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**Item number: 8/3/89**

**51 Infantry Battalion**

**May - June 1942**

# WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2118  
(adapted)

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Unit 51 Bn.

Date and Time.—From 0001 hrs. 1 May '42. — 0210 hrs. 1 May '42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Lewis Paddock Lawnville.	1 May '42.	0040	Patrol under Command Lieut. J. P. Kenny comprising 15 P.I. "C" Coy left Camp by M.T. to patrol main road in direction of reported landing.	
		0050	42 Bty. R.A.G., B.Tp. 2/A/Tk. Bty and. 10. Sec. 115 Res. M.T. Coy informed of reported landing, patrol being sent out and to prepare to move.	
		0140	One Sec. Casner's left Camp to report to Patrol Command.	
		0152	Patrol reported posn. one mile south of BLACK RIVER.	
		0153	Patrol moving to BLACK RIVER.	
		0210	Communication established with patrol	

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Unit 51 Bn.

Date and Time.—From 0210 hrs. 1 May 42. — 0405 hrs. 1 May 42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
<i>Inasius Paddock</i>	<i>1 May 42.</i>		<i>from Unit O.P. Map. Ref. 937994 COONAMBELAH. MAP. 2" to 1:177.</i>	
<i>Launceville.</i>		<i>0210</i>	<i>Patrol Command. informed that Sec. of Cassiers had left Camp to report to him. Cassiers to stay with post to be established at BLACK RIVER, and to cover his withdrawal if necessary.</i>	
		<i>0210</i>	<i>B.P. 2. A/TK advised Bn. meeting. Sp. to not until report of Patrol received.</i>	
		<i>0335</i>	<i>Patrol Command. reported patrol withdrawing to BOHLE RIVER caused by Cassiers.</i>	
		<i>0400</i>	<i>Rob. informed that patrol was returning to Camp — everything O.K.</i>	
		<i>0405</i>	<i>Rob. reported man alleged to be Aust. Maj wandering around near U.S.A. Searchlight</i>	<i>OK</i>

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Unit 51 Bn.

Date and Time.—From 0410 hrs. 1 May 42 To 0815 hrs. 1 May 42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
<i>Lewis Paddock</i>	<i>1 May 42.</i>		<i>Bty. DALRYMPLE Rd.</i>	
<i>Beunsville.</i>		<i>0410</i>	<i>Abanc Maj. identified as Maj. R. King 42 Bty</i>	
			<i>was returning to his Camp from this Unit.</i>	
		<i>0410</i>	<i>42 Bty. informed all clear.</i>	
		<i>0415</i>	<i>B. Tp. 4/Tr., D. Sec. 115 Res. M.T. Coy informed all clear</i>	
		<i>0420</i>	<i>Patrol Command. reported reaching BOHLE RIVER holding posn. until Cassius withdrawn.</i>	
		<i>0425</i>	<i>Patrol returning from BOHLE RIVER to Camp.</i>	
		<i>0430</i>	<i>Coy. advised Patrol returning and their men to stand down and carry on as usual.</i>	
		<i>0815</i>	<i>Patrol consisting of one P.I. under Command Lieut J.G. Webb left Camp to carry out further patrol over area and along BOHLE BEACH.</i>	

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Unit 51 Bn.

Date and Time.—From 1150 hrs. 1 May 42 To 0900 hrs. 4 May 42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Inness Paddock	1 May 42.	1150	Col. advised re patrol going out.	
Linnville.		1220.	Patrol reported back to Camp and reported no signs of enemy activity	
		1600	Col. advised accordingly.	Old
	2 May 42.	0900	Unit strength: 34 officers. 864 of Rankes. Field Returns W3008 and W3009 submitted.	
			Copies attached.	
			Advice received of new location Col. H.R.	
	3 May 42.	0630	R. C. Church Parade	
		0900	Army Service conducted by Poole Campbell	Old
	4 May 42	0900	Unit strength 32 Officers 770 of Rankes.	
			Ref. Map LOUISA RANGE AREA. Bri. night body altered to a line through windmill on night of Rly. near BOHLE RIVER back to road	Old

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Unit 51 Bn.

Date and Time.—From 0900 hrs. 4 May 42 To 0900 hrs. 6 May 42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Lrauns Paddock Lennsville.	4 May '42		leading into MT. St. JOHN. 26 Bn. now on our right flank. Copy of map attached.	
			Intelligence Report submitted Bde. Copy attached.	Old
	5 May 42	0900	Unit strength: 34 Officers. 865 Of Ranks. Re-numbering of unit vehicles commenced. Unit No. now 71 and not 92.	
			Tactical markings also being placed on Trucks	
	6 May 42		Trial carried out of knocking down timber with 3/3 Ton F.W.D. Vehicles. Area of 1 acre in front of Bn. front line knocked down in 20 mins.	
			Instructions received from Bde. that all timber in front of Bn. front line to be cleared for fields of fire.	Old

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Unit 51 Bn.

Date and Time.—From 0900 hrs. 6 May 42 To 0900 hrs. 9 May 42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Lancers Paddock Laruenwillb.	6 May 42		Instructions issued Coy. that all Sps. to wear respirators for half an hour on Thursday, from 0900 - 0930 hrs. as well as wearing them for this period on Mondays of each week.	C.A.
	7 May 42	0900	Unit strength: 34 Officers. 864 of Ranks.	C.A.
	8 May 42		Situation report forwarded Bde. Bde. advised personnel enemy organ in unit to go to Lancers Bn.	
		0900	Coy. Comdr. advised Bn. out regulations to be enforced forthwith	
		1400	Instructions from Bde. all leave except day leave once per fortnight cancelled.	C.A.
	9 May 42	0900	Unit strength: 34 Officers. 863 of Ranks. Field Returns W.3008 and W.3009 completed. Copies att.	C.A.

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Unit 51 Bn.

Date and Time.—From 2220 hrs. 9 May 42 To 0900 hrs. 10 May 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Lancers Padlock Louvainville.	9 May 42.	2220	Instructions received from Bde regarding responsibilities of this unit in event of landing by enemy Commander.	
		2345	O. C.'s Conference. Operation Order No. 1 issued verbally.	
	10. May 42	0015	"D" Sec 115 Res. M.T. Coy. advised Transport allotted A. and C. Coys. to report immediately to those Coys.	
		0020	Bde. advised lookouts to be manned continuously and all tps to stand to at 0515 hrs.	
		0023	Coy. advised tps to stand to 0515 hrs.	
		0145	O.O. No. 1. issued Copies attached	
		0630.	R. C. Church Parade.	
		0900.	Army Service conducted by Padre R. Campbell.	



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Unit 51 Bn.

Date and Time.—From 0900 hrs. 10 May 42 To 2145 hrs. 10 May 42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
<i>Shannon Paddock</i>	<i>10 May 42.</i>		<i>Advice received from 5 Div N.C. through Sde.</i>	
<i>Lancaster</i>			<i>regarding leave. May leave once only per fortnight to be allowed.</i>	
			<i>Arrangements being made to transport tps. to town on leave by rail and bus transport.</i>	
			<i>Inter-Coy football competition played during afternoon.</i>	
			<i>Instructions issued Coy. that complete black out to be enforced forthwith. Copy att.</i>	
		<i>2141</i>	<i>Report received from C.O. 1. O.P. MT. LOUISA that</i>	
			<i>C.O. 2. O.P. MT. BOULE reported having heard</i>	
			<i>several rifle shots coming from a westerly</i>	
			<i>direction</i>	
		<i>2145</i>	<i>Standing Patrol "C." Coy ordered to be ready to march</i>	

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Date and Time.—From 2150 hrs. 10 May 42. To 2332 hrs. 10 May 42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Inauss Paddock. Lawrenceville.	10 May 42	2150.	CPO. 2. O.P. reported twelve rifle shots heard to come from due west about two miles off.	
		2150.	CPO. 1. O.P. reported having heard three or four distinct rifle shots coming from direction of mouth of BOHLE RIVER.	
		2230.	Bob. advised of above.	
		2230.	CPO. 2. O.P. reported having seen light flashing on end of MANY PEAKS RANGE near mouth of BOHLE RIVER	
		2235	C. Coy. heavy born patrol dispatched with one sec. Cassin's following for covering patrol.	
		2325.	Mag. Harris reported all above facts to Bob. duty off.	
		2332	Report from patrol stated reached BOHLE at 2243.	Add

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Date and Time.—From 2350 hrs. 10 May 42. To 0800 hrs. 12 May 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Laura's Paddock	10. May 42.	2350.	Patrol reported still working, encountered nothing	Old
Lauranville.	11 May 42	0027	Patrol reported completed last bound returning  BOHLE RIVER BR.	
		0047	Patrol moving back to Camp.	
		0900	Patrol from A. Coy. searched area near BOHLE LAGOON.  found 2 shells which apparently fired from .45 pistol.  The shells were of rimmed type and it would appear shots which appeared to come from mouth of BOHLE RIVER were actually fired by members of U.S.A. forces in the vicinity of BOHLE LAGOON.	
		0900	Unit strength: 54 officers. 863. Of Ranks.	Old
	12 May 42	0800	Personnel this Unit of enemy origin despatched from Camp to catch train for departure south to 9 Sabour Bn.	

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Unit 51 Bn.

Date and Time.—From 0900 hrs. 12 May 42 To 1400 hrs. 17 May 42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Lancers Paddock	12 May 42	0900.	Unit strength: 34 Officers 863. Of Ranks.	
Lammville.			Intelligence Summary forwarded Bde. Copy att.	Att
	13 May 42	0900.	Unit strength: 34 Officers 819 Of Ranks.	Att
	14 May 42	0900.	Unit strength: 34 Officers 819 Of Ranks.	Att
	15 May 42.		Situation Report forwarded Bde. Copy att.	Att
	16 May 42		Field Returns W.3008 and W.3009 Compiled. Copies att.	
		1900	Bn. moved into its defensive positions along BOHLE. R	
			Patrols active during night	Att
	17 May 42	0900	Bn. withdrawn from posn. to Bis. Area	
		1000	Officers of 31 Aust. Inf. Bn. visited 51 Bn. Area to carry out Recce. prior to relief of 51 Bn.	
		1400.	Officers of 51. Aust. Inf. Bn. visited 31 Bn. Areas for same purpose.	Att

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Unit 51 Bn

Date and Time.—From 0900 hrs. 18. May 42. To 0900 hrs. 22. May 42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Lanans Paddock	18. May 42	0900	Unit strength: 34 Officers, 844 Of Ranks.	OK
Lanans Paddock		2215	Admn Instruction no. 4 issued. Copy att.	f
		2215	O.O. no. 2. issued. Copy att.	OK f
	19. May 42.	0900.	51. Aust. Inf. Bn. Adv. party moved to 31. Bn. Area.	
		0930.	Adv. Party 31 Aust. Inf. Bn. arrived in our Area.	
			During night 19/20. May the two Bns. changed over.	
			Reliefs completed by 0600 hrs. 20 May 42.	
			Intelligence summary forwarded Bde. Copy att.	OK
Lanans Paddock	20. May 42		Bn. occupying 31 Bn. defences.	
		2130.	Bn. withdraws from defensive posns. to Riv. Area.	OK
	21 May 42	0900.	Unit strength: 34 Officers, 844 Of Ranks.	OK
	22 May 42.	0900.	Unit strength: 34 Officers, 844 Of Ranks.	
			Situation Report forwarded Bde. Copy att.	OK

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Unit 51 BN

Date and Time.—From 2400 23 May 42 To 0344 23 May 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.		
TOWNSVILLE	22 <del>nd</del> May 42	2400	Bde reported U.S. negroes had seized their own arms. 51 Bn sent 2 coys to block STUART TOWNSVILLE road to all persons			
		23 May 42	0022	B coy ordered to move to B. H. W. picking up guides at ECHLIN ST. on route. Password BUCKS		
			0058	patrol supply by C. Coy under Lieut Smith from Bde operating along WEIR ROAD		
				0010	D. Coy ordered to take up position ROSS RIVER Meatworks Br. with left flank STUART TOWNSVILLE road. 1 Sec M.G.'s attached. Instructions cancelled. Coy in reserve in vicinity RISING SUN. 1 Sec Carriers with A. Coy, 1 Sc with C. Coy.	
				0225	Instructions from Bde A. Coy at ROSS RIVER Br. and Sec Carriers attached to be recalled. C. Coy remain in position at WEIR AREA.	
				0258	Message from Bde state Carriers at C. Coy ordered by Col. Forbes to return to lines.	
				0344	A. Coy returned to Biv. Area	<i>Ad</i>

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Unit 51 BN

Date and Time.—From 0718 23 may 42 To 1110 28 may 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOWNSVILLE	23 May 42	0718	Bde instructions all coys return to Biv Area	
		0855	Bde instructions that all messages by wireless must be passed by cipher	
		0900	Units strength 34 Officers 839 O/rs Copy Army form W3008 W3009	Att. <i>CH</i>
	24 May 42	0900	References to Coy Biv Area forwarded Bde	<i>CH</i>
	25 May 42	1200	Warning Order No. 2 issued as per copy att.	<i>CH</i>
	26 May 42	1900	Warning Order No.2 Cancelled	
		1805	Warning Order from Bde anticipated Bde moving into field. All surplus equipment etc. to be dumped.	<i>CH</i>
	27 May 42	1915	Intelligence Report submitted to Bde as per copy att.	<i>CH</i>
	28 May 42	0900	Units strength 34 Officers 795 O/rs	
		0745	1 Officer 2 N.C.Os 50 O/rs to report to Lt. Sagg 16 Field Coy. at STUART .	<i>CH</i>
		1120	All Coys ordered to prepare to move to new area	
		1110	Warning Order from Bde - unit to move immediately new area	

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Unit 51 BN

Date and Time.—From 1200 28 May 42 To 1300 31 May 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.	
TOWNSVILLE	28 May 42	1200	Coys ordered strike all tents stack floorboards. Working party to return from STUART immediatley .		
		1720	Message to Bde B.H.Q. established Ref Map COONAMBELAH 924945. Unit advised by Bde Maj. to move to different area.		
		1932	Message to Bde B.H.Q. at Ref Map COONAMBELAH 911947. Move complete except Q Store. CASTLE HILL post maintained.	<i>Old</i>	
	29 May 42	0900	Situation Report to Bde. Copy att.		
	29 May 42	1400	Instructions from Bde all wireless messages to contain concealed address in text of message . All messages by wireless in cipher.	<i>Old</i>	
	30 May 42	0900	<i>Unit strength 35 Ofrs 840 O/R's A.F.W. 3008 and 3009 attch.</i>		
	30 May 42	1015	Personnel for M.G. Course instructed report B.H.Q. 0745 hrs 31 May 42		
			1800	Unit supply town picquet	<i>Old</i>
			18		
	31 <sup>st</sup> May 42	0900		Unit Strength 35 Officers 786 O/rs	
		0930	Church parade conducted by Chaplain Campbell		
		1300	Representative Football Team <del>and</del> proceeded to City to play Artillery No. 1 Team		
			Team defeated Arty. 12 to 3	<i>Old</i>	



FULL TIME DUTY

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

51 BN (Unit)

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

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
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Lieut.-Colonels			1
Majors	3		1
Captains	4		6
Lieutenants	27		1
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters	1		
Totals	34		9

\*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

### Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

### Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lieut. (T.Maj.)	Q38967	HARGIS W.H.	51 Bn.	Yes	
" "	Q38868	WRIGHT S.	"	"	
" (T.Capt)	Q38969	DUNNS H.C.	"	No.	On Leave
" "	Q39032	SILMUNCH R.N.	"	Yes	
" "	Q38752	HARDGRAVE F.B.C.	"	No.	Coy. Comd. Course, E. Comd.
" "	38910	HAR PER H.V.	"	Yes	
Major	Q39161	LEWIS A.A.	"	"	
"	<del>Q38878</del>	<del>XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX</del>			
"	Q38878	KARLE R B.E.	"	No.	O.T.S., Bonegilla.
"	Q38778	HOLDEN A.S.	"	Yes	
"	Q39075	CATER W.H.	"	"	
"	Q38775	MARJASON F.J.C.	"	"	
"	Q39718	GELMAN N.J.	"	No	P. & R.T. Course, Milton.
"	Q38805	WEBB C.B.	"	Yes	
"	38916	PONT H.	"	No	D & M Course, Seymour.
"	Q38808	BIRK C.J.	"	Yes	
"	Q38892	CHAPMAN D.	"	"	
"	Q39886	RAWLINS A.A.C.	"	"	
" (P)	Q39200	SMITH A.E.	"	"	
"	Q39076	WYLIE A.	"	"	
"	Q38704	HARRISON D A.	"	"	
"	Q39389	BROWN D.M.	"	"	
"	Q38863	CONNORS J.P.	"	"	
"	Q39095	KENNY J.P.	"	"	
"	Q39551	HAYNE L.E.	"	"	
"	Q38917	EVANS C.B.	"	"	
"	Q39150	EVANS W.F.F.	"	"	
"	Q39175	NOBLE R.A.	"	"	
"	Q39078	WEBB F.G.	"	"	
"	Q38956	MURPHY C.J.	"	"	
"	Q39881	GRISKIE W.C.	"	"	
"	Q39162	HEDA B.B.	"	"	
"	Q39108	ROGH B J.C.	"	"	
"	<del>Q39226</del>	<del>XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX</del>			
"	Q39226	COCK C.F.	"	"	
"	Q38795	BUCHANAN H.K.	"	No	O.T.S., Bonegilla.

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt.	Q119432	HEATON W.D.	A.A.M.C.	15/11/41	R.M.O.

51 BN

(Unit.) For Maj. Adm. Comd. 51 Bn. (Signature of Commander.)

2 May 42

(Date of Despatch.)

11 INF. BDE

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

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**FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS**

51 AUST. INF. BR. (Unit)

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

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
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**Officers JOINED during week.**

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

**Officers QUITTED during week.**

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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FULL TIME DUTY.

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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(T.Capt.)	Q38969	DOONS E. C.	"	Yes	
"	Q39032	SHANNON R. H.	"	Yes	
"	Q38752	HARDGRAVE P. B. C.	"	No	Coy. Comd. Course
"	Q38910	HARPER H. V.	"	Yes	H. Comd.
Lieut.	Q39161	LEWIS A. A.	"	"	
"	Q38879	KAHLER B. E.	"	No	O.P.S., Bonegilla
"	Q38778	HOLDEN A. S.	"	Yes	
"	Q39075	CATER W. H.	"	"	
"	Q38775	MARJASON E. J. C.	"	No	On leave
"	Q39718	GILLMAN H. J.	"	No.	P. & M. Course, Milton
"	Q38805	WIBB C. B.	"	Yes	
"	Q38916	PONT H.	"	No	D. & M. Course, Seymour
"	Q38808	PAK C. J.	"	No	Anti-Gas Course, Cabalah,
"	Q38892	CHAPLAIN D.	"	Yes	
"	Q39886	RAWLINS A. A. C.	"	"	
Lieut.(P)	Q39200	SMITH A. E.	"	"	
"	Q39076	WYLIE A.	"	No	Sick in hospital
"	Q38704	RAMOND A.	"	Yes	
"	Q39359	BROWN D. E.	"	"	
"	Q38863	CONNORS J. P.	"	"	
"	Q39095	KINNY J. P.	"	"	
"	Q39551	HAYNE L. E.	"	"	
"	Q38917	EVANS C. B.	"	"	
"	Q39130	EVANS W. P. P.	"	"	
"	Q39175	NOBLE R. A.	"	"	
"	Q39078	WEBB F. G.	"	"	
"	Q38956	MURPHY C. J.	"	"	
"	Q39881	GREGORY H. C.	"	"	On leave
"	Q39162	HYDE B. E.	"	"	
"	Q39108	ROCHE J. C.	"	"	
"	Q38226	COOK O. F.	"	"	
"	Q38795	BUGHANAN H. E.	"	Yes	

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Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt.	Q119432	EXTON W. D.	A.A.M.C.	15/11/41	R.N.O.

