly Cpl. T11172 Cpl. Coy. B.C. " "  
Bn. Runner. T22428 Pte. Wilson. E. " "  
" " T7420 " Briggs. G.W. " "  
Orderly Officer. T11522 Lieut. Hill. R.H. H.Q. Coy. 10 Jul 42  
Orderly Cpl.. T10851 L/Cpl. Fulsgng. A. " "  
Bn. Runner. T21368 Pte. Williams. E.S. " "  
" " T25539 " Strong. A/J. " "  
Orderly Officer. T71 Lieut. P.B. Walker. E(MG) Coy. 11 July 42  
Orderly Cpl. T10891 Cpl. Heffernan. J.V. " "  
Bn. Runner. T25825 Pte. Lucas. J.E. " "  
" " T11072 " Kean. A. " "



8. BN DUTIES. (CONTINUED.)

Orderly Officer.	T11512	Lieut.	Collins. A.	A. Coy.	12 Jul 42.
Orderly Cpl.	T21153	Cpl.	Douglas. K.M.	"	"
Bn. Runner.	T14327	Pte.	Briggs. K.B.	"	"
"	T14326	"	Briggs. R.H.	"	"
Orderly Officer.	T36646	Lieut.	Hall. R.H.	H.Q. Coy.	13 July 1942
Orderly Cpl.	T11227	Cpl.	Carr. L.L.	"	"
Bn. Runner.	T25415	Pte.	Clarkson. D.H.	"	"
"	T24560	"	Drake. R.P.	"	"
Orderly Officer.	T11488	Lieut.	Lacy. E.W.E.	E(MG) Coy.	14 Jul 42
Orderly Cpl.	T10830	Cpl.	Lewis. S.F.	"	"
Bn. Runner.	T24057	Pte.	Harrex. A.P.	"	"
"	T11106	"	Faulkner. M.F.	"	"
Orderly Officer.	T25377	Lieut.	Doyle. C.W.	A. Coy.	15 JUL 42
Orderly Cpl.	T11292	Cpl.	Adlard. T.B.	"	"
Bn. Runner.	T22441	Pte.	Clayton. W.O.	"	"
"	T14654	"	Lane. K.L.J.	"	"

9. LIGHTS OF LONDON.

The "Lights of London" company, which has just completed a very successful eight-day tour in HOBART will be giving a full show in the Recreation Hall on SATURDAY and SUNDAY nights, 11 and 12 Jul 42.

Owing to the limited accommodation available in the hall, it is necessary to restrict the attendance accordingly, and admission will be on presentation of tickets only, officers excepted.

Coyts will collect tickets from Bn. H. after 1500hrs. on Saturday & Sunday.

REMEMBER NO TICKET, NO ADMISSION.

Lights out will be extended to 2345hrs. on both nights.

10. MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT.

Coy Comdrs. will ensure that attention is paid to condition of webbing equipment. In many cases this is allowed to become soiled and ~~oil~~ oil stained without any attempt at cleaning. Scrubbing is NOT Allowed, but washing should be insisted upon, and webbing kept clean.

11. ORDERS.

ALL ORDERS will be read on parade. Orders are circulated to sub-units for information and contents will be made known to all ranks.

12. DUTY COY.

Duty Coy - provide daily two men for lines patrol, moving through lines, and check up on any people in lines wearing other than unit colours.

13. PERSONNEL TRAVELLING BY LAUNCESTON - HOBART EXPRESS (1614 HOURS)

It is observed that, contrary to instructions previously issued, personnel from Brighton Camp are joining the LAUNCESTON - HOBART express leaving BRIGHTON Station at 1614hrs. It is to be definitely understood that this train is out of bounds to ALL RANKS desiring to travel to HOBART and Suburban Stations. Accommodation is provided by special troop train leaving BRIGHTON at 1810hrs. On SATURDAYS an additional train is provided leaving BRIGHTON 1315 hours.

*W. J. East*  
Lt Col.  
Commanding 40 Aust Inf Bn.



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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1 NO.101.

BY.

LIEUT. COL. T. W. BARTLEY, E. D.  
COMMANDING 40 AUST INF BN.

Home Forces  
16 July 42.

