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5 Australian Division General Staff Branch (5 Aust Div GS Branch)

October 1942



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(adapted)

WAR DIARY - AND ~~INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

Unit HQS Aust Div Date and Time - From 0001 hrs To 2359 hrs 10 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diagrams, &c
Townsville	10th	0830	Duty Staff Offrs Log - Capt E L Dixon	(Appx 1)
		1530	RAAF Meteorological Report	(Appx 2)
	Capt			

Appx 1.

- DUTY STAFF OFFRS LOG -

Duty Staff Offr.....CAPT. R. A. [redacted].....

From.....[redacted].....hrs on...[redacted]...to...[redacted].....hrson..[redacted]...

Serial No 1	Originators No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1	AEM 1800A	First Army	2100	[redacted]	Transfer Maj Olsen	hold	AQ
2	Sigs [redacted]	Sigs 5 Army Div	1700	[redacted]	Ask [redacted]	hold	Chief Clerk
3	CLOTS	First Army	2048	0700	18 pr ammn	hold	AQ
4	GD [redacted]	First Army	2050	0700	Secret	hold	GS copy AQ Opns

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA — APPX 2 — C.M.B. A.16

R.A.A.F. METEOROLOGICAL SERVICE — To/11/E — Office

District Aviation Meteorological Report for R.A.F.

Issued to R.A.A.F. Station G31 on 1/10/42 at 1530 (S.T.)

Meteorological Situation:

No rainfall recorded:-

District Forecast: for period 1530 h. 1/10/42 m. to 1530 h. 2/10/42 m. (Standard Time)

Weather, Cloud, &c., Clearing to-night - scattered to broken cloud

Tomorrow. Sun intermittent. moon unobscured.

Visibility 10/15 miles.

Winds (surface and upper): Surface wind: Gusty 15/20 from

1200K to 1800K - decreasing to 3/5

mph after 1800K.

UPPER WINDS OBSERVATIONS AT ALTITUDES ABOVE MEAN SEA LEVEL

Time (S.T.)	Place	300 m. 1,000 ft.		600 m. 2,000 ft.		900 m. 3,000 ft.		1,200 m. 4,000 ft.		1,800 m. 6,000 ft.		2,400 m. 8,000 ft.		3,000 m. 10,000 ft.		3,600 m. 12,000 ft.	
		Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.

DISTRICT METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

Time (S.T.)	Place	Present Weather	State of Sea	Vis. Miles	CLOUD				Surface Wind	
					Form	Low		Total Amount (Tenths)	Dirn.	Vel. m.p.h.
						Base Height Station Level (feet)	Amount (Tenths)			

Signature:—Duty Meteo. Off. [signature] Telephoned at

D.A.O.S./7.43—C.B.O.S.

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WAR DIARY AND ~~INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

Unit HQ 5 Aust Div Date and Time - From 000 hrs To 2359 hrs 28 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
Townsville	28 Oct	0830	Duty Staff Offrs Log - Capt AE McLucas	(Appx 3)
"	"	1100	Reorganization of Div. Cav. Regt. AIF in Australia and Div. Recce Sqns CMF	(Appx 4)
			RAAF. District Meteorological Report	(Appx 5)

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- DUTY STAFF OFFRS LOG -

Duty Staff Offr.....Capt. A E MELONAS.....

From.....0830.....hrs on.....1 Oct 42.....to.....0830.....hrson.....2.Oct.42

Serial No 1	Originators No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1	SD 2948	First Aust Army	1750	2358	Warning Order - movt A coy 4 Fd Amb	held	A/Q Reqg comments to DAG30
2	CX/1624	First Aust Army	2150	2235	Message for dst 1 Aust Fd Svy Coy for MAFIA	Sent signal to 11 Aust Inf Bde for 1 Aust Fd Svy Coy	C S
	3	0430	2 Aust Cav Regt	1900	0350	Ref our O 1906 of 1 Oct - no nominations	hold	LO 3
	4	SD 2961	First Aust Army	2335	0030	Notification MT School CASABLAH Coy D & H Wing course	hold	LO 2
	5	SD 2946	First Aust Army	2155	0030	Ref serial 1 under cond 5 Aust Div and destination	held	AQ
	6	SD 2959	First Aust Army	2315	0020	Reply our ADC 102	held	ADC
	7	SD 2960	First Aust Army	2345	0400	Notification First Aust Army Gas School CASABLAH No 3 course	hold	LO 2
2 Oct	8	CX 1622	Movts PORTVILLE	0150	0645	Ref 55 Coy AASC	held	AQ
	9	SD 2963	First Aust Army	2040	0645	Notification First Aust Army Weapons Trg school BRENHAM - Corps tactical wing	held	LO 2

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SECRET

HQ 5 Aust Div
2 Oct 42
A.S/20/4

Subject: REORGANISATION OF DIV CAV REGT AIF IN AUSTRALIA AND DIV RECCE ELMS CMF.

2 Aust Cav Regt
Copy to GOC
G
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ADOS
ADOS (E)
Pay
Postal
War Diary (2)
File:

1. Authority First Aust Army AS/265 of 27 Sept 42.

2. Action will be taken to reorganise 2 Aust Cav Regt in accordance with W.E. II/6/1:-

		W.E. Strength		
		O.	O/R	Tot
Previous WE	Ref II/12A/1	30	766	796
New W.E.	Ref II/6/1	31	462	493

3. Nominal Rolls (three copies) of the following will be fwded to reach HQ 5 Aust Div not later than 12 Oct 42:-

(a) All surplus personnel

(b) All tradesmen and specialists who cannot be absorbed within their trade capacity as provided for in W.E. :-

No	Name	Rank (Acting or lance to be indicated)	Med Category	Trade or Specialist Classification

4. Every care will be taken to ensure that tradesmen and specialists are employed only in their particular trade capacity

5. Any recommendation it is desired to make with respect to offrs will also be submitted.

for Major
Lt.-Col
A.A. & Q.M.G. 5 Aust Div
A.D.

APPX 5

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA — C.M.B. A.16

R.A.A.F. METEOROLOGICAL SERVICE — Townsville Office

District ~~Aviation~~ Meteorological Report for R.A.A.F.

Issued to R.A.A.F. Station 5TH Div. G31 on 2/10/42 at 1530. (S.T.)

Meteorological Situation: No Rainfall Recorded.

District Forecast: for period 1530 h. 2/10/42 m. to 1530 h. 3/10/42 m. (Standard Time)

Weather, Cloud, &c., Clear tonite and Tomorrow morning
Scattered clouds Tomorrow after 0600K.
Sun unobscured. Moon unobscured.

Visibility 10/20 miles.

Winds (surface and upper) Surface Wind:- ENE/ESE 10/15 miles
decreasing tonite to 3/5 mph.
and increasing again after 1200K
Tomorrow.

UPPER WINDS OBSERVATIONS AT ALTITUDES ABOVE MEAN SEA LEVEL

Time (S.T.)	Place	300 m. 1,000 ft.		600 m. 2,000 ft.		900 m. 3,000 ft.		1,200 m. 4,000 ft.		1,800 m. 6,000 ft.		2,400 m. 8,000 ft.		3,000 m. 10,000 ft.		3,600 m. 12,000 ft.	
		Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.

DISTRICT METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

Time (S.T.)	Place	Present Weather	State of Sea	Vis. Miles	CLOUD Form	CLOUD Low Base Height Station Level (feet)	CLOUD Low Amount (Tenths)	CLOUD Total Amount (Tenths)	Surface Wind Dirn.	Surface Wind Vel. m.p.h.

Signature:—Duty Meteo. Off. [signature]

Telephoned at

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WAR DIARY AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Unit HQ 5 Aust Div Date and Time - From 0001 hrs To 2359 hrs 3 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
Townsville	3 Oct	0830	Daily Staff Offs Log (Capt E.E. Muddle)	(appx 6)
		1530	R.A.A.F District Meteorological Report	(appx 7)
		17.00	A.F. W.3008 - Nominal roll offs on strength HQ 5 Aust Div	(appx 8)
		1700	A.F. W.3009 - Part D - Detail Surplus or Reinforcements required	(appx 9)

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- DUTY STAFF OFFRS LOG -

Duty Staff Offr...Capt H E [redacted]

From....0630.....hrs on....2 Oct 42....to....0630....hrson....3 Oct 42....

Serial No 1	Trig-inators No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1	CS/R/12	1 Amst Pd Sqy Coy	1540	0630	Advising despatch vehicles from CAIRNS in charge Sgt White	Reld	AQ
2	HAL/212	16 Amst Pd Coy CAIRNS		0630	Location Statement	"	C
3	Tele call	D.C. L of C.	0800		Requesting info re change of priority on sig message	Referred Sig Hoster	

APPX 7

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA — C.M.B. A.16

R.A.A.F. METEOROLOGICAL SERVICE — GARBUTT Office

District Aviation Meteorological Report for R.A.A.F.

Issued to R.A.A.F. Station RAAF 5th DIVISION on 3/10/42 at (S.T.)

Meteorological Situation:

NE stream at low levels.

No rain reported for 24hrs ended 0900K

District Forecast: for period 1530 h. 3/10/42 m. to 1530 h. 4/10/42 m. (Standard Time)

Weather, Cloud, &c., 3/10 Dull Cloud.

Light haze NE generally 20 miles light

Visibility drizzling ground mist — No observed by Dawn

Winds (surface and upper) Surface NE to E 10/15

Calms to light winds at night

UPPER WINDS OBSERVATIONS AT ALTITUDES ABOVE MEAN SEA LEVEL

Time (S.T.)	Place	300 m. 1,000 ft.		600 m. 2,000 ft.		900 m. 3,000 ft.		1,200 m. 4,000 ft.		1,800 m. 6,000 ft.		2,400 m. 8,000 ft.		3,000 m. 10,000 ft.		3,600 m. 12,000 ft.	
		Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.

DISTRICT METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

Time (S.T.)	Place	Present Weather	State of Sea	Vis. Miles	CLOUD Form	CLOUD Low Base Height Station Level (feet)	CLOUD Low Amount (Tenths)	CLOUD Total Amount (Tenths)	Surface Wind Dirn.	Surface Wind Vel. m.p.h.

Signature:—Duty Meteo. Off. [signature] — F/O

Telephoned at

D.A.M.S./T.A.1—C.M.B.16

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

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

W.E. 11/1/4. 37x188

H.Q. 5 AUST.DIV. *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).
Maj.-Gen. *	1		
Colonels *	1		
Lieut.-Colonels	3		1
Majors	6		8
Captains	18		
Lieutenants	7	5	
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters Chaplains.	3		1
Totals	32	5	10

* Insert detail of higher rank 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 Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	2 Personal Number.	3 Name and Initials.	4 Corps.	5 Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No.).	6 If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Maj.-Gen.	VP 7524	E.J.MILFORD. D.S.O.	G.O.C.	Yes.	
T/Col.	NX 451	S.H.LOVELL	ADMS.	"	
Lt.Col.	SX 1436	T.J.DALY	GSO I	"	
"	VX 36	H.A.NORRIS.	AA&QMG	"	
"	QX 6218	H.N.VIDGEN	ADOS.	"	
Major.	QX 6254	R.R.WINTON	DADMS.	"	
"	NP 10083	D.G.RICE.	GSO II	NO.	SCHOOL.
"	Q 185241	J.S.NICOLSON	DAAG	YES.	
"	VX 15033	F.B.GAMBLE.	LSO	"	
"	Q 185346	GL.S.MAY.	DADH	NO.	SCHOOL.
"	VX 47758	H.B.BRAIN	ADOS(E)	YES.	
CAPT.	Q 90458	A.E.MC LUCAS	GSOII(L)	"	
"	Q 18611	E.L.DIXON	GSOIII	"	
"	Q 955	J.S.D.MELLICK	GSO(L)	"	
"	Q 654	E.E.MUDDLE	GSOIII(I)	"	
"	Q 71252	A.G.ROWELL	DAAG(L)	"	
"	Q 55011	E.M.CATHERWOOD.	DAQMG	"	
"	NX 12394	J.R.WATCH	LIAISON	NO.	SCHOOL.
"	Q 3568	A.L.STRUSS	"	"	"
"	Q 124256	W.ELSON-GREEN	PPCM	YES.	
"	VX 14036	V.SPENCER	DADOS(E)	"	
"	QX 35776	D.J.SKENNERTON	DAPM	"	
"	Q 27608	J.L.EALING	CAMP	"	
LIEUT.	V 16828	F.T.RATTRAY	ADC	"	
"	Q 3528	IM.GRANT	INTELLIGENCE.	"	
"	Q 11432	E.N.DRURY	DAQMG (L)	"	
"	Q 39053	W.H.HOOPER	LIAISON	"	
"	NX4475	E.H.ARTHUR-MASON	AMENITIES.	"	
"	Q 194251	V.C.E.STEVENSON	DADOS(L)I	NO	SCHOOL.
"	QX 35777	N.K.MC DOUGALL	ASST.CAMP	"	LEAVE.
CHAP.	Q 67557	J.E.N.OSBORN	Chap.Coff	Yes.	
"	Q 119806	J.A.TOHFIE.	" R.C.	"	
		ATTACHED OFFICERS.			
MAJOR.	VX 280	D.T.GOLAND.	DIV.W/SHOP.	3.7.42	A/ADOS (E)
Lieut.	QX 24733	H.EDWARDS	47 BN.	5.9.42.	Tng.Inst.
"	Q 32923	J.J.SQUIRE	31 Bn.	25.5.42	C.D.H.
"	Q 185907	R.L.WILKSON	Div.Sigs.	15.6.42	Cipher.

(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.
Sqd-Ldr.		ALSHAWN	RAAF	14.7.42	Liaison
Flt-Lt.		S.H.COLLIE.	"	25.6.42	"

H.Q. 5 AUST. DIV. *(Unit.)*

3.10.42. *(Date of Despatch.)*

Capt.
(Signature of Commander.)

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

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

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(page 1)
(Adapted)

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

H.Q.5 AUST. DIV. (Unit) 3.10.43 19__ (Date).

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

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1		2
W.Os. Class II.	2		1
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants	2		1
Serjeants	11	4	
Corporals	25	6	
Troopers, Privates, &c.	163		25
TOTALS	199	* 10	* 30

*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.
1 Sgt.	15 Inf. Bn.	1 Cpl.	11 Fd. Regt. RCA.
1 Pte.	48 Inf. Bn.	1 Pte.	
1 Sgt.	24 Fd. Regt.	1 Sgt.	57 Inf. Bn.
1 Pte.	30 Bde.		
1 Cpl.	24 Fd. Regt.		
1 Pte.	30 Bde.		
1 Sgt.	3 Ammunition Park.		
1 Cpl.			

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).
B 1075.	CPL.	FOSTER K.J.C.	HQ 5 Aust Div	2/2 A.G.H.

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Army Form W. 3009
(Adapted) (Aug. 41)
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H.Q. 5 AUST. DIV. *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			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		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			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.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			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					
2 Lt.		(b)						
2 Lt.								
2 Lt.								
Sgt.	4							
Cpl.	6							
Pte.		25						
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)	10	25						

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.

H.Q. 5 AUST. DIV. *Unit.*

Date of Despatch 3.10.43

Signature of Commander.

DATE CORRECTED.

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

Army Form C2118
(adapted)

WAR DIARY ~~AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

Unit HQ 5 Aust Div Date and Time - From 0001 hrs To 2359 hrs 30 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
Townsville	30 Oct	1740	Fire Alarm at Ammunition Dump	
			Brookhill - No damage - Fire	
			extinguished by personnel HQ 5 Aust	
			Div & units in locality	

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(adapted)

WAR DIARY AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Unit HQ 5 Aust Div Date and Time - From 0001 hrs To 2359 hrs 4 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
Toowoomba	4 Oct	0830	Medical Units – intercomm (D. R. L. S. and amendments to other intercomm)	(appx 10)
		1400	RAAF District Meteorological Report	(appx 11)
		1800	Guard (42 Aust Inf Bn – Sgt J. W. L. Ram) took over from 47 Aust Inf Bn Guard – (Sgt Cullen) at 1800 hrs this day	

APPX 10

SECRET.

H.Q. 5 Aust Div.,
M42/370/653

Oct. 42

SUBJECT:- MEDICAL UNITS. INTERCOMMUNICATION.

1. W.e.f. 5 Oct. 42 the existing Medical D.R.L.S. TOWNSVILLE - CHARTERS TOWERS will be discontinued.

2. D.R.L.S. service between A.D.M.S. Office and 7 Aust Fd Amb. will be maintained as at present.

3. Arrangements have been made to extend the facilities of 1 L of C Sub - area D.R.L.S. to include Medical Units at HAUGHTON VALLEY and CHARTERS TOWERS according to the following time table:-

	UP RUN.	DOWN RUN.
TOWNSVILLE	: 1400 hours	1030 hours
HAUGHTON VALLEY	: 1650 "	0830 "
CHARTERS TOWERS	: 1730 "	0730 "

Despatches for up run to be delivered to SIGS OFFICE H.Q. 5 Aust. Div. by 1300 hours daily

Despatches for down run to be delivered to AREA SIGS CHARTERS TOWERS by 0700 hours daily.

4. The following amendments to other inter-communications are promulgated. (Amending details in M42.441/500 of 30 Sept, 42).

(i). A.D.S. ROSSLEATH - Special messages only by runner from H.Q. 5 Aust Div. Sigs.
(ii). A.D.S. BLACK RIVER - Special messages only by runner from 17 Aust Fd Regt.
(iii) A.D.S. 19 AUST FD AMB MURANDA. - MURANDA 6.
(iv). S.M.O. CAIRNS AREA (temp) - " " "
(v). LIGHT SEC. 19 AUST FD AMB. - LITTLE MULGRAVE 3
(vi). 11 AUST FD HYG SEC. - Disbanded.
(vii) 6 AUST C.C.S. - W/T via A.D.M.S. 5 Aust Div.
(viii) "C" SEC. 8 M.A.C. - No do do.
(ix) 9 A.M.C.U. CAIRNS - CAIRNS 2826.
(x) AERODROME DUTY CLERK TOWNSVILLE AERODROME - TOWNSVILLE 1880 Ext. 10.

[signature]
Colonel.
A.D.M.S. 5 Aust Div.

DISTRIBUTION.

As for Location Statement Medical Services.

APP 11

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

C.M.B. A.16

R.A.A.F. METEOROLOGICAL SERVICE

CARBUTT Office

District Aviation Meteorological Report for R.A.A.F.

Issued to R.A.A.F. Station 5TH DIVISION on ____ at ____ (S.T.)

Meteorological Situation:

~~No change~~

Continue 1016 mbs with ridge of High pressure over Cape York.

No rain reported to 1400 today.

District Forecast: for period 1400 h. 4/10/42 m. to 1400 h. 05/10/42 m. (Standard Time)

Weather, Cloud, &c.,

Scattered Cu base 2000

No Obscurity of Dawn or moon.

Visibility Light haze Min 20 miles

Winds (surface and upper) Surface ENE 10/15 backing NNW 5/10 from midday.

NE/E 15/20 6 5000

E/SE 20/25 to 10,000

UPPER WINDS OBSERVATIONS AT ALTITUDES ABOVE MEAN SEA LEVEL

Time (S.T.)	Place	300 m. 1,000 ft.		600 m. 2,000 ft.		900 m. 3,000 ft.		1,200 m. 4,000 ft.		1,800 m. 6,000 ft.		2,400 m. 8,000 ft.		3,000 m. 10,000 ft.		3,600 m. 12,000 ft.	
		Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.

DISTRICT METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

Time (S.T.)	Place	Present Weather	State of Sea	Vis. Miles	CLOUD Form	CLOUD Low Base Height Station Level (feet)	CLOUD Low Amount (Tenths)	CLOUD Total Amount (Tenths)	Surface Wind Dirn.	Surface Wind Vel. m.p.h.
0900	MACKAY	Sea II	SM	20	Cu	5000	3	3	NW	10.
1200	Innisfail	Dead		15	Cu	4000	2	2	NE	5

Signature:—Duty Meteo. Off. [signature] Telephoned at ____

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WAR DIARY AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Unit HQ 5 Aust Div Date and Time - From 0001 hrs To 2359 hrs 5 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
Townsville	5 Oct	1530	R.A.A.F. District meteorological Report	(appx 12)
			G.O.C. left Townsville by air this morning for Toowoomba	

Left

APPX 12

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA — C.M.B. A.16

R.A.A.F. METEOROLOGICAL SERVICE — Townsville Office

District [redacted] Meteorological Report for R.A.A.[redacted]

Issued to R.A.A.[redacted] Station 5TH Div. G-3-II on Oct. 5, 1942 at 1500 K (S.E.)