51 Aust. Inf. Bn. (Unit.)

*William J. Harris*  
(Signature of Commander.)

Maj. Adm. Comd. 51 Aust. Inf. Bn.

11 May 42. (Date of Despatch.)

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

11 Aust. Inf. Bde.

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

(Unit)

51. AUG. INF. BN.

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

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
* .....			
* .....			
Lieut.-Colonels .....			2
Majors .....			2
Captains .....	8		6
Lieutenants .....	4		1
2nd Lieutenants .....	27		
Quartermasters .....			
Totals .....	1		
	34		9

\*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

### Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

### Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

*Wray*

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt. Col. (T. Maj.)	430007	HARRIS W.H.	21st Inf.	Yes.	
"	430008	WHELAN G.	"	"	
" (T. Capt.)	430009	SMITH R.J.	"	"	
"	430010	SMITH R.J.	"	"	
"	430752	MURPHY P.B.D.	"	No	Coy. Comd. Course, Eastern Command.
"	430810	MURPHY R.V.	"	Yes	
"	430811	LEWIS A.H.	"	"	
"	430873	MURPHY G.H.	"	No	O.T.S., Bonaville
"	430874	MURPHY A.H.	"	Yes	
"	430875	MURPHY G.H.	"	"	
"	430876	MURPHY P.B.D.	"	"	
"	430877	MURPHY R.J.	"	No	F.M.S. Course, Milton.
"	430878	MURPHY G.H.	"	Yes	
"	430879	MURPHY G.H.	"	No	D.M. Course, Seymour
"	430880	MURPHY G.H.	"	"	Anti-Sea Course, Cobaciah.
"	430881	MURPHY G.H.	"	Yes	
"	430882	MURPHY G.H.	"	"	
" (P)	430883	MURPHY G.H.	"	"	
"	430884	MURPHY G.H.	"	"	
"	430885	MURPHY G.H.	"	"	
"	430886	MURPHY G.H.	"	"	
"	430887	MURPHY G.H.	"	"	
"	430888	MURPHY G.H.	"	"	
"	430889	MURPHY G.H.	"	"	
"	430890	MURPHY G.H.	"	"	
"	430891	MURPHY G.H.	"	"	
"	430892	MURPHY G.H.	"	"	
"	430893	MURPHY G.H.	"	"	
"	430894	MURPHY G.H.	"	"	
"	430895	MURPHY G.H.	"	"	
"	430896	MURPHY G.H.	"	"	
"	430897	MURPHY G.H.	"	"	
"	430898	MURPHY G.H.	"	"	
"	430899	MURPHY G.H.	"	"	
"	430900	MURPHY G.H.	"	"	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt.	4110430	MURPHY G.H.	R.A.M.S.	12/12/42	R.N.O.

21st Anti. Inf. Bn.

(Unit.)

15 May, 42.

(Date of Despatch.)

*William J. Davis*  
Adj. Comd.

(Signature of Commander.)

21st Anti. Inf. Bn.

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



**PART D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.**

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Riveters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concrete			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks	6 Ptes	50pls.	Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital		5Sgts.	Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.		5	Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics		7	Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
						Other	Duties	1
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)	6	15		5				1

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.  
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided

51 BN

Unit For Maj. Adm. Comd. 51 Bn. Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 2 May 42

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

11 INF BDE





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Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Riveters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
<del>XXXXXX</del>			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks	6 Ptes.	3 Cpls.	Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
<del>XXXXXX</del>			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths		3 Sgts.	Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
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Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters			Other duties		3
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)	6	13			5			3

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51 Bn.

Unit.

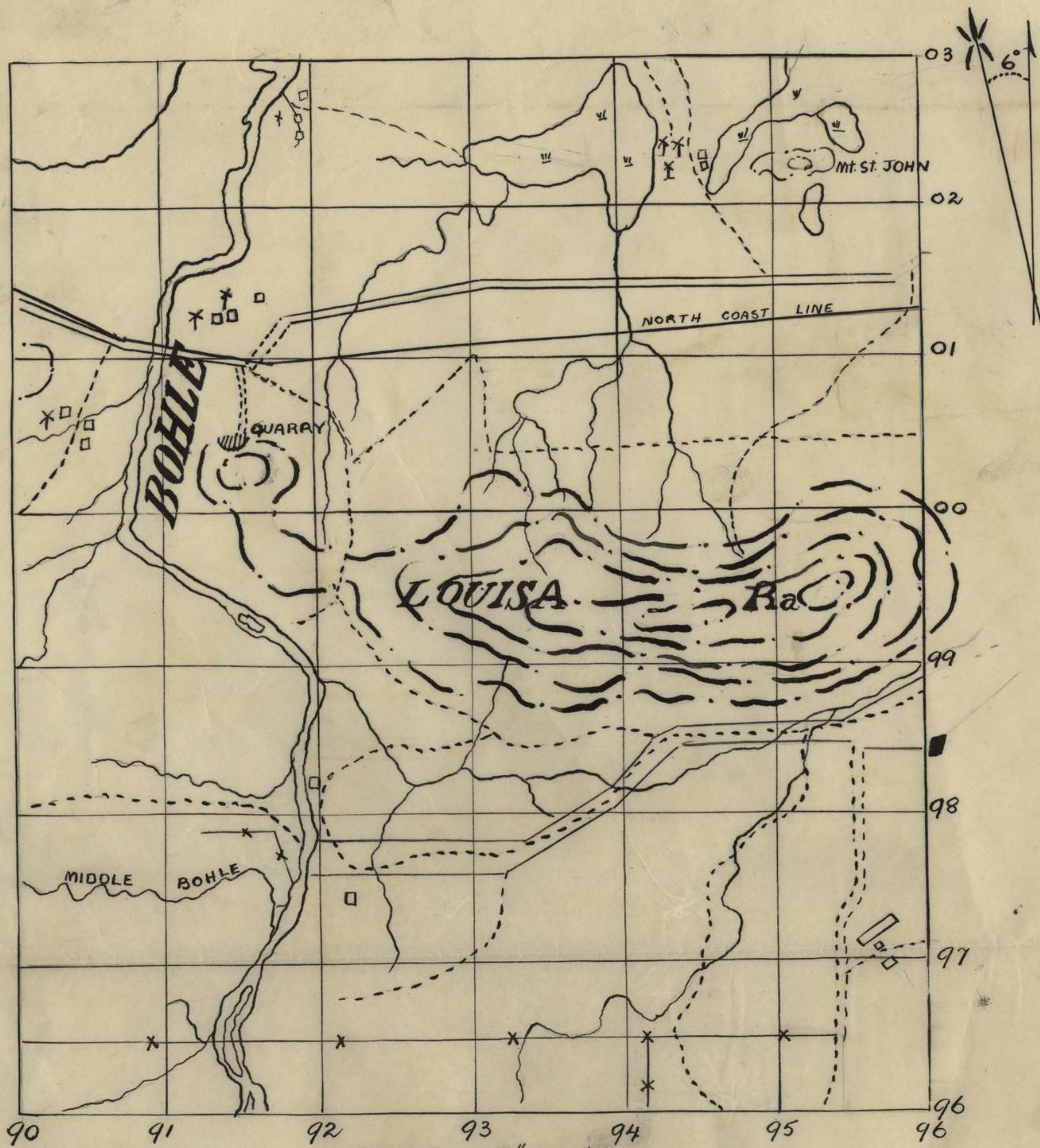
*William B. Hans* Maj.,  
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Date of Despatch 9/5/42.

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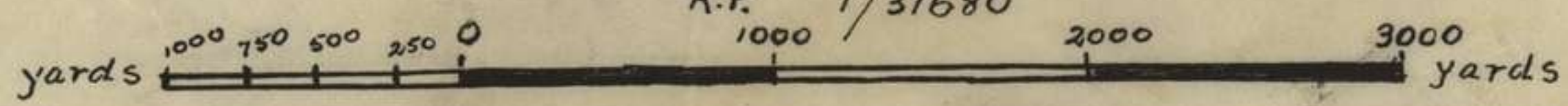


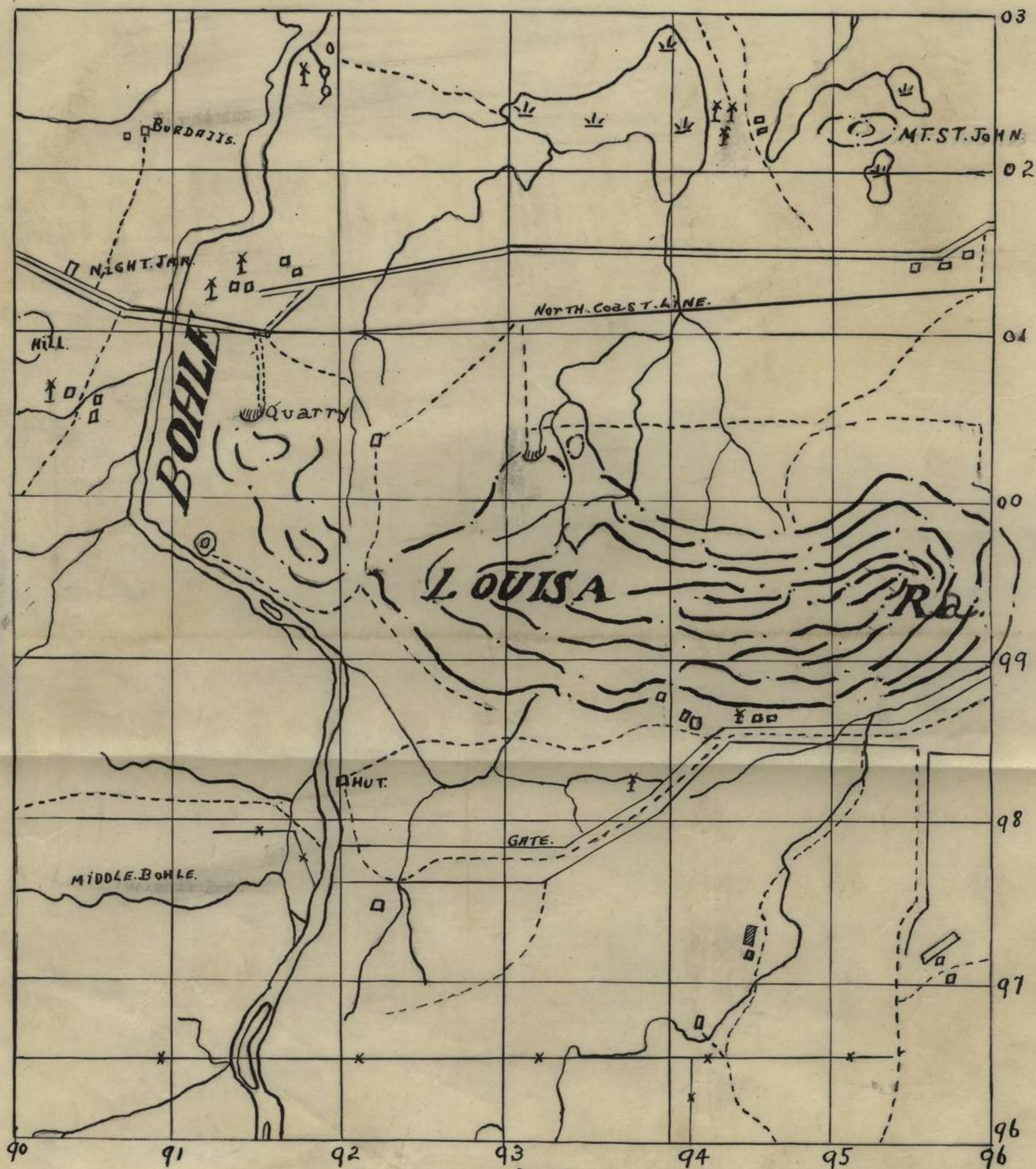




SCALE - 2" TO 1 MILE

R.F. 1/31680





SCALE - 2" TO 1 MILE

R.F. 1/31680  
 1000 750 500 250 0 1000 2000 3000 yards.

TELEPHONE—

# Australian Military Forces—Northern Command.

Please quote this Number when replying.

51 Bn	Security	9/42.
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*W. J. Jones*

Address H.Q. 51 Aus Inf Bn  
 Date HOME FORCES.  
 5 May 42.

11 Inf Bde.

## INTELLIGENCE REPORT. No. 14.

### 1. OPERATIONAL REPORTS.

(a) (1) Own Tro. Digging operations are being carried out along BOULE R.

In the early hours of 1 May 42, a report was received of reported enemy landing on the coast 10 Miles N of TOWNSVILLE. Patrol sent out and necessary arrangements made in camp in case Bn was to move to posn. Patrol reported back at 0400 hrs that everything was clear.

### 2. TOPOGRAPHY.

Roads in area with the exception of Rd TOWNSVILLE-INGHAM very rough and dusty.

### 3. CLIMATIC CONDITIONS.

(a) Weather conditions normal. No signs of further rain apparent.

(b) Conditions suitable for air raid due to good visibility at night. Visibility in daylight good.

*William J. Jones*  
 Major.  
 Adm. Comd. 51 Bn

10 May 42.

51 BN OPERATION ORDER NO. 1.INFORMATION.

1. It is considered probable that a strong enemy commando force may attempt to land in the TOWNSVILLE area with the object of destroying important points and military establishments.

INTENTION

2. 51 Bn will defend the undermentioned areas of responsibility.

- (1) 26 Bn coy area to BOHLE R BR.
- (2) AERODROME.
- (3) POWER HOUSE.
- (4) THE WEIR.

METHOD.

3. By patrolling the waterfront (BOHLE R) and the respective areas of responsibility.

4. Patrolling to commence immediately the name "TOIT" is flashed to you.

## 5. Coy Areas:-

- |         |  |
|---------|--|
| C. Coy. | 26 Bn coy area to BOHLE R BR.  |
| B. Coy. | With C Coy will be responsible for the AERODROME.<br>B. Coy will patrol across to C Coy from the area in which they are now dug in.  |
| D. Coy. | One Pl to be left at Bn. H.Q. Camp area.<br>One Pl at POWER HOUSE.<br>One Pl in posn at middle BOHLE XING.<br>One Pl to patrol from 400 x SOUTH of middle BOHLE XING to the CREEK. |
| A. Coy. | Will be responsible for the WEIR behind BLACK SCHOOL with two pls.<br>One Pl will patrol the area lying between the WEIR and D. COY.   |
| E. COY. | 20 Pl with C. Coy.<br>19 Pl. with A. Coy.<br>21 Pl at Bn HQ camp area.   |

Carriers. One Sec of Carriers will patrol from the CREEK to the BOHLE Br.  
One Sec at Bn HQ camp area.  
One Sec with B Coy.

Mortars. Bn. HQ Camp area.

Bn. HQ. ) Bn. HQ with the surrounding coys will  
Camp ) be divided into four parts.  
Area ) (1) From the R.A.P. incl to H.Q. COOK-  
HOUSE excl.  
(2) H.Q. COOKHOUSE incl to the RD to the middle BOHLE XING excl.  
(3) From Rd to Middle BOHLE XING incl to the CREEK excl.  
(4) From the CREEK incl to the R.A.P. excl.

Bn. HQ ) (1) Pioneer Pl.  
Camp ) (2) One Sec Carriers.  
Areas ) (3) Mortars.  
Allotments) (4) One Pl B. Coy.

Patrols will cover the whole of the Camp area within those areas.



6. CHALLENGING. - NO person to be allowed free entry into the areas of responsibility. This includes D.Rs. Captured personnel will be brought under escort to Bn. HQ.

ADM.

7. R.A.P. will remain in present posn.
8. Amn. - To remain at the Q Store inside the perimeter.
9. Tpt - Tpt not taken out by coys to be drawn close inside Bn. HQ perimeter.  
Tpt taken with coys to remain with coys.  
D Sec 115 Res M.T. Coy will supply tpt for C and A Coys as previously allotted.
10. Meals.- M.P. will be arranged and coys notified.

INTER-COMM

11. password - KEROS.
12. Comm. - By runners, D.Rs, and W/T.
13. B.HQ. - Will remain in present posn.
14. Code names for coys:
- |         |       |
|---------|-------|
| Bn. HQ  | STHA. |
| A. Coy. | SELO. |
| B. Coy. | SALE. |
| C. Coy. | SOLD. |
| D. Coy. | SALT. |
15. Bde codeword. - VUNU.

*[Signature]* Lieut.  
Adj. 51Bn.

METHOD OF ISSUE. *DR*

TIME. *0145*

ACK.

DISTRIBUTION.

- |             |                              |
|-------------|------------------------------|
| Copy No. 1. | O/C A. Coy.                  |
| 2.          | O/C B. Coy.                  |
| 3.          | O/C C. Coy.                  |
| 4.          | O/C D. Coy.                  |
| 5.          | O/C E. Coy.                  |
| 6.          | O/C H.Q. Coy.                |
| 7.          | O/C D. Coy 115 Res M.T. Coy. |
| 8.          | O/C "B" II C A Tank Bty.     |
| 9.          | B.C. 42 Bty (Arty).          |
| 10.         | O.O.                         |
| 11.         | 2 i/c                        |
| 12.         | Adj. Lt.                     |
| 13.         | I.O.                         |
| 14.         | T.O.                         |
| 15.         | Q.M.                         |
| 16.         | M.O.                         |
| 17.         | O/c Carrier Pl.              |
| 18.         | 11 Inf Bde.                  |
| 19.         | War Diary (2)                |
| 21.         | File.                        |

RO.

*Barbery*

SECRET  
COPY NO ..... *20*

10 May 42.

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|--|---------------|-------|
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|  | B. Coy.       | SALE. |
|  | C. Coy.       | SOLD. |
|  | D. Coy.       | SALT. |
15. Bde codeword. - VONU.

*W. Webb* Lieut.  
Adj. 51Bn.

METHOD OF ISSUE. *OR*

TIME. 0145

ACK.

DISTRIBUTION.

Copy No. 1.	O/C A. Coy.
2.	O/C B. Coy.
3.	O/C C. Coy.
4.	O/C D. Coy.
5.	O/C E. Coy.
6.	O/C H.Q. Coy.
7.	O/C D. Coy 115 Res M.T. Coy.
8.	O/C B. Coy 115 Res M.T. Coy.
9.	B.C. 42 Bty (Arty).
10.	C.O.
11.	2 i/c
12.	Adj. Lt.
13.	I.O.
14.	T.O.
15.	Q.M.
16.	M.O.
17.	O/c Carrier Pl.
18.	11 Inf Bde.
19.	War Diary (2)
21.	File.