1. CAMP ORDERLY OFFICER.  
To mount Retreat. T23288 Lieut H.S.Evans. 18 July 42.  
T11376 Lieut K.B.H.Woolley. 20 July 42.
2. CAMP PIQUET. E(MG) Coy. 16 July 42.
3. QUARTER GUARD. H.Q. Coy. 19 July 42.  
C. Coy. 21 July 42.
4. O.C. TRAIN. T24355 Lieut J.E.B.Jensen. 16 July 42.  
T23288 Lieut H.S.Evans. 19 July 42.  
T11376 Lieut K.B.H.Woolley. 22 July 42.
5. RECREATION AREA FATIGUE PARTY. E(MG)Coy. 17 July 42  
1 Sgt & 12 O.R. to report to Sgt Stephens at Red Shield Hut at 0635 hrs. Work to be completed before breakfast.
6. RECREATION HALL DUTY. T11492 Sgt Parkes.F.E. 18 July 42.  
Report to Sgt Rowlands at 1915 hrs. T11078 Cpl Gadd.G.  
T11233 Cpl Parkinson.  
T11212 Sgt George.A.C.  
T10830 Cpl Lewis.S.F. 22 July 42.  
T11067 Cpl Swan.V.G.  
T28763 Sgt Norquay.M.T.  
T11326 Sgt Williscroft.L.A.
7. ALLOTMENT OF BATHS. 16 July 42.  
Coys to contact bath Sgt regarding time. 20 July 42.
8. BN DUTIES.  
To mount Retreat.  
Orderly Officer. T11488 Lieut E.W.E.Lacy. E(MG)Coy 16 July 42.  
Orderly Cpl. T10891 Cpl Lewis.S.F.  
Bn Runners. T10884 Pte Butler.J.D.  
T11072 Pte Kean.A.  
  
Orderly Officer T11376 Lieut K.B.H.Woolley. B.Coy. 17 July 42.  
Orderly Cpl. T11177 Cpl Griggs.M.J.  
Bn Runners. T25161 Pte Carr.C.L.  
T25198 Pte Lovell.L.E.  
  
Orderly Officer T11386 Lieut G.K.Cripps. B.Coy. 18 July 42.  
Orderly Cpl. T11120 Cpl Knott.W.C.  
T25531 Sig Lewis.D.R.  
T24083 Sig McInerney.T.



BN DUTIES (CONTINUED.)

Orderly Officer.	T11522	Lieut R.H.Hill.	H.Q.Coy.	19 July 42.
Orderly Cpl.	T25576	Cpl Stevenson.A.H.		
Bn Runners.	T24153	Pte Ford.A.J.		
	T24035	Pte Corney.G.D.		
Orderly Officer.	T11376	Lieut K.B.H.Woolley.	B.Coy.	20 July 42.
Orderly Cpl.	T11330	Cpl Berry.P.H.		
Bn Runners.	T24153	Pte Ford.A.J.		
	T24035	Pte Corney.G.D.		
Orderly Officer.	T11400	Lieut L.G.Hughes.	C.Coy.	21 July 42.
Orderly Cpl.	T11312	Cpl Lovall.B.A.		
Bn Runners.	T24395	Pte Dixon.R.		
	TX6642	Pte Evans.W.J.		
Orderly Officer.	T11522	Lieut R.H.Hill.	H.Q.Coy.	22 July 42.
Orderly Cpl	T25576	Cpl Stevenson.A.H.		
Bn Runners.	T22245	Pte Clifford.L.M.		
	T11170	Pte Coy.A.W.		

9. PERSONNEL TRESPASSING ON RAILWAY LINE. C.R.O.295.

The Station Master at Brighton Jn. has reported that soldiers from Brighton Camp are visiting the local yard and proceed along the line picking up coal which has dropped from trucks and engine. By their action they commit a breach of the Departmental By-laws namely trespassing and theiving in addition to which they place themselves in danger of being run down by a train. This reprehensible practice is to cease forthwith.

10. SHOULDER TITLES - AUSTRALIA - WEARING OF. G.R.O. A.48.

In order to conserve metal, "Australia" shoulder titles will not be worn by members of the Forces within Australia and its Territories. THIS ORDER HAS NOW BEEN CANCELLED. Ref B de 42/1145. Authority for A.I.F. personnel serving with C.M.F. units has now been given for the wearing of Australia shoulder titles.

11. MAINTENANCE OF M.C.

It will be the responsibility of H.Q.Coy to see that one Dvr Mech, and one other are permanently employed in care and maintenance of M.C's.