Meteorological Situation:

No Rainfall:

District Forecast: for period 1530 h. 5/10/42 m. to 1530 h. 6/10/42 m. (Standard Time)

Weather, Cloud, &c., Scattered To clear - few patches Sc in morning. Sun mostly unobscured.

Visibility 10/15 miles

Winds (surface and upper) Surface wind:- variable Northerly wind 10/15 mpH. Shifting To S/SE Tomorrow.

UPPER WINDS OBSERVATIONS AT ALTITUDES ABOVE MEAN SEA LEVEL

Time (S.T.)	Place	300 m. / 1,000 ft.		600 m. / 2,000 ft.		900 m. / 3,000 ft.		1,200 m. / 4,000 ft.		1,800 m. / 6,000 ft.		2,400 m. / 8,000 ft.		3,000 m. / 10,000 ft.		3,600 m. / 12,000 ft.	
		Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.

DISTRICT METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

Time (S.T.)	Place	Present Weather	State of Sea	Vis. Miles	CLOUD				Surface Wind	
					Form	Low		Total Amount (Tenths)	Dirn.	Vel. m.p.h.
						Base Height Strigin Level (feet)	Amount (Tenths)			

Signature:—Duty Meteo. Off. [signature]

Telephoned at

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WAR DIARY AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Unit HQ 5 Aust Div Date and Time - From 0001 hrs To 2359 hrs 6 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
Townsville	6 Oct	1530	RAAF District Meteorological Report	(appx 13)
		1015	Intercomm, Cairns-Townsville; "Safe Hand" and "Official" correspondence - times for lodgment.	(appx 14)
		2210	Message from Movements, Townsville, re expected arrivals at Townsville airfield of Maj-Gen Berriman, Maj-Gen Chapman and other offs	(appse 15)
			GI (Lt-Col I.J Daly) left this morning for Cairns	

APPX 13

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA — C.M.B. A.16

R.A.A.F. METEOROLOGICAL SERVICE — Townsville Office

District Aviation Meteorological Report for R.A.A.F.

Issued to R.A.A.F. Station G 3 II on 6/10/42 at 1530 (S.T.)

Meteorological Situation:

Very slight rainfall along Coast:- Not enough to measure.

District Forecast: for period 1530 h. 6/10/42 m. to 1530 h. 7/10/42 m. (Standard Time)

Weather, Cloud, &c.,

Scattered cloud this afternoon - Clear tonight
Few patches broken cloud in early morning - Scattered after 0830K. Sun unobscured, except by occasional Cld.

Visibility 10/20 mls.

Winds (surface and upper)

Surface Wind:- E/NE/ESE 10/15 gusty this afternoon - very light & variable until 1100K tomorrow.

UPPER WINDS OBSERVATIONS AT ALTITUDES ABOVE MEAN SEA LEVEL

Time (S.T.)	Place	300 m. 1,000 ft.		600 m. 2,000 ft.		900 m. 3,000 ft.		1,200 m. 4,000 ft.		1,800 m. 6,000 ft.		2,400 m. 8,000 ft.		3,000 m. 10,000 ft.		3,600 m. 12,000 ft.	
		Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.

DISTRICT METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

Time (S.T.)	Place	Present Weather	State of Sea	Vis. Miles	CLOUD Form	CLOUD Low Base Height Station Level (feet)	CLOUD Low Amount (Tenths)	CLOUD Total Amount (Tenths)	Surface Wind Dirn.	Surface Wind Vel. m.p.h.

Signature:—Duty Meteo. Off. [signature] Telephoned at

D.A.O.M./7.41—C.8006

APPX 14

SECRET

Subject - INTERCOMN CAIRNS - TOWNSVILLE

HQ 5 Aust Div
6 Oct 42
G975

RAA 5 Aust Div
RAE 5 Aust Div
Sigs 5 Aust Div
G
AQ
Camp
AASC
Medical
Ord
Pro
Q FSS
CDH
Postal
Pay
File
War Diary

1. With the location of 11 Aust Inf Bde Gp in the CAIRNS area much infm will now be passing between TOWNSVILLE and CAIRNS. Thus undue strain on sig resources and cipher work may cause considerable delay in transmission. In order that sig traffic may be minimised, it has been arranged that henceforth comn, except for urgent matters, will be by correspondence.

2. This correspondence will be divided into two categories:-

"SAFE HAND" and "OFFICIAL".

3. "SAFE HAND" despatches will be reserved for "MOST SECRET" infm, and will be used only when absolutely necessary.

4. "OFFICIAL" correspondence will include all infm of a less secret nature and will be the normal means of comn.

5. In the rare cases when it is necessary to despatch "SAFE HAND" mail it will then be despatched so as to reach GS Office, 5 Aust Div, not later than 1145 hrs daily.

6. "OFFICIAL" mail is to be handed in at the Sig Office, 5 Aust Div, not later than 1215 hrs daily.

Lt Col
GS 5 Aust Div

Army Form G. 2123.

MESSAGE FORM

Serial No.

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS. IN ~~DCF~~

OUT

No. of Groups GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

APPX 15

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO 5 AUST DIV RPTD. LOCTOWN.

FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
MOVEMENTS TOWNSVILLE	QM. 1640	6	

SECRET.	0	FOLLOWING	EXPECTED	TO	ARRIVE
TOWNSVILLE	AIRFIELD	ABOUT	NOON	7 OCT	0
MAJ-GEN.	CHAPMAN	MAJ-GEN.	BERRIMAN	BRIG	SECCOMBE
BRIG	PRIOR	CAPT	WYNTER	LT.	PENDER
0	ALL IN	TRANSIT	DURATION	OF STAY	IN
T.V.	NOT EXPECTED	MORE	THAN 18 HOURS.	0	

SECRET

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS.

SIGNED

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

SIGNED CHAPMAN MAJOR

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY

IMPORTANT.

TIME OF ORIGIN 2210.

T.H.I.

T.O.R.

(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

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WAR DIARY AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Unit HQ 5 Aust Div Date and Time - From 0001 hrs To 2359 hrs 7 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
Townsville	7 Oct	1530	RAAF District Meteorological Report	(appx 16)
		1958	Air Raid Message Yellow	
		2019	Air Raid Message White	
Col			1 a/c later identified as	
Abbott			friendly	

APPX 16

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA — C.M.B. A.16

R.A.A.F. METEOROLOGICAL SERVICE — GARBUTT Office

District Aviation Meteorological Report for R.A.A.F.

Issued to R.A.A.F. Station ____ on ____ at ____ (S.T.)

Meteorological Situation:

Heavy rain reported along coast.
— No reports received to date of No of points

District Forecast: for period 1530 h. 7/10/42 m. to 1530 h. 8/10/42 m. (Standard Time)

Weather, Cloud, &c.,

Broken heavy clouds with heavy showers along NE coast — isolated heavy rain storms to the north.
Scattered cloud inland.

Visibility — Partial obscuring of hills 5/15 miles

Winds (surface and upper)

Light E–SE 15/20

UPPER WINDS OBSERVATIONS AT ALTITUDES ABOVE MEAN SEA LEVEL

Time (S.T.)	Place	300 m. 1,000 ft.		600 m. 2,000 ft.		900 m. 3,000 ft.		1,200 m. 4,000 ft.		1,800 m. 6,000 ft.		2,400 m. 8,000 ft.		3,000 m. 10,000 ft.		3,600 m. 12,000 ft.	
		Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.

DISTRICT METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

Time (S.T.)	Place	Present Weather	State of Sea	Vis. Miles	CLOUD Form	CLOUD Low Base Height Station Level (feet)	CLOUD Low Amount (Tenths)	CLOUD Total Amount (Tenths)	Surface Wind Dirn.	Surface Wind Vel. m.p.h.

Signature:—Duty Meteo. Off. [signature] Telephoned at ____

D.A.O.B./7.41—C.8008

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WAR DIARY AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Unit HQ 5 Aust Div Date and Time - From 0001 hrs To 2359 hrs 8 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
Townsville	8 Oct	0830	Duty Staff Offs Log (Lieut J J Squire)	(appx 17)
	8 Oct	1520	RAAF District Meteorological Report	(appx 18)

Appx '7

- DUTY STAFF OFFRS LOG -

Duty Staff Offr...LIEUT [illegible] SQUIRES.....

From....0800.....hrs on..7 Oct.....to...0800.....hrson..8 Oct 42...

Serial No 1	Trig-inators No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1	DL 1	First Aust Army		0720	Instructions to be passed to N.Z.A.	Held	G S (I)
2	G 452	2 Aust Cav Regt	1455	0720	Advice of return	"	for G S
3	CDH 17	CDH Cairns		0720	Sitrep	"	Copy for: G S (I) CDH AQ AASC G S
4		11 Aust Inf Bde	2015	0720	Advice of arrival G 2	"	AQ
5	I 820	First Aust Army	1625	2340	First Army Sitrep	"	G S (I)

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(adapted)

WAR DIARY AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Unit HQ 5 Aust Div Date and Time - From 0001 hrs To 2359 hrs 9 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, D ries, &c
Townsville	9 Oct	0830	Duty Staff Offs Log (Lieut W.H. Hooper)	(appx 19)
		1530	RAAF District Meteorological Report	(appx 20)
			G1 (G 601 Daily) returned today from Cairns.	

APPX 18

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA — C.M.B. A.16

R.A.A.F. METEOROLOGICAL SERVICE — Garbutt Office

District Aviation Meteorological Report for R.A.A.F.

Issued to R.A.A.F. Station G21 on 8/10/42 at ____ (S.T.)

Meteorological Situation:

Scattered showers along coast this morning.
Heavy thundershowers reported during night
Garbutt 17 points

District Forecast: for period 1530 h. 8/10/42 to 1530 h. 9/10/42 (Standard Time)

Weather, Cloud, &c.,

Half clouded cumulus base 2500' with occasional broken areas
Scattered showers along coast.
Rain occasionally obscured.

Visibility V10 10/15 miles

Winds (surface and upper) Wind E/SE 10/20 mph

UPPER WINDS OBSERVATIONS AT ALTITUDES ABOVE MEAN SEA LEVEL

Time (S.T.)	Place	300 m. 1,000 ft.		600 m. 2,000 ft.		900 m. 3,000 ft.		1,200 m. 4,000 ft.		1,800 m. 6,000 ft.		2,400 m. 8,000 ft.		3,000 m. 10,000 ft.		3,600 m. 12,000 ft.	
		Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.

DISTRICT METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

Time (S.T.)	Place	Present Weather	State of Sea	Vis. Miles	CLOUD Form	CLOUD Low Base Height Station Level (feet)	CLOUD Low Amount (Tenths)	CLOUD Total Amount (Tenths)	Surface Wind Dirn.	Surface Wind Vel. m.p.h.

Signature:—Duty Meteo. Off. [signature]

Telephoned at ____

D.A.O.S./7.41—C.5008

APPX 19

G
AQ
S.B.

- DUTY STAFF OFFRS LOG -

Duty Staff Offr...Lieut W H HOOPER.....

From.....0800.....hrs on...9.Oct.....to....0800.....hrson..9.Oct.42...

Serial No 1	Orig-inators No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1	A 424	89 Aust Inf Bde	2155	2300	Movt of escort L/Cpl MacPHERSON	Held	AQ
2	JB 20	" "	2210	0020	Nominal roll PAA Weapon Trg School, REDBANK	Held	G
3	JB 22	" "	2205	0026	Nominal roll PAA Gns School	Held	G
4	JB 21	" "	2200	0020	Nominal roll PAA MT School	Held	G
5	SD5101	" "	2200	0020	First Aust Army Junior Tactical School - Coy Comds course notification		

APPX 20

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA — C.M.B. A.16

R.A.A.F. METEOROLOGICAL SERVICE — Garbutt Office

District Aviation Meteorological Report for R.A.A.F.

Issued to ~~R.A.A.F. Station~~ 5th Division on 9/10/42 at 1530 (S.T.)

Meteorological Situation:

No rain recorded in area in last 24 hours

District Forecast: for period 1530 h. 9/10/42 m. to 1530 h. 10/10/42 m. (Standard Time)

Weather, Cloud, &c.,

Scattered to well broken cloud on Coast — broken clouds inland with afternoon thunderstorms

Visibility good No obscurity of hills

Winds (surface and upper) N 10/20 Gusty

Cloud increasing in afternoon & Thunderstorms

UPPER WINDS OBSERVATIONS AT ALTITUDES ABOVE MEAN SEA LEVEL

Time (S.T.)	Place	300 m. 1,000 ft.		600 m. 2,000 ft.		900 m. 3,000 ft.		1,200 m. 4,000 ft.		1,800 m. 6,000 ft.		2,400 m. 8,000 ft.		3,000 m. 10,000 ft.		3,600 m. 12,000 ft.	
		Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.

DISTRICT METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

Time (S.T.)	Place	Present Weather	State of Sea	Vis. Miles	CLOUD				Surface Wind	
					Form	Low		Total Amount (Tenths)	Dirn.	Vel. m.p.h.
						Base Height Station Level (feet)	Amount (Tenths)			

Signature:—Duty Meteo. Off. Mercurio — Flt

Telephoned at

D.A.M.S./T.A.1—C.M.B.6

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(adapted)

WAR DIARY AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Unit HQ 5 Aust Div Date and Time - From 0001 hrs To 2359 hrs 10 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
Townsville	10 Oct	1130	5 Aust Div Trg Instn No 10	(appx 21)
		1530	RAAF District meteorological Report	(appx 22)
Col[illegible]		1800	Field Return of Offs	(Appx 22A)
Hobart			Cricket matches between members of HQ 5 Aust Div Capt McLucas 58 not out. Match played Townsville Sports Ground wicket	

Van Diary.

APPX 21

Subject: 5 AUST DIV TRG INSTN NO 10

HQ 5 Aust Div
10 Oct 42
G 995

11 Aust Inf Bde	(6)	Copies to
29 Aust Inf Bde	(5)	
2 Aust Cav Regt	(1)	G
RAA 5 Aust Div	(5)	AQ
RAE 5 Aust Div	(5)	File
Sigs 5 Aust Div	(1)	War Diary
AASC 5 Aust Div	(1)	
Medical	(3)	
Ord	(3)	

Ref att LHQ memo 106546 of 14 Sep relative to Night Trg lessons from MILNE BAY and Adv LHQ secret 00786 of 10 Sep NOT to all addressees.

2. NIGHT TRG

Trg programme for November will be based on night trg during the first and third weeks. During these two weeks arrangements will be made for tps to rest completely during daylight hours. Night trg will occupy the whole of the hours of darkness. This will necessitate a re-organisation of life within the unit to suit new conditions; provision, however, will have to be made for certain adm duties to be carried on during daylight; it is suggested that these be attended to as far as possible by duty pers who would normally be on night duty.

3. VALUE OF NIGHT TRG

The value of darkness has grown in importance as the aids to detection of tps by day have increased. The aeroplane has rendered undetected movt by day of any body of tps almost impossible. Tps who are able to move with speed under the cover of darkness are able to achieve surprise which daylight movt does not permit.

4. OBJECT OF NIGHT TRG

The object of night trg is to accustom tps to moving and fighting in darkness so that its otherwise great disadvantages are converted into powerful aids in defeating the enemy.

5. DIFFICULTIES TO BE OVERCOME

Tps have grown accustomed to using their eyes alone for sense of direction, for judging distances, for avoiding obstacles, for recognition of objects, for distinguishing individuals, for selecting routes, etc. By night the faculty of eyesight loses much of its value, with the result that other faculties will have to be relied on for securing such infm as the eyes alone obtain by day. For example, hearing will have to be developed; the senses of touch and smell will have to replace sight in many instances. However, except on very rare occasions, sight will be of value at night, but only if it is trained under night conditions.

6. JAP METHODS....

6. JAP METHODS AND TACTICS
NIGHT OPERATIONS AT MILNE BAY

The JAPS made no attacks and little movement during daylight. By day, their main body rested, often with little regard for local protection.

(a) Approach March

" This JAP force relied almost entirely on night operations, for which it appeared to have been well trained. During the approach march the tps moved rapidly in gps of 20 or 30, with little care for flank protection. The main line of adv was the rd or beach and formed bodies do not seem to have moved more than 300 yds off the rd. By thus moving on the rd the enemy advanced with a speed he could not have achieved had he tried to secure his flanks as he went. His tps talked a good deal during the approach march but were careful about lights and absolutely silent just before contact."

From this account it can be seen that the JAP is most vulnerable during this period of approach march. The fact that he keeps to well-defined routes and is noisy affords ample opportunities for ambush by determined tps who can wait in silence until the opportune time to strike. They should be provided with great fire power.

(b) Night Attacks

" When contact was imminent, the JAP formed up very silently for the attack. At this stage, his tps tended to bunch. Once the attack began, they made all the noise they could - firing mortars and grenades, throwing crackers, calling out and whistling. These noises were made partly to draw our fire, partly in an attempt to demoralize our tps and encourage his own."

MILNE FORCE found that the most effective counter to the JAP night attack was to have posts sighted for all-round def, and a cleared fd of fire. The heaviest enemy casualties were caused in the swathes cut through the jungle where his tps were caught in bunches as they crossed. It was found useful to have a second clearing beyond the belt of jungle at the far side of the main fd of fire. The JAPS formed up in this clearing for an attack and were caught in close formation by mortar fire.

At MILNE BAY attack after attack was thrown back with heavy enemy casualties by our tps by holding their fire until the JAPS were close.

(c) Night Withdrawals

"Night attacks were suddenly broken off before first light and the JAPS withdrew..... As they withdrew, they left snipers and observers in trees close to our FDLs and along tracks."

Our tps found great difficulty in locating these snipers due to their excellent camflg. They found that night pursuit of a fleeing enemy was fraught with dangers of ambush, and that a more satisfactory

follow up, even though slow, was to wait until daylight and mop up the snipers as they went.

(d) Deception

" In addition to skilful fdcraft and ruses to draw fire, the JAPS made free use of English phrases - often in very good English."

7. SOME LESSONS TO BE LEARNT FROM THESE OPS

(a) Need for organised rest by day so that tps are fit to fight by night.

(b) Thorough trg in night fighting.

(c) Recce by tps of enemy posns by daylight.

(d) Co-ordination and complete control of all gps moving at night.

(e) Defensive posns which have no flanks or rear and are protected by wire outside grenade range and are sited for mutual support.

(f) Self-restraint practised and learnt by our tps - remaining perfectly silent until the JAP is at point blank range - refusing to answer questions shouted out in the night, which appear to come from our own tps. Instead of using Christian names, our tps might well get into the habit of referring to other members of the sec by numbers or letters or some other code device.

(g) Determination to close with the enemy and destroy him.

(h) Need for perfect silence until the opportune time arrives.

(i) Necessity for out-Japping the JAP in ruses and cunning.

8. SUGGESTIONS FOR NIGHT TRG

Att as Appx "A" are some suggestions for night trg.

In all trg a picture should be painted for the individual soldier which will give realism to the exercise on hand. Night trg like all trg should always have a real and personal meaning for those being trained. There should always be a definite task set that is worth doing well, and which will require all a soldier's ingenuity and power to do well. It should be impressed on all ranks that warfare means kill or be killed; this applies especially to warfare at night.

9. SYLLABUS FOR NIGHT TRG WEEK

ATM(Aust) No 11 pages 22-24 contain a suggested syllabus for a week's night trg. As is stated, it is only a guide, and should be varied to suit standard of trg reached, the arm or service, and the local conditions obtaining.

A.V. McLucas Capt
for Lt-Col
GS 5 Aust Div

Appx "A"
to G 995 of
20 Oct 42

SUGGESTIONS FOR NIGHT TRG

1. INDIVIDUAL TRG

(a) Competitive tests in moving silently over various types of terrain.

(b) Tests in judging distances.