H.Q., 51 Aust. Inf. Bn.,  
A.M.F.  
10 May 42.

The O/C.,  
All Coys.,  
"D" Sec. 115 Res. M.T.Coy.,  
"B" Tp. A/Tk. Bty.,  
R.A.P.  
T.O.  
Q.M.

BLACK-OUT REGULATIONS.


To be enforced from 1800 hrs. tonight. All premises - billets-  
tents- bivouacs- will establish a complete BLACK-OUT.

No fire to be open after 1800 hrs.

Vehicles: Both headlights to be blacked out except the  
horizontal slit in each headlight - 4" x  $\frac{5}{8}$ ". Blacked out vehicles  
only to approach within one mile of Townsville Railway Station.  
Side parking and stop lights disconnected - internal lighting  
masked.

Speeds: Limit not to exceed 20 m.p.h. for any vehicle.

Coy. Comdrs. will see that above are rigidly enforced.

  
Lieut.  
Adj. 51 Bn.

# MESSAGE FORM

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.**

IN  


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OUT

No. of Groups  
**GR.**

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO *VUNU*

FROM *SIHA*

Originator's Number  
*I 2.*

Date  
*13*

In Reply to Number

<i>Intelligence</i>	<i>Report</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>fifteen</i>	<i>para</i>	<i>one</i>
<i>&amp;</i>	<i>(H)</i>	<i>Operational</i>	<i>report</i>	<i>(a)</i>	<i>(1)</i>
<i>own</i>	<i>tps</i>	<i>Digging</i>	<i>operations</i>	<i>along</i>	<i>BOHLE</i>
<i>front</i>	<i>hearing</i>	<i>Completion</i>	<i>o</i>	<i>Late</i>	<i>Sunday</i>
<i>night</i>	<i>to</i>	<i>May</i>	<i>O P</i>	<i>MT. BOHLE</i>	<i>reported</i>
<i>hearing</i>	<i>rifle</i>	<i>shots</i>	<i>patrol</i>	<i>dispatched</i>	<i>investigate</i>
<i>reported</i>	<i>negative</i>	<i>results</i>	<i>o</i>	<i>para</i>	<i>2</i>

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT **AS WRITTEN** BY ANY MEANS:

IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT **IN CYPHER.**

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS  
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN

SIGNED

SIGNED

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

SYSTEM IN	TIME IN	READER	SENDER	SYSTEM OUT	TIME OUT	READER	SENDER	SYSTEM OUT	TIME OUT	READER	SENDER

**T.H.I.**

**T.O.R.**

# MESSAGE FORM

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.**

IN

OUT

No. of Groups  
**GR.**

Serial No.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO

②

FROM

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

Topography roads in		area		with exception	
of	Rd	TOWNSVILLE	INGHAM	very	rough
and	dusty	○	para	3	climate
conditions (a)		Conditions normal	(b)	visibility	
at	night	poor	in	daylight	good

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT **AS WRITTEN**  
BY ANY MEANS: *by DR*

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS  
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN

0900

SIGNED

*H. Roche*

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**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.**

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FROM

SIHA

Originator's Number

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Date

13

In Reply to Number

Intelligence	Report	Number	fifteen	para	one
+	H	Operational	report	(a)	(1)
Own	tps	Digging	operations	along	BOHLE
front	training	completion	o	late	Sunday
night	to	May	O.P.	MT. BOHLE	reported
headquarters	rifle	shots	patrol	dispatched	investigate
reported	negative	results	o	para	2

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Topography roads in	area	with exception
of Rd TOWNNSVILLE	INGHAM	very rough
and dusty	para	3 climate
conditions (a)	conditions normal	(b) visibility
at night	poor	in daylight good

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RD

51 Bn Secret

51 Bn H.Q.  
51 Aus Inf Bn.

15 May 42.

11 Inf Bde.

Situation Report as at 14 May 42.

1. Re Map LOUISA RANGE AREA 4 ins to 1 Mile.
2. Disposition of 51 Bn as per Situation report as at 7 May 42.

*W. B. Reed*  
 per Major.  
Acting Comd. 51 Aus Inf Bn.

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Major.  
51 Aus Inf Bn.

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FROM

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Originator's Number

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INTELLIGENCE	REPORT	NUMBER	I. I.	19	
ONE	OPERATIONAL	REPORT	SIXTEEN	STOP	PARA
TPS	DIGGING	OPERATIONS	(a)	(1)	OWN
COMMENCED	STOP	BN	NEARING	COMPLETION	WIRING
ALONG	BOHLE	R	OCCUPIED	DEFENSIVE	POSNS
Para	TWO	TOPOGRAPHY	NIGHT	16/17 MAY	stop
WITH EXCEPTION	RD	TOWNSVILLE	ROADS	IN	AREA
			INGHAM	VERY ROUGH	AND

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Date

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DUSTY	STOP	PARA	THREE	CLIMATIC	CONDITIONS
(a)	CONDITIONS	NORMAL	WEATHER	BECOMING	COOLER
IN	EARLY	HOURS	OF	MORNING	STOP
(b)	VISIBILITY	IN	DAY	GOOD	AT
NIGHT	POOR.				

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Date

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SECRET.  
COPY NO. 20  
18 May, 42.

51. AUST INF. BN.  
ADMINISTRATION INSTRUCTION NO. 4.

1. O/C's. will personally inspect bivouac and battle areas and will render certificates that area was left clean.
2. Kit-bags and blanket rolls and Coy. and Bn. Stores will be loaded on trucks at bivouac areas at 1600 hrs. 19 May, 42.
3. Coys. will occupy dug positions by 1830 hrs. and will be relieved from there.
4. Receipt in duplicate must be obtained for all stores handed over.
5. Accurate and definite list will be made by O/C's., Coys., of stores left such as tents, floorboards. O/C's. will arrange with Q.M. for shortage of tents, floorboards in new bivouac area to be supplied. These will be drawn by Coy. trucks from Q.M. at new posn. on morning of 20 May, 42.
6. Coys. will furnish lists of guides who will be left behind without means of conveyance after relief of Coys. Lists will also show positions where guides will wait and times they will have completed duties. Tpt. Sgt. will be detailed by O/C. H.Q. Coy. to collect these. They will be taken to H.Q. Coy. bivouac area until next morning, when Pl. trucks going for breakfast will pick them up from that area.
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8. Coys. will remain in new battle areas until ordered to withdraw to Coy. bivouac areas.
9. Coy. tents and floorboards being taken with the Bn. will be struck and returned to Q.M. Store by 0930 hrs. 19 May, 42.
10. Pioneer Pl. will be loading party for Q.M. and R.S.M. during the move and will report to Q.M. at 0830 hrs. 19 May, 42 with their Bn. trucks.
11. Dress - Battle Order.
12. Coy. O/C's. will make certain that all blanket rolls and packs are marked clearly with man's number.
13. One man will be detailed to each truck carrying men's blankets and kit-bags as baggage guard.
14. All road signs and Coy. signs to be taken down. I Sec. will be responsible for all 51 Bn. serial no. road signs 72 being taken down and carried on I. truck; to be removed by 1730 hrs. 19 May, 42.
15. O/C's. will arrange for their cooks to make soup and place in hot boxes. These will be placed in Pl. Trucks and issued to tps. at discretion of O/C., Coy during night.
16. No lights or smoking during the relief or move.
17. All Coys., upon taking over bivouac areas, will immediately place in posn. Coy. identification boards and Bn. serial nos.
18. Reports on occupation must be immediate, and Coy. Comdrs. will use code words only. Report will be by phone if phone is near. Phone No. of 31 Bn. is 1575 - otherwise by cyclist or m/c orderly. Pl. Comdrs. must report Pl. in position as soon as moved in.

19. Sig. Offr. will leave L/T connected to Coys. in posn. for incoming Bn.

20. In new bivouac areas Coys. will detail daily 24-br. Camp Guard of four men to commence daily at 1800 hrs.

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Lieut.  
Adj. 51 Aust. Inf. Bn.

METHOD OF ISSUE ----- *sk*  
Time OF ISSUE ----- *2215*

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	3	O/C.	C Coy.
	4	O/C.	D Coy.
	5	O/C.	E Coy.
	6	O/C.	H.Q. Coy.
	7	O/C.	Carrier Pl.
	8	O/C.	115 Res. M.T.
	9	C.O.	
	10	2 i/c.	
	11	Adj.	
	12	I.O.	
	13	Q.M.	
	14	R.M.O.	
	15	T.O.	
	16	5 Aust. Div.	
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Lieut.  
Adj. 51 Aust. Inf. Bn

METHOD OF ISSUE

TIME OF ISSUE            2215

51 AUST. INF. BN. OPERATION ORDER NO. 2

REF. MAP. COONAMBELAH. 1/31680

INFORMATION.

1. 11 Aust. Inf. Bde. is in position in Townsville area from and including ROSS RIVER - BEACH - BOHLE RIVER with 31 Inf. Bn. on right and 51 Aust. Inf. Bn. on left.

INTENTION.

2. 31 Aust. Inf. Bn. and Section 115 Res. M.T. Coy. and 51 Aust. Inf. Bn. and Section 115 Res. M.T. Coy. will change positions on nights 19/20 and 20/21 May, 42; the change-over to be completed by dawn 20/21 May, 42.

METHOD.

3. Advance party from 31 Aust. Inf. Bn. will be reporting to 51 Aust. Inf. Bn. H.Q. at 0930 hrs. on 18 May, 42. One guide from each Coy. of 51 Aust. Inf. Bn. will meet the party at Bn. H.Q. at 0930 hrs. and guide to Coy. Areas.

4. Advance party from 51 Aust. Inf. Bn. will report to 31 Aust. Inf. Bn. H.Q. at 0930 hrs. 18 May, 42 and will remain with 31 Aust. Inf. Bn. until relief by 51 Aust. Inf. Bn.

5. Advance party composition and instructions as per Appx. B issued on 17 May, 42.

6. O/C D Sec. 115 Res. M.T. Coy. will arrange a recce. of area to be taken over by his Sec., this recce. to be completed by 1000 hrs. 19 May, 42.

7. Main bodies 31 Aust. Inf. Bn. and 51 Aust. Inf. Bn. less Advance Parties and B Ech. will effect the relief in accordance with the following Time-table -

Serial No.	Sub-Unit of 51 Bn.	R.V. for guides from 31 Bn.	Time of Arrival at R.V.	Relief Commences At	Relief to be Complt. by	Embuss. Pt.	Time to move from Embus. Pt.
1	B Coy.	Rd. crossing Ck. at 039015	1945	2000	2100	Rd. Rly. to Main Rd. 949015	1920
2	19 Pl.	Junc. of Harold and Percy Sts. 006022	1930	1935	2030	Move from posn	1900 from posn.
3	D Coy	Sheet 031026	2145	2150	2300	DAIRYMPLE RD. 955986	2120
4	20 Pl. & E Coy. H.Q.'s	Junc. of HAROLD and Percy Sts. 006022	2230	2235	2330	Move from posn.	2200 from posn
5	A Coy	Sheet 009041	2345	2350	0100	Track from Camp Area 918008	2320
6	21 Pl.	Junc. of HAROLD and PERCY Sts. 006022	0130	0210	0230	Move from posn.	0100 hrs. from posn.
7	C Coy.	Road Junc. 960955	0200	Move into posn.	0300	Track 920007	0125.
8	3 Dets. Mortars	HAROLD St. 005024	1920	1945	2100	Move from posn.	1900

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Serial No.	Sub-Unit 51 Bn.	R.V. for guides from 31 Bn.	Time of Arrival at R.V.	Relief Commences At	Relief to be Complet. by	Embuss. Pt.	Time to move fr. Embuss. Pt.
9	3 Dets. Mortars	HAROLD St. 005024	2325	Move into Posn.		Move from posn.	2300
10	H.Q. Coy. less Mortars and Pioneers	Road Junc. with CH. TOWERS RD. 017999	2320	2340	0100	Rd. out from H.Q. Area	2300
11	R.A.P.	Junc. ECHLEN & STAGPOLE STS. 013018	2225	2245	2300	R.A.P.	2200
12	Bn.H.Q. less C.O.'s party	Junc. ECHLIN & STAGPOLE STS. 013018	2125	2135	2200	Road in front of Bn.H.Q. Area	2100
13	Carriers	To move out at 1700 hrs. on 19 May, 42.					

8. Guides will be sent to meet incoming 31 Aust. Inf. Bn. parties at R.V.'s as set down by 31 Bn. in the following Time-table -

Serial No.	Sub-Unit Supplying Guides.	Sub-Unit Re quiring Guides	R.V.	Time of arrival at R.V.
1	D Coy.	B Coy.	Gate	1930
2	C Coy.		933977	
2	A Coy.	A Coy.	Rd. Junc. 906011	2130
3	C Coy.	D Coy.	Rd. Junc. 918013	2330
4	B Coy.	C Coy.	Rd. Junc. 931015	0130
5	6 Det. Mortars	6 Det. Mortars	Rly. Xing. 915010	2140
6	H.Q. Coy. less Mortars and Pioneers	H.Q. Coy. less Mortars and Pionrs.	Wind Pump 938981	2355
7	Bn.H.Q. less C.O.'s Party	Bn.H.Q. less C.O.'s party	Track Sec. 927987	2315
8	R.A.P.	R.A.P.	Track Junc. 939986	2040
9	20 Pl.	19 Pl.	DAIRYMPLE ROAD 923977	2115
10	21 Pl.	20 Pl.	RD. JUNC. 918013	0015
11	19 Pl.	21 Pl. and Coy. H.Q.	Rly. Xing. 915010	0315

9. Routes for Sub-Units 51 Aust. Inf. Bn. -

Serial No.	Sub-Unit 51 Bn.	Road.
1	B Coy.	Main Road - GARBUTT - Turn right at 009015 - BALLS LANE - QUEENS ROAD.
2	19 Pl.	Main Road - LEFT at Sheet 009015 - RALSTON ST. - PERCY ST.
3	D Coy.	DAIRYMPLE RD. - AITKENVALE RD. - CH. TOWERS ROAD - BLACKWOOD ST. - WALKER ST.
4	20 Pl.	Main Rd. - LEFT at Sheet 009015 - RALSTON ST. - PERCY ST.
5	A Coy.	Main Rd. - Track at 998015 to PERCY ST. - BUNDOCK ST.
6	21 Pl.	Main Rd. - LEFT at Sheet 009015 - RALSTON ST. - PERCY ST.
7	C Coy.	Road through Camp - DAIRYMPLE ROAD - AITKENVALE RD. - HARVEY'S RANGE ROAD.
8	3 Dets. Mort.	Main Rd. - ECHLIN ST. - HAROLD ST.
9	3 Dets. Mort.	Main Rd. - ECHLIN ST. - HAROLD ST.
10	H.Q. Coy.	DAIRYMPLE RD. - AITKENVALE RD. - CHARTERS TOWERS RD.
11	R.A.P.	DAIRYMPLE RD. - AITKENVALE RD. - CH. TOWERS RD. - BALLS LANE - RLY. XING - MAIN RD. - ECHLIN ST. - STAGPOLE ST.

Serial No.	Sub-Unit to Bn.	Road.
12	Bn. H.Q.	DALRYMPLE RD. - AITKENVALE RD. - CH. TOWERS RD. - BALLS LANE - RLY. XING - MAIN RD. - ECHLIN ST. - STAGPOLE ST.
13	Carriers	DALRYMPLE RD. - AITKENVALE RD. - To tpt. area opp. HERMIT PARK SCHOOL at 011002.

10. All Cooks with kitchens complete will move out as a party from R.V. at Junc. R.A.P. and DALRYMPLE ROAD at 2100 hrs. O/C's. Coys. will arrange for 1 O/Rank to go with Coy. cooks to guide to the allotted Coy. Bivouac Area. O/C's party - Sgt. Brimstone.

11. H.Q. Coy. will send A/A Det. and 2 Sigs. to relieve O.P. on CASTLE HILL. Party will report to 31 Bn. H.Q. at 1600 hrs. 19 May, 42 and will remain on duty for seven days.

12. Tps. will remain in position until 0600 hrs. 20 May, 42 when they will be moved to Bivouac Areas.

#### ADM.

13. R.A.P. will be established in new area in STAGPOLE STREET at 007025.

14.(a) Amn. not exchanged will be moved to new site on 19 May, 42. Loading party of 4 men from Pioneer Pl. will load and guard - to report to R.S.M. at 0830 hrs. 19 May, 42. Amn. will be in area 017002

(b) ~~Each man~~ Each man will be issued with 20 rds. during move. cover. ~~to~~

15. Tpt. from Bn. B Ech. and from 115 Res. M.T. Coy. are allotted as in Appx. A and will report as under -

a. To all Coy. Areas at 1600 hrs. 19 May, 42. They will then return to own lines and report to R.V. at appointed times.

b. Those allotted to Cooks at 1600 hrs. 19 May, 42.

c. Those allotted Q Store and amn. at 0900 hrs. 19 May, 42.

d. All other vehicles to report at 1600 hrs.

16. a. B Ech. Tpt. will report back to Tpt. Area at 011002 opp HERMIT PARK SCHOOL on completion of task.

b. A Ech. Tpt. to remain under Coy. control.

c. 115 Res. M.T. Coy. will move to their own Tpt. Area after debussing tps. but must be ready to again pick up tps. to move them to bivouac areas.

17. M.I.H. - 15; V.T.M. 10.

18. Tools will be carried on Pl. or Coy. trucks.

19. Meals will be brought forward on Pl. trucks, which will report to Coy. Cookhouse at 0630 hrs., 1100 hrs., and 1600 hrs. 20 May, 42.

20. Q.M.'s of both Units will make mutual arrangements for change-over - change-over to be completed by dawn 20 May, 42.

#### INTER-COM.

21. Bn. H.Q. will close at present posn. at midnight 19/20 May and re-open at new posn. at STAGPOLE STREET at 003026 at midnight 19/20 May.

22. Communication during move by W/T and D/R.

23. Reports on completion of relief by Coys. to 31 Bn. H.Q. at STAGPOLE STREET at 003026 immediately, using code words.

24. Two Sig. Don R's will be attached to C.O.'s car - to report to Adj. at 1800 hrs. 19 May, 42.
25. Sig. Offr. will attach two Sigs. with W/T to all Coys. to remain with Coys.
26. Password for move - COUGHDRUPS.
27. Code words to be used by Coys. for reporting relief complete -

GRAM - B Coy. 5l. In position 2100 hrs.  
 PRAM - D Coy. 5l. In position 2300 hrs.  
 DRAM - A Coy. 5l. In position 0100 hrs.  
 FRAM - C Coy. 5l. In position 0300 hrs.  
 TRAM - Mortars, 5l. In position 0100 hrs.  
 CRAM - H.Q. Coy. 5l. In position 0100 hrs.  
 BRAM - E Coy. 5l. In position 0230 hrs.  
 SCRAM - 5l Bn. In position  
 Less C.O.'s party.