12. COMPLAINTS - FARMERS, LANDHOLDERS, ETC.

Attention is drawn to the instruction received from 12 Aust Inf Bde Gp regarding discourteous and disparaging remarks made by troops when on bivouac and occupation of fwd areas on private property etc. All troops will be cautioned against making abusive remarks at all times, and courtesy should therefore be the first consideration of troops on private property.

13. STRIPPING SUB-MACHINE GUNS THOMPSON. Ref G.R.O.166.

(a) Owing to the difficulty of stripping and assembling the recoil spring and buffer by hand, without damage to the recoil spring, these components are not to be removed from the gun by unit personnel, except when the gun becomes inoperative in active operations.



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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

ROUTINE ORD RS PART 1 NO.102.

BY

LIEUT. COL. T. W. BARTLEY, E.D.  
COMMANDING 40 AUST INF BN.

No of Forces  
31 July 42.

1. SHOULDER TITLES - AUSTRALIA. REF. D.C.R. 415/1/249.

Shoulder titles "AUSTRALIA" may be worn by personnel to whom an issue has been made and who are entitled to wear them until service chevrons are available.

2. ARMY - R A A F RECRUITING. REF. DCR 414/2/75.

All previous instructions in regard to the above concerning personnel serving in the Army are cancelled and the following instructions issued in lieu:-

(a) VOLUNTEERS FOR AIR CREWS.

- (1) The Army may release any man up to and including the rank of Lieutenant, whether already in the Army or enlisted hereafter, who applies, and is accepted by R A A F for Air Crew duties, provided his release will not seriously affect the efficiency of the Army unit.
- (11) If the C O of the unit does not approve the transfer, he will forward the application to C O C, as Force for decision.

(b) VOLUNTEERS FOR GROUND STAFFS.

- (1) Men already serving in the Army will not be released for Ground Staff in R A A F except in special cases mutually arranged between I H Q and R A A F, H.Q.
- (11) Special cases will include personnel in the Army who desire to qualify for commissioned rank in R A A F Administrative Services. In this connection, C O's may accept application from personnel who, from age or medical classification are debarred from promotion to commissioned rank in the Army.
- (111) In every instance these special applications must be initiated by the serving soldier to his C.O., who will forward his recommendation through the usual channels to I H Q for decision.
- (IV) Before submitting any recommendation on special cases to I H Q for release of personnel to R A A F, evidence must be produced to C O unit that the applicant will be accepted by R A A F. In this connection applicants with units whose release is agreed to by C Os and who have not been accepted by R A A F are to be made available to R A A F Selection Boards when those bodies visit unit camps.
- (V) Applications received by any other method will be disregarded.



3. FEDERAL TAXATION. R.F. DCR 525/1/18.

Deductions from daily rate of pay of members of the Forces to meet Taxes for the year ending 30/6/1942. Members of the Forces other than recently returned A I F are required to lodge Income Tax Returns by 31/7/42, in any case where the income (as a soldier and private income) including the value of subsistence field allowance and allotments, but excluding dependants allowance, derived during the year ended 30th June, 1942 exceeded £156.

Members of the Forces so liable for the payment of income tax for the year ended 30th June, 1942, will be assisted to meet such payments by having deducted from their drawing rate of pay a daily rate approximately equivalent to that required, according to their rank and rate of pay. They will be duly advised of the rate to be deducted, and the drawing rate in paybooks will be adjusted accordingly.

Deductions and payments will be made by the Army and controlled by the District in which the member enlisted, irrespective as to whether or not the member derived his income in that State.

To enable the Army and the Taxation Department to carry out the proposed procedure, it is necessary that all Taxation Returns be forwarded to the correct authority. In this connection members should submit their Returns for the year ended 30/6/42 to the Commissioner of Taxes in the Capital City of the State in which they enlisted. e.g. A member who enlisted in Victoria - say with an Army No. "V" 12345 - will forward his Return to the Commissioner of Taxes, Melbourne, Victoria.

4. RIGHT OF ACCUSED TO ELECT COURT-MARTIAL.

If a C O on the investigation of a charge, is of the opinion that the case is too serious to be dealt with by a summary of minor punishment permitted by A M R & O 418, he should not ask the accused whether he elects trial by court-martial. After the summary of evidence has been taken he should remand the accused for trial by court-martial and forward the necessary application to H Q Tas Force.