(c) Competitive tests in judging direction of sounds and noises and the identification of such sounds etc and the distance of origin.

(d) Duration tests in ability to remain immovable and perfectly silent under various conditions.

(e) Exercises to overcome individual's sense of isolation at night; this may best be done by giving him some definite task to perform alone.

(f) Demonstrations in avoidance of skyline and open patches of country.

(g) Exercises in keeping direction:

(i) by stars.

(ii) by compass.

(iii) by topographical features (rd, fence, ck, crest, landmark).

(iv) by knowledge gained during daylight.

(v) by artificial devices set up during previous trips over country in daylight.

(h) Handling weapons without any sound.

(i) Cultivation of patience in order to achieve some object:

(i) Capture of posts.

(ii) Collection of infm.

(iii) Reaching some objective, etc.

(j) Maintenance of vehs without lights and noise.

(k) Overcoming obstacles silently

e.g. mounds
trenches
cks
wire
stones
fallen timber
brambles
muddy grnd

.../(1) Competitions

(l) Competitions in climbing trees silently and in selecting secure OPs with good views by day.

(m) Imitating the sounds of the bush or jungle as a means of intercomm; required interpretations to be pre-arranged.

(n) Practice in carrying manloads without noise.

(o) Practice in recognition of the same landscape by night and by day - noting the difference night makes to appearances and shapes of objects.

(p) Avoidance of sound of any description either personal or caused by eqpt - question of desirability of dispensing with steel helmet from this point of view.

(q) Personal camflg - blackening hands, face, etc.

(r) Avoidance of any peculiar smells, e.g. citronella. In this connection it is reported that JAPS moving together at night give off a characteristic odour.

(s) Value of natural noises of bush to smother sound to tp movt. These sounds have to be watched for E.G. breezes, cries of wild fowl, noises of insects. croak of frogs, etc.

2. SEC TRG

(a) Control - experiments in how this can best be maintained and the size of gp that is best controlled.

(b) Methods for recognition of own tps.

(c) Methods of achieving co-ordination of actions of all in achieving various results:

ambushes
rushing posts at correct time
guarding of posns

(d) Sec stalk - two-sided exercise.

(e) Competitive exercises - competition should be the keystone on which night exercises are built.

(f) Use of trip wires, booby traps, noise making devices.

(g) Value of string for intercomm

System of tugs from listening posts to main posn indicating

(a) posn and strength of enemy
(b) posn own tps, etc.

(h) Appreciation of advantages and disadvantages of moonlight.

(i) Co-ordination of a stalking gp in order to silently eliminate an enemy sentry.

DMT(Tlalla14/1) (copy)

ALLIED LAND FORCES IN SW PACIFIC AREA

106548 L.H.Q. 14th Sep 42

Adv L.H.Q.	(10)	HQ 2 Aust Mot Div	(5)
HQ First Aust Army	(50)	HQ Qld L of C Area	(8)
HQ Second Aust Army	(40)	HQ NSW L of C Area	(8)
HQ 3 Aust Corps	(25)	HQ Vic L of C Area	(6)
HQ NT Force	(15)	HQ SA L of C Area	(4)
HQ NG Force	(35)	HQ WA L of C Area	(4)
HQ Tas Force	(5)		
HQ 1 Aust Armd Div	(5)		
RMC & Staff School(Aust)	(3)	AOC School	(1)
Regtl Comds School	(1)	S of Mech	(1)
OTS	(1)	AMC School	(1)
AFV School	(1)	S of Army Co-op	(1)
S of A (Fd)	(1)	LHQ Gas School	(1)
S of A (AA)	(1)	Guerilla Warfare School	(1)
S of A (A Tk)	(1)	S of MI	(1)
S of Sigs	(1)	Bomb Disposal School	(1)
SME (Fd)	(1)	P & RF School	(1)
SME (AA & Frt)	(1)	S of Radiophysics	(1)
SAS	(1)	S of Mil Hygiene & Sanitation	(1)
ASC School	(1)	Joint Overseas Operational Training School	(1)
LHQ Provost School	(1)		

Copies for information to:- Sec Army(2); Pte Sec: C.-in-C., CGS, (10); LGA (2); AG(16); QMG (10); MGO(10); CFO (2).

TRAINING INSTRUCTION No. 1

NIGHT TRAINING LESSONS FROM MILNE BAY

1. Although the value of night training has been strongly stressed in numerous training manuals issued during this war its importance since JAPAN entered the War is far greater now than formerly.

2. In fighting the GERMANS and ITALIANS we have generally held the advantage in night fighting, a type of combat they do not appear to specialise in. This superiority in night fighting has helped us considerably in past campaigns when by day the enemy's superiority in equipment has given him the advantage.

3. The JAPANESE specialise in night fighting and will attack whenever opportunity occurs by night preferring if possible a stormy or rainy night for their operations.

4. It is absolutely essential that our troops are fully trained in night fighting and trained to a higher standard than formerly.

5. Formations will ensure that units spend at least 1 week in 3 training solely by night. During their night training period the day will be spent in rest and the night wholly devoted to training. HQ of units and formations should also practise working by night. (Vide ATM (Australia) No 11 pages 21/24).

6. It should be remembered that night fighting gives the attacker the advantage and schemes will include defence as well as attack although attack should be given preference.

(signed) J E Lee Brig
for Lieutenant-General,
Chief of the General Staff.

APPX 22

Form 118.

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR, METEOROLOGICAL BRANCH.

District Aviation Forecast for R.A.A.F. Station Townsville

Issued from Meteorological Office /

at 1130 hours, Date: 10/10/42.

(Forecast covers period of 6 hours from time of issue.)

Meteorological Situation:

3 G I
HQ
5 Div RAA.

Forecast:

Weather, Cloud, &c.

Scatd. cloud moon unobscured greater part of evening but probably nearly O/cast tendency to showers before dawn with moon obscured O clearing and clouding tomorrow with sun partially obscured at times, otherwise vis good.

Rainfall: Nil reports

Winds (surface and upper). Possibly afew points b-cally and on Western and SW hills overnight and on coasts tomorrow morning.

Duty Meteorologist Carmichael

Telephoned at _____

NOTE 1.—
The forecast applies to an area surrounding the R.A.A.F. Station to a distance of a 100 miles. The meteorological situation described is that covering conditions over the forecast area and usually covers a wider region.

NOTE 2.—
Special warnings are to be supplied immediately whenever it is seen that severe changes, rapid deterioration of flying weather, storms or gales are imminent. Such warnings will be entered on fresh forms 118 and filed.

M.207/8.40—C.10853.

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

Army Form W.3008
(Page 1.)
(Adapted.)

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

W.E. 11/1/4 [illegible]

H.Q. 5 [illegible] DIV. *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).
[illegible] *	1		
[illegible] *	1		
Lieut.-Colonels	6		1
Majors	7		6
Captains	11		
Lieutenants	7	5	
2nd Lieutenants			
[illegible]	0		1
Totals	33	5	10

* Insert detail of higher rank 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).

Army Form W.3008
(Page 2.)
(Adapted.)

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Appx 22A.

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1 Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	2 Personal Number.	3 Name and Initials.	4 Corps.	5 Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No.).	6 If not present with Unit, state how employed.
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	

Army Form C2118
(adapted)

WAR DIARY AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Unit HQ 5 Aust Div Date and Time - From 0001 hrs To 2359 hrs 11 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices. Diaries, &c
Townsville	11 Oct	0830	Duty Staff Offs Log (Capt A.E. McLucas)	(appx 23)
		1530	R.A.A.F. District Meteorological Report	(appx 24)
Rabaul Code		1615	R/T Code No 2 - distribution to formations etc - (instructions, and list of codewords and meanings)	(appx 25)

Appx 23

- DUTY STAFF OFFRS LOG -

Duty Staff Offr..CAPT A A MELICAN.....

From..0930.....hrs on..10 Oct 42....to..0930.....hrson..11 Oct 42...

Serial No 1	Originators No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1.		S/L Movt & Tn Cp	0200		Telephone ring informing that pers of DID had arrived at SOUTH TOWNSVILLE yards and were moving to CLUDEN staging camp for hot meals. Expected time of departure 0300 hrs 11 Oct. RTO SOUTH TOWNSVILLE phone No 1619. (Infm for Col HOMEWOOD)	0205 hrs rang Col HOMEWOOD and passed message	
2.		Maj SCOLES DADMS L of C Sub Area	0230		Telephone ring informing that amb cases expected to arrive flying boat 0430. Maj SCOLES informed in nature of warning order only. Requirements 1 amb and 4 SBs.	Message passed ADS 7 Pd Amb by SDR 0300 hrs	
3.		Maj SCOLES DADMS L of C Sub Area	0730 11 Oct		Telephone message that 1 amb and 2 SBs required at seaplane jetty immediately.	Rang Maj Winton who despatched amb and SBs from HQ 8 Aust Div	

APPX 24

Form 118.

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR, METEOROLOGICAL BRANCH.

District Aviation Forecast for R.A.A.F. Station Townsville

Issued from Meteorological Office ✓

at 0430Z hours, Date: 11/10/42

(Forecast covers period of 6 hours from time of issue.)

Meteorological Situation:

3 GI
5th Div HQ
RAA

Forecast:

Weather, Cloud, &c.

Ocast raing conditions overnight moon totally obscured O persisting Ocast tomorrow sun totally obscured with some rain also tomorrow.

Visibility

Rainfall: Less than ½ inch reported to 12.00 ESST for preceding 24 hours all to South and SW.

Winds (surface and upper).

Expected Rainfall: Steady falls of up to an inch fairly generally over whole 100 mile radius overnight and tomorrow.

Duty Meteorologist ✓

Telephoned at _____

NOTE 1.—
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NOTE 2.—
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M.307/8.40—C.10885.

APPX 25

SECRET

Subject: R/T CODE

HQ 5 Aust Div
11 Oct 42
GSI 100

11 Aust Inf Bde	(5)	GOC
29 Aust Inf Bde	(4)	G
2 Aust Cav Regt	(2)	AQ
RAA 5 Aust Div	(4)	War Diary
RAE 5 Aust Div	(1)	File
Sigs 5 Aust Div	(5)	

Ref Sig Tng Pam V Part 1(a) Aust 1942 Sec 35 and 5 Aust Div MI 100 of 10 Jul 42.

1. Enclosed herewith are copies of R/T Code consisting of allotment of code words for Coln 4 as shown in Appx I and II of the above Pam.

2. This code will be used;

(a) for R/T within 5 Aust Div;

(b) for telephone conversations within the DANGER ZONE i.e. when formations are in contact with the enemy.

3. The att code will be brought into use as from 1400 hrs GMT 16 Oct 42, and will remain in force until further notice.

This HQ MI 100 of 10 Jul 42 will be destroyed by fire after 1400 hrs 16 Oct 42 and destruction certificate rendered to this HQ by first possible mail.

4. Comm using this code with tps of another div is not possible as all divisions of First Aust Army use different codes. A separate code again exists for R/T between HQ First Aust Army and all Div HQ within First Aust Army. Copy is held at this HQ.

5. Distribution will be as shown in Para 1 (a) of GSI 100 of 22 Aug 42 which is an amdt of Sig Tng Pam V Part 1(a) Aust Sec 35 Para 17, and reads

" It is suggested that the scale within division should allow one copy to each wireless set, and one to each Coy etc, and higher HQ."

6. Any cases of R/T codes becoming lost or compromised will be notified by immediate signal to HQ 5 Aust Div, copies to unit and formation HQ.

7. Security of Codes. These code lists are highly secret documents. Failure to safeguard them may result in valuable infm reaching the enemy. When not in use these documents must be kept under lock and key or kept in the personal custody of a responsible person. All out of date or surplus codes will be destroyed by fire. All current R/T codes will bear the prefix "This document must NOT fall into enemy hands."

for Lt-Col
GS 5 Aust Div

APPX 25

THIS DOCUMENT MUST NOT FALL INTO THE HANDS OF THE ENEMY

SECRET

RADIO TELEPHONY CODE NO 2

DECODE

	Codeword	Meaning
A.	Ashtray	Cairns
B.	Bad	Right
	Barley	Reinforcements
	Basin	Muntalunga Ra
	Bitter	Our own
	Bold	North
	Bolt	to stop
	Brick	Beach
	Bring	to bomb
	Build	to defend
	Butter	Charters Towers
C.	Carbon	Many Peaks Ra
	Carpet	Cooktown
	Chair	Harbour
	Chalk	Iron Range
	Charcoal	Carrier
	Chimney	Anti-tank
	Clean	South
	Cleat	Exploitation
	Coal	Battalion
	Cobalt	Division
	Compel	to send
	Copper	Force
	Corn	Japanese
	Create	to hold
	Cup	Advance
	Cure	to occupy
	Curtain	Battery
D.	Darken	to cross
	Drown	to attack
	Dry	East
E.	Eggs	Portland Rds
F.	Fair	Left
	Felt	Objective
G.	Gather	to destroy
	Ginger	Jacky Jacky
	Gold	Brigade
	Graphite	Casualties
	Grasp	to withdraw
	Gravel	Rations
H.	Hail	to take
	Hot	Immediately
I.	Iron	Defence
K.	Knife	Mt Louisa
L.	Ladder	Artillery
	Letter	Company
	Level	to land
	Lid	River
	Loaf	Townsville
M.	Mercury	Creek
	Milk	to move
	Mutter	to observe
N.	Nickel	Headquarters
	Nutmeg	Attack
O.	Oats	Order
	Open	to proceed
P.	Peat	Ammunition
	Pepper	Anti-aircraft
	Pewter	Platoon
	Pot	Aerodrome
	Pure	Large
Q.	Quicklime	Patrol
R.	Rhubarb	Enemy
	Ribbon	Troops
	Rice	Water
S.	Sago	Stuart
	Salt	Bridge
	Saucer	Prisoner
	Scuttle	Conference
	Shovel	American
	Silver	Reconnaissance
	Spice	Message
	Spoon	Transport
	Stamp	Aircraft
	Stile	Rollingstone
	Sugar	Tank
	Sulphur	Coen
T.	Table	Road
	Tassle	Bohle R
	Teapot	Rendezvous
	Tin	Hill
	Tome	Railway
	Tough	West
	Travel	to report
V.	Value	to advance
W.	Wheat	Position
	Whiten	to shell
	Worship	to surround
Y.	Young	Small

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SECRET

RADIO TELEPHONY CODE NO 2

ENCODE

Meaning	Codeword	Meaning	Codeword
A. To advance	Value	L. to land	Level
Advance	Cup	Large	Pure
Aerodrome	Pot	Left	Fair
Aircraft	Stamp		
American	Shovel	M. Many Peaks Ra	Carbon
Ammunition	Peat	Message	Spice
Anit-aircraft	Pepper	to move	Milk
Artillery	Ladder	Mt Louisa	Knife
to attack	Drown	Muntalunga Ra	Basin
Attack	Nutmeg		
Anti-tank	Chimney	N. North	Bold
B. Battalion	Coal	O. Objective	Felt
Battery	Curtain	to observe	Mutter
Beach	Brick	to occupy	Cure
Bohle R	Tassle	Order	Oats
to bomb	Bring	Our own	Bitter
Bridge	Salt		
Brigade	Gold	P. Patrol	Quicklime
		Platoon	Pewter
C. Cairns	Ashtray	Portland Rds	Eggs
Carrier	Charcoal	Position	Wheat
Casualties	Graphite	Prisoner	Saucer
Charters Towers	Butter	to proceed	Open
Coen	Sulphur		
Company	Letter	R. Railway	Tome
Conference	Scuttle	Rations	Gravel
Cooktown	Carpet	Reconnaissance	Silver
Creek	Mercury	Reinforcements	Barley
to cross	Darken	Rendezvous	Teapot
		to report	Travel
D. Defence	Iron	Right	Bad
to defend	Build	River	Lid
to destroy	Gather	Road	Table
Division	Cobalt	Rollingstone	Stile
E. East	Dry	S. to send	Compel
Enemy	Rhubarb	to shell	Whiten
Exploitation	Cleat	South	Clean
		Small	Young
F. Force	Copper	to stop	Bolt
		Stuart	Sago
H. Harbour	Chair	to surround	Worship
Headquarters	Nickel		
Hill	Tin	T. to take	Hail
to hold	Create	Tank	Sugar
		Townsville	Loaf
I. Immediately	Hot	Transport	Spoon
Iron Range	Chalk	Troops	Ribbon
J. Jacky Jacky	Ginger	W. West	Tough
Japanese	Corn	Water	Rice
		to withdraw	Grasp

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(adapted)

WAR DIARY AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Unit HQ 5 Aust Div Date and Time - From 0001 hrs To 2359 hrs 12 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
Townsville	12 Oct	1530	RAAF District Meteorological Report	(Appx 26)

Cable

APPX 26

Form 118.

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR. METEOROLOGICAL BRANCH.

District Aviation Forecast for R.A.A.F. Station Townsville

Issued from Meteorological Office Townsville

at 0430 hours, Date: 12/10

(Forecast covers period of 6 hours from time of issue.)

Meteorological Situation:

G3. I.

Forecast:

Weather, Cloud, &c.

Scattered to half clouded ⊙
Sun seldom obscured ⊙

Visibility

Rainfall Trace only at Townsville
27 points at Bowen
53 points at Cairns
22 points at McKay

Winds (surface and upper).

Expected rainfall - nil.

Duty Meteorologist [signature]

Telephoned at _____

NOTE 1.—
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M.307/8.40—C.10882.

APPX 27

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AQ
B.B.

- DUTY STAFF OFFRS LOG -

Duty Staff Offr ..... Capt E L DIXON .....

From .....0830.....hrs on .... 12 Oct 42. .... to ....0830..... hrs on 13 Oct 42 .....

Serial No. 1	Originators No. 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	Action 7	Disposal. 8
1	SD 3198	First Aust Army	2359	0715	Secret	Held	1 G 2 AQ 3 DADOS

Army Form C2118
(adapted)

WAR DIARY AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Unit HQ 5 Aust Div Date and Time - From 0001 hrs To 2359 hrs 13 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
Townsville	13 Oct	0830	Duty Staff Offrs Log (Capt E.L Dixon)	(Appx 27)
		1020	Air Raid Message "Yellow" issued.	
		1130	Air Raid Message "White" issued	

Army Form C2118
(adapted)

WAR DIARY AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Unit Hq 5 Aust Div Date and Time - From 0001 hrs To 2359 hrs 14 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
Townsville	14 Oct	0830	Duty Staff Offs Log (Capt E.E. Middle)	(appx 28)
(Capt)		0900	5 Aust Div Location statement as at 2359 hrs 13 Oct 42	(appx 29)
			Div. HQ cricket match, no.3 wicket Townsville Sports Ground: Capt Middle's team (Capt Middle 53 retired) beat Lt-Col Daly's team on first innings 141 to 123 (Lt-Col Daly 25)	

Appx 29

MOST SECRET

Copy No 3.

Subject: 5 AUST DIV LOCATION STATEMENT NO 13

HQ 5 Aust Div
14 Oct 42
G 1051

	Copy No		Copy No
First Aust Army	1 - 2	G	14 - 15
11 Aust Inf Bde	3	AQ	16
29 Aust Inf Bde	4	AASC 5 Aust Div	17
2 Aust Cav Regt	5	Medical	18
RAA 5 Aust Div	6	Ord	19 - 21
RAE 5 Aust Div	7	Postal	22 - 23
Sigs 5 Aust Div	8	CDH	24
1 L of C Sub Area	9	File	25
Movt and Tn Gp TOWNSVILLE	10 -11	War Diary	26 - 27
ALO TOWNSVILLE	12	Duty Offrs Location Statement	28
5 Aust Div Sec Corps Reception Camp	13		

1. Herewith 5 Aust Div Location Statement No 13 as at 2359 hrs 13 Oct 42.

2. It is requested that any errors noted in this statement be notified to this HQ by formations or units concerned.

3. Please destroy Location Statement No 12, complete the att certificate of acknowledgement and return it to this HQ.

J. G. Clowes for
Maj-Gen
GOC 5 Aust Div

_____(Unit)

_____(Date)

HQ 5 Aust Div

Receipt of Copy No____ of 5 Aust Div Location Statement No 13 is acknowledged.