Ack.

*G. J. P. [Signature]*  
 Lieut.  
 Adj. 5l Aust. Inf. Bn.

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TIME OF ISSUE

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 3 O/C, C Coy.  
 4 O/C, D Coy.  
 5 O/C, E Coy.  
 6 O/C, H.Q. Coy.  
 7 O/C, Carrier Pl.  
 8 O/C, 115 Res. M.T. Coy.  
 9 C.O.  
 10 2 i/c.  
 11 Adj.  
 12 I.O.  
 13 Q.M.  
 14 R.M.O.  
 15 T.O.  
 16 5 Aust. Div.  
 17 11 Inf. Bde.  
 18 31 Bn.  
 19 War Diary (2) —  
 21 File

51 AUST. INF. BN. OPERATION NO. 2

REF MAP COONAMBEELAH 1/31680

INFORMATION

1. 11 Aust Inf Bde. is in position in Townsville area from and including Ross River - Beach- Bohle River with 31 Inf. Bn. on right and 51 Aust. Inf. Bn on left .

INTENSION

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METHOD

3. Advance party from 31 Aust. Inf. Bn. will be reporting to 51 Bn H.Q. at 0930 hrs on 18 May 42. one guide from each Coy of 51 Aust. Inf. Bn will meet the party at B.H.Q. at 0950 hrs at guide to Coys areas.

4. Advance party from 51 Aust. Inf. Bn. will report to 31 Aust. Inf. Bn. H.Q. at 0930 hrs 18 May 42 and will remain with 31 Aust. Inf. Bn. until relief by 51 Inf. Bn.

5. Advance party composition and instructions as per annex. B issued on 17 May 42.

6. O/C D Sec. 115 Res. M.T. Coy. will arrange a recce. of area to be taken over by his sec., this recce. to be completed by 1000 hrs 19 May 42.

7. Main bodies 31 Inf. Bn. and 51 Aust. Inf. Bn. less advance parties and B Ech. will effect the relief in accordance with the following time table.

A Serial No.	Sub Unit of 51 Bn	R.V. for guides from 31 Bn	Time of relief arrival commences At R.V. at		Relief to be complt. by	Embuss pt.	Time to move from Embuss Pt.
1	B.Coy	Rd. Crossing Ck. at 039015	1945	2000	2002100	Rd. 010Rly. to Main ro. 949015	1920
2	19 Pl.	Junc. of Harold & Percy st. 006022	1932	1935	2030	Move from Posn. From Posn	1900
3.	D. Coy	Sheet 031026	2145	2150	2300	DAIRYMPLE Rd. 955986	2120
4.	20 Pl.E. Coy H.Q.'s	Junc. of Harold & Percy Sts. 006022	2230	2235	2330	Move from Posn From Posn	2220
5.	A.Coy	Sheet 009041	2345	2350	0100	Track from Camp area 918008	2320
6.	21 Pl.	Junc of Harold & Percy Sts. 006022	0130	0210	0230	Move from Posn From Posn	0100
7.	C. Coy	R d Junc. 960955	0200	Move in posn	0300	Track 920007	0125
8.	3 Dets. Mortors	Harold St. 005024	1920	1945	2100	Move from Posn	1900

Ord.

Serial No	Sub unit 51 Bn	R.V. for guides From 31 Bn	Time of arrival at R. V.	Relief commences at	Relief to be completed by	embuss pt.	Time to move for embuss pt.
9	3 Dets. Mortors	Harold St. 005024	2325	Move into posn <del>at</del>		move from posn	2300
10	H.Q. Coy Less mortors & pioneers	Rd. Junc. with Ch. Towers Rd. 017999	2320	2340	0100	Rd. Cut from H.Q. Area	2300
11.	R.A.P.	Junc. Echlin & Stagpole Sts. 013018	2325	2245	2300	R.A.P.	2200
12.	B.H.Q. Less C.O. 's Party	Junc. Echlin & Stagpole Sts. 013018	2125	2135	2200	Rd. in front of Bn. H.Q. Area	2100
13.	Carriers	To move out at 1700 hrs on 19 May 42.					

8. Guides will be sent to meet incoming 31 Aust. Inf. Bn. parties at R.V. as set down by 31 Aust. Inf. Bn. in the following time table.

Serial No.	Sug Unit supplying Guides	Sub Unit Requiring Guides	R.V.	Time of arrival at R.V.
1.	D. Coy	B. Coy.	Gate <del>1930</del> 933977	1930
2	A. Coy	A. Coy	Rd Junc 906011	2130
3.	C. Coy	D. Coy	Rd Junc 918013	2330
4.	B. Coy	c. Coy	Rd Junc 931015	0130
5.	6 Dets Mortors	6 Dets Mortors	Rly. Xing 915010	2140
6.	H.Q. Co. Less Mortors & Pioneers	H.Q. Co. Less Mortors & Pioneers	Wind pump 938981	2355
7.	B.H.Q. Less C.O.'s party	B.D. Q. Less C.O.'S Party	Track sec. 927987	2315
8.	R.A.P.	E. A. P.	Track Junc. 939986	2040
9.	20 Pl.	19 Pl.	Dairymple Rd 923977	2115
10	21 pl.	20 pl.	Rd Junc 918013	0015
11.	19 pl.	21 pl. & Coy. H.Q.	Rly. Xing 915010	0315

9. Routes for Sub-Units 51 Aust. Inf. Bn. -

Serial No.	Sub-unit 51 Bn.	Road.
1.	B. Coy	Main Road - GARBUTT - Turn right at 009015 - BALLS LANE - QUEENS ROAD.
2.	19 Pl.	Main Road - Left at Sheet 009015 - RALSTON ST. - PERCY ST.
3.	D. Coy.	DALRYMPLE RD. - AITKENVALE ROAD - CHARTERS TOWERS RD- BLACKWOOD ST- WALKER ST.-
5.	A. Coy.	Main Rd. - Track at 998015 - to Percy Street - BUNDOCK ST.
4.	20. Pl.	Main Rd. - Left at sheet 009015 to Percy St - Bundock St.
6.	21 Pl.	Main Rd. - Left at sheet 009015 - Ralston St. - Percy St.
7.	C.Coy.	Road th rough camp - Dalrymple Rd. - Aikenvale Rd.-Harvey Range Rd.
8.	3 Dets. Mort.	Main Rd - Echlin St.- Harold St.
9.	3 Dets Mort.	Main Rd - Echlin St.- Harold St.
10.	H.Q. Coy	Dalrymple Rd.- Aikenvale Rd.- Charters Towers Rd.
11.	R.A.P.	Dalrymple Rd.- Aikenvale Rd.-Charters Towers Rd.- Balls Lane - Railway Xing. - Main Rd.-Echlin St. and Stagpole St.
12.	Bn H.Q.	Dalrymple Rd.-Aikenvale Rd.-Charters Towers Rd.-Balls Lane-Railway Xing- Main Rd - Echlin St.- Stagpole St.
13.	Carriers.	Dalrymple Rd.- Aikenvale Rd.- To Tpt. Area opposite Hermit Park School at 011002.



10. All Cooks with =Kitchens complete will move out as a party from R.V. at junc. R.A.P. and Dalrymple Rd. at 2100 Hrs. C.C.s Coys will arrange for one other rank to go with Coy cooks to guide to the allotted Coy. Biv. Area. C/c Party - Sgt. Brimstone.

11. H.Q. Coy will send A.A. Det. and two Sigs. to relieve O.P. on Castle Hill. Party will report to 31 Bn. H.Q. at 1600 Hrs 19 May 42. and will remain on duty for seven days.

12. Tps will remain in posn. untill 0600 Hrs 20 may 42 when they will be moved to Biv. Areas.

ADM.

13. R.A.P. will be established in new area in Stagpole St. at 007025.

14.(a) Amm not exchanged will be moved to new sight on 19 May 42. Loading party of 4 men from Pioneer Pl. will load and guard. - to report to R.S.M. at 0830 hrs 19 May 42. Amm will be in area 017002.

14 (b) Each man will be issued with 20 rounds during move .

15. Tpt. from Bn. B.Esch/ and from 115 Res. M.T. Coy. are allotted as in appendix A. and will report as under.-

A. To all Coy areas at 1600 hrs 19 May 42. They will then return to own lones and report to R.V. at appointed times.

B. Those allotted to cooks at 1600 hrs 19 May 42.

C. Those allotted Q Store and Amm at 0900 hr s 19 May 42.

D. All other vehicles to report at 1600 Hrs.

16. a. B. Ech Tpt will report back to tpt area at 011002 opposite Hermit Park School on completion of task.

b. A. Ech tpt to remain u nder Coy control .

c. 115 Res M.T. Coy will move to thei r own tpt area after debussing tps but must be ready to again pick up tps to move them to Biv areas.

17. M.I.H. - 15 ; V.T.M. - 10.

18. Tools will be carried on Pl or Coy trucks.

19. Meals will be brought forward on Pl trucks, which will report to Coy cookhouse at 0630 hrs, at 1100 hrs, and 1600 hrs 20 May 42.

20. Q.M.s of both units will make mutual arrangements for change over - changeover to be completed by dawn 20 May 42.

INTERCOM.

21. Bn H.Q. will close at present Posn at midnight 19/20 May and reopen at new posn at Stagpole St. at 003026 at midnight 19/20 May.

22. Comm during move by W/T. and D/R/

23. Reports on completi on of relief by Coys to 31 Bn. H.Q. at Stagpole St. at 003026 immediately, using code words.

24. Two sig D/R's will be attached to C.O. Car - to report to Adj. at 1800 hrs 19 May 42.

25. Sig Officer will attach two Sigs with W/T's to all Coys to remain With Coys.

26. Password for move - "COUG HIROPS"

27. Code Words to be used by Coys for reporting relief complete.

GRAM - B.Coy 51 in posn 2100 hrs.

+PRAM - D.Coy 51 in posn 2300 hrs.

DRAM - A.Coy 51 in posn 0100 hrs.

FRAM - C.Coy 51 in posn 0300 hrs.

TRAM - Mortars 51. ~~in~~ posn 0100 hrs.

CRAM - H.Q. Coy 51. in posn 0100 hrs.

BRAM - E.Coy 51. in posn 0230 hrs.

SERAM - 51 Bn in posn

Less C.O's party

Lieut.

Adjt 51 Aust Inf. Bn/

Ack.

METHOD OF ISSUE.

D/R.

TIME OF ISSUE

2215.

SECRET. *War Diary*  
COPY NO. ....  
25 May, 42.

51 AUST. INF. BN. WARNING ORDER NO. 2.

1. 51 Bn. will relieve 26 Bn.
2. Time of relief - night 30/31 May, 42.
3. O/C's. will ensure that preparations are put in hand immediately.

*[Signature]*  
Lieut.  
Adj. 51 Bn.

SECRET.  
COPY NO. 8 .....  
25 May, 42.

51 AUST. INF. BN. WARNING ORDER NO. 2.

1. 51 Bn. will relieve 25 Bn.
2. Time of relief - night 30/31 May, 42.
3. O/C's. will ensure that preparations are put in hand immediately.

Adj't.      Lieut.  
                 51 Bn.

# MESSAGE FORM

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.**

IN  
OUT

No. of Groups  
**GR.**

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

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TO

VUNH.

FROM

SIHA.

Originator's Number

I. 1.

Date

27.

In Reply to Number.

INTELLIGENCE REPORT NUMBER SEVENTEEN STOP PARA  
 ONE OPERATIONAL REPORT (a) (1) OWN  
 TPS RELIEVED BY 31 BN. NIGHT  
 19/20 MAY 31 BN FWD POSNS  
 OCCUPIED BY US SAME NIGHT STOP  
 MORNING TWENTYTHIRD MAY BN. CALLED OUT  
 TO PREVENT POSSIBLE APPROACH ON TOWNSVILLE

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Date

In Reply to Number.

BY	NEGROES	STOP	NO	ACTION	ALL
TPS	STANDING	DOWN	BY	0730	HRS.
STOP	PARA	TWO	TOPOGRAPHY	ROADS	IN
AREA	GOOD	WITH	EXCEPTION	C	COY
AREA	STOP	PARA	THREE	CLIMATIC	CONDITIONS
(a)	CLOUDY	AT	TIMES	WITH	LIGHT
SHOWERS	(b)	VISIBILITY	GOOD		

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SIHA.

I. I.

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INTELLIGENCE REPORT	NUMBER	SEVENTEEN	STOP	PARA
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TPS	RELIEVED BY	31	BN.	NIGHT
19/20	MAY	31	BN	FWD
OCCUPIED	BY	US	SAME	NIGHT
MORNING	TWENTYTHIRD	MAY	BN.	CALLLED
TO	PREVENT	POSSIBLE	APPROACH	ON
				TOWNSVILLE

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SIGNED  
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SIGNED

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

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*War Diary*

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TO

VUNU

FROM

SIHA

Originator's Number

1.1

Date

29

In Reply to Number

SITREP	28	May	42	Ref	map
TOWNSVILLE	1/63360	Bn H.Q.	807789	A Coy	805789
B Coy	803789	C Coy	802791	D Coy	802790
E Coy	806791	HQ Coy	808790	Q Store	807792
⊙	Ach.				

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TIME OF ORIGIN

0900

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*Manderson*

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**T.H.I.**

**T.O.R.**

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TO *VUNU*

FROM *SIHA*

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In Reply to Number

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<i>SITREP</i>	<i>28</i>	<i>Tray</i>	<i>42</i>	<i>Ref</i>	<i>Tray</i>
<i>TOWNSVILLE</i>	<i>1/63360</i>	<i>Bn HQ</i>	<i>807789</i>	<i>A Coy</i>	<i>805789</i>
<i>B Coy</i>	<i>803789</i>	<i>C Coy</i>	<i>802791</i>	<i>D Coy</i>	<i>802790</i>
<i>E Coy</i>	<i>806791</i>	<i>HQ Coy</i>	<i>805790</i>	<i>Q Store</i>	<i>807792</i>
<i>G</i>	<i>Arch</i>				

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**T.O.R.**

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# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

31 AUG. 1917. 25. (Unit)

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

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
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Lieut.-Colonels ...			1
Majors ...	2		1
Captains ...	4		0
Lieutenants ...	27		1
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...	1		
<b>TOTALS ...</b>	<b>34</b>		<b>3</b>

\* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

### Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

### Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

**PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.**

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Ident. (T. Maj)	938967	HARRIS W.H.	51 BN.	Yes	
"	938968	WRIGHT S.	"	"	
" (T. Capt)	938969	DOMES H.C.	"	"	
"	938972	SHAWSON R.H.	"	"	
"	938752	HARLOWE P.B.C.	"	No	Coy. Comdr. Course, Eastern Cond.
"	938910	HARPER H.V.	"	Yes	
"	938161	LEWIS A.A.	"	"	
"	938978	KANLER D.E.	"	No	O.F.S., Bonegilla.
"	938778	HOLDER A.S.	"	Yes	
"	938975	CATER H.H.	"	"	
"	938776	MARIASCH F.J.C.	"	"	
"	938713	GILLMAN H.J.	"	No	P.M.T.Crs., Milton.
"	38805	WEBB C.B.	"	Yes	
"	38916	POET H.	"	"	
"	38808	BAK C.J.	"	No	Anti-Gas Crs., Cabarlabia
"	38592	CHAPLAIN D.	"	Yes	
"	38806	HANLINS A.A.C.	"	"	
" (P)	38200	SMITH A.E.	"	"	
"	38078	WYLIE A.	"	"	
"	38784	HANNON A.W.	"	"	
"	38599	BROWN D.H.	"	"	
"	38863	CONNORS J.P.	"	"	
"	38085	KIRBY J.P.	"	"	
"	38551	HAYNE L.B.	"	"	
"	38917	EVANS C.B.	"	"	
"	38130	EVANS W.P.F.	"	"	
"	38175	EGGLE R.A.	"	"	
"	38078	WEBB P.C.	"	"	
"	38553	MURPHY C.J.	"	"	
"	38891	GREGORY W.C.	"	"	
"	38162	HIDE B.E.	"	"	
"	38103	ROOPE J.C.	"	No	I. Wing, Eastern Cond.
"	38226	COOK G.F.	"	Yes	
"	38795	BUCHANAN H.K.	"	"	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt.	1119432	EXTON W.D.	A.A.M.C.	15/11/42	R.M.O.
padre	639666	CAMPBELL R.S.	A.A.C.D.	26/4/42	Chaplain.

51 Aust. Inf. Bn.

(Unit.)

23 May, 42.

(Date of Despatch.)

*Walter D. Harris*  
Adm. Comd. 51 Bn. (Signature of Commander.)

11 Aust. Inf. Bde.

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

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

*51 Aust Inf Bn (Unit)*

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Captains ...	5		5
Lieutenants ...	27	6	
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...	1		
<b>TOTALS ...</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>

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

### Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
<i>Q.30604</i>	<i>GIRARD B.</i>	<i>51 Bn</i>	<i>26/5/42</i>	<i>on ltr. from HQ 11 Aust Inf Bde</i>

### Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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"	639032	SHANNON R.N.	"	"	
"	638762	HARDGRAVES P.B.C.	"	"	
"	639110	HARPER H.V.	"	"	
"	639161	LEINIS H.H.	"	"	
"	638876	KAHLER B.E.	"	NO	O.T.S. BONEGILLA
"	638774	HOLDEN A.S.	"	YES	
"	639075	CHATER W.H.	"	NO	Seconded to 5 Div as Liaison Off.
"	638776	MARJASON F.J.C.	"	"	
"	639714	GILLMAN N.J.	"	"	
"	639193	ROODAKOFF A.	"	"	Seconded to 11 Bde as Liaison Off.
"	638805	WEBB C.B.	"	"	
"	638916	PONT H.	"	"	
"	638604	BAK C.J.	"	NO	ANTI GAS CSE CABAREL
"	638592	CHARLAIN D.	"	YES	
"	639886	RAWLINS H.A.C.	"	"	
" (P)	639200	SMITH A.E.	"	"	
"	639076	WYLIE A.	"	"	
"	638764	HARDMIND A.W.	"	"	
"	639369	BROWN D.M.	"	"	
"	638863	CONNORS J.P.	"	"	
"	639095	KENNY J.P.	"	"	
"	639551	HAYNE L.E.	"	"	
"	638917	EVANS C.B.	"	"	
"	639130	EVANS W.P.F.	"	"	
"	639175	NOBLE R.A.	"	"	
"	639074	WEBB F.G.	"	"	
"	638956	MURPHY C.J.	"	"	
"	639861	GREGORY W.C.	"	"	
"	639142	HYDE B.E.	"	"	
"	639105	ROCHE J.C.	"	NO	1 wing E Comd
"	639776	COOK O.F.	"	YES	
"	639226	BUCHANAN H.K.	"	"	

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Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt	6114432	ESTIN W.D.	A.A.M.C.	15/11/41	R.M.O.
DRRE	669066	CHAMBERLAIN R.S.	A.A.C.D.	7/11/42	Chaplain

51 Regt Rif Bn

(Unit.)

30 May 42

(Date of Despatch.)

Adm. Jnr (Signature of Commander.)