If, on the other hand the C O desires to deal with the accused himself and intends to award a summary punishment, or even a minor punishment as a consequence of which an automatic forfeiture of £3 or more will occur ( A M R & O 418(5) he must give the accused the option of being dealt with by court-martial. This does not apply in the case of the reversion of an N C O from acting or lance rank. (See Army Act Sec 46 (8) and notes M M I pp/439-441.)

5. COURT MARTIAL.

The following extracts from Proceedings of District Courts Martial are promulgated -

T22440 Pte James Wilfred CANNAN, 4C Bn.

1st Charge.	Striking his superior officer.
A A 8 (2)	
2nd Charge.	Using threatening language to his superior officer.
A A 8 (2)	
Finding.	Guilty on 1st Charge. Not Guilty on 2nd Charge.
Sentence.	100 days detention.
Date of Sentence.	2 Jul 42.
Confirmed.	6 Jul 42.
Promulgated.	8 Jul 42.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.  
ROUTINE ORD RS PART 1 NO. 103

BY.

LIEUT. COL. T. W. BARTLEY, E.D.

COMMANDING 40 AUST INF BN.

Home Forces  
23 Jul 42.

1. CAMP ORDERLY OFFICER.  
To mount at Retreat. T23288 Lieut. H.S. Evans. 25 July 42.  
T11376 Lieut K.B.H. Woolley. 27 July 42.
2. CAMP PICQUET.  
1 Officer, 1 Sgt, C. Coy. 23 July 42.  
10 O/R's. D. Coy. 29 July 42
3. QUARTER GUARD. B. Coy. 26 July 42.  
D. Coy. 28 July 42.
4. O.C. TRAIN. T23288 Lieut. H.S. Evans. 23 July 42.  
T11386 Lieut. G.K. Cripps. 26 July 42.  
T11376 Lieut. K.B.H. Woolley. 29 July 42.
5. RECREATION AREA FATIGUE PARTY.  
Report to Sgt Stephens at Red Shield Hut B. Coy. 24 July 42.  
0600 hrs. Work to be completed before  
breakfast.
6. RECREATION HALL DUTY.  
Report to Sgt Rowlands 1915 hrs. 24 July 42.  
T11117 Cpl Kingston, D.H. )  
T11124 L/Cpl Daly, A.J. )  
T11516 Cpl Gallagher, H.K. )  
T11423 Sgt Rollins, D.E. )  
  
T11014 L/Sgt Wilson, W.T. ) 29 July 42  
T11330 Cpl. Berry, P.H. )  
T11177 Cpl. Grigg, M.J. )  
T22304 Cpl, Meikle, S.G. )
7. ALLOTMENT OF BATHS.  
Coys to contact Bath Sgt regarding time. 23 July 42  
27 July 42
8. BN DUTIES.  
To mount at Retreat.  
Orderly Officer. T11386 Lieut. G.K. Cripps. C. Coy. 23 July 42.  
Orderly Cpl. T22269 Cpl. Read, M.A.  
Bn. Runner. T24050 Pte. Hays, J.P.  
Bn. Runner. TX6521 Pte. Ahearne, W.M.



BN. DUTIES (Continued.)

Orderly Officer.	T23288	Lieut. H.S. Evans.	B. Coy.	24 July 42.
Orderly Cpl.	T25546	Cpl. Connor H.M.		
Bn. Runner.	T25161	Pte. Carr, C.L.		
Bn. Runner.	T25467	Pte. Burgess, R.J.		

Orderly Officer.	T11400	Lieut. L.G. Hughes.	C. Coy.	25 July 42.
Orderly Cpl.	T25463	L/Cpl. Baker, L.R.		
Bn. Runner.	T14479	Pte. Tringrove, R.J.		
Bn. Runner.	TX6629	Pte. Woolnough, H.W.		

Orderly Officer.	T11376	Lieut. K.B.H. Woolley.	B. Coy.	26 Jul 42.
Orderly Cpl.	T21223	Cpl. Fielding, O.R.		
Bn. Runner.	TX6836	Pte. Farrell, T.F.		
Bn. Runner.	TX6685	Pte. Von See, H.L.		

Orderly Officer.	T23288	Lieut. H.S. Evans.	B. Coy.	27 Jul 42.
Orderly Cpl.	T11180	Cpl. Harris, M.D.		
Bn. Runner.	T25161	Pte. Carr, C.L.		
Bn. Runner.	T25467	Pte. Burgess, R.J.		