Copy No____ of 5 Aust Div Location Statement No 12 has been destroyed.

_____(Name)

_____(Rank)

_____(Appt)

Serial No	FORMATION OR UNIT	Veh No	LOCATION	MAP REFERENCE	MOVES PROJECTED	COMMUNICATIONS	REMARKS
9	HQ 101 Aust A Tk Regt "H" Sec Sigs 5 Aust Div 240 Aust LAD	62	CLUDEN	T'VILLE 943768		T'ville 250 U, also through RAA switch	
9a	1 Bty 101 Aust A Tk Regt	62	CLUDEN	T'VILLE 943771			
10	2/5 Aust Svy Bty		CLUDEN	T'VILLE 948769			
	ENGRS						
11	HQ RAE 5 Aust Div	81	DICK CK	T'VILLE 946734		T'ville 1932 Extn 6	
12	55 Aust Fd Pk Coy and 284 Aust LAD	67	SELLHEIM	CHARTERS TOWERS 478950		Sellheim 2 Extn 7	
13	17 Aust A Fd Coy less 1,2 and 3 Secs	214	CAIRNS	CAIRNS 739692	To move to THURSDAY ISLAND	CAIRNS 2313	
13a	1 Sec 17 Aust A Fd Coy	214	HOCKLEY	HOSSMAN 4 ml 098030			
13b	2 Sec 17 Aust A Fd Coy	214	THURSDAY ISLAND				
13c	3 Sec 17 Aust A Fd Coy	214	MILLAA MILLAA	INNISFAIL 4 ml 012030	To move to THURSDAY ISLAND		
14	One Sec 1 Aust Fd Svy Coy	288	JACKY JACKY				
15	5 Aust Div CTU	73	TOWNSVILLE	T'VILLE 907812		T'ville 1939	
	SIGS						
16	Sigs 5 Aust Div less C E F G H J K & L Secs 202 Aust LAD	66	DICK CK	T'VILLE 960723		Div switch Extn 16	
17	5 Aust Div Cipher Sec	66	DICK CK	T'VILLE 952738		Div switch	

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MOST SECRET

Att to G 1051 of 14 Oct 42

5 AUST DIV LOCATION STATEMENT NO 13

as at 2359 hrs 13 Oct 42

Serial No	FORMATION OR UNIT	Veh No	LOCATION	MAP REFERENCE	MOVES PROJECTED	COMMUNICATIONS	REMARKS
	HQ						
1	HQ 5 Aust Div	84	DICK CK	T'VILLE 947738		T'ville 1930-1-2-3	
2	5 Aust Div Sec Int Corps	84	DICK CK	T'VILLE 947738		Div Switch	
3	"Q" Aust FS Sec	84	DICK CK	T'VILLE 947738		Div Switch	
4	Det First Aust Army PR) Fd Unit		TOWNSVILLE	T'VILLE 942860		T'ville 1980 Extn 128	
5	1 Aust Fd Censorship Sec		TOWNSVILLE	T'VILLE 942860		T'ville 1980 Extn 123	
	CAV						
6	2 Aust Cav Regt (less one pl), "C" Sec Sigs 5 Aust Div; and 298 Aust LAD	92	ARTILLERY HILL	MT ELLIOT SPECIAL 171410		W/T and DRIS	
6a	One mot pl 2 Aust Cav Regt	92	CHUNDA BAY	T'VILLE 174816		W/T through 2 Aust Cav Regt	
	ARTY						
7	HQ RAA 5 Aust Div	69	DICK CK	T'VILLE 946734		Div Switch Extn 7	
8	5 Aust Fd Regt, "E" Sec Sigs 5 Aust Div and 203 Aust LAD	74	ROSS R	T'VILLE 824786		T'ville 2006 and through RAA switches	

Serial No	FORMATION OR UNIT	Veh No	LOCATION	MAP REFERENCE	MOVES PROJECTED	COMMUNICATIONS	REMARKS
	AASC						
18	HQ Comd AASC 5 Aust Div	59	BROOKHILL	T'VILLE 956714		BROOKHILL 5 & Div Switch, Extn 15 BROOKHILL Exchange	
19	Det 25 Aust Coy AASC	97	BROOKHILL	T'VILLE 951708	FALL RIVER		
	AAMC						
20	6 Aust CCS	297	HAUGHTON VALLEY	MINGELA 775140		L of C DRIS	
21	"C" Sec 8 MAC.	245	HAUGHTON VALLEY	MINGELA 765139		L of C DRIS	Dets CHARTERS TOWERS, WATTEN, LITTLE MULGRAVE
22	HQ 79 Dental Unit and 203 Aust Dental Sec		TOWNSVILLE	T'VILLE 940860		T'ville 1980	
22a	204 Aust Dental Sec		DICK CK	T'VILLE 947738			Att HQ 5 Aust Div
22b	211 Aust Dental Sec		BROOKHILL	T'VILLE 956714		Brookhill 5, Div Switch	
22c	261 Aust Dental Sec		BLACK R	T'VILLE 732906		Div switch	
22d	367 Aust Dental Sec		ROSS R	T'VILLE 824786		T'ville 2006	
22e	2/49 Aust Dental Sec		CAIRNS				
23	1 Aust Mob Hyg and Bact Lab	271	TOONPAN	MT ELLIOT 957563		Reid R Exchange Medical DRIS	
24	9 Anti Malarial Control Unit		CAIRNS	CAIRNS 738694		CAIRNS 2826	
	AAOC						
25	5 Aust Div Ord Wkshop less 102 & 104 secs	76	AITKENVALE	T'VILLE 868812		Div switch	
26	5 Aust Div Ord Fd Pk less 102 & 104 secs	83	AITKENVALE	T'VILLE 868812		Div switch	
27	1 Aust Mob Laundry and Fwd Decn Unit less det	51	OONOONBA	T'VILLE 941815		T'ville 1315	

Serial No	FORMATION or UNIT	Veh No	LOCATION	MAP REFERENCE	MOVES PROJECTED	COMMUNICATIONS	REMARKS
27a	Det 1 Aust Mob Laundry & Fwd Decn Unit	51	WATTEN	[illegible]		. . . . .	
	PRO						
28	5 Aust Div Pro less 3 Secs	95	AITKENVALE	T'VILLE 889807		Div switch	
	PAY						
29	5 Aust Div Fd Cash Office	87	DICK CK	T'VILLE 947738		Div switch,Extn 10	
	POSTAL						
30	5 Aust Div Postal Unit less 3 bde gp dets	55	DICK CK	T'VILLE 947738		Div switch,Extn 10	
	MISC						
31	5 Aust Div Salv Unit	78	PARTINGTON	T'VILLE 993754		DRLS	
32	102 Aust Mob Bath Unit	79					NOT in Div area
33	5 Aust Div Sec Corps Rec Camp	98	BROOKHILL	T'VILLE 957725		BROOKHILL 9	
	11 AUST INF BDE GP						
34	HQ 11 Aust Inf Bde "K" Sec Sigs 5 Aust Div	96	CAIRNS	CAIRNS 677742		CAIRNS 9274 W/T	
34a	242 Aust LAD	96	JACKY JACKY				
35	2/3 Aust Fd Regt, less 53 Bty and one tp;"G" Sec Sigs 5 Aust Div; 2/41 LAD	53	CAIRNS	CAIRNS 665735		Bde DRLS	
35a	Det HQ 53 bty 2/3 Aust Fd Regt plus one tp	53	JACKY JACKY				

Serial No	FORMATION OR UNIT	Veh No	LOCATION	MAP REFERENCE	MOVES PROJECTED	COMMUNICATIONS	REMARKS
35b	HQ 53 bty 2/3 Aust Fd Regt less det plus one tp	53	PORTLAND RDS				
35c	Det HQ 5 Bty 2/3 Aust Fd Regt plus one tp	53	COOKTOWN				
36	2 bty 101 Aust A Tk Regt less one tp	62	CAIRNS	CAIRNS 663710		Bde DRLS	
36a	One tp 2 bty 101 Aust A Tk Regt	62	JACKY JACKY				
37	16 Aust Fd Coy less2 secs and two subsecs of 1 and 3 secs	89	CAIRNS	CAIRNS 663710		Bde DRLS	
37a	2 sec 16 Aust Fd Coy	89	JACKY JACKY				
37b	One sub sec 1 sec 16 Aust Fd Coy	89	PORTLAND RDS				
37c	One sub sec 3 sec 16 Aust Fd Coy	89	COOKTOWN				
38	26 Aust Inf Bn less "A" Coy Gp	63	CAIRNS	CAIRNS 573822		Bde DRLS & W/T	
38a	"A" Coy Gp 26 Aust Inf Bn	63	PORTLAND RDS				
39	31 Aust Inf Bn	61	JACKY JACKY	CAPE YORK 8 ml 571589		W/T	
40	51 Aust Inf Bn less "B" Coy Gp	71	CAIRNS	GORDONVALE 720545		W/T CAIRNS 2518	

Serial No	FORMATION OR UNIT	Veh No	LOCATION	MAP REFERENCE	MOVES PROJECTED	COMMUNICATIONS	REMARKS
40a	"B" Coy Gp 51 Aust Inf Bn	71	COOKTOWN				
41	26 Coy AASC less 1 pl	64	CAIRNS	CAIRNS 688660		Bde DRLS	
41a	One pl 26 Coy AASC	64	JACKY JACKY				
42	19 Aust Fd Amb less one 1t sec	70	KURANDA	CAIRNS 580814		KURANDA 6	
42a	One 1t sec 19 Aust Fd Amb	70	JACKY JACKY				
43	One sec 5 Aust Div Pro Coy	95	CAIRNS	CAIRNS 738688		D/R	
44	102 Sec 5 Aust Div Ord Wkshop less two dets	76	CAIRNS	CAIRNS 693718		Bde DRLS	
44a	Det 102 Sec 5 Aust Div Ord Wkshop	76	PORTLAND RDS				
44b	Det 102 Sec 5 Aust Div Ord Wkshop	76	COOKTOWN				
45	102 Sec 5 Aust Div Ord Fd Pk	83	CAIRNS	CAIRNS 693718		Bde DRLS	
46	Det 5 Aust Div Postal Unit	55	CAIRNS				
	29 AUST INF BDE GP						
47	HQ 29 Aust Inf Bde ; "L" Sec Sigs 5 Aust Div; 312 Aust LAD	65	BLUEWATER	MAGNETIC WEST 638960		Div switch, W/T, DRLS	

Serial No	FORMATION OR UNIT	Veh No	LOCATION	MAP REFERENCE	MOVES PROJECTED	COMMUNICATION	REMARKS
48	17 Aust Fd Regt; "F" Sec Sigs 5 Aust Div; 309 Aust LAD	75	BLACK R	MAGNETIC WEST 722896		Div switch; RAA switch	
49	3 bty 101 Aust A Tk Regt	62	YABULU	MAGNETIC WEST 697920		Through Bde switch	
50	11 Aust Fd Coy less 1 and 2 secs	60	INGHAM	INGHAM 4 ml 045032		Runner at INGHAM 20	
51a	1 sec 11 Aust Fd Coy	60	PARTINGTON	T'VILLE 994746		H/C Orderly	
51b	2 sec 11 Aust Fd Coy	60	HT SPEC	T'VILLE 4 ml 045069		M/C Orderly	
52	15 Aust Inf Bn	82	BLUEWATER CK	MAGNETIC WEST 624967			
53	42 Aust Inf Bn	91	ALTHAUS CK	MAGNETIC WEST 661942		Fd cable through bde switch	
54	47 Aust Inf Bn	65	BLACK R	MAGNETIC WEST 732906			
55	27 Coy AASC	72	AITKENVALE	T'VILLE 867807		DRLS	
56	7 Aust Fd Amb less "B" Coy	57	TOONPAN	MT ELLIOT 957563		Reid R exchange, also Medical DRLS	
56a	"B" Coy 7 Aust Fd Amb	57	BLACK R	MAGNETIC WEST 732896		Medical DRLS	
57	One sec 5 Aust Div Pro Coy	95	AITKENVALE	T'VILLE 889807		Div switch	
58	104 Sec 5 Aust Div Ord Wkshop	76	AITKENVALE	T'VILLE 868812		Div switch	
59	104 Sec 5 Aust Div Ord Fd Pk	83	AITKENVALE	T'VILLE 868812		Div switch	
60	Det 5 Aust Div Postal Unit	55	BLUEWATER	MAGNETIC WEST 638960		Through Bde switch	

NOTE: All maps referred to are 1 in to 1 ml except where otherwise stated.

APPX 28

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War Diary

- DUTY STAFF OFFRS LOG -

Duty Staff Offr....Capt E.E. MUDDLE.....

From.....0800.....hrs on...15 Oct 42...to....0800.....hrson...16 Oct 42

Serial No 1	Orig-inators No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1	1948	11 Aust Inf Bde	1625	2530	Sitrep to 1200/L 15	Held	G Copy to CDH

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(adapted)

WAR DIARY AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Unit H/Q 5 Aust Div Date and Time - From 0001 hrs To 2359 hrs 14 Oct (continued)

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
Townsville	14 Oct	1800	Change of Guard. Guard (D. and E. Pl - 42 Aust Inf Bn - Cpl W.G Bell) took over from 42 Aust Inf Bn Guard - (Lgt J W.L. Ram) at 1800 hrs this day	
Townsville		1020	Air Raid message "Yellow"	
		1130	Air Raid message "White"	
			(a/c identified as friendly)	
		1530	District Aviation Meteorological Report	(Appx 29A)

Form 118.

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Appx 29A.

DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR, METEOROLOGICAL BRANCH.

District Aviation Forecast for R.A.A.F. Station Laverton

Issued from Meteorological Office ———

at 1130 hours, Date: 4/10/42

(Forecast covers period of 6 hours from time of issue.)

Meteorological Situation:

3 GI
HQ
5th Division.

Forecast:

Weather, Cloud, &c.

Cloudless overnight moon unobscured
Scatt. clouds tomorrow sun unobscured
Smoke haze with vis. restricted to 4/5
miles at times along coast otherwise

Visibility 10/20 miles.

Rainfall : Reported - nil
: Expected next 24 hours - nil.

Winds (surface and upper).

Duty Meteorologist J.

Telephoned at ———

NOTE 1.—
The forecast applies to an area surrounding the R.A.A.F. Station to a distance of a 100 miles. The meteorological situation described is that covering conditions over the forecast area and usually covers a wider region.

NOTE 2.—
Special warnings are to be supplied immediately whenever it is seen that severe changes, rapid deterioration of flying weather, storms or gales are imminent. Such warnings will be entered on fresh forms 118 and filed.

M.207/2.40—C.10233.

Army Form C2118
(adapted)

WAR DIARY AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Unit HQ 5 Aust Div. Date and Time - From 0001 hrs To 2359 hrs. 15 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
Townsville	15 Oct	0830	Duty Staff Offs Log (Lieut I. M. Grant)	(Appx 30)
		1346	Air Raid message "Yellow"	
		1352	Air Raid message "White"	
		1415	Air Raid message "Yellow"	
		1425	Air Raid message "White" (a/c identified as friendly in each case)	
		1530	District Aviation Meteorological Forecast	(Appx 30A)
		1645	Firing Practice Round Trees	(Appx 30 B)

Appx 30

- DUTY STAFF OFFRS LOG -

Duty Staff Officer..Lt. GRANT.....

From.0000.....hrs on14 Oct.....to.0800.....hrson15 Oct 42...

Serial No 1		Originators No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1	X	858	FAA	1740	2300	Landing Permit 75	Held	G S (I)
2		Phone call	Col Wolfenden		2320	Requested to speak to CO	Put CO to phone	
3		SD 2946	FAA	2300	2330	Re Lt-Col IRVINE-ARRIVES	Held	AO
4		A 29998	FAA		2320	Re Farriers	"	AO
5		X 947	12 Aust Inf Div	1010	0314	Sitrep	"	GS (O) Copy to CDR
6			12 Aust FA Amb		0715	Re arrival personnel	To ADMS	AO
7		SD 2958	FAA	2010	0715	Re Weapon Trg School	Held	LO
8		SD 2951	"	2315	0715	Re Junior Tactical School	"	"

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DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR. METEOROLOGICAL BRANCH.

District Aviation Forecast for R.A.A.F. Station Townsville

Issued from Meteorological Office _____

at 1500 hours. Date: 15/10/42.

(Forecast covers period of 6 hours from time of issue.)

Meteorological Situation:

3 G I
H Q
5th Division

Forecast:

Weather, Cloud, &c.

Few clouds sun and moon unobscured. Smoke haze ins 10/20 miles.

Visibility Rainfall: Nil reported over area. Nil expected over area during following 24 hours.

Winds (surface and upper).

Duty Meteorologist _____

Telephoned at _____

NOTE 1.—
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NOTE 2.—
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M.307/8.40—C.10858.

Appx 30B

Subject: FIRING BREN ROUND TREES

HQ 5 Aust Div
/5 Oct 42
G 1061

DISTRIBUTION

List "C"

1. It is obvious that in jungle country and in country covered with thick undergrowth, the usual method of firing the bren from the bipod on the ground is impracticable. In such country a means of supporting the bren at the requisite height above the ground is necessary.

2. At tests conducted recently, it was found that a brace, taken from webbing eqpt, provided an excellent means of support when used on trees up to 2 ft in diameter. The two ends are joined round the trunk of the tree and the barrel of the bren rested in this sling.

3. This support can be adjusted quickly and silently. Very little practice is required to enable the bren to be fired under these conditions without affecting the accuracy of the weapon.

4. It is anticipated that a demonstration will be given shortly to offrs of units. This will be in conjunction with a demonstration of personal camflg and the use of climbing irons.

A.J.McLucas Capt
for Lt-Col
GS 5 Aust Div

Army Form C2118
(adapted)

WAR DIARY AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Unit H/Q 5 Aust Div Date and Time - From 0001 hrs To 2359 hrs 16 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
Townsville	16 Oct	0830	Duty Staff Offrs Log (Lieut J J Lewis)	(Appx 31)
		1800	Guard (RAA 5 Aust Div – L/Sgt Dymock) took over from old guard (D and E Pl- 42 Aust Inf Bn – Cpl W G. Bell) at 1800 hrs this day	
Ross Island		1530	District Aviation Meteorological Repor	(Appx 32)

APPX 31

AQ
B.B.

- DUTY STAFF OFFRS LOG -

Duty Staff Offr.....Lieut J J SQUIRE.....

From.....0830.....hrs on.....15 Oct.....to.....0830.....hrson.....16 Oct 42

Serial No 1	Trig-inators No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1	T 882	ALO T'ville	1918	2302	sitrep	Enld	C S (I)
2	T 881	ALO T'ville	1900	2330	sitrep	"	C S (I)
3	A 884	29 Aust Inf Bde	2148	2548	Info re blacksmiths	"	AQ
4	A 177	11 Aust Inf Bde	2150	0200	Request for road repair	"	AQ

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DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR, METEOROLOGICAL BRANCH.

District Aviation Forecast for R.A.A.F. Station Townsville

Issued from Meteorological Office /

at 1530 hours. Date: 16/10/42.

(Forecast covers period of 6 hours from time of issue.)

Meteorological Situation:

3 G I
H Q
5th Division

Forecast:

Weather, Cloud, &c.

Partly cloudy at times with some obscurity of sun and moon

Rainfall Nil reports
Visibility Nil expected.

Winds (surface and upper).

Duty Meteorologist A

Telephoned at _____

NOTE 1.—
The forecast applies to an area surrounding the R.A.A.F. Station to a distance of a 100 miles. The meteorological situation described is that covering conditions over the forecast area and usually covers a wider region.

NOTE 2.—
Special warnings are to be supplied immediately whenever it is seen that severe changes, rapid deterioration of flying weather, storms or gales are imminent. Such warnings will be entered on fresh forms 118 and filed.

M.307/9.40—O.10855.

Army Form C2118
(adapted)

WAR DIARY AND ~~INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

Unit HQs Aviation Date and Time - From 0001 hrs To 2359 hrs 17 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
Townsville	17 Oct	0830	Duty Staff Officer Log (Capt AE McLucas)	(Appx 33)
		1530	District Aviation Meteorological Forecast	(Appx 34)
		2300	Sitrep to 1800 hrs 17 Oct 42	(Appx 35) 01131
		1700	Field Return of Offrs	(Appx 35A)
		1700	Field Return of ORs	(Appx 35B)

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Appx 24

DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR, METEOROLOGICAL BRANCH.