11 Regt Rif Bn

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

### FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

51 AUST. INF. BN. (Unit) 23 May, 1942 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

#### Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1		
W.Os. Class II.	5		3
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	5		1
Staff Serjeants	2	1	
Serjeants	38		3
Corporals	84		2
Troopers, Privates, &c.	704		27
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>839</b>	<b>* 1</b>	<b>* 36</b>

\*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

#### Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
Cpl. J. Fitzgerald	Fd. Postal Unit		
A/Sgt. R. Richardson	A.A.P.C.		
Sgt. W.G. Brown	A.A.O.C.		
2 O/Ranks.	K Sec. Sigs.		
82 O/Ranks.	115 Res. M.T.		
29 O/Ranks.	B Tp. A/Tk. Bty.		

#### Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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

**PART D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.**

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Riveters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
<del>Coppersmiths</del>			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks		35sgts	Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
<del>X COMM. DESPATCH</del>		6pts	Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths		30pls.	Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter		5	Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators		19	Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
						<b>Other duties</b>		<b>7</b>
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)	<b>6</b>	<b>25</b>		<b>5</b>				<b>7</b>

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.  
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

51 Aust. Inf. Bn. Unit.

William H. Fair  
Adm. Comd. 51 Bn. Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 23 May, 42.

Bde., Divn., Area, etc. which unit is serving.

**FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.**

(Adapted)

51 AVST INF BN (Unit) 30 MAY 1942 (Date)

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

**Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.**

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1		
W.Os. Class II.	5		3
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	5		1
Staff Serjeants	2	1	
Serjeants	38		3
Corporals	84		2
Troopers, Privates, &c.	705		26
<b>TOTALS</b>	840	* 1	* 35

\*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

**Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.**

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
Q 100174	CPA J Fitzgerald	-	Fed Postal Unit
Q 39031	AlSgt R.J. Richardson	-	A.A.P.C
Q 36172	Sgt W.G. Brown	-	A.A.D.C.
Q 111976	Sig Parsons L.	-	K Sec Sig
Q 111997	Sig Short S	-	" "
Q 124211	Pte Webb C.J.	-	A.D.C.S

**Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.**

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



51 Aust. INF BN Unit.

**PART D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.**

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Riveters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
<del>Cookery</del>		3 Sgts	Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks	6 Ptes		Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
<del>Cooks Hospital</del>		3 CPs	Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.		3	Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics		14	Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters			Other Duties		13
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)	6	24			3			13

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.

(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

51 Aust INF BN

Unit.

Date of Despatch

30 May 42

Abm. Comd signed by Commander.

11 AUST INF BN

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

MAJOR

# WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2118  
(adapted.)

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Unit 51 AUST. INF. BN.

Date and Time.—From 0930 hrs, 1 Jun 42 To 1600 hrs 7 Jun 42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
UPPER BOHLE TOWNSVILLE	1 Jun. 42	0930	Bn parade tps. inspected and addressed by J. W. CRAWFORD, D.S.O.	W.H.H.
			Comd. 11 Inf. Bde.,	
			Unit strength 35 officers, 838 other ranks.	W.H.H.
	2 Jun 42	0900	Unit strength 35 officers, 838 other ranks	W.H.H.
	3 Jun. 42	1320	Intelligence report forwarded to Bde., as per copy attached	W.H.H.
		2235	Sugar workers marched out of camp. Party moved to railway as per copy of movement order attached.	W.H.H.
	4 Jun 42.	0900	Unit strength 35 officers, 589 other ranks.	W.H.H.
	5 Jun 42	0900	Unit strength 35 officers, 879 other ranks. Army forms W. 3008 & W. 3009 attached	W.H.H.
	6 Jun., 42	0900	2 sugar workers marched out Situation report forwarded to Bde., as per copy att.	W.H.H.
		2215	Patrol sent out as per copy patrol orders att/	W.H.H.
	7 Jun. 42	0900	Bn. parade and address by C.O. Mjr. W. H. Harris, M.M.	W.H.H.
		0930	Bn. Church Parade conducted by Padre Campbell.	W.H.H.
		1600	Bn. football team played a draw with A.A.S.C.	W.H.H.

20/6/42  
 W.H.H.

# WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2118  
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Unit 51 AUST INF. BN.

Date and Time.—From 0900 hrs 8 Jun 42 To 0900 hrs 13 Jun 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
UPPER BOHLE	8 June 42	0900	Unit Strength 35 officers 574 O/ranks	W.H.H.
TOWNSVILLE			3 Sugar Workers marched out	W.H.H.
	9 June 42	0900	Unit Strength 35 Officers 569 O/ranks	W.H.H.
			Lieut. Lewis accompanied Brigadier J.W. Crawford B.S.O. on recce of new <del>farm</del> defensive area in STEWART RANGE area.	W.H.H.
	10 June 42	0900	Unit Strength 35 officers 569 O/ranks	W.H.H.
		1900	Intelligence Report forwarded to Bde as per copy att.	W.H.H.
			Fifty reinforcements arrived from GOONDIWINNI	W.H.H.
	11 June 42	0900	Unit Strength 35 officers 570 O/ranks	W.H.H.
			one Hundred and eighty three reinforcements arrived from HUGHENDEN	W.H.H.
		1225	Warning Order No. 5 issued copy att.	W.H.H.
	12 June 42	0900	Unit Strength 35 officers 803 O/ranks	W.H.H.
			9 Sugar Workers marched out	W.H.H.
	13 June 42	0900	Unit strength 35 officers 803 O/ranks Field Returns W.3008 &	
			W. 3009 att.	W.H.H.

# WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit 51 AUST. INF. BN

Date and Time.—From 0900 hrs 13 Jun 42 to 1600 hrs 16 Jun 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
UPPER BOHLE	13 Jun 42	0900	Situation Report forwarded to Bde <del>as per copy etc.</del> - Situation unchanged	W.H.H.
TOWNSVILLE		1040	Cpl. Johnston of F.S. Intelligence reported.	W.H.H.
	14 Jun 42	0900	Unit Strength 35 officers 790 O/ranks	W.H.H.
			Bn Parade and address by Major S. Wright	W.H.H.
		0930	Bn Church parade conducted by Padre Campbell	W.H.H.
		1000	Lecture by A.A.C. personnel on Amn.	W.H.H.
		1600	Bn played Artillery No.3 Football - resulted in win for Bn 18 - 3	W.H.H.
	15 Jun 42	0900	Unit Strength 35 officers 787 O/ranks	W.H.H.
	16 Jun 42	0900	Unit Strength 35 officers 780 O/ranks	W.H.H.
		1600	Cpl. Johnston F. S. Intelligence returned to his own unit	W.H.H.
			5 Sugar Workers marched out	W.H.H.
			Railway workers Tyson and Wilkinson marched out.	W.H.H.

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Unit 51 AUST INF BN.

Date and Time.—From 0900 hrs 17 Jun 42 0900 hrs 20 Jun 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
UPPER BOHLE	17 Jun 42	0900	Unit Strength 35 officers 777 0/ranks	W.H.H.
TOWNSVILLE			Intelligence Report forwarded to Bde as per copy att.	W.H.H.
		1100	2 Air Force Officers interveiwing recruits for Air Force	W.H.H.
		1630	Air Force Officers departed.	W.H.H.
		2200	Movement order issued for D. Coy. Copy att.	W.H.H.
	18 Jun 42	0900	Unit Strength 35 officers 777 0/ranks	W.H.H.
			Bn Warning order issued as per copy att.	W.H.H.
		<del>XXXX</del> 0700	D. Coy moved out to STUART as working party for Engineers	W.H.H.
		1000	40 reinforcements arrived from HUGHENDEN	W.H.H.
	19 Jun 42	0900	Unit strength 35 officers 810 0/ranks	W.H.H.
		1630	Operation Order No. 3 issued as per copy att.	W.H.H.
			Administrative Instructions No. 5 issued as per copy att.	W.H.H.
	20 Jun 42	0900	Unit Strength 35 officers 811 0/ranks	W.H.H.
			Field Returns Nos. W. 3008 and W. 3009 attached.	W.H.H.

# WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit 51 AUST INF. BN

Date and Time.—From 1015hrs 20 Jun42 To 0900 hrs 22 Jun 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
UPPER BOHLE	20 Jun 42	1015	Bn. moves out to new area	W.H.H.
MT. STUART AREA		1145	Bn. in new area N.W. Slopes of MT. STUART. Bn. H.Q. ref map TOWNSVILLE SPECIAL 1 inch to 1 mile 853763	W.H.H.
		1315	Bde new location ref map TOWNSVILLE SPECIAL 842828	W.H.H.
		2010	R.V. with Bde Comd. Brig. J.W. Crawford D.S.O. Sighting Board	
			end of bitumen HERVEYS RANGE RD. MT. STUART AREA 0730 22 Jun 42	W.H.H.
	21 Jun 42	0900	Unit Strength 35 officers 811 O/Ranks	W.H.H.
		0930	Church parade conducted by Padre Campbell	W.H.H.
		1630	Bn. played 31 Bn football defeated 13 to 6	W.H.H.
		2000	D. Coy rejoined unit	W.H.H.
	22 Jun 42	0900	Unit Strength 35 officers 811 O/Ranks	W.H.H.
			8 Sugar Workers marched out	W.H.H.
			2 N.C.OS and 30 O/Ranks working party reported to SHOWGROUNDS	W.H.H.
			Major W.H. Harris M.M. met Bde. Comd. Brig. J.W. Crawford D.S.O. at R.V. at 0730 hrs	W.H.H.

# WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit 51 AUST INF. BN.

Date and Time.—From 1020 hrs 22 Jun 42 to 2100 hrs 27 Jun 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
MT. STUART AREA	22 Jun 42	1020	5 Aust. Div. requires urgently No. of iron rations held by this unit	W.H.H.
TOWNSVILLE	23 Jun 42	0900	Unit Strength 35 officers 801 O/Ranks	W.H.H.
	24 Jun 42	0900	Unit Strength 35 Officers 782 O/Ranks	W.H.H.
			Intelligence Report forwarded to Bde. as per copy att.	W.H.H.
	25 Jun 42	0900	Unit Strength 35 Officers 798 O/Ranks	W.H.H.
		0930	C.O. Major W.H. Harris M.M. left on visit to ROLLINGSTONE	W.H.H.
	26 Jun 42	0900	Unit Strength 35 Officers 798 O/Ranks	W.H.H.
		1300	R.C. Church parade for sunday cancelled	W.H.H.
		1345	Coy manouvres started.	W.H.H.
		1700	Situation Report forwarded to Bde as per copy att.	W.H.H.
	27 Jun 42	0900	Unit Strength 35 Officers 793 O/Ranks	W.H.H.
			Field Returns W. 3008 and W 3009 att.	W.H.H.
		1300	3 Officers. Major S. Wright, Lieut A. Roodakoff, Lieut C.B. Webb recommended for Staff Appointments	W.H.H.
		2100	11 Inf. Bde H.Q. closed old Location, opened new location	W.H.H.
			1400 hrs BAXTER ST.	

# WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit 51 Aust. Inf. Bn.

Date and Time.—From 0900 hrs, 28 Jun 42 To 2100 hrs, 30 Jun 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Mount STUART AREA	28 JUN.	0900	Unit strength 35 officers, 793 o. ranks.	O.H.H
			No church parade held owing to wet weather.	W.H.H
		1630	Bn. played Arty. football. Won 16-7	W.H.H
	29 Jun 42	1600 hrs,	Bn. preparing to move to new area. Warning Order. No 4 issued, Copy att.	W.H.H
	30 Jun. 42	0900hrs.	Bn commenced breaking camp.	W.H.H
		1200	OPERATION ORDER No. 4 issued, copy attached.	W.H.H
		2100	Loading of trucks completed.	W.H.H

*William A. Harris* Maj.  
Adm. Comd. 51 Aust. Inf. Bn.



# Australian Military Forces—Northern Command.

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~~Victoria Barracks~~, H.Q., 51 Aust. Inf. Bn  
Brisbane, 3 June, 42.

## MOVEMENT OF SUGAR WORKERS FROM 51 BN. AREA TO TOWNSVILLE RLY. STN. - 3 JUN 42.

1. O/C. Movement - Capt. H.C. Downs - A Coy.
2. 2 i/c. " - Lieut. B.E. Kahler - E Coy.  
C.S.M.'s of all Coys. to report to Capt. Downs at 1900 hrs.  
They will be part of the movement party under Capt. Downs.
3. Movement by Unit M/T.
4. S.L. - Rd. leading out of 51 Bn. Area at Parking Area. Embuss in succession.
5. S.T. 2245 hrs.
6. T.O. to arrange for 10 x 3-ton trucks to be assembled behind S.L. at 2230 hrs. at intervals of 20x along 51 Bn. road. Vehicles are allotted as follows -
 

H.Q. and A Coys.	3
E (M.G.) and B Coys.	4
C and D Coys.	3
7. 2 i/c Movement will superintend marshalling of vehicles; all vehicles to be in position by 2230 hrs.
8. O/C's. all Coys. will supply an accurate nominal roll, in triplicate, of all personnel marching out, showing names and destination, to Bn. H.Q. by 0730 hrs. 2 Jun. 42.
9. Tps. embuss at 2235 hrs. 3 Jun, 42.
10. Debuss in succession at Stn. commencing at 2330 hrs. 3 Jun, 42.
11. After debussing empty vehicles will move to and park at KINGS RD. until all empty vehicles are assembled, when they will move off under command 2 i/c Party, with exception of two vehicles to go to leave picking up area and remain there to collect leave personnel, and one vehicle to remain at Rly. Stn. for O/C. Party.
12. Personnel moving out will fall in under Coy. C.S.M.'s on Bn. Rd. at 2215 hrs. in following order -

H.Q. and Bn. H.Q.  
A Coy.  
E " .  
B " .  
D " .  
C " .

5x intervals between Coys.

13. C.S.M.'s of Coys. are responsible to see that all tps. moving out are present on parade and ready to move out at the above time.

*B. Girard*  
Capt.  
Adj. 51 Bn.

M.I.H. 15  
V.T.M. 10  
S.P. Bohle Bridge.

### Distribution.

C.O.  
All Coys.  
T.O.  
Q.M.  
File.

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~~Kingsburg~~ H.Q., 51 Aust. Inf.  
~~Kingsburg~~ 3 June, 42.

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*R. Guard*  
 Capt.  
 Adj. 51 Bn.

M.I.H. 15  
 V.T.M. 10  
 S.P. Behle Bridge.

Distribution.

C.O.  
 All Coys.  
 T.O.  
 Q.M.  
 File.

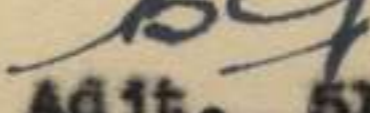
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H.Q., 51 Aust. Inf. Bn.  
3 Jun, 42.

SUBJECT : MOVEMENT OF SUGAR-WORKERS FROM 51 BN. AREA  
TO TOWNSVILLE RLY. STN. 3 JUN. 42.

All Coys.  
Q.M.  
T.O.

1. Reference above Movement Order.
2. Time of departure of train has now been altered,  
and the following amendments of times are rendered necessary.
  - a. S.T. 2245 hrs.
  - b. Trucks will be assembled behind S.L. at 2230 hrs.
  - c. 2 i/c will marshal vehicles to be in posn. at  
2230 hrs.
  - d. Tps. embuss at 2235 hrs.
  - e. Debuss in succession at 2230 hrs.
  - f. Personnel will fall in at 2215 hrs. on Bn. Rd.

 Capt.  
Adjt. 51 Bn.

H.Q., 51 Aust. Inf. Bn.

3 June, 42.

SUBJECT : MOVEMENT OF SUGAR WORKERS FROM 51 BN. AREA  
TO TOWNSVILLE RLY. STN. - 3 JUN, 42.

All Coys.

T.O.

Q.M.

1. O/C. Movement - Capt. H.C. Downs - A Coy.
2. 2 i/c " - Lieut. B.E. Kahler - E Coy.  
C.S.M.'s of all Coys. to report to Capt. Downs at 1900 hrs.  
They will be part of the movement party under Capt. Downs.
3. Movement by Unit M/T.
4. S.L. - Rd. leading out of 51 Bn. Area at Parking Area. Embus  
1 in succession.
5. Start Time 1945 hrs.
6. T.O. to arrange for 10 x 3-ton trucks to be assembled behind  
S.L. at 1930 hrs. at intervals of 20x along 51 Bn. rd.  
Vehicles are allotted as follows -

H.Q. and A Coys.	3
E (M.G.) and B Coys.	4
C and D Coys.	3
7. 2 i/c Movement will superintend marshalling of vehicles; all  
vehicles to be in position by 1930 hrs.
8. O/C's. all Coys. will supply an accurate nominal roll, in  
triplicate, of all personnel marching out, showing names and  
destination, to Bn. H.Q. by 0730 hrs. 2 Jun, 42.
9. Tps. embus at 1940 hrs. 3 Jun, 42.
10. Debus in succession at Stn. commencing at 2025 hrs. 3 Jun, 42.
11. After debussing empty vehicles will move to and park at KINGS  
RD. until all empty vehicles are assembled, when they will move  
off under command 2 i/c. Party, with exception of two vehicles  
to go to leave picking up area and remain there to collect  
leave personnel, and one vehicle to remain at Rly. Stn. for  
O.C. Party.
12. Personnel moving out will fall in under Coy. C.S.M.'s on Bn.  
Rd. at 1925 hrs. in following order:-

H.Q. and Bn. H.Q.
A Coy.
E " .
B " .
D " .
C " .

5 x intervals between Coys.

13. C.S.M.'s of Coys. are responsible to see that all tps.  
moving out are present on parade and ready to move out at the  
above time.

M.I.R. 15

V.F.M. 10

S.P. Bohle Bridge.

  
Adjt. 51 Bn. Capt.

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

**51 AUS T. INF. BN.** (Unit)

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

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels ...			1
Majors ...	2		1
Captains ...	5		5
Lieutenants ...	27	6	
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...	1		
<b>TOTALS ...</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>

\* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

### Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

### Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

**PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.**

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
1st Lt (Temp)	00000	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt (Temp)	00001	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00002	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00003	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00004	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00005	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00006	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00007	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00008	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00009	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00010	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00011	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00012	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00013	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00014	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00015	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00016	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00017	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00018	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00019	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00020	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00021	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00022	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00023	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00024	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00025	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00026	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00027	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00028	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00029	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00030	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00031	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00032	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00033	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00034	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00035	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00036	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00037	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00038	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00039	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00040	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00041	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00042	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00043	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00044	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00045	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00046	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00047	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00048	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00049	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00050	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00051	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00052	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00053	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00054	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00055	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00056	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00057	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00058	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00059	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00060	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00061	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00062	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00063	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00064	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00065	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00066	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00067	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00068	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00069	...	...	Yes	
1st Lt	00070	...	...	Yes	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
1st Lt	00000	...	...	...	...
1st Lt	00001	Campbell R.A.	...	...	...

*William H. Harris*  
(Signature of Commander.)