Orderly Officer.	T11001	Lieut. L.G. Eddington.	D. Coy	28 Jul 42.
Orderly Cpl.	T10990	Cpl. Brett, D.A.		
Bn. Runner.	T20323	Pte. Chick, R.N.		
Bn. Runner.	T24414	Pte. Horne, B.H.		

Orderly Officer.	T11436	Lieut. W.T. Fish.	D. Coy.	29 Jul 42.
Orderly Cpl.	T10852	Cpl. Gerke, D.S.		
Bn. Runner.	T20336	Pte. Matthews, T.M.G.		
Bn. Runner.	T10988	Pte. Wiggins, M.T.		

9. COY DRIVERS M.T.

Coy drivers M.T. must produce current Driving Licence (Army) for inspection before signing V.O.L. Under no circumstances will Coy Dvrs be permitted to take over any vehicle before Army Driving Licence has been inspected by a responsible officer.

Lt. Col.  
Comd 40 Aust Inf Bn.

LOSS OF MONEY BELT.

Lost money belt containing notes. Finder please return to Bn.H.Q.



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**AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.**

**ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1. NO.104.**

**BY.**

**LIEUT.COL. T. W. BARTLEY, E.D.**

**COMMANDING 40 AUST INF BN.**

Home Forces  
24 Jul 42.

**1. SECURITY.**

(a) It is reported by District and Field Censors that disclosure of military information continues. Of numbers of letters recently checked almost 50% contained military disclosures. It has also been found that numbers of letters are posted by leave personnel which do NOT conform with censorship regulations.

Requirements of security will continually be stressed by Comdrs as an integral part of discipline.

(b) It is further reported that examination of letters discloses cases of officers franking letters which they obviously have not read. Stress is laid upon the important responsibility imposed on officers in this respect.

**2. FEDERAL TAXATION - DEDUCTIONS FROM DAILY RATE OF PAY OF MEMBERS OF THE FORCES TO MEET TAXES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1942.**  
**REF. G.R.O. 223.**

1. Members of the Forces, other than recently returned A.I.F., are required to lodge income tax returns in any case where the income (as a soldier and private income), including the value of subsistence, field allowance and allotments, but excluding dependants' allowance, derived during the year ended 30th June, 1942, exceeded £156.

2. Members of the Forces so liable for the payment of income tax for the year ended 30th June 1942, will be assisted to meet such payments by having deducted from their drawing rate of pay a daily rate, approximately equivalent to that required, according to their rank and rate of pay. They will be duly advised of the rate to be deducted, and the drawing rate in paybooks will be adjusted accordingly.

3. Deductions and payments will be made by the Army and controlled by the District in which the member enlisted, irrespective as to whether or not the member derived his income in that State.

4. To enable the Army and the Taxation Department to carry out the proposed procedure, it is necessary that all taxation returns be forwarded to the correct authority. In this connection members should submit their returns for the year ended 30th June, 1942, to the Commissioner of Taxes in the capital city of the State in which they enlisted, e.g. a member who enlisted in Victoria - say, with an Army No. "V" 12345 - will forward his return to the Commissioner of Taxes, Melbourne, Victoria.



3. SALUTING. (REF.G.R.O. A.198.)

1. Action is being taken to amend A.M.R. & O. 1165 by omitting sub-regulation (1) and inserting in its stead the following sub-regulation:-

"(1) W.Os., and N.C.Os. and private soldiers in uniform shall salute an officer at all times except when passing or being passed by him -  
(i) in a crowded thoroughfare or assembly; or  
(ii) during an exercise in the field; or  
(iii) when on parade under the immediate control of a superior; or  
(iv) when precluded by the nature of their duties from so doing."

This amendment will be anticipated and effect given thereto forthwith. All ranks will be instructed accordingly.

2. In view of the number of officers who have recently been commissioned, care is to be taken to ensure that they fully understand the implications of the provisions concerning saluting.

All officers are to salute their seniors before addressing them on duty or on parade. When not on duty or parade officers under field rank are to salute all officers of field rank and upwards. General officers and field officers are to salute their superiors in rank.

3. Officers are to salute officers in any of His Majesty's Naval or Air Forces and of the Allied Naval, Military or Air Forces, in accordance with para. 2.

4. M.B. 86358 dated 13th November, 1941, is cancelled.

*W. J. ...*

Lieut.Col.  
Comd. 40 Aust Inf Bn.



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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1. NO.105.

BY,

LIEUT. COL. T. W. BARTLEY, E. D.  
COMMANDING 40 AUST INF BN.