District Aviation Forecast for R.A.A.F. Station Townsville

Issued from Meteorological Office _____

at 1530 hours, Date: 17/10/42

(Forecast covers period of 6 hours from time of issue.)

Meteorological Situation:

3GI
HQ
5th Division.

Forecast:

Weather, Cloud, &c.

Scattered low clouds chiefly overnight with sun and moon chiefly unobscured

Visibility Rainfall: Reported nil.
Expected following 24 hours: nil.

Winds (surface and upper).

Duty Meteorologist _____

Telephoned at _____

NOTE 1.—
The forecast applies to an area surrounding the R.A.A.F. Station to a distance of a 100 miles. The meteorological situation described is that covering conditions over the forecast area and usually covers a wider region.

NOTE 2.—
Special warnings are to be supplied immediately whenever it is seen that severe changes, rapid deterioration of flying weather, storms or gales are imminent. Such warnings will be entered on fresh forms 118 and filed.

M.307/9.40—C.30983.

Appx 33

G
AQ
B.B.

- DUTY STAFF OFFRS LOG -

Duty Staff Offr...Capt A.S [illegible].....

From....0800.....hrs on..17 Oct.....to..0800.....hrson.....17 Oct 48

Serial No 1	Originators No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1		Fd Det S/1 Aust Army Topo Svy Coy	1410	2220	Strength return	Held	AQ
2	SD58283	First Aust Army	1600	2220	Re movt OC Coy to report AHQ	Held	Copies to AQ ADMS
3	SD58283	First Aust Army	1208	2220	Release controlled stores	Held	LO
4	ANS 1743A	First Aust Army	2040	2220	Transfer Maj L G [illegible]	Held	AQ
5	IX941	First Aust Army	1950	2220	LAMBOPE revsd 76	Held	GS (1)
6		Sgt GENT	0940		Telephone msg from Sgt [illegible](RTO GHQAIR) that pers and stores DID had arrived and he wished to know where they were to go	Rang Maj CATHERWOOD and found out that 6 Aust Div Sec Corps Rec Camp is to be staging camp while here. Informed Sgt GENT.	
7	SD58283	First Aust Army	0900	0840	Re school for Dr use Fd Pk Coy	Held	ZO
8	A 185	11 Aust Inf Bde	2110	0640	Acft Q15/96	Held	AQ

Army Form C. 2123.

MESSAGE FORM

Serial No.

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN

OUT

No. of Groups GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

Hppp 35

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO (See back)

FROM 5 Aust Div	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	

[illegible]	to	1830	hrs	27	out
(.)	HQ	99	must	inf	b3e
Operat	at	Ref	rep	HALIFAX	one
Both	temporary	978801			

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS.

SIGNED

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

SIGNED [illegible]

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN [illegible]

T.H.I.

T.O.R.

(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

[redacted]

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

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

H.Q. 11/1/4 37 x 100

H.Q. 5 ARMY DIV *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).
Brig-Gen *	1		
Colonels *	1		
Lieut.-Colonels	3		1
Majors	7		8
Captains	18	1	
Lieutenants	8	45	
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermaster-Chaplains	2		1
Totals	38	5	10

* Insert detail of higher rank 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 Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	2 Personal Number.	3 Name and Initials.	4 Corps.	5 Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No.)	6 If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Brig-Gen	[illegible] 7086	[illegible]	[illegible]	Yes	
Col	[illegible] 452	[illegible]	[illegible]	"	
Col	[illegible] 24356	[illegible]	D. A. G. I	"	
	[illegible] 56	[illegible]	[illegible]	"	
	[illegible] 6028	[illegible]	ADC	"	
Major	[illegible] 6254	[illegible]	[illegible]	"	
	[illegible] 10063	[illegible]	G.S.O. II	No	School
	102241	[illegible]	D.A.A.G.	Yes	
	[illegible] 25025	[illegible]	D.A.A.G.	"	
	[illegible] 100346	[illegible]	D.A.A.G.	No	School
	[illegible] 47755	[illegible]	[illegible] (I)	Yes	
	[illegible] 55011	[illegible]	D.A.A.G.	"	
	[illegible] 10011	[illegible]	G.S.O. III	"	
Capt.	[illegible] 90400	[illegible]	G.S.O. II (I)	"	
	[illegible] 860	[illegible]	G.S.O.(I)	"	
	[illegible] 866	[illegible]	G.S.O. III (I)	No	School
	[illegible] 71855	[illegible]	D.A.A.G. (I)	Yes	
	[illegible] 12506	[illegible]	Liaison	No	School
	[illegible] 8300	[illegible]	[illegible]	"	
	[illegible] 126756	[illegible]	ADC to G.O.C.	"	
			Temporarily on Command	No	About 28 days
	[illegible] 14050	[illegible]	ADC (I)	Yes	
	[illegible] 56770	[illegible]	D.A.A.G.	"	
	87605	[illegible]	Camp	No.	Leave
	[illegible] 50055	[illegible]	Liaison	Yes	
Lieut.	[illegible] 10000	[illegible]	ADC	"	
	[illegible] 3065	[illegible]	Inf Corps	"	
	116 2	[illegible]	Education	No	School
	104251	[illegible]	ADC (I)	"	
	[illegible] 55727	[illegible]	Asst. Camp	Yes	
Lieut.	[illegible] 56001	[illegible]	Accounting	"	
Capt	[illegible] 6735	[illegible]	Comp. C of E	"	
	110000	[illegible]	" H.Q.	"	
		[illegible]			
Capt	123607	[illegible]	Dental Offr - 6.10.42.		
Lieut	[illegible] 3033	[illegible]	61 Asst Inf Bn - 25.5.42. C.P.L.		
"	[illegible] 56722	[illegible]	47 " " " - 5.8.42. Inf Inst		

(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.
Gen Lt		[illegible]	RAF	16.7.42	Liaison
Fld Lt		[illegible]	"	25.8.42	"

H.Q. 5 ARMY DIV. *(Unit.)*

17. 10. 42 *(Date of Despatch.)*

[signature] *(Signature of Commander.)*

ADC to Corps Comdr

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

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

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Serial No. 4

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

W.E. Reference A.I.F. ____ A.M.F. ____

H.Q. 5 Aust Div (Unit) 17. 10. 4219 (Date).

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

W.E. ____ X ____ Attached Allowed by W.E. ____ X ____

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail and W.E.	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.	3		3
W.Os. Class II.	5		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants	2		1
Serjeants	14	7	
Corporals	23	0	
Troopers, Privates, &c.	120		30
TOTALS	168	* 13	* 34

* 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.

Personnel Attached Against W.E.

Detail and W.E.	Unit or Corps to which they belong.
2 Ptes	48 Aust Inf Bn
1 Cpl	15 " " "
2 Sgts	47 " " "
1 Pte	47 " " "
1 S/Sgt	29 " " Pde
1 WO II	5 Div Sigs
2 Ptes	5 " Prov Coy
1 Sgt	8 Aust Cav Regt
1 Cpl	8 " " "
1 Sgt	11 M Dvy Sig
1 Cpl	11 " " "
1 Pte	11 " " "

Other Attachments Not Allowed by W.E.

Detail.	Unit or Corps to which they belong.
1 / Sgt	2/4 Dental Unit
1 Cpl	2/4 " "
1 Pte	2/4 " "
1 Cpl	115 Pde H Q
1 Col	115 " "
3 Ptes	115 L H I & P Unit

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

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

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HQ 5 Aust Div. Unit.

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

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	W.E.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			
Armament Artificers			
Armourers			
Artificers, Artillery			
Axemen			
Bakers			
Battery Surveyors			
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			
Blacksmiths			
Boilermakers			
Bricklayers			
Butchers			
Camouflage Modeller			
Carpenter and Joiner			
Clerks			
Clerks, Engineering			
Clerks, Supply			
Clerks, Technical			
Coachmakers			
Computers			
Concretors			
Cooks			
Cooks, Hospital			
Coppersmiths			
Dental Clerk Orderlies			
Despatch Riders			
Dispensers			
Draughtsmen			
Draughtsmen, Architectural			
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			
Draughtsmen, Signal			
Draughtsmen, Topographical			
Driver Mechanics L.T.			10
Driver Operators			
Drivers, Transportation Plant			
Electrical Fitters			
Electricians			
Electricians, Eng. Units			
Electricians, Signal			
Engine Artificers			
Engine Hands I/C			
Equipment Repairers			
Farriers			
Fire Control Operators			
Fitters			
Fitters and Turners			
Fitters, Cycle			
Fitters, Drivers			
Fitter's Mates			
Fitters, M.V.			
C/F			10

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	W.E.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
B/F			10
Fitters, Railway Signal			
Fitters, Signal			
Grinders			
Gun Layers			
G.P.O. Assistants			
Gun Operators			
Hammermen			
Height Takers			
Helio Operators			
Instrument Mechanics			
Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			
Instrument Operators			
Intelligence Duties			
Joiners			
Leather Stitchers			
Linesmen			
Linesmen, Signals			
Lithographers			
Machinists			
Masons			
Masseurs			
Mechanics, Dental			
Mechanics, M.T.			
Mechanics, Typewriter			
Mechanics, Wireless			
Millwrights			
Miners			
Moulders			
Nursing Orderlies			
Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			
Nurses, Trained			
Observation Post Assistants			
Operating Room Assistants			
Operators, Signal			
Opticians			
Painters			
Panel Beaters			
Pattern Makers			
Pharmacists			
Photographers, dry plate			
Photographers, wet plate			
Photo-Writers			
Plate Layers			
Plumbers			
Predictor Numbers			
Printers			
Radiator Mechanics			
Radiographers			
Range Takers			
C/F			10

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	W.E.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
B/F			10
Riggers			
Rivetters			
Saddlers			
Saddle Tree Makers			
Saw Doctors			
Sawyers			
Shoemakers			
Signallers			
Signwriters			
Stokers, Stationery Engine			
Storemen, Technical			
Surveyors			
Surveyors, Engineering			
Tailors			
Telescope Identification Numbers			
Textile Refitters			
Tinsmiths			
Toolmakers			
Turners			
Vulcanizers			
Wagon Erectors			
Watchmakers			
Watermen			
Welders			
Well Borers			
Wheelers			
Whitesmiths			
Wiremen			
Woodturners			
(b)			
(c) Non-Specialists			
WO I			3
S/Sgt			1
Sgts		7	
Cpl		6	
Ptes			20
Totals to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.		13	34
Deficiency in ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.			
TOTAL			

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorized Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.
(c) Non-Specialists required to be shown in their respective trades or duties in accordance with W.E.

H.Q. 5 Aust Div
Unit.

A.K.M. Lyee Lt
Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 17. 10. 42.

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

Army Form C2118
(adapted)

WAR DIARY AND ~~INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

Unit HQS Aust Dist Date and Time - From 0001 hrs To 2359 hrs 18 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
Townsville	18 Oct	0830	Duty Staff Offs Log (Capt DSD Mullick)	(Appx 36)
			Mr Reardon MSHR. Senator Brown.	
			Senator Courtice staying at Queens.	
			Called on GOC. Lt GOCs absent	
Capt			visited 29 Bde exercises accompanied	
after			by GI (Lt. Col Daly)	
		1500	District Aviation Meteorological Forecast	(Appx 37)
		2115	Situ to 1800 hrs 18 Oct 42	(Appx 38)

Appx 31

- DUTY STAFF OFFRS LOG -

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AQ
B.B.

Duty Staff Offr Capt MELLICK

From 0830 hrs on 17 Oct to 0830 hrs on 18 Oct 42

Serial No. 1	Originators No. 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	- PARTICULARS - 6	Action 7	Disposal 8
1	GX 0155	DADOS Asm L of C	1900	2350	Asm train despatched to DARWIN	Held	AQ - DADOS
2	X 129	39 Asmt Inf Bde	1715	2350	Sitrep	Held	G S (O)
3	A 30129	Milbase BRISBANE	2012	2214	Transfer - Pte CUFFEE	Held	AQ
4	A 1963	First Asmt Army	1650	2340	Recce Bn Surplus	Held	AQ Copy G

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA C.M.B. A.16

R.A.A.F. METEOROLOGICAL SERVICE Townsville Aerodrome Office

District Aviation Meteorological Report for R.A.A.F.

Issued to R.A.A.F. Station G31 on Oct. 18, 1942 at 1500K (S.T.)

Meteorological Situation : No rainfall.

District Forecast : for period 1530 h. 18/10/42 m. to 1530 h. 19/10/42 m. (Standard Time)

Weather, Cloud, &c., Scattered to broken middle and lower type clouds. Decreasing middle cloud tomorrow. Lower cloud decreasing during night, increasing again on morning.

Visibility 10/15 miles.

Winds (surface and upper) Surface wind:- NNE/NNW 10/15 m.p.h. increasing to 20 m.p.h. at times after 1100K.

Sun and moon only partially obscured.

UPPER WINDS OBSERVATIONS AT ALTITUDES ABOVE MEAN SEA LEVEL

Time (S.T.)	Place	300 m. 1,000 ft.		600 m. 2,000 ft.		900 m. 3,000 ft.		1,200 m. 4,000 ft.		1,800 m. 6,000 ft.		2,400 m. 8,000 ft.		3,000 m. 10,000 ft.		3,600 m. 12,000 ft.	
		Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.

DISTRICT METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

Time (S.T.)	Place	Present Weather	State of Sea	Vis. Miles	CLOUD				Surface Wind	
					Form	Low Base Height Station Level (feet)	Low Amount (Tenths)	Total Amount (Tenths)	Dirn.	Vel. m.p.h.

Signature :—Duty Meteo. Off. Bruce Telephoned at

D.4088/7.41—C.8008

Army Form C. 2123. **MESSAGE FORM** Serial No.

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.	IN	No. of Groups GR.	OFFICE DATE STAMP
	OUT		

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO see back

FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
5 Aust Div	G 1133	18	

Sitrep	to	1800	hrs	18	oct
(.)	HQ	29	aust	inf	bde
ref	map	PALUMA	RANGE	one	inch
426146	(.)	ref	map	HALIFAX	one
inch	temp	15	aust	inf	bn
230330	42	aust	inf	bn	293274
47	aust	inf	bn	312250	3

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS.

SIGNED

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

SIGNED

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN

T.H.I.

T.O.R.

(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

Army Form C. 2123. **MESSAGE FORM** Serial No.

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.	IN	No. of Groups GR.	OFFICE DATE STAMP
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TO

(2)

FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number

bty	101	aust	6	[illegible]	[illegible]
261304	17	aust	fd	[illegible]	198676
det	7	aust	fd	amb	845267

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SIGNED

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SIGNED J.H. Wheeler Capt

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN 2115

T.H.I.

T.O.R.

(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

Distribution: 2 Aust Cav Regt; 11 Aust Inf Bde;
29 Aust Inf Bde; RAA 5 Aust Div; RAE 5 Aust Div;
Sigs 5 Aust Div; 1 L of C Sub Area; Canteens TOWNSVILLE;
Movt and Tn Gp Townsville; G; AQ; AASC; Postal; ALO
Townsville; 5 Aust Div Base Corps Rec Camp; Medical;
Ord; CDH; File; War Diary(2)

Army Form C2118
(adapted)

WAR DIARY ~~AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

Unit HQ 5 Anti Div Date and Time - From 000 hrs To 2359 hrs 19 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
Townsville	19 Oct	0630	Duty Staff Offr Log Capt Wilkinson	(Appx 39)
		1215	Action to be taken for passage of air raid warning	Sect G110 (Appx 40)
	Capt	1530	District Aviation Meteorological Forecast	(Appx 41)

App 40

SECRET

Subject: ACTION TO BE TAKEN FOR PASSAGE OF AIR RAID WARNING

HQ 5 Aust Div
19 Oct 42
G1110

11 Aust Inf Bde (2)
29 Aust Inf Bde
2 Aust Cav Regt
RAA 5 Aust Div (3)
RAE 5 Aust Div
Sigs 5 Aust Div
Camp
AASC 5 Aust Div
Medical
Ord
Pro
Pay
Postal
5 Aust Div Sec Corps Reception Camp
CDH (2)

Copy to:
GOC
GSO 1
Signaster (2)
Base Sec No 2 USAFIA
No 1 L of C Sub Area
File
War Diary (2)

1. G96/51 of 5 Jun 42 is cancelled, and the following instns will be effective forthwith in respect of the above.

2. (a) On receipt of any infm suggestive of a possible air raid, such infm will be fwded to Duty Offr, G3 5 Aust Div.

(b) CDH will notify Duty Offr G3 5 Aust Div immediately on receipt of any Air Raid Warning Message.

3. The Duty Offr will confirm any advices received in accordance with para 2a with CDH before taking any action.

4. If infm is substantiated by CDH, the Duty Offr will instruct the switchboard operator to make calls in the order shown to the following subscribers :

(a) AA & SLG
(b) Ord
(c) Medical
(d) 29 Aust Inf Bde
(e) Signaster
(f) Tpt sgt
(g) Sigs 5 Aust Div
(h) RAA 5 Aust Div
(j) AASC 5 Aust Div
(k) Camp
(l) 2 Aust Cav Regt
(m) 11 Aust Inf Bde (ref para 8)

5. (a) The switchboard operator, on receipt of the priority message, will immediately inform all working subscribers, that lines, except any

/line

line which at that time is being used to First Aust Army, must be cleared temporarily.

(b) Notwithstanding the foregoing, out calls from GS telephones must be answered during the passage of any Air Raid Warning.

6. When lines have been cleared, each subscriber mentioned in para 4 will be called by the switchboard operator in the order shown, and the call will be connected to the Duty Offr G Branch.

7. Duty Offr will then pass the Air Raid Warning Signal which will be acknowledged.

8. On receipt of Air Raid Warning Signal, the Signaster will ensure that a "Priority" trunk line call to CDH CAIRNS (telephone CAIRNS 2260) is made, and that immediately such call is through, it is connected to Duty Offr G Branch, who will then pass the Air Raid Warning Signal.

9. Any subscriber who is on the line to First Aust Army (vide para 5a), will be informed by the Duty Offr immediately other subscribers have acknowledged receipt of Air Raid Signal.

10. Responsibility for notifying the undermentioned units is set out hereunder :-

	Unit.	- Notified by -
(a)	17 Aust Fd Regt	29 Aust Inf Bde
(b)	RAE 5 Aust Div	RAA 5 Aust Div
(c)	5 Aust Div Ord Fd Pk	5 Aust Div Ord Wkshop
(d)	5 Aust Div Fd Cash Office	Camp
(e)	5 Aust Div Postal Unit	Camp
(f)	5 Aust Div Sec Corps Reception Camp	AASC 5 Aust Div

11. CDH rear exchange will pass the Air Raid Warning Signal direct to :

(a) ARP Central Control Room
(b) No 1 L of C Sub Area
(c) Base Sec No 2 USAFIA
(d) 5 Aust Div Ord Wkshop
(e) 5 Aust Div Pro Coy
(f) 5 Aust Fd Regt

12. The "All Clear" Signal will be passed in a similar manner to the procedure set forth for the Air Raid Warning Signal.

13. All telephones will be manned for the duration of an Air Raid or any Air Raid Warning.

A.B.M. Lucas Capt
for Lt-Col
GS 5 Aust Div

1/PPx 39

- DUTY STAFF OFFRS LOG -

Duty Staff Offr. Capt W H HOOPER

From 0830 hrs on 18 Oct to 0830 hrson 19 Oct 42

Serial No 1	Originators No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1	T 4	11 Aust Inf Bde	1935	2330	Ref 31 Aust Inf Bn Vehs	Held	AQ
2	O 449	2 Aust Cav Regt	2130	2304	KLOVER and EVERETT	Held	AQ
3	A 168	11 Aust Inf Bde	2050	2311	Use of horses received	Held	G2 copy to AQ
4	SD3838	First Aust Army	2040	2311	Comflg Trg Unit required T I	Held	G2
5	T 391	ALO T'ville	1900	0130	Revsit	Held	G3 (O)
6	I 137	28 Aust Inf Bde	2100	0600	Sitrep	Held	G3 (O)
7	AMB 86	11 Aust Inf Bde	1200	2102	16 Aust Inf Bn refrigerator	Held	AQ Copy LO
8	JAA313	6 CCS	1100	0124	Return Seasonal Occupational leave	Hold	AQ

Form 118.