11 Aust. Inf. Bn. (Unit.)

6 June, 43 (Date of Despatch.)

11 Aust. Inf. Bn. (Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

51 AUS T. INF. BN. (Unit)

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

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels ...			1
Majors ...	2		1
Captains ...	5		5
Lieutenants ...	27	6	
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...	1		
<b>TOTALS ...</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>

\* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

### Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

### Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

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**PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.**

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Major (Temp.)	10007	BRIDGES, J. B.	1st Lt.	Yes	
"	10008	BRIDGES, J.	"	"	
" (Temp.)	10009	BRIDGES, J. C.	"	"	
"	10010	BRIDGES, J. D.	"	"	
"	10011	BRIDGES, J. E.	"	"	
"	10012	BRIDGES, J. F.	"	"	
"	10013	BRIDGES, J. G.	"	"	
"	10014	BRIDGES, J. H.	"	"	
"	10015	BRIDGES, J. I.	"	"	
"	10016	BRIDGES, J. J.	"	"	
"	10017	BRIDGES, J. K.	"	"	
"	10018	BRIDGES, J. L.	"	"	
"	10019	BRIDGES, J. M.	"	"	
"	10020	BRIDGES, J. N.	"	"	
"	10021	BRIDGES, J. O.	"	"	
"	10022	BRIDGES, J. P.	"	"	
"	10023	BRIDGES, J. Q.	"	"	
"	10024	BRIDGES, J. R.	"	"	
"	10025	BRIDGES, J. S.	"	"	
"	10026	BRIDGES, J. T.	"	"	
"	10027	BRIDGES, J. U.	"	"	
"	10028	BRIDGES, J. V.	"	"	
"	10029	BRIDGES, J. W.	"	"	
"	10030	BRIDGES, J. X.	"	"	
"	10031	BRIDGES, J. Y.	"	"	
"	10032	BRIDGES, J. Z.	"	"	
"	10033	BRIDGES, J. A.	"	"	
"	10034	BRIDGES, J. B.	"	"	
"	10035	BRIDGES, J. C.	"	"	
"	10036	BRIDGES, J. D.	"	"	
"	10037	BRIDGES, J. E.	"	"	
"	10038	BRIDGES, J. F.	"	"	
"	10039	BRIDGES, J. G.	"	"	
"	10040	BRIDGES, J. H.	"	"	
"	10041	BRIDGES, J. I.	"	"	
"	10042	BRIDGES, J. J.	"	"	
"	10043	BRIDGES, J. K.	"	"	
"	10044	BRIDGES, J. L.	"	"	
"	10045	BRIDGES, J. M.	"	"	
"	10046	BRIDGES, J. N.	"	"	
"	10047	BRIDGES, J. O.	"	"	
"	10048	BRIDGES, J. P.	"	"	
"	10049	BRIDGES, J. Q.	"	"	
"	10050	BRIDGES, J. R.	"	"	
"	10051	BRIDGES, J. S.	"	"	
"	10052	BRIDGES, J. T.	"	"	
"	10053	BRIDGES, J. U.	"	"	
"	10054	BRIDGES, J. V.	"	"	
"	10055	BRIDGES, J. W.	"	"	
"	10056	BRIDGES, J. X.	"	"	
"	10057	BRIDGES, J. Y.	"	"	
"	10058	BRIDGES, J. Z.	"	"	
"	10059	BRIDGES, J. A.	"	"	
"	10060	BRIDGES, J. B.	"	"	
"	10061	BRIDGES, J. C.	"	"	
"	10062	BRIDGES, J. D.	"	"	
"	10063	BRIDGES, J. E.	"	"	
"	10064	BRIDGES, J. F.	"	"	
"	10065	BRIDGES, J. G.	"	"	
"	10066	BRIDGES, J. H.	"	"	
"	10067	BRIDGES, J. I.	"	"	
"	10068	BRIDGES, J. J.	"	"	
"	10069	BRIDGES, J. K.	"	"	
"	10070	BRIDGES, J. L.	"	"	
"	10071	BRIDGES, J. M.	"	"	
"	10072	BRIDGES, J. N.	"	"	
"	10073	BRIDGES, J. O.	"	"	
"	10074	BRIDGES, J. P.	"	"	
"	10075	BRIDGES, J. Q.	"	"	
"	10076	BRIDGES, J. R.	"	"	
"	10077	BRIDGES, J. S.	"	"	
"	10078	BRIDGES, J. T.	"	"	
"	10079	BRIDGES, J. U.	"	"	
"	10080	BRIDGES, J. V.	"	"	
"	10081	BRIDGES, J. W.	"	"	
"	10082	BRIDGES, J. X.	"	"	
"	10083	BRIDGES, J. Y.	"	"	
"	10084	BRIDGES, J. Z.	"	"	
"	10085	BRIDGES, J. A.	"	"	
"	10086	BRIDGES, J. B.	"	"	
"	10087	BRIDGES, J. C.	"	"	
"	10088	BRIDGES, J. D.	"	"	
"	10089	BRIDGES, J. E.	"	"	
"	10090	BRIDGES, J. F.	"	"	
"	10091	BRIDGES, J. G.	"	"	
"	10092	BRIDGES, J. H.	"	"	
"	10093	BRIDGES, J. I.	"	"	
"	10094	BRIDGES, J. J.	"	"	
"	10095	BRIDGES, J. K.	"	"	
"	10096	BRIDGES, J. L.	"	"	
"	10097	BRIDGES, J. M.	"	"	
"	10098	BRIDGES, J. N.	"	"	
"	10099	BRIDGES, J. O.	"	"	
"	10100	BRIDGES, J. P.	"	"	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt.	10001	BRIDGES, J. A.	1st Lt.	10/10/42	Attached to 1st Lt. Div. as Lt.
Major	10002	GROGAN, J. B.	2nd Lt.	10/10/42	Attached to 2nd Lt. Div. as Lt.

1st Lt. Div. (Unit.)  
10 Jan, 43 (Date of Despatch.)

*William H. Harris*  
(Signature of Commander.)  
1st Lt. Div. (Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)





Unit.

**PART D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.**

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Riveters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
<del>...</del>			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks		6 Pts 3 Sgts	Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
<del>...</del>		5 Ppls	Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.		3	Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics		18	Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters			<b>Other Duties</b>		<b>278</b>
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)	<b>6</b>	<b>24</b>			<b>3</b>			<b>278</b>

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.  
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

51. AUST. INF. BDE.

Unit.

*William J. Evans* Major  
Adm. Comd. 51. AUST. INF. BDE.  
Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 6 June, 42.

11. AUST. INF. BDE.  
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

(Adapted)

# FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

*War Diary*

51. AUSTRALIAN INF. BN. (Unit) 6 JUNE, 1942 (Date)

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

### Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	2		
W.Os. Class II.	5		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	5		3
Staff Serjeants	2		1
Serjeants	37	1	
Corporals	65		4
Troopers, Privates, &c.	441		1
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>576</b>	* <b>1</b>	* <b>320</b>

\*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

### Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
0100774 Cpl. J. Fitzgerald	M. P. Const. Unit		
039051 A/Sgt. E. J. Richardson	A. I. P. O.		
038772 Sgt. W. Brown	A. I. P. O.		
12 O/Ranks	R. Sec. Sigs.		

### Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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

**PART D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.**

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Rivetters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
<del>Cookhouse</del>			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks		6 Pts 3 Sgts	Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
<del>Cookhouse</del>		5 Cpls	Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.		3	Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics		18	Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters			<b>Other Duties</b>		<b>278</b>
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)	<b>6</b>	<b>26</b>			<b>3</b>			<b>278</b>

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.  
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

51 **ASST. INF. Bn.**

Unit.

*W. H. Jones*  
Adm. Comd. 51 **ASST. INF. Bn.**

Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch **6 June, 42.**

**11 ASST. INF. Bn.**  
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

# MESSAGE FORM

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.**

IN

OUT

*War Diary*

No. of Groups  
**GR.**

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO *YUNU*

FROM *SIHA*

Originator's Number  
*I.I.*

Date  
*6.*

In Reply to Number

<i>SITREP</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>Situation</i>	<i>unchanged</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>B.W.</i>
<i>dispositions</i>	<i>as</i>	<i>rev</i>	<i>report</i>	<i>30</i>	<i>May</i>
<i>421</i>	<i>ach.</i>				

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT **AS WRITTEN** BY ANY MEANS:

*Munderson*

SIGNED

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SIGNED

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS  
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN

*0900*

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

SYSTEM IN	TIME IN	READER	SENDER	SYSTEM OUT	TIME OUT	READER	SENDER	SYSTEM OUT	TIME OUT	READER	SENDER

**T.H.I.**

**T.O.R.**

# MESSAGE FORM

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.**

IN
OUT

No. of Groups  
**GR.**

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

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TO **YUNU**

FROM **SIHA**

Originator's Number  
**I.I.**

Date  
**6.**

In Reply to Number

<b>SITREP</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Situation</b>	<b>unchanged</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>B. m.</b>
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<b>#2</b>	<b>Achs.</b>				

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT **AS WRITTEN**  
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*Wenderson*

SIGNED

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51 AUST INF. BN.

PATROL ORDERS.

For Saturday, 6 June, 42.

Serial No.	Coy. Responsible.	Type.	Composition.	Out		In		Special Instructions, Route etc.
				At.	From.	At.	From.	
A		Recce	1 N.C.O. and 3 men	2300	Beach Track at Breakwtr	0230	Seaview Hotel	To patrol continuously the beach front between Breakwater and C.W.A. Hut.
A		"	4 men	0230	Seaview Hotel	0600	Beach track at Breakwater	Do. Do.
B		Standing	1 N.C.O. and 3 men	2300	Sixth St. <sup>Av</sup>	0230	Relieved by Ser.4	To watch water front from post established at end of Sixth Av.
B		"	4 men	0230	"	0600	Sixth Av	Do. Do.

ADM. - PATROL ORDERS 6/6/42.

1. One Officer will take charge of each Coy. party and assume responsibility for the patrol.
2. Coy. van will convey party in leaving Coy. lines at 2215 hrs.
3. Van will remain with each party and bring back party to camp leaving at 0600 hrs.

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3.	B	Standing	1 N.C.O. and 3 men	2300	Sixth St. <sup>Av</sup>	0230	Relieved by Ser.4	To watch water front from post established at end of Sixth Av.
4.	B	"	4 men	0230	"	0600	Sixth Av	Do. Do.

51 Aust. Inf. Bn.  
 Awaiting return of  
 C 2718 for signature  
 10/7/42

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# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

51 AUST. INF. BN. (Unit)

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

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
* .....			
* .....			
Lieut.-Colonels .....			1
Majors .....	2		1
Captains .....	5		5
Lieutenants .....	27	6	
2nd Lieutenants .....			
Quartermasters .....	1		
<b>Totals</b> .....	<b>35</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>

\*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

### Officers JOINED during week.

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

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Lieut. (T. Maj.)	Q38087	HARRIS W. H.	51 BN.	Yes	
"	Q38868	WRIGHT S.	"	"	
" (T. Capt.)	Q38908	DOWNS H. C.	"	"	
"	Q39039	SHANNON R. N.	"	"	
"	Q38782	HARDGRAVE P. B. C.	"	"	
"	Q38910	HARPER H. V.	"	No	M.M.G. Wing, Bonegilla
"	Q30604	GIRARD B. W.	"	Yes	
Lieut.	Q39181	LEWIS A. A.	"	"	
"	Q38878	KAHLER B. E.	"	"	
"	Q38778	HOLDEN A. S.	"	"	
"	Q39075	CATER W. H.	"	No	See Below
"	Q39055	HOOPER W. H.	"	No.	See below
"	Q38775	MARJASON F. J. C.	"	Yes	
"	Q39718	GILMAN N. J.	"	"	
"	Q39195	ROODAKOFF A.	"	"	
"	Q38805	WEBB C. B.	"	No	Anti Gas Course, Bonegilla,
"	Q38916	PONT H.	"	Yes	
"	Q38868	BAK C. J.	"	"	
"	Q38592	CHAPLAIN D.	"	"	
"	Q39906	RAWLINS A.A.C.	"	"	
Lieut. (P)	Q39200	SMITH A. E.	"	"	Anti-gas course, Cabalah,
"	Q39076	WYLIE A.	"	"	
"	Q38704	HAMMOND A. W.	"	"	
"	Q39389	BROWN D. M.	"	Yes	
"	Q38863	CONNORS J. P.	"	"	
"	Q39095	KENNY J. P.	"	"	
"	Q39851	HAYNE L. E.	"	"	
"	Q38917	EVANS C. B.	"	"	
"	Q39130	EVANS W. F. P.	"	"	
"	Q39175	NOBLE R. A.	"	No	See below
"	Q39078	WEBB F. G.	"	Yes	
"	Q38956	MURPHY C. J.	"	"	
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"	Q39198	ROCHE J. C.	"	No	Intelligence Wing, E. Comd. Thg. School.
"	Q39226	COOK O. F.	"	Yes	
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(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

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Padre	Q99066	CAMPBELL R. S.	A.A.C.D.	26/4/42	Chaplain
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Lieut.	Q39175	NOBLE R. A.	"		L.O. at H.Q. 11 Inf. Bde.
Lieut.	Q38910	TULLY J.J.P.	"		L.O. at H.Q. 11 Inf. Bde.

(Unit.)

13 Jun. 42. (Date of Despatch.)

*(Signature of Commander)*  
 Adm. Comd. 51 Bn.  
 11 Aust. Inf. Bde. (Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

## FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

51 AUSTR. INF. BN. (Unit)

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Quartermasters	1		
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"	Q38910	HARPER H. V.	"	No	M.M.G. Wing, Bonegilla
"	Q30604	GIRARD B. W.	"	Yes	
Lieut.	Q39181	LEWIS A. A.	"	"	
"	Q38878	KAHLER B. E.	"	"	
"	Q38778	HOLDEN A. S.	"	"	
"	Q39075	CATER W. H.	"	No	See below
"	Q39055	HOOPER W. H.	"	No	See below
"	Q38775	MARJASON F. J. C.	"	Yes	
"	Q39718	GILLMAN N. J.	"	"	
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"	Q38805	WEBB C. B.	"	No	Anti Gas Course, Bonegilla.
"	Q38916	PONT H.	"	Yes	
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"	Q38592	CHAPLAIN D.	"	"	
"	Q39906	RAWLINS A.A.C.	"	"	
Lieut. (P)	Q39200	SMITH A. E.	"	"	Anti-gas course, Cabalah,
"	Q39076	WYLIE A.	"	"	
"	Q38704	HAMMOND A. W.	"	"	
"	Q39389	BROWN D. M.	"	Yes	
"	Q38863	CONNORS J. P.	"	"	
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"	Q38917	EVANS C. B.	"	"	
"	Q39130	EVANS W. F. P.	"	"	
"	Q39175	NOBLE R. A.	"	No	See below
"	Q39078	WEBB F. G.	"	Yes	
"	Q38956	MURPHY C. J.	"	"	
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"	Q39162	HYDE B. E.	"	"	
"	Q39198	ROCHE J. C.	"	No	Intelligence Wing, E. Comd. Tng. School.
"	Q39226	COOK O. F.	"	Yes	
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Lieut.	Q39175	NOBLE R. A.	"		L.O. at H.Q. 11 Inf.
Lieut.	Q38910	TULLY J.J.P.	"		Seconded to Bde. 11 Inf. Bde.
		(Unit.)	Adm. Comd. 51 Bn. (Signature of Commander.) (Def. P.) 11 Aust. Inf. Bde.		
13 Jun. 42.		(Date of Despatch.)	(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)		

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

51 AUST. INF. BN. (Unit)

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"	Q38778	HOLDEN A. S.	"	"	
"	Q38910	TULLY J. J. P.	"	No	See below
"	Q39075	CATER W. H.	"	Yes	
"	Q39053	HOOPER W. H.	"	No	" "
"	Q38775	MARJASON P.J.C.	"	Yes	
"	Q38718	GILLMAN H. J.	"	"	
"	Q39195	ROODAKOFF A.	"	"	
"	Q38905	WEBB C. B.	"	No	Antigas Course, Bonegilla
"	Q38916	PORT H.	"	Yes	
"	Q38852	BAK C. J.	"	"	
"	Q38592	CHAPLAIN D.	"	"	
"	Q38908	HAWLINS A.A.C.	"	"	
Lieut.(P)	Q38200	SMITH A. E.	"	"	Anti-gas course, Cabalich
"	Q39078	WYLLIE A.	"	"	
"	Q38704	HARRISON A. W.	"	"	
"	Q39339	BROWN D. H.	"	Yes	
"	Q38863	CONNORS J. P.	"	"	
"	Q39095	KENNY J. P.	"	"	
"	Q38951	MAYNE L. E.	"	"	
"	Q38917	EVANS C. B.	"	"	
"	Q39150	EVANS W.F.P.	"	"	
"	Q39175	NOBLE R. A.	"	No	See below
"	Q39078	WEBB F. G.	"	Yes	
"	Q38855	MURPHY G. J.	"	"	
"	Q38831	GREGORY W. G.	"	"	
"	Q39132	HYDE E. E.	"	"	
"	Q39198	ROCHE J. C.	"	No	1 <sup>st</sup> Wing, R.C. Eng. School
"	Q39228	COOK G. P.	"	Yes	
"	Q38795	BUCHANAN H. K.	"	"	

OFFICERS WITH OTHER UNITS.

capt. Q39055 ROOPER H. R. L.O. at H.Q. 5 Aust Div.  
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Padre	Q99056	CAMPBELL R. S.	A.A.C.D.	26/4/42	chaplain

51<sup>st</sup> INF. Bn. (Unit.)

*[Signature]*  
 Adm. Comd. 51 Aust. Inf. Bn.  
 (Signature of Commander)

20 JUN. 42. (Date of Despatch.)

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

## FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

(Unit)

**51 AUS T. INF. BN.**

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Captains .....	2		1
Lieutenants .....	5		5
2nd Lieutenants .....	27	6	
Quartermasters .....			
Totals .....	1		

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Lieut.(P)	Q39906	RAWLINS A.A.C.	"	"	
"	Q39200	SMITH A. E.	"	"	Anti-gas course, Cabal
"	Q39078	WYLIE A.	"	"	
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"	Q39198	ROCHE J. C.	"	No	" Wing. E.C. Tng. S
"	Q39226	COOK O. F.	"	Yes	
"	Q38795	BUCHANAN H. K.	"	"	

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Lieut.	Q39175	NOBLE R. A.	"	L.O. at H.Q. 11 Aust. Inf. Bde
Lieut.	Q38910	TULLY J. J. P.	"	Seconded H.Q. 11 Inf. Bde.

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51 AUST. INF. BN. (Unit.)

Adm. Comd. 51 Aust., Inf. Bn.