Home Forces.

1. Camp Orderly Officer,  
To mount Retreat. T25377 Lieut. W.C. Doyle. 31 Jul 42.  
T11436 Lieut. W.T. Fish. 5 Aug 42.
2. Camp Picquet, B. Coy. 30 Jul 42.  
H.Q. Coy. 5 Aug 42.
3. Quarter Guard. H.Q. Coy. 2 Aug 42.  
D. Coy. 4 Aug 42.
4. O.C. Train. T58 Capt. D.G. Dudgeon. 1 Aug 42.
5. Recreation Hall Duties.  
To report to Sgt Rowlands  
1915 hrs. T25576 Cpl Stevenson, A.H. }  
T11212 L/Sgt George, A.C. } 31 Jul 42.  
T25890 Cpl Bell, L.R. }  
T10841 Cpl Buckley, R.T. }
6. Allotment of baths.  
Coys to contact Bath Sgt regarding time. { 30 Jul 42.  
3 Aug 42.
7. Bn Duties.  
To mount Retreat.  
Orderly Officer. T23288 Lieut. H.S. Evans. B. Coy. 30 Jul 42.  
Orderly Cpl. T11362 Cpl. Scanlon, J.P. "  
Bn. Runner. T25161 Pte Carr, C.L. "  
" " T25467 Pte Burgess, R.J. "  
  
Orderly Officer. T11426 Lieut. W.T. Fish. D. Coy. 31 Jul 42.  
Orderly Cpl. T11454 Cpl. Thomas, C.T. "  
Bn. Runner. T10989 Pte. Bale, E.J. "  
" " T20312 Pte. Berne, A.J. "  
  
Orderly Officer. T11513 Lieut. A.J. Collins. A. Coy. 1 Aug 42.  
Orderly Cpl. T11172 Cpl Coy, B.C. "  
Bn. Runner. T22428 Pte Wilson, E. "  
" " T 7420 Pte Briggs, G.W. "  
  
Orderly Officer. T11522 Lieut. R.H. Hill. H.Q. Coy. 2 Aug 42.  
Orderly Cpl. T10850 L/Cpl. Fuglsang, A. "  
Bn. Runner. T22255 Sgt Ellins, J.R. "  
" " T11353 Sig Marchant, J.H. "



Bn Duties (Continued.)

Orderly Officer.	T25377	Lieut. W.C. Doyle.	(MG) Coy.	3 Aug 42.
Orderly Cpl.	T11067	Cpl Swan, B.G.	"	
Bn. Runner.	T24588	Pte Horne, K.A.	"	
" "	T11480	Pte Farrell, K.	"	
Orderly Officer.	T80	Lieut. R. Gregg.	D. Coy.	4 Aug 42.
Orderly Cpl.	T11439	Cpl Harris, R.J.	"	
Bn. Runner.	T43151	Pte Briggs, R.J.	"	
" "	T20319	Bunton, B.L.	"	
Orderly Officer.	T11522	Lieut. R.H. Hill.	H.Q. Coy.	5 Aug 42.
Orderly Cpl.	T11221	L/Cpl. D'Alton, N.C.	"	
Bn. Runner.	T11220	Sig. Clark, K.J.	"	
" "	TX8740	Pte Green, C.F.	"	

8. Camp Pay Office Guard.  
 1 Sgt 4 O.R's. Report at C.P. Office at 1700 hrs.  
 Dismount 0800 hrs.

9. Refuse Bins.  
 It has come to notice that clean refuse bins are being used for storing of foodstuffs. The material used in the manufacture of refuse bins contain lead and zinc, these metals are most injurious and will contaminate food, therefore this practice must cease forthwith.

10. Hobson Trust Fund.  
 A very gratifying response from all concerned in this unit has culminated in the splendid total of £71. 10. 0.  
 A cheque for this amount has been forwarded to the R.S.S.I.L.A., Devonport Sub-Branch Relief Committee for distribution to the widow of Pte A. Hobson, H.Q. Coy, who is in needy circumstances. The C.O. 40 Aust Inf Bn is very gratified at the response to the appeal and to the splendid total collected.

11. Dress - Troops on leave.  
 It is again brought to the notice of all ranks that troops on leave must be correctly dressed. Hats turned up, gaiters must be worn, and tunics buttoned up to neck.

*[Handwritten Signature]*  
 Lieut. Col.  
 Comd 40 Aust Inf Bn.