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

Approved

DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR. METEOROLOGICAL BRANCH.

District Aviation Forecast for R.A.A.F. Station Townsville

Issued from Meteorological Office _____

at 1530 hours. Date: 19/10/42

(Forecast covers period of 6 hours from time of issue.)

Meteorological Situation:

3G1
H Q
5th Division

Forecast:

Weather, Cloud, &c.

Cloudy with moon observed overnight possibly a light shower or two. Conditions improving tomorrow with probably only scattered cloud and sun not observed.

Visibility

Rainfall: Reported: 2 pts. Mackay
39 pts. Rocky, 40
pts. Gayndah.
Expected: Odd
points within 50
miles radius.

Winds (surface and upper).

Duty Meteorologist C. O.

Telephoned at _____

NOTE 1.—
The forecast applies to an area surrounding the R.A.A.F. Station to a distance of a 100 miles. The meteorological situation described is that covering conditions over the forecast area and usually covers a wider region.

NOTE 2.—
Special warnings are to be supplied immediately whenever it is seen that severe changes, rapid deterioration of flying weather, storms or gales are imminent. Such warnings will be entered on fresh forms 118 and filed.

M.377/B.40—C.10888.

Army Form C2118
(adapted)

WAR DIARY ~~AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

Unit Hdl 5 Aust Div Date and Time - From 000. hrs To 2359 hrs 20 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
Townsville	20 Oct	0930	Duty Staff Offs Log - Capt E L Dixon	(Appx #2)
		1500	District Aviation Meteorological Forecast	(Appx #3)
			GOC (Maj. Gen E J Milford) returns from trip Townsville to Melbourne	
Capt Melbourne				

Appx 42

- DUTY STAFF OFFRS LOG -

Duty Staff Off[redacted]

From [redacted] hrs [redacted] to [redacted] hrs [redacted]

Serial No 1	Originators No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
[redacted]		RAF	[redacted]	[redacted]	Special occupational pers	Held	AQ
[redacted]		First Army	[redacted]	[redacted]	Refer Q603	S	AQ
[redacted]		2 Corps Rest	[redacted]	[redacted]	Refer A955	-	AQ
[redacted]		11 Bde	[redacted]	[redacted]	RA Senior Practical School	-	Capt Hooper
[redacted]		[redacted] Warwick	[redacted]	[redacted]	Shop Workers	-	AQ
[redacted]		29 Bde	[redacted]	[redacted]	Leave train late - MT not required	phoned DAQ	AQ

Form 118.

Appdx B

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR, METEOROLOGICAL BRANCH.

District Aviation Forecast for R.A.A.F. Station Townsville

Issued from Meteorological Office ✓

at 1500 hours. Date: 20/10/42.

(Forecast covers period of 6 hours from time of issue.)

Meteorological Situation:

3 G I
H Q
5th Division

Forecast:

Weather, Cloud, &c.

Unsettled cloud conditions overnight with moon partially obscured ⊙ possible local thunder South and SW portions of the area ⊙ sun obscured at first Visibility tomorrow with more or less permanent improvement from afternoon on. Until then local showers possible.

Winds (surface and upper).

Rainfall: None in immediate locality but Kamumba 8 pts.
Towers 2 "
Rocky 8

Expected: Slightly heavier falls up to 10/20 pts. locally over area.

Duty Meteorologist ✓

Telephoned at _____

NOTE 1.—
The forecast applies to an area surrounding the R.A.A.F. Station to a distance of a 100 miles. The meteorological situation described is that covering conditions over the forecast area and usually covers a wider region.

NOTE 2.—
Special warnings are to be supplied immediately whenever it is seen that severe changes, rapid deterioration of flying weather, storms or gales are imminent. Such warnings will be entered on fresh forms 118 and filed.

M.307/9.40—C.10858.

Army Form C2118
(adapted)

WAR DIARY ~~AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

Unit HQ 5 Aust Div Date and Time - From 000 hrs To 2359 hrs 21 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
Lironville	21 Oct	0830	Duty Staff Offr Lt. Lieut J.M. Grant	(appx HH)
			Fairly heavy storm over area	
			lasted approx ½ hr	
			Brig Lauch relinquished cond 29	
Col			Aust Inf Bde - Cond taken over	
Hart			by Brig Monaghan	
		1500	Restrict Aviation Meteorological Report	(Appx II A)

Appx "A"

- DUTY STAFF OFFRS LOG -

Duty Staff Offr. [illegible]

From.... [illegible] hrs on [illegible] to [illegible] hrs on [illegible]

Serial No 1	Originators No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1	AMS 1777 A	FAA	1710	2220	[illegible] S J MURRAY	Helo	AQ
2	0456	2 Aust Cav Regt	1725	2220	[illegible] to ROLLINGSTONE	"	AQ
3	A 690	29 Aust Inf Bde	2110	2300	Time departure southern train	"	AQ
4	SD 3366	FAA	2040	2300	FS Sec advised	"	LO. copy to FS Sec
5	SD 3367	"	2130	0045	Correction to SD 3349	"	G
6	A20475	Milbase Brisbane	-	0045	[illegible] Tfm PTE R H AWL at 2/4 Inf	"	AQ
7	0457	2 Aust Cav Regt	2100	0045	Re 11 pets	"	G 2 (O)

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COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA C.M.B. A.16

R.A.A.F. METEOROLOGICAL SERVICE Townsville Office

District Aviation Meteorological Report for R.A.A.F.

Issued to R.A.A.F. G3I on Oct 21, 1942 at 1500 (S.T.)

Meteorological Situation:

No Rainfall.-

District Forecast: for period 1500K h. Oct 21, 1942 m. to 1500K h. Oct 22, 1942 m. (Standard Time)

Weather, Cloud, &c.,

Scattered to broken. High and Low cloud most of period, but increasing cloudiness tomorrow.

General more Partially Obscured, more obscured tomorrow.

Visibility

10 miles or better

Winds (surface and upper)

Surface winds:- variable but mostly NE 10/15 m.p.h.

Some Gusts to 20 m.p.h. after 1100 K.

UPPER WINDS OBSERVATIONS AT ALTITUDES ABOVE MEAN SEA LEVEL

Time (S.T.)	Place	300 m. 1,000 ft.		600 m. 2,000 ft.		900 m. 3,000 ft.		1,200 m. 4,000 ft.		1,800 m. 6,000 ft.		2,400 m. 8,000 ft.		3,000 m. 10,000 ft.		3,600 m. 12,000 ft.	
		Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.

DISTRICT METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

Time (S.T.)	Place	Present Weather	State of Sea	Vis. Miles	CLOUD Form	CLOUD Low Base Height Station Level (feet)	CLOUD Low Amount (Tenths)	CLOUD Total Amount (Tenths)	Surface Wind Dirn.	Surface Wind Vel. m.p.h.

Signature:—Duty Meteo. Off. O'Brien Telephoned at

D.8038/T.41—C.8008

Army Form C2118
(adapted)

WAR DIARY ~~AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

Unit HQs Aust Div Date and Time - From 000 hrs To 2359 hrs 22 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
Townsville	22 Oct	2100	Situp to 0800 hrs 22 Oct 42.	(Appx 45)
			G1 (Lt Col Daly) adms (Col Lovell)	
			Gen (+) (Capt J S Dimmick) left for	
Coff			Cactus Factory by air.	
		1150	Air Raid Message Yellow	
Townsville		1203	Air Raid Message White	
			Aircraft later identified as Hudsons	
		1500	District Aviation Meteorological Report	(Appx 45A)

Army Form C. 2123. **MESSAGE FORM** Serial No.

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.	IN	No. of Groups GR.	OFFICE DATE STAMP
	OUT		APP 45

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO See back

FROM 5 Aust Bde

Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
[illegible]	22	

Situ Rep	To	1800	[illegible]	22	Ref
⊙	5	Aust	Fd	Regt	Ref
Map	Townsville	Special	1 in	0176	trg
Exercise					

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS.

SIGNED

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SIGNED [illegible] Capt

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN 2100

T.H.I.

T.O.R.

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

Received In	Time In	Reader	Sender	System Out	Time Out	Reader	Sender	System Out	Time Out	Reader	Sender

2 Armd Cav Regt
11 Armd Inf Bde
28 Armd Inf Bde
RAA 5 Armd Div
RAE 5 Armd Div
Sigs 5 Armd Div
1 L of C Sub Area
5 Armd Div Rear Corps Rec Camp
Rvt & Tk Gp TOWNSVILLE

G
AQ
AASC
Pschol
ALO TOWNSVILLE
Medical
Ord
CME
File
War Diary (2)

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

Appendix 5A C.M.B. A.16

R.A.A.F. METEOROLOGICAL SERVICE

Townsville Office

District Aviation Meteorological Report for R.A.A.F.

Issued to R.A.A.F. ~~Station~~ 5th Div. on Oct 22/42 at 1500 (S.T.)

Meteorological Situation:

Rainfall:- Townsville .70 points.

Bowen .40 " .

Charters Towers .14 "

Cardwell .07 " .

District Forecast: for period 1500 h. Oct 22 m. to 1500 h. Oct 23 m. (Standard Time)

Weather, Cloud, &c., Few scattered clouds, increasing slightly before dawn and then decreasing. Sun & Moon Unobserved.

Visibility 10/20 mile.

Winds (surface and upper) Surface winds Southerly 10/15 miles per hour, gusty at time to 20/25 m.p.h.

UPPER WINDS OBSERVATIONS AT ALTITUDES ABOVE MEAN SEA LEVEL

Time (S.T.)	Place	300 m. 1,000 ft.		600 m. 2,000 ft.		900 m. 3,000 ft.		1,200 m. 4,000 ft.		1,500 m. 6,000 ft.		2,400 m. 8,000 ft.		3,000 m. 10,000 ft.		3,600 m. 12,000 ft.	
		Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.

DISTRICT METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

Time (S.T.)	Place	Present Weather	State of Sea	Vis. Miles	CLOUD Form	CLOUD Low Base Height Station Level (feet)	CLOUD Low Amount (Tenths)	CLOUD Total Amount (Tenths)	Surface Wind Dirn.	Surface Wind Vel. m.p.h.

Signature:—Duty Meteo. Off. [signature]

Telephoned at

D.A.086/W.41—C.8008

Army Form C2118
(adapted)

WAR DIARY ~~AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

Unit HQ 5 Aust Div Date and Time - From 000 hrs To 2359 hrs 23 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
Townsville	23 Oct	0830	Duty Staff Offs Log- Capt AE McLucas	(Appx #1)
		2000	Situp to 1800 hrs 23 Oct 42	(Appx #2)
			Lt Gen Lavarack passed through Townsville	
			by air en route North Lunchon	
			with GOC at HQ 5 Aust Div	
		1500	District Aviation Meteorological Report	(Appx #3)

War Diary

Appx 6

Capt A B [illegible]DOAB

0830 22 Oct 0830 23 Oct 42

1	Sigs 340	Sigs	2106	2140	Copies MI 47 of 27 Jun destroyed	Hold	G 3 (I)
2	CS 38	ADOS	1420	2140	Submission on of pro formam	Hold	LO 2
3	T 404	AL/ T'ville	1900	2215	Sitrep	Hold	G 3 (I)
4	Q 1463	First Aust Army	2215	2345	Skid chains	Hold	AQ
5	A 196	Brig CRAWFORD	1845	2345	Brig CRAWFORD's proposed itinerary	Hold	G2) G)
6	I 144	15 Aust Inf Bde	2100	0010	Lucas Lamp signalling	Hold	G2 CHE)
7	A 35	Portland Bde	1543/20	0010/21	Itinerary Maj LEONARD	Hold	G2 AQ CHE)
8	A 196	11 Aust Inf Bde	2210	0300	Head halters for horses	Hold	AQ for action) G 2
9	A 197	11 Aust Inf Bde	2215	0300	Box rations	Hold	AQ for action
10	CHE 18	Brig CRAWFORD	-	0715	Repeat of previous message	Hold	G 2
11	OD3401	First Aust Army	2030	0715	Vaccination Hygiene and Sanitation Course No 5	Hold	LO 2

Army Form G. 2122. **MESSAGE FORM** Serial No.

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.	IN	No. of Groups GR.	OFFICE DATE STAMP
	OUT		

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO Seabach

FROM Saunders	Originator's Number 01203	Date 23	In Reply to Number
Step	to	1800	this 23 Aug
O	adv	HQ	RAA 5 Aunt
dw	returned	to	TOWNSVILLE Special 1 in
946734			

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS.

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

SIGNED

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN 2000

T.H.I.

T.O.R.

(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

Distribution:

2 Aust Cav Regt
11 Aust Inf Bde
29 Aust Inf Bde
RAA 5 Aust Div
RAS 5 Aust Div
Sigs 5 Aust Div
1 L. of C Sub Area

Evt & Tn Gp Townsville
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AASC
AIO Townsville
5 Aust Div Sec Corps Rec Camp
Medical
Ord
CMH
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War Diary

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(adapted)

WAR DIARY ~~AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

Unit HQ 5 Aust Div Date and Time - From 0001 hrs To 2359 hrs 24 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
Toowoomba	24 Oct	0830	Duty Staff Offr Log: Capt WH Hooper	(Appx 49)
		1500	District Aviation Meteorological Report	(Appx 50)
		1800	Field Return Offrs	(Appx 50A)
		1800	Field Return Other Ranks	(Appx 50B)
	Cat			
Albert				

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA — Approved — C.M.B. A.16

R.A.A.F. METEOROLOGICAL SERVICE — Townsville Office

District ~~Aviation~~ Meteorological Report for R.A.A.F.

Issued to R.A.A. ~~Station~~ 5th Div. CGI on 23/10/42 at 0400 Z (S.T.)

Meteorological Situation:

No rainfall:—

District Forecast: for period 0400 Z/h. 23/10 m. to 0400 Z/h. 24/10 m. (Standard Time)

Weather, Cloud, &c.,

Few scattered clouds.

No chance of fog or smoke.

Visibility 10/20 miles.

Winds (surface and upper) Surface winds:- Variable and Gusty after 2330Z, otherwise ENE to SE 10/15.

UPPER WINDS OBSERVATIONS AT ALTITUDES ABOVE MEAN SEA LEVEL

Time (S.T.)	Place	300 m. 1,000 ft.		600 m. 2,000 ft.		900 m. 3,000 ft.		1,200 m. 4,000 ft.		1,800 m. 6,000 ft.		2,400 m. 8,000 ft.		3,000 m. 10,000 ft.		3,600 m. 12,000 ft.	
		Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.

DISTRICT METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

Time (S.T.)	Place	Present Weather	State of Sea	Vis. Miles	CLOUD				Surface Wind	
					Form	Low		Total Amount (Tenths)	Dirn.	Vel. m.p.h.
						Base Height Station Level (feet)	Amount (Tenths)			

Signature:—Duty Meteo. Off. [signature]

Telephoned at

D.A.C.B./T.A.1—C.8006

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— DUTY STAFF OFFRS LOG —

Duty Staff Offr. CAPTAIN BOWER .

From 0830 hrs on 23 Oct to 0830 hrs on 24 Oct 42

Serial No 1	Originator's No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1	T 407	ALO T'ville		2320	air int	Held	G 3 (I)
2	I 858	First Aust Army	1145	0130	Revsit	Held	G 3 (I)
3	G 1089	First Aust Army	2000	0130	Sitrep	Held	G 3 (G)

G.S. "9"

Form 118

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

Approx 50

DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR, METEOROLOGICAL BRANCH.

District Aviation Forecast for R.A.A.F. Station Townsville

Issued from Meteorological Office _____

at 1500 hours. 24 hour period.

(Forecast covers period of 6 hours from time of issue.)

Meteorological Situation:

No rain reported during the last 24 hours

Forecast:

Weather, Cloud, &c.

Scattered well broken cumulus. Sun & moon not obscured.

Visibility

10 miles. Hazy.

Winds (surface and upper).

E/NE 10/15 m.p.h.

Duty Meteorologist _____

Telephoned at _____

NOTE 1.—
The forecast applies to an area surrounding the R.A.A.F. Station to a distance of a 100 miles. The meteorological situation described is that covering conditions over the forecast area and usually covers a wider region.

NOTE 2.—
Special warnings are to be supplied immediately whenever it is seen that severe changes, rapid deterioration of flying weather, storms or gales are imminent. Such warnings will be entered on fresh forms 118 and filed.

M.307/9.40—C.10855.

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

Army Form W.3008
(Page 1.)
(Adapted.)

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

H Ppx 50A

W.E. 11/2/4. 57 x 189

H.Q. 5 ARMD. DIV. *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).
*			
LT-COL. *	1		
COLONEL.	1		
Lieut.-Colonels	3		1
Majors	7		6
Captains	13	1	
Lieutenants	6	4	
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			1
~~Assistant Chaplains~~	1		
Totals	32	5	10

* Insert detail of higher rank 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).

Army Form W.3008
(Page 2.)
(Adapted.)

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1 Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	2 Personal Number.	3 Name and Initials.	4 Corps.	5 Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No.).	6 If not present with Unit, state how employed.
LT-COL.	77.7684	E.J. MILROY D.S.O.	G.O.C.	YES.	
2/CO[illegible]	451	[illegible] LOVELL	ADC	"	
LT. COL.	1450	E.J. DALY.	G.S.O. I	"	
"	56	E.[illegible]	ASST. ADJ.	"	
"	6010	H.H. [illegible]	DEPUTY ADJ	"	
MAJOR	6854	E.R. [illegible]	[illegible]	YES. [illegible]	
"	10003	[illegible]	G.S.O. II	NO	[illegible]
"	198341	J. [illegible]	D.A.A.G.	YES.	
"	15013	[illegible]	L.O.	"	
"	186346	C.H.B. [illegible]	[illegible]	NO	[illegible]
"	47788	E.D. [illegible]	A.D.C.(S)	YES	
"	69011	[illegible]	[illegible]	"	
CAPT.	19611	[illegible]	G.S.O. II	"	
"	90458	[illegible]	G.S.O. II (L)	"	
"	605	[illegible]	G.S.O. II (L)	"	[illegible]
"	604	[illegible]	[illegible]	"	
"	71858	[illegible]	D.A.A.G. (L)	YES	
"	12854	[illegible]	[illegible]	"	[illegible]
"	5068	[illegible]	"	"	"
"	104256	[illegible]	A.D.C. I.O. (SUPERNUMERARY)	NO.	[illegible]
"	14030	[illegible]	D.A.D.O.S. (L)	YES.	
"	30776	[illegible]	D.A.C.	"	
"	87653	[illegible]	C.A.D.	NO	[illegible]
"	59055	[illegible]	[illegible]	YES	
LIEUT.	26088	[illegible]	A.D.C.	"	
"	5068	[illegible]	[illegible]	"	
"	11488	[illegible]	[illegible]	NO	[illegible]
"	104251	[illegible]	[illegible] (L)	NO	[illegible]
"	30777	[illegible]	[illegible]	"	
"	59681	[illegible]	[illegible]	"	
CAPT.	6758	[illegible]	[illegible]	"	
"	130906	[illegible]	[illegible]	"	
		~~ATTACHED OFFICERS.~~			
CAPT.	126607	[illegible]	[illegible]		
LIEUT.	58053	[illegible]	31 Inf. Bde. 20.10.42		C.F.
"	41755	[illegible]	67 Inf Bde. 6.9.42		Tac. Inst.

(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.

H.Q. 5 ARMD. DIV. *(Unit.)*

20.10.42 *(Date of Despatch.)*

(Signature of Commander.)

for

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

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

Army Form W.3009
(page 1)
(Adapted)

Serial No.

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

W.E. Reference A.I.F. / A.M.F. _____ (Unit) _____ 19__ (Date).

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

W.E. ___ X ___ Attached Allowed by W.E. ___ X ___

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail and	W.E.	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.				
W.Os. Class II.		1		3
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants		3		
Staff Serjeants				
Serjeants				1
Corporals		14	7	
Troopers, Privates, &c.		41	3	
TOTALS				30

* 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.