20 JUN. 42. (Date of Despatch.)

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

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
lieut. (T. Maj.)	Q38967	HARRIS W.H.	51 Bn.	Yes	
"	Q38969	WRIGHT S.	"	"	
" (T Capt)	Q38908	DOWNS H.C.	"	"	
"	Q39039	SHANNON R.H.	"	No	Sick in Hospital
"	Q38910	HARPER H.V.	"	"	M.M.G. Wing, Bonegilla
"	Q30604	GIRARD B.V.	"	Yes	
"	Q38782	HARDGRAVE P.B.C.	"	"	
"	Q39161	LEWIS A.A.	"	"	
"	Q38879	KAHLER B.E.	"	"	
"	Q38778	HULDEN A.S.	"	No	Sick in Hospital
"	Q38910	TULLY J.J.P.	"	"	See below.
"	Q39075	CATER W.H.	"	Yes	
"	Q39055	HOPPER W.H.	"	No	See below.
"	Q38775	MARJASON F.J.C.	"	Yes	
"	Q39718	GILMAN H.J.	"	"	
"	Q39195	ROODAKOFF A.	"	"	
"	Q38905	WEBB C.B.	"	No	Anti-G. Crs., Bonegilla
"	Q38916	POFF H.	"	Yes	
"	Q38888	BAK C.J.	"	"	
"	Q38592	CHAPLAIN D.	"	"	
"	Q39906	RAWLINS A.A.G.	"	"	
" (p)	Q39200	SMITH A.E.	"	No	Anti-G. Crs., Caberlah
"	Q39078	WYLIE A.	"	Yes	
"	Q38704	HAMMOND A.W.	"	No	Sick in Hospital.
"	Q39389	BROWN D.M.	"	Yes	
"	Q38865	CONNORS J.P.	"	"	
"	Q39095	KENNY J.P.	"	"	
"	Q39851	HAYNE L.E.	"	"	
"	Q38917	EVANS C.B.	"	"	
"	Q39130	EVANS W.F.P.	"	"	
"	Q39175	HOMER R.A.	"	No	See Below.
"	Q39078	WEBB F.C.	"	Yes	
"	Q38956	MURPHY C.J.	"	"	
"	Q39881	GREGORY W.G.	"	"	
"	Q39162	HYDE B.E.	"	"	
"	Q39198	ROCHE J.C.	"	No	I Wing, E.C.T.S., Cowra
"	Q39226	COOK G.F.	"	Yes	
"	Q38795	DUCHANAN H.K.	"	"	

OFFICERS WITH OTHER UNITS

lieut. Q39055	HOPPER W.H.	"	L.O. AT 5 AUSTR DIV.
" (p) Q39175	HOMER R.A.	"	L.O. AT H.Q., 11 AUSTR INF BDE
" Q38910	TULLY J.J.P.	"	Seconded H.Q., 11 Aust Inf Bde

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
lieut.	Q119432	Eston W.D.	A.A.M.C.	15/11/41	R.M.G.
padre	Q99066	Campbell R.S.	A.A.C.D.	26/4/42	Chaplain

51 Aust. Inf. Bn.

(Unit.)

27 June, 42

(Date of Despatch.)

*William J. Harris* Major

Adm. Comd. 51 Bn. (Signature of Commander.)

11 Aust. Inf. Bde.

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

TO BE MADE UP TO AND FOR SATURDAY IN EACH WEEK.

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

51 Aust. Inf. Bn. (Unit)

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

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
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Lieut.-Colonels			1
Majors	0		
Captains	2		1
Lieutenants	5		5
2nd Lieutenants	27	6	
Quartermasters			
Totals	1		
	35	6	7

\*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

### Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

### Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lieut. (T. Maj)	Q38967	HARRIS W.H.	51. Inf.	Yes	
"	Q38968	WRIGHT S.	"	"	
" (T. Capt)	Q38969	DOUGLAS H.C.	"	"	
"	Q38959	SHANNON R.H.	"	No	Sick in Hospital
"	Q38782	HARDGRAVE P.D.C.	"	Yes	
"	Q38910	HASPER H.V.	"	No	L.G. Wing, Bonogilla
"	Q38604	GIRARD B.W.	"	Yes	
"	Q39181	LEWIS A.A.	"	"	
"	Q38878	HENDERSON, KATHER D.B.	"	"	
"	Q38778	HILDEN A.S.	"	No	Sick in Hospital.
"	Q38910	TULLY J.J.P.	"	"	See Below
"	Q39075	GATTA W.H.	"	Yes	
"	Q39055	HOPPER W.H.	"	No	See below
"	Q38775	MARJAN P.J.C.	"	Yes	
"	Q39718	GILMAN H.J.	"	"	
"	Q39195	RODMOFF A.	"	"	
"	Q38905	WEBB C.B.	"	No	Anti-G. Crs., Bonogilla.
"	Q38916	FONT H.	"	Yes	
"	Q38808	BAK C.J.	"	"	
"	Q38592	CHAPMAN D.	"	"	
"	Q39006	RAWLINS A.A.C.	"	"	
" (P)	Q39200	SMITH A.E.	"	No	Anti-Gas Crs., Caberlehe.
"	Q39078	WILLIS A.	"	Yes	
"	Q38701	HARMOND A.W.	"	No	Sick in Hospital.
"	Q39389	BROWN R.H.	"	Yes	
"	Q38833	CUNNINGHAM J.P.	"	"	
"	Q39085	KIRBY J.P.	"	"	
"	Q39251	HAYNE L.E.	"	"	
"	Q38917	EVANS C.B.	"	"	
"	Q39130	EVANS W.P.P.	"	"	
"	Q39175	WILE R.A.	"	No	See Below.
"	Q39078	WEBB P.C.	"	Yes	
"	Q38986	MURPHY C.J.	"	"	
"	Q38831	GREGORY W.C.	"	"	
"	Q39182	HEDE R.E.	"	"	
"	Q39198	ROOPE H.C.	"	No	I Wing, MTH, Crows.
"	Q39228	COOK G.P.	"	Yes	
"	Q38793	BUCHANAN H.H.	"	"	

OFFICERS WITH OTHER UNITS.

Lieut. Q39055 HOPPER W.H. " L.G. at 5 Aust. Div.  
 " (P) Q39175 (ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS. " G. at H.Q. 11 Aust. Inf. Bde.  
 " Q38910 TULLY J.J.P. " Seconded H.Q., 11 Aust. Inf. Bde.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt. Padre	Q119432	KEVIN W.D.	A.A.M.C.	15/11/41	R.H.C.
	Q99068	CAMPBELL R.S.	A.A.C.D.	26/4/42	Chaplain.

51 Aust. Inf. Bde.  
(Unit.)  
27 June 42  
(Date of Despatch.)

*William H. Harris* Major  
Maj. Comd. 51 (Signature of Commander.)  
11 Aust. Inf. Bde.  
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

**FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.**

(Adapted)

51 AUST INF BN (Unit) 14 June 19 42 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

**Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.**

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1		
W.Os. Class II.	5		3
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	5		1
Staff Serjeants	2	1	
Serjeants	37		4
Corporals	86		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	667		64
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>803</b>	<b>* 1</b>	<b>* 72</b>

\*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

**Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.**

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
A/Sgt Richardson R.J.	A.A.P.C.		
Q100774 Cpl. J. Fitzgerald	A.A.P.C.		
Q 38772 Sgt. W.A. Brown	A.A.O.C.		
Sig. Stout	K.Sec Sigs		
Sig. Parsons	"		

**Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.**

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

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51 AUST INF. BN. Unit.

**PART D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.**

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Riveters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors		3 Sgts	Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks	5 Pts 2 Cpls		Leather Stitches			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.		1	Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics		15	Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters			other duties		55
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)	5	20			1			55

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.  
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

51 Inf. Bn. Unit.

Maj. Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 14 June 42

Adm. Comd. 51 Aust. Inf. Bn. Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.







51 AUST. INF. BN. Unit.

**PART D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.**

*Plan  
Diary*

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Riveters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
<del>Concrete</del>			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks	5	3 Sgts.	Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
<del>Cooks, Hospital</del>		2 Cpls.	Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter		1	Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics		15	Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
						Other duties		47
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)	5	20		1				47

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.  
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

51 AUST. INF. BN. Unit.

*[Signature]*  
Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 20 JUN. 42.

Adm. Comd. 51 Aust. Inf. Bn.  
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.



61 AST. INF. BR. Unit.

**PART D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.**

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Riveters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Conerators			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks		3 Sgts.	Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital		8 Cpls.	Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators		15	Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
						Other duties		67
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)	8	20		1				67

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.  
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

61 AST. INF. BR. Unit.

*[Signature]*  
Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch: 30 JUN. 42

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.











# MESSAGE FORM

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.**

IN  
OUT

*War Diary*

No. of Groups  
**GR.**

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO *11 Inf Bde*

FROM *51 Bn.*

Originator's Number  
*I.I.*

Date  
*10*

In Reply to Number

<i>Intelligence</i>	<i>Report</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>nineteen</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>Para</i>
<i>One</i>	<i>Operational</i>	<i>Report</i>	<i>(a)</i>	<i>(1)</i>	<i>Own</i>
<i>tps</i>	<i>Bn</i>	<i>at</i>	<i>present</i>	<i>training</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>digging</i>	<i>operations</i>	<i>on</i>	<i>Bn H. Q.</i>	<i>posns</i>	<i>at</i>
<i>MELTON</i>	<i>HILL</i>	<i>still</i>	<i>in</i>	<i>Progress</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>A/A</i>	<i>Post</i>	<i>on</i>	<i>CASTLE</i>	<i>HILL</i>	<i>being</i>
<i>maintained</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>Para</i>	<i>two</i>	<i>Topography</i>	<i>books</i>

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS:

IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CYPHER.

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN

SIGNED

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

T.H.I.

T.O.R.

SYSTEM IN	TIME IN	READER	SENDER	SYSTEM OUT	TIME OUT	READER	SENDER	SYSTEM OUT	TIME OUT	READER	SENDER

# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.**

IN  
OUT

No. of Groups  
**GR.**

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TO

*2.*

FROM

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

<i>in</i>	<i>vicinity</i>	<i>Bivouac</i>	<i>area</i>	<i>rough</i>	<i>and</i>
<i>very</i>	<i>dusty</i>	<i>⊙</i>	<i>Para</i>	<i>three</i>	<i>(a)</i>
<i>climatic</i>	<i>conditions</i>	<i>fine</i>	<i>and</i>	<i>cool</i>	<i>becoming</i>
<i>sultry</i>	<i>and</i>	<i>overcast</i>	<i>at</i>	<i>times</i>	<i>towards</i>
<i>ends</i>	<i>of</i>	<i>week</i>	<i>(b)</i>	<i>visibility</i>	<i>good</i>
<i>by</i>	<i>day.</i>				

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT **AS WRITTEN** BY ANY MEANS:

*Munderson*  
*Sgt*  
SIGNED

IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT **IN CYPHER.**

SIGNED

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS  
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

**T.H.I.**

**T.O.R.**

SYSTEM IN	TIME IN	READER	SENDER	SYSTEM OUT	TIME OUT	READER	SENDER	SYSTEM OUT	TIME OUT	READER	SENDER

# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.**

IN  
OUT

No. of Groups  
**GR.**

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO *11 Inf Bde*

FROM *51 Bn.*

Originator's Number  
*I.I.*

Date  
*10*

In Reply to Number

<i>Intelligence</i>	<i>Report</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>nineteen</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>Para</i>
<i>one</i>	<i>Operational</i>	<i>Report</i>	<i>(a)</i>	<i>(1)</i>	<i>Draw</i>
<i>top</i>	<i>Bn</i>	<i>at</i>	<i>present</i>	<i>training</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>digging</i>	<i>operations</i>	<i>on</i>	<i>Bn H. Q.</i>	<i>found</i>	<i>at</i>
<i>MELTON</i>	<i>HILL</i>	<i>still</i>	<i>in</i>	<i>progress</i>	<i>0</i>
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FROM

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<i>in</i>	<i>vicinity</i>	<i>Bivouac</i>	<i>area</i>	<i>rough</i>	<i>and</i>
<i>very</i>	<i>dusty</i>	<i>⊙</i>	<i>Para</i>	<i>three</i>	<i>(a)</i>
<i>climatic</i>	<i>conditions</i>	<i>fine</i>	<i>and</i>	<i>cool</i>	<i>becoming</i>
<i>sultry</i>	<i>and</i>	<i>overcast</i>	<i>at</i>	<i>times</i>	<i>towards</i>
<i>end</i>	<i>of</i>	<i>weeks</i>	<i>(b)</i>	<i>visibility</i>	<i>good</i>
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*M. Anderson*  
SIGNED *sgt*

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51 BN. WARNING ORDER NO. 5.

1. 11 Inf. Bde. is likely to move within a few days.
2. 51 Bn. will carry out preliminary arrangements for movement at short notice.
3. Acknowledge.

*W. Girard*  
Capt.  
Adj. 51 Bn.

TIME OF ISSUE 1725  
METHOD OF ISSUE D/R

DISTRIBUTION.

Copy No.	1	A Coy.
	2	B " "
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	7	Q.M.
	8	C.O.
	9	S i/c.
	10	Adj.
	11	I.O.
	12	R.M.O.
	13	War Diary
	14	" "
	15	File.



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11 Jun 42.

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Sgd. B. Gerard  
Adj. 51 Bn.      Capt.

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TELEPHONE—

# Australian Military Forces—Northern Command.

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Address

H.Q.

51 Bn

Date

18

Jun 42/

## WARNING ORDER.

o/c

All Coys.

Q.M.

1. 51 Bn will move not before SATURDAY 20 Jun 42.
2. Bn will move to the S.W. slopes of MT STUART for training.
3. Recce.: Coy Comds will proceed with C.O. Friday Morning to make recce of area.

*D. Guara* Capt.  
A/Adjt 51 Aust Inf Bn.

TELEPHONE—

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*M. Guard*  
Capt.  
A/adjt. 51 Aust Inf Bn.

MOVEMENT ORDER.

1. D.Coy. will move from present camping area to STUART tomorrow, 18 Jun. 42.

Report to Engineers at AYR JUNCTION HOTEL as working party from 51 B n. and remain for four (4) Days.

2. START TIME. - 0700 hours.

3. START POINT - BOHLE RIVER BRIDGE.

4. ROUTE - HARVEY'S RANGE ROAD - RISING SUN - CHARTERS TOWERS ROAD.

5. ADM. --

Tents will be struck and taken with the Coy.

All gear and material owned by the Coy. will be taken with them, including water tanks.

Breakfast at 0630 hours.

Cooks will pack up immediately after breakfast and will move as soon as packed.

RATIONS.- Meeting point for rations will be fixed by the W.O. Caterer. Time and place to be notified later.

MEDICAL - First Aid Kit to be taken by Stretcher Bearers.

6. COMMUNICATION.- Communication with Bn. by D/R. to be detailed by SIGS. (D/R. BRAY).

Sent at 2200 hrs. 17 Jun. 42 by Runner.  
Ack.

*S. Girard*  
Capt.  
A/Adjt. 51 Bn.

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Q.M.  
War Diary (2).  
H.Q. Coy.

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Ack.

*R. Girard* Capt.  
A/Adjt. 51 Bn.

DISTRIBUTION.

D. Coy.  
Q.M.  
War Diary (2).  
HQ. Coy.

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TO

**11 INF BDE**

FROM

**51 BN**

Originator's Number

**17**

Date

**17**

In Reply to Number

**INTELLIGENCE**

**REPORT**

**NUMBER**

**TWENTY**

**STOP**

**PARA**

**ONE**

**OPERATIONAL**

**REPORT**

**(a)**

**(1)**

**OWN**

**TPS**

**FIFTY**

**REINFORCEMENTS**

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**DIGGING**

**OPERATIONS**

**ON**

**BN. H.Q.**

**POSN**

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AT	MELTON	HILL	COMPLETED	STOP	N/A
POST	ON	CASTLE	HILL	BRING	MAINTAINED
STOP	PARA	TWO	TOPOGRAPHY	ROADS	INN
VICINITY	BIVOUAC	AREA	ROUGH	AND	VERY
DUSTY	STOP	PARA	THREE	CLIMATIC	CONDITIONS
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**DARK**

**STOP**

**VISIBILITY**

**GOOD**

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TO

**11 INF BDE**

FROM

**51 IN**

Originator's Number

**17**

Date

**17**

In Reply to Number

INTELLIGENCE	REPORT	NUMBER	TWENTY	STOP	PARA
ONS	OPERATIONAL	REPORT	(a)	(1)	OWN
TPS	FIFTY	REINFORCEMENTS	ARRIVED	JUNE	TENTH
FROM	GOONDIWINDI	ONE	HUNDRED	AND	EIGHTY
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19 Jun 42

51 AUST INF. BN OPERATION ORDER NO. 3

Ref Map TOWNSVILLE special lin to 1 mile

INFORMATION

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INTENTION

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METHOD

3. Area allotted to this Bn - N.W. Slopes of Mt. STUART
4. No Reserve of M.T. will be available
5. Route - HARVEYS RAGE ROAD - OLD WEIR ROAD - WEIR CROSSING-STOCK ROUTE
6. M.T. - S.T. 1000 hrs
7. S S.P. BOHLE RIVER br.
8. M.I.H. 20
9. V.T.M. 10
10. order of march -  
B.H.Q.  
A. Co  
B. "  
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AMN.

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51 AUST. INF. BN.

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS no. 5

1. O. C. A. Coy will detail one N. C. O. and six O. Ranks to remain on guard on camp dump. Guard will report to B.H.Q. at 0845 hrs.
2. Coy will be responsible for feeding of this guard
3. Guard will live in tent now occupied by 2 i/c and padre.
4. Coys will leave areas clean and tidy - rubbish to be either burned or buried.
5. Slit trenches not to be filled in unless otherwise ordered.
6. Tents will be stacked in Coy dumps in Bn. H.Q. area by 0815 hrs  
20 Jun 42
7. Coy will arrange to transport men too sick to walk
8. At new area men may erect shelters for themselves but will not dig
9. Breakfast on Saturday 20 Jun 42 will be at 0715 hrs
10. All trucks will be loaded by 0845 hr
11. Dress for mobile battle order but wearing felt hats
12. All water bottles to be filled
13. Sanitation in new area will be trench system
14. Track and road discipline is to be strictly enforced by O.Cs and other officers. one road to Coy
15. Each coy will ensure ~~firm~~ perimeter defence of its own area
16. O/c of each coy will lead his coy in the M.T. Movement, and when reaching his area will lead his M.T. off on the desired route
17. Capt. H.C. Downs will take charge of M.T. Group
18. Coy will endeavour to store all baggage in coy trucks. If this cannot be done a dump will be made of overflow and one man left on guard. Cook truck when empty will be returned for gear left behind.

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8.		2 i/c
9.		Adjt.
10.		I.O.
11.		M.O.
12.		T.O.
13.		Q.M.
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19 Jun 42

APPENDIX "A"

1. With the exception of the following allotment of Unit trucks is as set down on truck markings-

1-	13	21325	20 cwt	Van	will report	to	Canteen
	23	24284	3 Ton		" "	"	B.H.Q. Kitchen and Officers Mess
	25	21190	30 cwt	"	" "	"	R.S.M. for Amn.
	11	43428	15 cwt	"	" "	"	B.H.Q. Baggage
	17	43465	15 cwt	"	" "	"	"
	23	21598	15 cwt	"	" "	"	Canteen



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TO 11 AUST INF BDE

FROM 51 AUST INF BN

Originator's Number  
 I 4

Date  
 26

In Reply to Number

SI TREP	to	1700	HRS	JUN	26
stop	Troops	at	present	training	stop
Tracks	to	defensive	posns	N.W.	slopes
MT.	STUART	still	under	construction	stop
Wiring	in	progress	stop	Map	showing
posns	being	prepared	stop	Bn	Bivouac
areas	ref	map	TOWNSVILLE	special	B.H.Q.