Personnel Attached Against W.E. — Other Attachments Not Allowed by W.E.

Detail and	W.E.	Unit or Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit or Corps to which they belong.
2				
1				
2		3		
1		3		
1		3		
1		3		
2		3		
1				
1				
1				
1				

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

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

Govt. Print., Brisbane.

HQ 5 Aust Div _____ *Unit.*

Army Form W. 3009
(Adapted) (August, 41)
(page 2)

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

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	W.E.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	W.E.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	W.E.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners				B/F			10	B/F			10
Armament Artificers				Fitters, Railway Signal				Riggers			
Armourers				Fitters, Signal				Rivetters			
Artificers, Artillery				Grinders				Saddlers			
Axemen				Gun Layers				Saddle Tree Makers			
Bakers				G.P.O. Assistants				Saw Doctors			
Battery Surveyors				Gun Operators				Sawyers			
Battery Comdrs. Asst.				Hammermen				Shoemakers			
Blacksmiths				Height Takers				Signallers			
Boilermakers				Helio Operators				Signwriters			
Bricklayers				Instrument Mechanics				Stokers, Stationery Engine			
Butchers				Instrument Mechanics, Surgical				Storemen, Technical			
Camouflage Modeller				Instrument Operators				Surveyors			
Carpenter and Joiner				Intelligence Duties				Surveyors, Engineering			
Clerks				Joiners				Tailors			
Clerks, Engineering				Leather Stitchers				Telescope Identification Numbers			
Clerks, Supply				Linesmen				Textile Refitters			
Clerks, Technical				Linesmen, Signals				Tinsmiths			
Coachmakers				Lithographers				Toolmakers			
Computers				Machinists				Turners			
Concretors				Masons				Vulcanizers			
Cooks				Masseurs				Wagon Erectors			
Cooks, Hospital				Mechanics, Dental				Watchmakers			
Coppersmiths				Mechanics, M.T.				Watermen			
Dental Clerk Orderlies				Mechanics, Typewriter				Welders			
Despatch Riders				Mechanics, Wireless				Well Borers			
Dispensers				Millwrights				Wheelers			
Draughtsmen				Miners				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen, Architectural				Moulders				Wiremen			
Draughtsmen, Mechanical				Nursing Orderlies				Woodturners			
Draughtsmen, Signal				Nursing Orderlies (Mental)				(b)			
Draughtsmen, Topographical				Nurses, Trained							
Driver Mechanic M T			10	Obervation Post Assistants							
Driver Operators				Operating Room Assistants							
Drivers, Transportation Plant				Operators, Signal				(c) Non-Specialists			
Electrical Fitters				Opticians				WO 1			3
Electricians				Painters				S/Sgts			1
Electricians, Eng. Units				Panel Beaters				Sgts		7	
Electricians, Signal				Pattern Makers				Cpls		6	
Engine Artificers				Pharmacists				Ptes			20
Engine Hands I/C				Photographers, dry plate							
Equipment Repairers				Photographers, wet plate							
Farriers				Photo-Writers				Totals to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.		13	34
Fire Control Operators				Plate Layers							
Fitters				Plumbers				Deficiency in ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.			
Fitters and Turners				Predictor Numbers							
Fitters, Cycle				Printers							
Fitters, Drivers				Radiator Mechanics							
Fitter's Mates				Radiographers							
Fitters, M.V.				Range Takers							
C/F			10	C/F			10	TOTAL			

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorized Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.
(c) Non-Specialists required to be shown in their respective trades or duties in accordance with W.E.

H.Q. 5 Aust Div — *Unit.*

L.K.M. Payne Lt.
ASST CAMP COMDT
Signature and Rank of Commander.

Date of Despatch 24.10.42

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

Army Form C2118
(adapted)

WAR DIARY ~~AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

Unit HQs Base Det Date and Time - From 000, hrs To 2359 hrs 25 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
Townsville	25 Oct	0830	Duty Staff Offrs Log. Lieut J J Squire	(Appx 51)

— DUTY STAFF OFFRS LOG —

Duty Staff Offr.....Lieut. J.J. SQUIRE.....

From 0830 hrs on 24 Oct to 0830 hrs on 25 Oct 42

Serial No 1	Originator's No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1		ALO T'ville		2130	ALO Report	Passed to G3 (I)	Passed to G3 (I)
2	[illegible]	First Aust Army	1725	2155	Movement Capt R D Hills	Hold	to AQ
3	GD 3460	First Aust Army	1805	2350	Re 45 [illegible] mm	"	1 copy G2 1 " AQ 1 " ORE
4	Q 70	11 Aust Inf Bde	1930	2350	Re 5 LAAF	"	to AQ
5	GD 776	LANCERS BRISBANE	2100	0150	Re Engineers Stores	"	to AQ
6	JB 64	29 Aust Inf Bde	2300	0150	Re personnel for Wireless mechanics course. Transferred 5 Aust Div	"	to AQ
7	O 1036	First Aust Army	2215	0150	Location Report	"	to G3 (O)
8	Q 1436	First Aust Army	1750	0150	Ref movement bridging [illegible] to Brisbane	"	to Capt ROOTER

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(adapted)

WAR DIARY ~~AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

Unit HQ 5 Aust Div Date and Time - From 000, hrs To 2359 hrs 26 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
Townsville	26 Oct	1500 ~~0800~~	District Aviation Meteorological Report	(Appx 52)
		2100	Sitrep to 1800 hrs 26 Oct 42	0229 (Appx 53)
			Lt Gen Sir J D Lavarack KBE CB CMG DSO	
			accompanied by Col Peyton USA Army	
			arrived HQ 5 Aust Div on short visit	

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA — C.M.B. A.16

R.A.A.F. METEOROLOGICAL SERVICE — Townsville Office

District [redacted] Meteorological Report for R.A.A[redacted]

Issued to R.A.A[redacted] G3I on 26/10/42 at 0400 Z (S.T.)

Meteorological Situation:

TRACE of Rain at Townsville.
Some INTERMITTENT light Rain Showers
along Coast.

District Forecast: for period 0400 Z h. 26/10/42 m. to 0400 Z h. 27/10/42 m. (Standard Time)

Weather, Cloud, &c., Scattered To well-broken clouds, decreasing Tonight.
Little obscurity of Sun or Moon.

Visibility 10/15 miles

Winds (surface and upper) Surface winds - ENE/ESE 10/20
Some Gusts to 25/30 mph.

UPPER WINDS OBSERVATIONS AT ALTITUDES ABOVE MEAN SEA LEVEL

Time (S.T.)	Place	300 m. 1,000 ft.		600 m. 2,000 ft.		900 m. 3,000 ft.		1,200 m. 4,000 ft.		1,800 m. 6,000 ft.		2,400 m. 8,000 ft.		3,000 m. 10,000 ft.		3,600 m. 12,000 ft.	
		Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.

DISTRICT METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

me (S.T.)	Place	Present Weather	State of Sea	Vis. Miles	CLOUD Form	CLOUD Low Base Height Station Level (feet)	CLOUD Low Amount (Tenths)	CLOUD Total Amount (Tenths)	Surface Wind Dirn.	Surface Wind Vel. m.p.h.

Signature:—Duty Meteo. Off. Brew.

Telephoned at

B.A.M.S./7.41—C.3006

Appx 53

DISTRIBUTION

To
2 Aust Cav Regt
11 Aust Inf Bde
29 Aust Inf Bde
RAA 5 Aust Div
RAE 5 Aust Div
Sigs 5 Aust Div
1 L of C Sub Area
Mvt & Tn Gp Townsville
G
AQ
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Postal
ALO Townsville
5 Aust Div Rec Corps Rec Camp
Medical
[redacted]
Ord
CRE
File
War Diary

From 5 Aust Div 01229 26

sitrep	to	1800	hrs	26	Oct
(.)	lines	comm	to	5	aust
fd	regt	through	HQ	RAA	exchange
all	informed				

If liable to be intercepted or fall into enemy hands this message must be sent IN CIPHER

J.D. Mellick
Capt

21 Aug.

Army Form C2118
(adapted)

WAR DIARY ~~AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

Unit HQs Aust Dets Date and Time - From 000, 1st To 2359 1st 27 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
Townsville	27th	0830	Duty Staff Offrs Log - Capt RE McLucas	(Appx 54)
		1215	Re-organisation of Dets - Inf Bns	(Appx 55)
			Lieut Gen Lavarack witnessed testing	
			of firing of Bren from behind tree	
Capt			using web eqpt. also testing of camflg	
Abbott			suits which had been dyed by 1 Aust	
			Fd. Mob Laundry & Decon Unit	
		1530	District Aviation Meteorological Report	(Appx 55H)

— DUTY STAFF OFFR'S LOG —

Duty Staff Offr. Capt A R [illegible]

From 0630 hrs on 25 Oct to 0630 hrs on 27 Oct 40

Serial No 1	Originator's No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1	01 58219	[illegible]rsen	1710/25	0040/27	Dec stch of generators acetylene [illegible]	hold	AG
2	AEI 1826A	First Aust Army	2105	0000	Authority for promotion Lt-Col [illegible]	hold	AG
3	AEI 2019A	First Aust Army	2110	0040	Reply our A 20	hold	AG
4	AEI [illegible]	First Aust Army	2110	0040	Transfer of VX1041 S/Capt [illegible] DID	hold	AG

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AG
D.B. Approx

Appx 55

Subject: RE-ORGANISATION OF DIVISIONS - INFANTRY BATTALIONS

HQ 5 Aust Div
27 Oct 42
A.11/12/16
SECRET

11 Aust Inf Bde
29 Aust Inf Bde
HQ RAA 5 Aust Div
GOC
G
Q
ADMS
ADOS
CO Sigs 5 Aust Div
5 Aust Div Fd Cash Office
5 Aust Div Postal Unit
Q'land & NG Army Records Office.

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1. Authority First Aust Army AS/310 of 19 Oct 42.

2. All Inf Bns will be re-organised forthwith in accordance with WE II/12/3 - 54 Offrs, 858 O/Rs, Total 892.

3. The new W.E. deletes MG Coys and provides for an A/Tk Pl of 1 Offr, 53 O/Rs, Total 54 for each Bn.

4. It is considered desirable that an RAA offr with gunnery experience should be posted to the A/Tk Pl of each Bn. As such offrs are not available arrangements will be made to detach suitable offrs for tng with 101 Aust A/Tk Regt.

5. A/Tk Pls may be formed from personnel of the disbanded MG Coys. Cadres from each Inf Bn will be attached to 101 Aust A/Tk Regt for a period of training.

6. All equipment not required in accordance with W.E.T. will be returned to Ord immediately. Approval is given for surplus machine guns to be retained by units of 11 Aust Inf Bde until further instructed.

7. Progress report is to be furnished to this HQ not later than 6 Nov 42. Report is to include a nominal roll of any surplus offrs and NCOs.

Nominal roll (in triplicate) is also required of tradesmen who cannot be absorbed within W.E., showing the following particulars:-

No.	Name	Rank (Acting or lance to be indicated)	Med Category	Trade or Specialist Classification

War Diary

D. J. Nicolson. Major
for Lt.-Col
A.A. & Q.M.G. 5 Aust Div

Army Form C2118
(adapted)

WAR DIARY ~~AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

Unit HQ 5 Aust Div Date and Time - From 000 hrs To 2359 hrs 28 Oct

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
Townsville	28 Oct	0830	Duty Staff Offs Log - Capt E L Dixon	(Appx 5C)
			Lieut Gen Sir J D Lavarack & Col Potts	
			a/c HQ 5 Aust Div.	
Cable		1746	Air Raid Message Yellow	
Cable		1821	Air Raid Message White	
			All aft identified.	
		2000	V.D.C Guidus Queensland	(Appx 5A)
		1520	District Aviation Meteorological Report	(Appx 5B)

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA 1JPR2559 C.M.B. A.16

R.A.A.F. METEOROLOGICAL SERVICE Townsville Office

District Aviation Meteorological Report for R.A.A.F.

Issued to R.A.A.F. [redacted] 5th Div. Townsville-G3-I. on 27/10/42 at 0400Z (S.T.)

Meteorological Situation:

No Rainfall.

District Forecast: for period 0430Z a. 27/10 m. to 0430Z a. 28/10 m. (Standard Time)

Weather, Cloud, &c., Scattered to broken clouds. Clouds decreasing tonight and increasing again in morning. Little obscurity of sun or moon.

Visibility 10/15 mile Slight haze or mist in morning.

Winds (surface and upper) Surface wind ENE/ESE 10/20 mph. Some gusts in afternoon to 25 mph

UPPER WINDS OBSERVATIONS AT ALTITUDES ABOVE MEAN SEA LEVEL

Time (S.T.)	Place	300 m. 1,000 ft.		600 m. 2,000 ft.		900 m. 3,000 ft.		1,200 m. 4,000 ft.		1,600 m. 6,000 ft.		2,400 m. 8,000 ft.		3,000 m. 10,000 ft.		3,600 m. 12,000 ft.	
		Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.	Dirn.	m.p.h.

DISTRICT METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

Time (S.T.)	Place	Present Weather	State of Sea	Vis. Miles	CLOUD Form	CLOUD Low Base Height Station Level (feet)	CLOUD Low Amount (Tenths)	CLOUD Total Amount (Tenths)	Surface Wind Dirn.	Surface Wind Vel. m.p.h.

Signature:—Duty Meteo. Off. [signature] Telephoned at

D.4088/7.41—C.8008

Appx 6A

SECRET

Subject : VDC GUIDES - QUEENSLAND

HQ 5 Aust Div
28 Oct 42
G1214

DISTRIBUTION : List "B".

1. It may become necessary for formations and/or units to move into areas with which they are not familiar. Rds, brs, and transport routes may be damaged or blocked; the topography of the area may not be familiar to the incoming troops when selecting bivouac or camping sites, taking up defensive positions, moving along unknown routes or across country strange to them.

2. It is possible that the area may be one in which a detachment of the VDC has been formed and, in order to make use of the local knowledge of the members of that organisation, a number of them have been selected from each platoon who are thoroughly conversant with the topography of the locality, and who can act as guides.

3. In the selection of these men, Corps HQ VDC, QUEENSLAND L of C Area issued instructions that the men must be specially selected for the work and possess the following qualifications:-

(a) A sound knowledge of bushcraft.

(b) A thorough knowledge of the topography of the area, especially those features that would be of most value for military purposes, such as rds, detours, brs, water sup, and bush tracks; must know all the approaches and exits to and from town or district; where doctors, police and amb stations, and telephones are to be found.

(c) Have initiative and commonsense.

(d) Be physically fit and be able to guide a patrol or unit across rough country if necessary, by night or day.

4. Att Appx "A" shows the Guides which have been organised to date in the area north of incl AYR.

A.D.M. Lucas Capt
for Lt-Col
GS 5 Aust Div

Dan Leary

Form 118.

Approved.

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR, METEOROLOGICAL BRANCH.

District Aviation Forecast for R.A.A.F. Station Townsville

Issued from Meteorological Office Townsville

at 0420Z hours. 28 Date:

(Forecast covers period of 6 hours from time of issue.)

Meteorological Situation:

Scattered light showers reported along coast & eastern slopes.
6 points at Townsville

Forecast:

Weather, Cloud, &c.

Half clouded to broken cloud base 2500' tops 5/9000'. Sun obscured at times. Few light showers expected

Visibility

10/15 miles

Winds (surface and upper).

E/SE 20/30 m.p.h. and gusty.

Duty Meteorologist [signature]

Telephoned at _____

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M.207/9.40—C.10823.

VDC GUIDES - QUEENSLAND

SECRET
Appx "A"
To G1214 of 28 Oct 42

Gp	Bn	Coy	Pl	AREA COVERED	NAME OF GUIDE LEADER	ADDRESS	PHONE NO	NEAREST PHONE	STRENGTH OF SUB-UNITS (GUIDES)	REMARKS
D	16	A	1	TOWNSVILLE & DIST	SHORT, S	42 Mitchell St NORTH WARD	1122		6	
"	"	"	2	"	WARREN, H A	11 Cleveland Terrace TOWNSVILLE	705		6	
"	"	"	3	WOODSTOCK & DIST	CRABB, J W	WOODSTOCK	W'stock 3		6	
"	"	B	4	TOWNSVILLE & DIST	TONG, L H	24 Cook St, N.W. TOWNSVILLE	538		6	
"	"	"	5	"	BROWN, A T	22 Queen St., N.W. TOWNSVILLE	1225		6	
"	"	"	6	"	CHRISTENSEN, T	Warburton St, N.W. TOWNSVILLE	14		6	
"	"	C	7	"	CRAIG, C F	Ford St, HERMIT PARK, TOWNSVILLE	1386		6	
"	"	"	8	"	STRIKE, W	38 Conroy St, WEST END TOWNSVILLE		1236	6	
"	"	"	9	"	HODGETTS, G R	6 Willmot St, Malton TOWNSVILLE		1060	6	
"	"	D	10	HOME HILL & DIST	BRUNSKILL, R	HOME HILL		HH PO	6	
"	"	"	11	" "	BELL, S	" "	HH 114		6	
"	"	"	12	" "	FOWLER, G	Up River, HOME HILL	Arken-deith		10	
"	"	E	13	AYR & DIST	DOBBIN, C A	Graham St, AYR	Ayr 141		6	
"	"	"	14	"	LUDWIG, F W	Ivanhoe, AYR		PO	6	
"	"	"	15	"	THOMPSON, R E	Kalamia, AYR		Ayr 16	6	
"	"	F	16	INGHAM & DIST	GOUGH, D T	Hawkins Ck, INGHAM	Hawkins 3		6	
"	"	"	17	"	FRANCIS, C F	Macnade, INGHAM		Halifax 4	6	
"	"	"	18	" & EWAN	REDDIE, W	Shrimp Battery, via INGHAM		Ewan PO	6	

Gp	Bn	Coy	Pl	AREA COVERED	NAME OF GUIDE LEADER	ADDRESS	PHONE NO	NEAREST PHONE	STRENGTH OF SUB UNIT (GUIDES)	REMARKS
D	18	A	2 & 3	BARADGEE, GARRADUNGA, INNISFAIL, HEM. CK	SMITH, J H	INNISFAIL	446 or 519		6	
"	"	B	4 & 5	BABINDA CK to GARRA-DUNGA, DEERAL	SIMMONDS, W H	BABINDA	16 or 202		7	
"	"	C	7	EL ARISH, CLUMP PT, COASTAL AREAS TULLY to SILKWOOD, LIVERPOOL CK, JAPOON	JOHNSON, J	EL ARISH	El Arish 40		4	
"	"	"	8	CARDWELL, NORTH to EL ARISH & RANGES & BACK COUNTRY	MALLACHY, W G O	TULLY	Tully 68		3	
"	"	"	9	MILLAA MILLAA and DISTRICT	HENNESSY, J D	MILLAA MILLAA	Millaa Millaa 15		4	
"	"	"	11	RAVENSHOE & DIST	DANIEL, E	RAVENSHOE		Ravens-hoe 10	3	
"	"	"	11	RAVENSHOE & DIST TUHOULIN & DIST	FORAN, R F	RAVENSHOE			4	

— DUTY STAFF OFFRS LOG —

Duty Staff Offr. Capt E L EDSON .

From 0830 hrs on 27 Oct 48 to 0830 hrs on 28 Oct 48

Serial No 1	Originator's No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1	01602	First Amer Army	1800	2300	First Army sitrep	Hold	GXXI(O)

Army Form C2118
(adapted)

WAR DIARY ~~AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

Unit HQ 5 Aust Div Date and Time - From 0001 hrs To 2357 hrs 29 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
Townsville	29 Oct	0720	Air Raid Message Yellow	
		0736	Air Raid Message White	
			Cancel 1 message	
		0830	Duty Staff Offr Log. Capt T.D. Mellick	(Appx 57)
		0900	5 Aust Div Location Statement No 11	(Appx 58) Nil Return G/317
		1530	District Aviation Meteorological Forecast	(Appx 59)
		2150	Situp to 1800 hrs 29 Oct 42	(Appx 60) 0256

— DUTY STAFF OFFRS LOG —

AQ
[redacted]

App x 57

Duty Staff Offr.....[redacted].....

From [redacted] hrs on [redacted] to [redacted] hrs on [redacted]

Serial No 1	Originator's No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1	A2182	Flight Asst ATS	2130	0050	Interstate leave trains	Held	AQ
2		[redacted]	0730		Air Raid Yellow	Passed to subscribers shown on Air Raid Warning Register	
3		[redacted]	0739		Air Raid White		

Appx 88

MOST SECRET

Copy No 20

Subject : 5 AUST DIV LOCATION STATEMENT NO 14

Hq 5 Aust Div
29 Oct 42
G1217

	Copy No
First Aust Army	1 - 2
11 Aust Inf Bde	3
29 Aust Inf Bde	4
2 Aust Cav Regt	5
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RAE 5 Aust Div	7
Sigs 5 Aust Div	8
1 L of C Sub Area	9
Movt & Tn Gp TOWNSVILLE	10-11
ALO TOWNSVILLE	12
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1. Herewith 5 Aust Div Location Statement No 14 as at 2359 hrs 28 Oct 42.

2. It is requested that any errors noted in this statement be notified to this HQ by formations or units concerned.

3. Please destroy Location Statement No 13, complete the att certificate of acknowledgment and return it to this HQ.

J. Y. Northcott, Lt-Col
for Maj-Gen
GOC 5 Aust Div

_____(Unit)

_____(Date)

HQ 5 Aust Div

Receipt of Copy No _____ of 5 Aust Div Location Statement No 14 is acknowledged.

Copy No _____ of 5 Aust Div Location Statement No 13 has been destroyed.

_____(Name)

_____(Rank)

_____(Appt)

MOST SECRET

Att to G1217 of 29 Oct 42

5 AUST DIV LOCATION STATEMENT NO 14

as at 2359 hrs 28 Oct 42

Serial No	FORMATION OR UNIT	Veh No	LOCATION	MAP REFERENCE	MOVES PROJECTED	COMMUNICATIONS	REMARKS
-	HQ						
1	HQ 5 Aust Div	84	DICK CK	T'VILLE 947738		T'ville 1930-1-2-3	
2	5 Aust Div Sec Int Corps	84	DICK CK	T'VILLE 947738		Div switch	
3	"Q" Aust FS Sec	84	DICK CK	T'VILLE 947738		Div switch	
4	Det First Aust Army PR Fd Unit		TOWNSVILLE	T'VILLE 942860		T'ville 1980 Extn 128	
5	1 Aust Fd Censorship Sec		TOWNSVILLE	T'VILLE 942860		T'ville 1980 Extn 123	
	CAV						
8	2 Aust Cav Regt (less one pl), "C" Sec Sigs 5 Aust Div, and 298 Aust LAD	92	ARTILLERY HILL	MT ELLIOT SPECIAL 181410		W/T and DRLS	Cable in course of construction
8a	One mot pl 2 Aust Cav Regt	92	CHUNDA BAY	T'VILLE 174816		W/T through 2 Aust Cav Regt	
	ARTY						
10	HQ RAA 5 Aust Div	69	DICK CK	T'VILLE 946734		Div switch Extn 7	
11	5 Aust Fd Regt, "E" Sec Sigs 5 Aust Div and 203 Aust LAD	74	MUNTALUNGA	T'VILLE 016755		Through RAA switch	

Serial No	FORMATION OR UNIT	Veh No	LOCATION	MAP REFERENCE	MOVES PROJECTED	COMMUNICATIONS	REMARKS
12	HQ 101 Aust A Tk Regt "H" Sec Sigs 5 Aust Div 240 Aust LAD	62	CLUDEN	T'VILLE 943768		T'ville 250 U, also through R&A switch	
12a	1 Bty 101 Aust A Tk Regt	62	CLUDEN	T'VILLE 943771			
13	2/5 Aust Svy Bty		CLUDEN	T'VILLE 948769			
14	1 Mob Mot Flt		DICK CK	T'VILLE 947734			
	ENGRS						
17	HQ RAE 5 Aust Div	81	DICK CK	T'VILLE 946734		T'ville 1932 Extn 6	
18	55 Aust Fd Pk Coy and 284 Aust LAD	67	SELLHEIM	CHARTERS TOWERS 478950		Sellheim 2 Extn 7	
19	One Sec 1 Aust Fd Svy Coy	288	JACKY JACKY				
20	5 Aust Div CTU	73	TOWNSVILLE	T'VILLE 907812		T'ville 1939	
	SIGS						
23	Sigs 5 Aust Div less C E F G H J K & L Secs 202 Aust LAD	66	DICK CK	T'VILLE 960723		Div switch Extn 16	
24	5 Aust Div Cipher Sec	66	DICK CK	T'VILLE 952738		Div switch	
	AASC						
27	HQ Comd AASC 5 Aust Div	59	BROOKHILL	T'VILLE 956714		BROOKHILL 5 & Div switch Extn 15	
28	Det 25 Aust Coy AASC	97	BROOKHILL	T'VILLE 951708	FALL RIVER	BROOKHILL Exchange	
	AAMC						
31	6 Aust CCS	297	HAUGHTON VALLEY	MINGELA 775140		L of C DRLS	

Serial No	FORMATION OR UNIT	Veh No	LOCATION	MAP REFERENCE	MOVES PROJECTED	COMMUNICATIONS	REMARKS
32	"C" Sec 8 MAC	245	HAUGHTON VALLEY	MINGELA 765139		L of C DRLS	Dets CHARTERS TOWERS, WATTEN, LITTLE MULGRAVE
33	HQ 79 Aust Dental Unit		TOWNSVILLE	T'VILLE 940860	Moving DICK CK	T'ville 1980	
33a	Det HQ 79 Aust Dental Unit		DICK CK	T'VILLE 947738	Moving BLUE-WATER CK		Att HQ 5 Aust Div
33b	A Sec 79 Aust Dental Unit		BROOKHILL	T'VILLE 956714		Brookhill 5, Div switch	
33c	B Sec 79 Aust Dental Unit		BLACK R	T'VILLE 732906		Div Switch	
33d	C Sec 79 Aust Dental Unit		ROSS R	T'VILLE 824786		T'ville 2006	
33e	D Sec 79 Aust Dental Unit		BLUEWATER CK		Moving TOWNSVILLE		
34	HQ 2/1 Aust Dental Unit		CAIRNS		Moving FRESHWATER area		
34a	A Sec 2/1 Aust Dental Unit		CAIRNS		Moving JACKY JACKY		
34b	B Sec 2/1 Aust Dental Unit		CAIRNS		Moving COOKTOWN		
34c	C Sec 2/1 Aust Dental Unit		CAIRNS		Moving ROCKY CK		
34d	F Sec 2/1 Aust Dental Unit		CAIRNS		Moving YATEE		
35	1 Aust Mob Hyg and Bact Lab	271	TOONPAN	MT ELLIOT 957563		Reid R Exchange	
36	9 Anti Malarial Control Unit		CAIRNS	CAIRNS 738694		Medical DRLS CAIRNS 2826	
37	5 Aust Camp Hosp		ROCKY CK	ATHERTON 4 mls 097056		TOLGA 15 DRLS from 19 Aust Fd Amb	

Serial No	FORMATION OR UNIT	Veh No	LOCATION	MAP REFERENCE	MOVES PROJECTED	COMMUNICATIONS	REMARKS
	AACC						
40	5 Aust Div Ord Wkshop loss 102 & 104 Secs	76	AITKENVALE	T'VILLE 868812		Div switch	
41	5 Aust Div Ord Fd Pk loss 102 & 104 Secs	83	AITKENVALE	T'VILLE 868812		Div switch	
42	1 Aust Mob Laundry and Fwd Decn Unit less det	51	OONOONDA	T'VILLE 941815		T'ville 1315	
42a	Det 1 Aust Mob Laundry & Fwd Decn Unit	51	WATTEN				
	PRO						
45	5 Aust Div Pro Less 3 Secs	95	AITKENVALE	T'VILLE 889807		Div switch	
	PAY						
46	5 Aust Div Fd Cash Office	87	DICK CK	T'VILLE 947738		Div switch, Extn 10	
	POSTAL						
47	5 Aust Div Postal Unit less three bdc gp dets	55	DICK CK	T'VILLE 947738		Div switch, Extn 10	
	MISC						
48	5 Aust Div Salv Unit	78	PARTINGTON	T'VILLE 993754		DRLS	
49	102 Aust Mob Bath Unit	79					
50	5 Aust Div Sec Corps Rec Camp	98	BROCKHILL	T'VILLE 957725		BROCKHILL 9	NOT in Div Area

Serial No	FORMATION OR UNIT	Veh No	LOCATION	MAP REFERENCE	MOVES PROJECTED	COMMUNICATIONS	REMARKS
	11 AUST INF BDE GP						
51	HQ 11 Aust Inf Bde "K" Sec Sigs 5 Aust Div	96	CAIRNS	CAIRNS 677742		CAIRNS 9205 W/T	
51a	242 Aust LAD	96	JACKY JACKY				
52	2/3 Aust Fd Regt, less 53 Bty and one tp; "G" Sec Sigs 5 Aust Div; 2/41 LAD	53	CAIRNS	CAIRNS 664736		Bde DRLS	
52a	Det HQ 53 Bty 2/3 Aust Fd Regt plus one tp	53	JACKY JACKY				
52b	HQ 53 Bty 2/3 Aust Fd Regt less det plus one tp	53	PORTLAND ROS				
52c	Det HQ 5 Bty 2/3 Aust Fd Regt plus one tp	53	COOKTOWN				
53	2 Bty 101 Aust A Tk Regt less one tp	62	CAIRNS	CAIRNS 673742		Bde DRLS	
53a	One tp 2 Bty 101 Aust A Tk Regt	62	JACKY JACKY				
54	16 Aust Fd Coy less 2 secs and two subsecs of 1 and 3 secs	89	CAIRNS	CAIRNS 663710		Bde DRLS	
54a	2 sec 16 Aust Fd Coy	89	JACKY JACKY				
54b	One sub sec 1 sec 16 Aust Fd Coy	89	PORTLAND ROS				
54c	One sub sec 2 sec 16 Aust Fd Coy	89	COOKTOWN				
54d	One subsec 3 sec 16 Aust Fd Coy	89	COEN				
55	26 Aust Inf Bn less "A" Coy Gp	63	CAIRNS	CAIRNS 573821		Bde DRLS & W/T KURANDA 20	
56a	"A" Coy Gp 26 Aust Inf Bn	63	PORTLAND ROS	CAIRS DIRECTION 8 mls 681391			

Serial No	FORMATION OR UNIT	Veh No	LOCATION	MAP REFERENCE	MOVES PROJECTED	COMMUNICATIONS	REMARKS
57	31 Aust Inf Bn	61	JACKY JACKY	CAPE YORK 8 ml 571589		W/T	
58	51 Aust Inf Bn less "B" Coy Gp	71	CAIRNS	GORDONVALE 724544		GORDONVALE 33D then DR. W/T	
58a	"B" Coy Gp 51 Aust Inf Bn	71	COOKTOWN	COOKTOWN 4 ml 297047			
59	26 Coy AASC less 1 pl	64	CAIRNS	CAIRNS 688660		CAIRNS 2668 Bde DRLS	
59a	One pl 26 Coy AASC	64	JACKY JACKY				
60	19 Aust Fd Amb less one lt sec	70	KURANDA	CAIRNS 576815		KURANDA 6	
60a	One lt sec 19 Aust Fd Amb	70	JACKY JACKY				
61	A coy 4 Aust Fd Amb		Moving JACKY JACKY				
62	One sec 5 Aust Div Pro Coy	95	CAIRNS	CAIRNS 738688		CAIRNS 2078 DR Bde DRLS	
63	102 Sec 5 Aust Div Ord Wkshop less two dets	76	CAIRNS	CAIRNS 691719			
63a	Det 102 Sec 5 Aust Div Ord Wkshop	76	PORTLAND RDS				
63b	Det 102 Sec 5 Aust Div Ord Wkshop	76	COOKTOWN				
64	102 Sec 5 Aust Div Ord Fd Pk	83	CAIRNS	CAIRNS 691718		Bde DRLS	
65	Det 5 Aust Div Postal Unit	55	CAIRNS				
	29 AUST INF BDE GP						
68	HQ 29 Aust Inf Bde; "L" Sec Sigs 5 Aust Div; 312 Aust LAD	65	BLUEWATER	MAGNETIC WEST 638960		Div switch, W/T, DRLS	
69	17 Aust Fd Regt; "F" Sec Sigs 5 Aust Div; 309 Aust LAD	75	BLACK R	MAGNETIC WEST 722896		Div switch; R/A switch	

Serial No	FORMATION OR UNIT	Veh No	LOCATION	MAP REFERENCE	MOVES INDICATED	COMMUNICATIONS	REMARKS
70	3 Bty 101 Aust A Tk Regt	62	YABULU	MAGNETIC WEST 697920		Through Bde switch	
71	11 Aust Fd Coy less 1 and 2 secs	60	INGHAM	INGHAM 4 ml 045032	PARTINGTON	Runner at INGHAM 20	
71a	1 sec 11 Aust Fd Coy	60	PARTINGTON	T'VILLE 994746		H/C orderly	
71b	2 sec 11 Aust Fd Coy	60	HT SLEC	T'VILLE 4 ml 045069		H/C orderly	
72	15 Aust Inf Bn	82	BLUEWATER CK	MAGNETIC WEST 624967		Fd cable through Bde switch	
73	42 Aust Inf Bn	91	ALTHAUS CK	MAGNETIC WEST 661942			
74	47 Aust Inf Bn	85	BLACK R	MAGNETIC WEST 732906			
75	27 Coy AASC	72	AITKENVALE	T'VILLE 867807		DRLS	
76	7 Aust Fd Amb less B Coy	57	TOONPAN	MT ELLIOT 957563		Reid R exchange, also Medical DRLS	
76a	B Coy 7 Aust Fd Amb	57	BLACK R	MAGNETIC WEST 732896		Medical DRLS	
77	One sec 5 Aust Div Pro Coy	95	AITKENVALE	T'VILLE 869807		Div switch	
78	104 Sec 5 Aust Div Ord Wkshop	76	AITKENVALE	T'VILLE 868812		Div switch	
79	104 Sec 5 Aust Div Ord Fd Pk	83	AITKENVALE	T'VILLE 868812		Div switch	
80	Det 5 Aust Div Postal Unit	55	BLUEWATER	MAGNETIC WEST 630960		Through Bde Switch	

NOTE : All maps referred to are 1 in to 1 ml except where otherwise stated.

War Diary
Form 118.
Appx 59

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR, METEOROLOGICAL BRANCH.

District Aviation Forecast for R.A.A.F. Station Townsville

Issued from Meteorological Office Townsville

at 0430Z/29 hours. Date:

(Forecast covers period of 6 hours from time of issue.)

Meteorological Situation:

Few light showers reported along the ranges and coast.

Forecast:

Weather, Cloud, &c.

Broken high & middle cloud. Half clouded broken cumulus occasionally obscuring sun & moon. Few light showers at night along the ranges and coast.

Visibility

Fair 10 miles

Winds (surface and upper).

E/NE 10/20 m.p.h.

Duty Meteorologist [signature]

Telephoned at _____

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M.507/9.40—C.10833.

Appx 60

TO

2 Aust Cav Regt
11 Aust Inf Bde
29 Aust Inf Bde
RAA 5 Aust Div
RAE 5 Aust Div
Sigs 5 Aust Div
1 L of C Sub Area
5 Aust Div Sce Corps Rec Camp
Mvt & Tn Cp TOWNSVILLE
G
AQ

AASC
Postal
ALO TOWNSVILLE
Medical
Ord
CRE
File
War Diary (2) ✓

From 5 Aust Div 0 1256 29

Sitrep	to	1800	hrs	28	oct
(.)	284	LAD	from	SELLHEIM	ref
map	CHARTERS	TOWERS	1	inch	478950
to	DICK	CK	ref	map	TOWNSVILLE
SPECIAL	946734				

If liable to be intercepted or fall into enemy hands this message must be sent IN CIPHER

W A Cooper
Capt

2150

Army Form C2118
(adapted)

WAR DIARY ~~AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

Unit Hdqrs Aust Div Date and Time - From 0001 hrs To 2359 hrs 30 Oct 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
Jacksonville	30 Oct	1530	District Aviation Meteorological Forecast	(Appx 61)
		1915	Situp to 1800 hrs 30 Oct 42	(Appx W) 0.262
	Capt	1100	101 Cmt. A Tk Regt mounted	
			gd conv Hdqrs Aust Div. Sgt of	
			gd Sgt Hd Wiltshire	

10 Day Diary

Form 118.

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR, METEOROLOGICAL BRANCH. Apr 61.

District Aviation Forecast for R.A.A.F. Station Townsville

Issued from Meteorological Office Townsville

at 0430 hours. Date: 2/20

(Forecast covers period of 6 hours from time of issue.)

Meteorological Situation:

Scattered showers reported along the ranges and coast.
Townsville - 2 points.
Cardwell - 8 points.

Forecast:

Weather, Cloud, &c.

Broken Cu base 3000'. Broken high & middle cloud. Showers along coast, and eastern slopes. Moon & sun frequently obscured.

Visibility

Vis 10 miles Hazy.

Winds (surface and upper).

E/SE 15/20 gusty decreasing after midnight.

Duty Meteorologist [signature]

Telephoned at _____

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M.307/9.60—C.10855.

Appx 62

TO

2 Aust Cav Regt
11 Aust Inf Bde
29 Aust Inf Bde
HAA 5 Aust Div
HAR 5 Aust Div
Sigs 5 Aust Div
1 L of C Sub Area
5 Aust Div Sec Corps Rec Camp
Mvt & Tn Cp TOWNSVILLE
G
AQ
AASC
Postal
ALO TOWNSVILLE
Medical
Ord
CRE
File
War Diary (2)

FROM 5 Aust Div 01252 30

sitrep	to	1800	hrs	30	oct
(.)	line	comm	2	aust	cav
regt	through	exchange	these	Hq	(.)
phone	number	5	AGH	TOLGA	15

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1915

J.K. Watch Maj.

Wm Joyce

Army Form C2118
(adapted)

WAR DIARY ~~AND INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

Unit HQ 5 Aust Div Date and Time - From 0001 Hrs To 2359 Hrs 31 Dec 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c
Townsville	31 Dec	0830	Duty Staff Offs Log. Lieut C.C. Squire	(Apps 63)
		1520	District Aviation Meteorological Forecast	(Apps 64)

— DUTY STAFF OFFRS LOG —

Appx 63

Duty Staff Offr. Lieut J. J. SQUIRE .....

From 0830 hrs on 30 Oct to 0830 hrs on 31 Oct 42

Serial No 1	Originator's No 2	Originator 3	T.O.O. 4	T.O.R. 5	PARTICULARS 6	ACTION 7	DISPOSAL 8
1	M 202	19 Aust Fd Amb	0900 29/10	0700	Re Pte WILSON Court Martial	hold	To ADMS Copy to A

War Diary

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COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR, METEOROLOGICAL BRANCH.

A.A.A. 64.

District Aviation Forecast for R.A.A.F. Station Townsville

Issued from Meteorological Office _____

at 0430Z hours. Date: 31/10/42.

(Forecast covers period of 6 hours from time of issue.)

Meteorological Situation:

G 31

Head Quarters
5th Division

Forecast:

Weather, Cloud, &c.

Remaining generally O/coast with occasional scattered showers and rain with occasional obscured and low vis. overnight and tomorrow [redacted] when sun chiefly obscured — gusty SE/E winds afternoon and early evening: the rain extending to inland ranges as well as coastal.

Visibility

Winds (surface and upper).

Rainfall: Innisfail 30 pts. Herberton 20 pts. St. Lawrence 28 pts. } 2200/29Z to 2200/30Z

Expected following 24 hours: Slightly heavier falls

Duty Meteorologist _____

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NOTE 1.—
The forecast applies to an area surrounding the R.A.A.F. Station to a distance of a 100 miles. The meteorological situation described is that covering conditions over the forecast area and usually covers a wider region.

NOTE 2.—
Special warnings are to be supplied immediately whenever it is seen that severe changes, rapid deterioration of flying weather, storms or gales are imminent. Such warnings will be entered on fresh forms 118 and filed.

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