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FROM

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853779

A. Coy

864775

B. Coy

861778

C. Coy

853776

D. Coy

860780

E. (M.G.) Co

848785

H. Coy

849779

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TO *11 Aust INF BDE*

FROM *51 Bn*

Originator's Number

*IA*

Date

*26*

In Reply to Number

*26*

<i>SITREP</i>	<i>to</i>	<i>1700</i>	<i>Hrs</i>	<i>JUN</i>	<i>26</i>
<i>to</i>	<i>Troops</i>	<i>at</i>	<i>present</i>	<i>training</i>	<i>o</i>
<i>to</i>	<i>to</i>	<i>defensive</i>	<i>positions</i>	<i>N.W.</i>	<i>slopes</i>
<i>MT.</i>	<i>STUART</i>	<i>still</i>	<i>under</i>	<i>construction</i>	<i>o</i>
<i>planning</i>	<i>in</i>	<i>progress</i>	<i>o</i>	<i>Map</i>	<i>showing</i>
<i>posns</i>	<i>being</i>	<i>prepared</i>	<i>o</i>	<i>Bn</i>	<i>Bivouac</i>
<i>areas</i>	<i>ref</i>	<i>Map</i>	<i>TOWNISVILLE</i>	<i>Special</i>	<i>BHR.</i>

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**T.O.R.**

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# MESSAGE FORM

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IN  
  
OUT

No. of Groups  
**GR.**

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

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TO

FROM		Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number	
853779	A Coy	864775	26	861778	C Coy
853776	D Coy	860780		848785	1+R Coy
849779					

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TO

11 AUST INF BDE

FROM

51 BN

Originator's Number

I 1

Date

24

In Reply to Number.

INTELLIGENCE	REPORT	no	21	stop	para
one	operational	report	(a)	(1)	own
troops	stop	Bn	moved	to	new
area	N.W.	slopes	MT.	STUART	Bn. H.Q.
situated	Ref	Map	TOWNSVILLE	SPECIAL	853779
STOP	TROOPS	AT	present	training	stop
D	coy	reported	as	working	party

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FROM

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number.

to	ENGINEERS	18	JUN	rejoined	unit
21	JUN	stop	40	reinforcements	arrived
from	HUGHENDEN	18	JUN	stop	8
sugar	workers	marched	out	22	JUN
stop	A/A	post	on	CASTLE	HILL
being	maintained	stop	para	(2)	topography
road	in	Bn	area	cleared	tracks

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TO

FROM

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number.

in	very	rough	condition	and	dusty
stop	para	(3)	climate	conditions	stop
weather	fine	except	for	occasional	light
showers	towards	end	of	week	stop
visibility	good	by	day		

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T.O.R.



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TO *11 Aust INF BDE*

FROM *51 Bn*

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

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<i>INTELLIGENCE</i>	<i>REPORT</i>	<i>110</i>	<i>21</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>Para</i>
<i>one</i>	<i>Operational</i>	<i>report</i>	<i>(a)</i>	<i>(1)</i>	<i>men</i>
<i>the</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>Bn</i>	<i>moved</i>	<i>to</i>	<i>new</i>
<i>area</i>	<i>N.W</i>	<i>slopes</i>	<i>MT.</i>	<i>STUART</i>	<i>Bn HQ.</i>
<i>situated</i>	<i>Ref</i>	<i>Map</i>	<i>TOWNSVILLE</i>	<i>SPECIAL</i>	<i>553779</i>
<i>0</i>	<i>Tps</i>	<i>at</i>	<i>present</i>	<i>training</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>D</i>	<i>Cay</i>	<i>reported</i>	<i>as</i>	<i>working</i>	<i>party</i>

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FROM

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

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<i>m</i>	<i>very</i>	<i>rough</i>	<i>condition</i>	<i>and</i>	<i>dusty</i>
<i>o</i>	<i>Para</i>	<i>(3)</i>	<i>to climatic</i>	<i>conditions</i>	<i>!</i>
<i>weather</i>	<i>fine</i>	<i>except</i>	<i>for</i>	<i>occasional</i>	<i>light</i>
<i>showers</i>	<i>towards</i>	<i>mid</i>	<i>of</i>	<i>week</i>	<i>!</i>
<i>visibility</i>	<i>good</i>	<i>day</i>	<i>day</i>		

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BY ANY MEANS: *D/R*

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TIME OF ORIGIN

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*Baconache*

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**T.O.R.**

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TO

FROM

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

21

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to	ENGINEERS	18	JUN	rejoined	unit
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Roads	in	on	area	cleared	tracks

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**T.H.I.**

**T.O.R.**

51 AUST. INF. BN.

WARNING ORDER NO. 4

1. 51 Bn. will move not before midnight 30/ June/1 July 42.
2. All tents and accomodation stores in excess of W.E. will be stacked in Coy. dumps in vicinity of WEIR by 1700 hrs. 30 June, 42. "I"Opl. will mark place which will not interfere with tpt. moving across WEIR and down STOCK ROUTE.
3. Each Coy. will detail three men to act as its guard over dump, and these will also act as loading and unloading parties. A.A.S.C. will pick up these dumps. Sgt. Manley will be in charge of this party. Opl. L.C. Moody will be detailed to report to Sgt. Manley. This party will report to Sgt. Manley at dump at 1600 hrs. 30 June, 42.
4. Coys. will arrange for this party to have 48 hours' rations with them.
5. Coys. will arrange to mark gear with Coy. symbol.
6. Blankets are to be placed in kit-bags.
7. Only A Ech. tpt. will move with the Bn.
8. Coys. will arrange for midday meal on the 1 July, and midday meal on 2 July, to be carried in Pl. trucks as cooks may not reach us for midday meals. Water bottles must be filled, and men warned about water discipline.

*R. Girard*  
Cpt.  
Adj. 51 Bn.

DISTRIBUTION.

Copy No.		Coy.
1	A	
2	B	"
3	C	"
4	D	"
5	E	"
6	H.Q.	"
7	C.Q.	
8	S 1/c.	
9	Adj.	
10	T.Q.	
11	L.Q.	
12	War Diary	
13	" "	
14	File	
15	G.M.	

*J. Sect.*

51 AUST. INF BN.

WARNING ORDER NO. 6.

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*R. Guard*  
Capt.  
A/Adjt. 51 Bn.

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7	C.O.	"
8	2 1/2	
9	Adjt.	
10	T.O.	
11	I.O.	
12	War Diary	
13	"	"
14	File.	
15	OM.	

51 AUST. INF. BN.

OPERATION ORDER NO. 4.

Map Ref. - TOWNSVILLE SPECIAL 1 in. to 1 ml.

INFORMATION. (For purpose of exercise only).

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2. Air report timed 0601 hrs. 1 Jul. (received at 0645) reads as follows:-

"Reliable reports GIRU area indicate presence of party A.F.V.'s believed enemy, moving west from AYR in vicinity of PIONEER."

3. Two tps. recce. sqn. 2nd. Recce. Bn. come under comd. 11 Aust. Inf. Bde. 0700 hrs. 1 Jul, 42.

INTENTION.

4. 11 Aust. Inf. Bde. (with K Sec. Sigs. 5 Aust. Div. and 242 L.A.D.) will move to vicinity ALLIGATOR CRK. astride MAIN ROAD - RAILWAY by route march.

METHOD.

5. 51 Bn. will act as advance guard.

6. Order of march -

Carrier Pl.  
D. R.  
A Coy.  
Pioneer Pl.  
A Ech. Tpt. of Carriers, A Coy. and Pioneer Pl.  
Det. A/A Pl.  
19 Pl. M.M.G.  
C.O.'s Car  
2 D.R.'s  
C.O.'s Carrier.  
K Sec. Sigs.  
B Coy.  
Bn. H.Q.  
Mortar Pl.  
Sig. Pl.  
A Ech Tpt. of B Coy., Mortars and Sigs.  
C Coy.  
A Ech Tpt. of C Coy.  
20 Pl. M.M.G.  
D Coy.  
Det. A/A Pl.  
A Ech Tpt of D Coy.  
21 Pl. M.M.G.  
R.A.P.

7. Route - WEIR CROSSING (859788)  
X-RDS. CLUDEN (947787)  
North of MUNTALUNGA.  
Fwd. Objective.

8. Bounds for 51 Bn. - CATTLE-YARD (918785)  
RAILWAY KING (948788)  
STUARTS CREEK (963783)

METHOD (Contd.)

9. Bn. will take up def. posn. on bound at STUARTS CREEK.
10. Carriers after reporting Stuarts Crk. bound clear will take up posn. 400 yds. fwd of STUARTS CRK.
11. Carriers will report this bound clear by 0900 hrs.
12. S.T. 0600 hrs.
13. S.P. Fence in rear of A Coy. posn.
14. Objective for 51 Bn. first day - ROSENEATH.  
2nd. day - Area vicinity 0868. . . . .
15. Coys. will be responsible for own protection on move and at halts against air, ground, and gas.
16. Two dets. A/A will report to Lieut. Cater at 1830 hrs. 30 June for protection of B Ech. and will move with B Ech.
17. Fls. will move at distance of 100 yds.
18. Coys. will move at distance of 300 yds.

ADM.

19. R.A.P. will move behind advance guard - casualties during move will be evacuated as follows:-
  - a. Whilst on NORTH side of ROSS RIVER to A.D.S., 11 Aust. Fd. Amb, Fulham Rd.
  - b. Whilst on SOUTH side of ROSS RIVER to A.D.S., 7 Aust. Fd. Amb, Roseneath.  
Or C.L.P. in vicinity ALLIGATOR CRK., whichever is the closer.
20. B Ech. tpt. will move under Lieut. Cater to WEIR XING to join Brigaded B Ech. Tpt in route. B Ech. will be at WEIR XING at 0700 hrs. Order of B Ech. to be arranged by-T.O.
  - Adm. Pl.
  - Bn. H.Q.
  - Canteen.
  - Cooks.
  - Water Wagons.
21. M.I.H. for B Ech. 10.
22. V.T.M. for B Ech. 10.
23. 3 days' rations and 2 days' water will be carried on Pl. truck.
24. P.O.L. - Petrol, Oil, and lubricants for 100 miles will be carried.
25. Repairs and recovery will be carried out by 242 L.A.D. moving with B Ech.
26. On arrival at new bivouac area the Bn. water point will be at 142695. No other must be used.
27. Dress - Battle Order.
28. Full scale of clothing and equipment will be taken.
29. Tpt. as allotted by Coy. Serial No. except -
  - 21325 - To Canteen.
  - 21190 - Bn. H.Q. kitchen and Offrs. Mess.
  - 21238 - Amn. Van.
  - 43410 - Bn. H.Q. equipment and parts.
  - 43428 - Mortar Pl. for Amn.
  - 43465 - " " " "
30. Trucks will be loaded by 0500 hrs. 1 Jul, 42. Load at night if possible.

ADM. (Contd.)

- 31. Trucks will report to Areas at 1700 hrs. 30 June, 42.
- 32. Postal and Pay with R.A.P.
- 33. Amm. carried in Coy. and Pl. trucks and not to be issued to men.

INTER-COM.

- 34. Com. with Bde. by D.R. and by 101 W/T.
- 35. Com. between Coys. and Bn. H.Q. by W/T.
- 36. Two Sig. D.R.'s will report to C.O.'s Car at Bn. H.Q. at 0530 hrs. 1 Jul, 42.
- 37. O/C. E Coy. will detail one D.R. for duty with Carriers, to report to Carriers at 0530 hrs. 1 Jul, 42.
- 38. Tpt. Cpl. to act as D.R. for A Coy.
- 39. Main artery for Com. Stock Route to CLUDEN  
CLUDEN to STUARTS CRK.
- 40. All Sig. wire to be downed before midnight 30 June/1 Jul, 42.

*S. Girard*  
 Capt.  
 Adj. 51 Bn.

ACK.

METHOD OF ISSUE \_\_\_\_\_  
 TIME OF ISSUE \_\_\_\_\_

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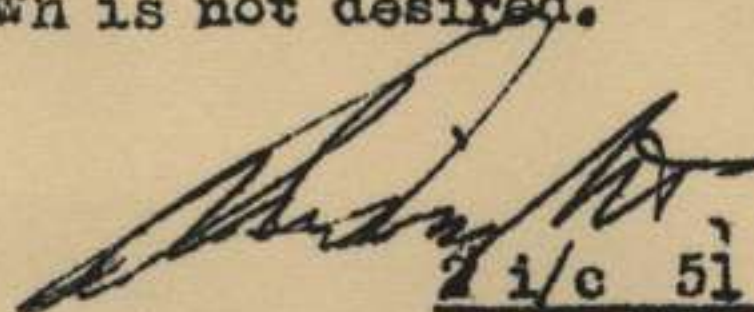


SECRET.  
COPY NO.-----  
30 June, 42.

51 AUST. INF. BN.

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTR.

1. All personal gear - kitbags, packs - to be dumped at Coy. dump by 0500 hrs. 1 Jul, 42.
2. Breakfast on 1 Jul. at 0500 hrs.
3. All Cooks trucks and remainder of B Ech. to be loaded by 0630 hrs. 1 Jul, 42.
4. Castle Hill Post will be a separate relief and Coys. concerned will not relieve men there to-day 30 June, 42. 48 hours rations to be issued to this post. Post is to be instructed that when it is relieved it brings everything with it, especially tents and field glasses.
5. Blankets to be placed in kit-bags if possible.
6. Great-coats to be carried, if possible, in Pl. trucks.
7. There is no certainty that cooks will be available to the Bn. until Thursday's evening meal, so Pls. must be prepared to make own tea.
8. All latrines must be filled in before leaving.
9. Area must be left clean of all litter and foodstuffs. A repetition of the filthiness of certain areas in town is not desired.

  
Major  
i/c 51 Bn.

51 AUST. INF. BN.

OPERATION ORDER NO. 4.

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B Coy.  
Bn. H.Q.  
Mortar Pl.  
Sig. Pl.  
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C Coy.  
A Ech Tpt. of C Coy.  
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D Coy.  
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R.A.P.

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  - Canteen.
  - Cooks.
  - Water Wagons.
21. M.I.H. for B Ech. 10.
22. V.T.M. for B Ech. 10.
23. 3 days' rations and 2 days' water will be carried on Pl. truck.
24. P.O.L. - Petrol, Oil, and lubricants for 100 miles will be carried.
25. Repairs and recovery will be carried out by 242 L.A.D. moving with B Ech.
26. On arrival at new bivouac area the Bn. water point will be at 142695. No other must be used.
27. Dress - Battle Order.
28. Full scale of clothing and equipment will be taken.
29. Tpt. as allotted by Coy. Serial No. except -
  - 21325 - To Canteen.
  - 21190 - Bn. H.Q. kitchen and Offrs. Mess.
  - 21238 - Amn. Van.
  - 43410 - Bn. H.Q. equipment and parts.
  - 43428 - Mortar Pl. for Amn.
  - 43465 - " " " "
30. Trucks will be loaded by 0500 hrs. 1 Jul, 42. Load at night if possible.

A.M. (Contd.)

- 31. Trucks will report to Areas at 1700 hrs. 30 June, 42.
- 32. Postal and Pay with R.A.P.
- 33. Amn. carried in Coy. and Pl. trucks and not to be issued to men.

INTER-COM.

- 34. Com. with Bde. by D.R. and by 101 W/T.
- 35. Com. between Coys. and Bn. H.Q. by W/T.
- 36. Two Sig. D.R.'s will report to C.O.'s Car at Bn. H.Q. at 0530 hrs. 1 Jul, 42.
- 37. O/C. E Coy. will detail one D.R. for duty with Carriers, to report to Carriers at 0530 hrs. 1 Jul, 42.
- 38. Tpt. Cpl. to act as D.R. for A Coy.
- 39. Main artery for Com. Stock Route to CLUDEN  
CLUDEN to STUARTS CRK.
- 40. All Sig. wire to be down next morning midnight 30 June/1 Jul, 42.

*S. Girard*  
 Capt.  
 Adj. 51 Bn.

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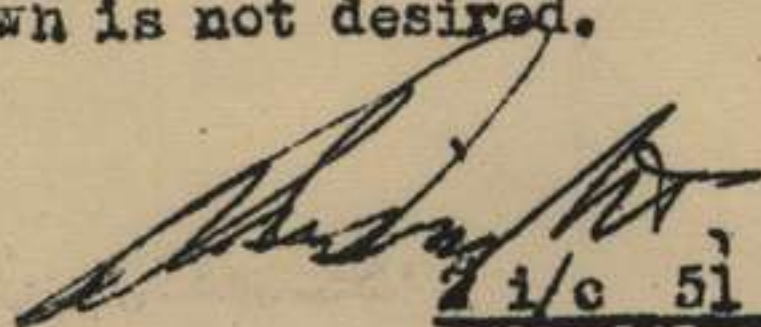
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	16	War Diary	
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51 AUST. INF. BN.

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTR.

1. All personal gear - kitbags, packs - to be dumped at Coy. dump by 0500 hrs. 1 Jul, 42.
2. Breakfast on 1 Jul. at 0500 hrs.
3. All Cooks trucks and remainder of B Ech. to be loaded by 0630 hrs. 1 Jul, 42.
4. Castle Hill Post will be a separate relief and Coys. concerned will not relieve men there to-day 30 June, 42. 48 hours rations to be issued to this post. Post is to be instructed that when it is relieved it brings everything with it, especially tents and field glasses.
5. Blankets to be placed in kit-bags if possible.
6. Great-coats to be carried, if possible, in Pl. trucks.
7. There is no certainty that cooks will be available to the Bn. until Thursday's evening meal, so Pls. must be prepared to make own tea.
8. All latrines must be filled in before leaving.
9. Area must be left clean of all litter and foodstuffs. A repetition of the filthiness of certain areas in town is not desired.

  
Major  
i/c 51 Bn.

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IN

OUT

*War diary*

No. of Groups  
**GR.**

OFFICE DATE STAMP

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TO

**VUNU**

FROM

**SIHA**

Originator's Number

**I.1.**

Date

**3.**

In Reply to Number

INTELLIGENCE	REPORT	NUMBER	EIGHTEEN	STOP	PARA.
ONE	OPERATIONAL	REPORT	(a)	(1)	OWN
TPS.	EN	MOVED	FROM	CITY	AREA
TO	BELLS	PADDOCK	UPPER	BOHLE	XING
AFTERNOON	28	MAY	STOP	PARA	TWO
TOPOGRAPHY	ROADS	IN	IMMEDIATE	VICINITY	AREA
IN	PAIR	CONDITION	stop	PARA	THREE

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CLIMATIC	CONDITIONS	(a)	WEATHER	FINE	AND
COOL	BECOMING	COLD	DURING	NIGHT	(b)
VISIBILITY	GOOD	BOTH	DAY	AND	NIGHT.

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